

The BLM will use the NEPA public participation requirements to assist the agency in satisfying the public involvement requirements under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) (16 U.S.C. 470(f)) pursuant to 36 CFR 800.2(d)(3). The information about historic and cultural resources within the area potentially affected by the proposed action will assist the BLM in identifying and evaluating impacts to such resources in the context of both NEPA and Section 106 of the NHPA.

The BLM will consult with Indian tribes on a government-to-government basis in accordance with Executive Order 13175 and other policies. Tribal concerns, including impacts on Indian trust assets and potential impacts to cultural resources, will be given due consideration. Federal, State, and local agencies, along with tribes and other stakeholders that may be interested in or affected by the proposed action that the BLM is evaluating, are invited to participate in the scoping process and, if eligible, may request or be requested by the BLM to participate in the development of the environmental analysis as a cooperating agency. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. The BLM will evaluate identified issues to be addressed in the plan, and will place them into one of three categories:

1. Issues to be resolved in the plan amendment;
2. Issues to be resolved through policy or administrative action; or
3. Issues beyond the scope of this plan amendment.

The BLM will provide an explanation in the EA as to why an issue was placed in category two or three. The public is also encouraged to help identify any management questions and concerns that should be addressed in the plan. The BLM will work collaboratively with interested parties to identify the management decisions that are best suited to local, regional, and national needs and concerns.

The BLM will use an interdisciplinary approach to develop the plan amendments in order to consider the variety of resource issues and concerns identified. Specialists with expertise in the following disciplines will be

involved in the planning process: lands and realty, rangeland management, minerals and geology, forestry, outdoor recreation, archaeology, paleontology, wildlife and fisheries, hydrology, and soils.

Authorities: 43 U.S.C. 1713(a); 43 CFR 1610.5–5 & 43 CFR 2710.

Allen Sieglitz,
District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey; Montana

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of filing of plats of survey.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will file the plat of survey of the lands described below in the BLM Montana State Office, Billings, Montana, on November 19, 2012.

DATES: Protests of the survey must be filed before November 19, 2012 to be considered.

ADDRESSES: Protests of the survey should be sent to the Branch of Cadastral Survey, Bureau of Land Management, 5001 Southgate Drive, Billings, Montana 59101–4669.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marvin Montoya, Cadastral Surveyor, Branch of Cadastral Survey, Bureau of Land Management, 5001 Southgate Drive, Billings, Montana 59101–4669, telephone (406) 896–5124 or (406) 896–5009, Marvin_Montoya@blm.gov.

Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This survey was executed at the request of the Regional Realty Officer, Northwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Portland, Oregon, and was necessary to determine individual and tribal trust lands.

The lands we surveyed are:

Principal Meridian, Montana
T. 22 N., R. 20 W.

The plat, in seven sheets, representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the south and east boundaries, the subdivisional lines, the adjusted original meanders of the former left and right banks of the Flathead River, downstream, through sections 5 and 8, the meanders of North and South Pablo and Polson Reservoirs (fixed and limiting boundaries) and the subdivision of certain sections, and the survey of a portion of the southerly right-of-way of U.S. Highway 93 in section 4, certain parcels in sections 4 and 17 and a metes and bounds description, Tract A, in section 29, Township 22 North, Range 20 West, Principal Meridian, Montana was accepted September 28, 2012.

We will place a copy of the plat, in seven sheets, and related field notes we described in the open files. They will be available to the public as a matter of information. If the BLM receives a protest against this survey, as shown on this plat, in seven sheets, prior to the date of the official filing, we will stay the filing pending our consideration of the protest. We will not officially file this plat, in seven sheets, until the day after we have accepted or dismissed all protests and they have become final, including decisions or appeals.

Authority: 43 U.S.C. chapter 3.

James D. Clafin,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Division of Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Proposed Withdrawal Extension and Notification of a Public Meeting for the East Fork Elk Winter Range; WY

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Policy, Management and Budget proposes to extend the duration of Public Land Order (PLO) No. 6960, as corrected by PLO No. 6980, for an additional 20-year term. PLO No. 6960 withdrew 10,535.30 acres of public mineral estate from location or entry under the United States mining laws, to protect the East Fork Elk Winter Range and elk natural feeding grounds in Fremont County. This notice gives an opportunity for the public to comment on the proposed withdrawal extension and announces the date, time, and location of a public meeting.

