Pit to prevent development of a pit lake in the Genesis pit, expand the Section 36 and Section 5 waste rock disposal facilities, construct the necessary haul roads and access roads, and process 60 million tons of gold-bearing ore. The proposed project would disturb an additional 43 acres (25 acres of public land and 18 acres of private land) and provide for continued mining activities on approximately 1,092 acres of previously disturbed lands. The Draft EIS analyzed impacts of the proposed action and no action alternatives, and identified measures to mitigate adverse impacts. Major issues addressed in the Draft EIS include: (1) The cumulative impacts of mining and related actions on affected resources, for example water quality and quantity, in the Carlin Trend; (2) the release of mercury associated with processing the 60 million tons of ore; (3) the impacts of 12 additional years of mining as it relates to continued employment and economic activity for the local area; and (4) the impact of a pit lake forming under the no action alternative, but not in the action alternative. The NEPA analysis considered wilderness characteristics and complies with Secretarial Order 3310.

The proposed action includes an adaptive management plan which was analyzed in the Draft EIS and included as an appendix to the Draft EIS. The Draft EIS was released for public review on April 23, 2010, for a 45-day comment period. A public comment meeting was held in Elko, Nevada on May 19, 2010.

The Final EIS has been prepared in an abbreviated format, and includes comments on the Draft EIS and the BLM’s responses along with minor modifications and corrections to the Draft EIS.

Authority: 40 CFR 1506.6 and 1506.10.

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National Park Service Alaska Region’s Subsistence Resource Commission (SRC) Program

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting for the National Park Service Alaska Region’s Subsistence Resource Commission (SRC) program.

SUMMARY: The Gates of the Arctic National Park SRC will meet to develop and continue work on National Park Service (NPS) subsistence hunting program recommendations and other related subsistence management issues. The NPS SRC program is authorized under Title VIII, Section 808 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, Public Law 96–487, to operate in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

Public Availability of Comments: This meeting is open to the public and will have time allocated for public testimony. The public is welcome to present written or oral comments to the SRC. This meeting will be recorded and...