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Kevin K. Washburn,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Osage Negotiated Rulemaking Committee

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. Appendix 2, the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Osage Negotiated Rulemaking Committee will meet as indicated below.

DATES: *Meetings:* The meetings will be held as follows: Thursday, January 24, 2013, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Friday, January 25, 2013, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Wah Zha Zhi Cultural Center, 1449 W. Main, Pawhuska, Oklahoma 74056.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Eddie Streater, Designated Federal Officer, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Wewoka Agency, P.O. Box 1540, Seminole, OK 74818; telephone (405) 257–6250; fax (405) 257–3875; or email osageregneg@bia.gov. Additional Committee information can be found at: <http://www.bia.gov/osageregneg>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 14, 2011, the United States and the Osage Nation (formerly known as the Osage Tribe) signed a Settlement Agreement to resolve litigation regarding alleged mismanagement of the Osage Nation's oil and gas mineral estate, among other claims. As part of the Settlement Agreement, the parties agreed that it would be mutually beneficial "to address means of improving the trust management of the Osage Mineral Estate, the Osage Tribal Trust Account, and Other Osage Accounts." Settlement Agreement, Paragraph 1.i. The parties agreed that a review and revision of the existing regulations is warranted to better assist the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) in managing the Osage Mineral Estate. The parties agreed to engage in a negotiated rulemaking for this purpose. Settlement Agreement, Paragraph 9.b. After the Committee submits its report, BIA will develop a proposed rule to be published in the **Federal Register**.

Meeting Agenda: The meeting agenda will include (1) Welcome and

Introduction; (2) Overview of prior meeting and action tracking; (3) Members' round robin to share information and identify key issues to be addressed; (4) Committee Members' review and discussion of subcommittee activities; (5) Future Committee activities; (6) Public comments which will be scheduled for 45 minutes in the morning and again in the afternoon; and (7) closing remarks. The final agenda will be posted on www.bia.gov/osageregneg prior to each meeting.

Public Input: All Committee meetings are open to the public. Interested members of the public may present, either orally or through written comments, information for the Committee to consider during the public meeting. Written comments should be submitted, prior to, during, or after the meeting, to Mr. Eddie Streater, Designated Federal Officer, preferably via email, at osageregneg@bia.gov, or by U.S. mail to: Mr. Eddie Streater, Designated Federal Officer, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Wewoka Agency, P.O. Box 1540, Seminole, OK 74818. Due to time constraints during the meeting, the Committee is not able to read written public comments submitted into the record.

Individuals or groups requesting to make oral comments at the public Committee meeting will be limited to 5 minutes per speaker. Speakers who wish to expand their oral statements, or those who had wished to speak, but could not be accommodated during the public comment period, are encouraged to submit their comments in written form to the Committee after the meeting at the address provided above. There will be a sign-up sheet at the meeting for those wishing to speak during the public comment period.

The meeting location is open to the public. Space is limited, however, so we strongly encourage all interested in attending to preregister by submitting your name and contact information via email to Mr. Eddie Streater at osageregneg@bia.gov. Persons with disabilities requiring special services, such as an interpreter for the hearing impaired, should contact Mr. Streater at (405) 257–6250 at least seven calendar days prior to the meeting. We will do our best to accommodate those who are unable to meet this deadline.

Dated: December 19, 2012.

Michael S. Black,

Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Availability of the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska Final Integrated Activity Plan/Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Alaska State Office, is issuing the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska (NPR–A) Final Integrated Activity Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (IAP/EIS).

DATES: The Final IAP/EIS is available to the public. After 30 days, the BLM will issue a Record of Decision (ROD).

ADDRESSES: Requests for information regarding the Final IAP/EIS, or for copies of the document in either CD or paper format, may be sent to Jim Ducker (907–271–3130) or Serena Sweet (907–271–4543), Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office (AK931), 222 West 7th Avenue #13, Anchorage, AK 99513–7599. The Final IAP/EIS is available on the BLM-Alaska Web site at <http://www.blm.gov/ak>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Ducker or Serena Sweet, BLM Alaska State Office, 907–271–3130 and 907–271–4543, respectively. 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 one of the above individuals 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 IAP/EIS will result in a ROD that will supersede the Northwest NPR–A IAP ROD (signed January 22, 2004) and the Northeast NPR–A Supplemental IAP ROD (signed July 16, 2008) and may amend the Colville River Special Area Management Plan (signed July 18, 2008). The Final IAP/EIS offers five alternatives for future management of the nearly 23-million-acre NPR–A. Unlike the Draft IAP/EIS published March 30, 2012, the Final IAP/EIS includes a Preferred Alternative. The Preferred Alternative, designated Alternative B–2, most closely resembles Alternative B in the Draft IAP/EIS, particularly the decisions to open public lands for oil and gas leasing and to expand Special Areas. The Preferred

Alternative, however, differs from the Draft IAP/EIS's Alternative B by expanding the areas in which the BLM could approve an application for pipelines and other infrastructure in support of offshore oil and gas development, and by not recommending congressional Wild and Scenic River designation, among other revisions.