DATES: We must receive comments on or before January 16, 2013. We will hold a public meeting on December 3, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments to the State Director, Bureau of Land Management, Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone Road, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janelle Wrigley, Bureau of Land Management, Wyoming State Office, 307-775-6257, or at the above address. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to reach the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) contact during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The withdrawal created by PLO No. 6960 (58 FR 16628 (1993)), as corrected by PLO No. 6980 (58 FR 33025 (1993)), will expire on March 29, 2013, unless extended. PLO No. 6960 is incorporated herein by reference. The BLM has filed a petition/application to extend PLO No. 6960 for an additional 20-year term. The PLO withdrew 10,535.30 acres of public mineral estate from location or entry under the United States mining laws, to protect the East Fork Elk Winter Range and elk natural feeding grounds.

The proposed withdrawal extension would continue to protect the elk and bighorn sheep winter range, feeding grounds, and capital investments for an additional 20-year term.

The use of a right-of-way, interagency, or cooperative agreement would not adequately constrain nondiscretionary uses which could result in permanent loss of significant values and irreplaceable resources of the range.

There are no suitable alternative sites since the lands contain an area that elk and bighorn sheep have historically used as winter range, because of the physical characteristics of the lands and the local weather conditions.

The purpose of the requested withdrawal extension does not require water rights.

You may examine records relating to the application by contacting Janelle Wrigley at the above address or by telephone: 307-775-6257, or the BLM Lander Field Office, Field Manager, 1335 Main Street, Lander, Wyoming 82520 or by telephone: 307-332-8400.

For a period until January 16, 2013, all persons who wish to submit comments, suggestions, or objections in connection with the proposed

withdrawal extension may present their views in writing to the BLM Wyoming State Director at the address noted above. Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the BLM Lander Field Office, 1335 Main Street, Lander, Wyoming, during regular business hours 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

We will hold a public meeting in connection with the proposed withdrawal extension on December 3, 2012, at the Dubois Town Hall, 712 Meckem, Dubois, Wyoming from 4:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. We will publish a notice of the time and place in at least one local newspaper no less than 30 days before the scheduled meeting date. Interested parties may make oral statements and may file written statements at the meeting. We will consider all statements received before we submit any recommendation concerning the proposed extension to the Assistant Secretary for final action.

We will process this withdrawal extension proposal in accordance with the regulations set forth in 43 CFR 2310.1-2.

Authority: 43 CFR 2310.3-1.

Larry Claypool,

Acting Wyoming State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Proposed Withdrawal of Public Land for the Buffalo Bill Dam and Reservoir Modification Project Recreation Site and Opportunity for a Public Meeting; WY

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Reclamation (BR) has filed an application with the

Bureau of Land Management (BLM) requesting the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Policy, Management and Budget to withdraw 32.56 acres of public land from settlement, sale, location, and entry under the general land laws, including the United States mining laws, for protection of recreational facilities constructed in connection with the Buffalo Bill Dam and Reservoir Modification Project near Cody, Wyoming. This notice gives the public an opportunity to comment on the application and to request a public meeting.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 16, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Comments and meeting requests should be sent to the BLM Wyoming State Director, 5353 Yellowstone Road, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diane Schurman, BLM Wyoming State Office, telephone: 307-775-6189; email: Dschurma@blm.gov or at the above address. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management and Budget proposes to withdraw, subject to valid existing rights, the following described public land from settlement, sale, location, and entry under the general land laws, including the United States mining laws, but not from leasing under the mineral leasing laws, for a period of 20 years to protect the capital investments of a developed recreation site in the Buffalo Bill Dam and Reservoir Modification Project area:

Sixth Principal Meridian

T. 52 N., R. 104 W.,

Sec. 14, lots 10, 11, 26, and 27;

Sec. 15, lots 21, 22, and 23.

The area described contains 32.56 acres in Park County.

The Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management and Budget approved the BR's petition/application; therefore, it constitutes a withdrawal proposal.

The purpose of the proposed withdrawal is to protect the capital investments expended for the recreational facilities to be administered pursuant to a joint-venture agreement by the Wyoming Recreation Commission for the BR. This recreational site is part