Bud C. Cribley,

State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Availability of the Record of Decision for the Federal Coal Lease Modifications COC-1362 and COC-67232 for the West Elk Mine Near Somerset, CO

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the availability of the Record of Decision (ROD) for the West Elk Mine lease modifications underlying National Forest System (NFS) lands included in the Federal Coal Lease Modifications COC-1362 and COC-67232 Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

ADDRESSES: The document is available electronically on the following Web site: http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/BLM_Information/nepa/ufo.html. Paper copies of the ROD are also available upon request from the BLM Uncompahgre Field Office, 2465 S. Townsend Ave., Montrose, CO 81401.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Desty Dyer, Mining Engineer; at 970-240-5300. Mr. Dyer's office is located at the BLM Uncompahgre Field Office 2465 S. Townsend Ave., Montrose, CO 81401. 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: The ROD covered by this Notice of Availability (NOA) is for modification Federal coal

leases in Gunnison County, Colorado, administered by the BLM Uncompahgre Field Office. The BLM approves Alternative 3, to modify Mountain Coal Company's existing Federal coal lease COC-1362 by adding 921 acres and the Ark Land Companies existing Federal coal lease COC-67232 by adding 800 acres at the West Elk Mine. The lease modifications are located approximately 7 miles southeast of Somerset, Colorado, in portions of sections 10, 11, 14, 15, 22 and 23 of T. 14S., R. 90W., 6th PM in Gunnison County, Colorado. The quantity of mineable coal in both lease modifications would likely extend the existing operations approximately 19 months beyond those currently approved within Federal leases and an additional 16-17 months of mining coal on adjacent private lands could also be realized by access gained through the lease modification areas. The Environmental Protection Agency published a **Federal Register** notice announcing that the Final EIS was publicly available on August 10, 2012 (77 FR 47839).

The BLM's decision to offer the coal lease modifications is subject to appeal to the Interior Board of Land Appeals. Anyone wishing to appeal will have 30 days from this decision to appeal to the Board of Land Appeals, Office of the Secretary, in accordance with regulations at 43 CFR Part 4.

Authority: 40 CFR 1506.6.

Helen M. Hankins,

BLM Colorado State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Availability of the Record of Decision for the Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties Groundwater Development Project Right-of-Way, NV

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the availability of the Record of Decision (ROD) for the Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties Groundwater Development Project Right-of-Way (ROW). The Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior approved the ROD on December 19, 2012, which

constitutes the final decision of the Department of the Interior and makes the decision effective immediately.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the ROD are available upon request from the BLM Water Projects Office, Nevada State Office, or at the Web site: <http://www.blm.gov/5w5c>. To request a printed copy of the ROD with a CD containing the attachments, contact the BLM Nevada State Office, Water Projects Office, 1340 Financial Blvd., Reno, NV 89502, phone 775-861-6681, or email: nvgwprojects@blm.gov. Copies of the ROD will be available for review at the following BLM offices in Nevada:

- BLM Nevada State Office, 1340 Financial Blvd., Reno;
- BLM Ely District Office, 702 North Industrial Way, Ely;
- BLM Caliente Field Office, US Hwy 93, Bldg #1, Caliente; and
- BLM Southern Nevada District Office, 4701 North Torrey Pines, Las Vegas

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Penny Woods, BLM Project Manager, 1340 Financial Blvd., Reno, NV 89502, telephone: 775-861-6466, or email: nvgwprojects@blm.gov with "ROD Copy Request" in the subject line.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: After extensive environmental analysis, consideration of public comments, and application of pertinent Federal laws and policies, it is the decision of the Department of the Interior to offer to the Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA) a ROW grant for the construction, operation, maintenance, and termination of the mainline water pipeline, main power lines, pump stations, regulating tanks, and other ancillary facilities of the project for a groundwater delivery system. The Lincoln County Conservation, Recreation and Development Act of 2004, Public Law 108-424, directs the Secretary of the Interior to issue a ROW grant on Federal lands in Lincoln, and Clark counties, Nevada for this project. The ROW grant will authorize the use of public lands in perpetuity. The decision authorizes BLM to issue of a ROW grant to the SNWA for the preferred alternative as analyzed in the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), issued on August 3, 2012. The Environmental Protection Agency published a Notice of Availability of the Final EIS in the **Federal Register** on August 3, 2012.

The ROD adopts Alternative F in the Final EIS, which includes an alignment from Las Vegas Valley north through Coyote Spring, Delamar, Dry Lake, terminating in central Spring Valley, with a lateral route into Cave Valley.