DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management

Notice of Invitation To Participate; Exploration for Coal in Colorado License Application COC–75642

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Invitation.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended by the Federal Coal Leasing Amendments Act of 1976, and to Bureau of Land Management (BLM) regulations, all interested parties are hereby invited to participate with Texas and Oklahoma Coal Company, LLC, on a pro rata cost-sharing basis, in its program for the exploration of coal deposits owned by the United States of America on lands located in Las Animas County, Colorado.

DATES: Any party electing to participate in this exploration program must send written notice to both Texas and Oklahoma Coal Company, LLC, and the BLM as provided in the ADDRESSES section below by February 25, 2013. Texas and Oklahoma Coal Company, LLC, published a notice of invitation to participate in exploration in the Trinidad Times Independent newspaper the weeks of October 23, 2012 and October 30, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the exploration plan (case file number COC–75642) are available for review during normal business hours in the following offices: BLM; Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, CO 80215, and BLM, Royal Gorge Field Office, 3028 E. Main St, Canon City, CO 81212. Any party electing to participate in this exploration program shall notify the BLM State Director, in writing, at the BLM Colorado State Office (address above) and Texas and Oklahoma Coal Company, LLC, Attn: Haldane Morris, 2711 N. Haskell Ave, Suite 550, Dallas, TX 75204.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kurt M. Barton at 303–239–3714, kbarton@blm.gov; or Melissa Smeins at 719–269–8523, msmeins@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: Texas and Oklahoma Coal Company, LLC, has applied to the BLM for a coal exploration license. The purpose of the exploration program is to obtain geologic information about the coal. The BLM regulations at 43 CFR 3410 require the publication of an invitation to participate in the coal exploration in the Federal Register. The Federal coal resources included in the exploration license application are located in the following described lands in Las Animas, Colorado:

Sixth Principal Meridian

T. 32 S., R. 64 W., 6th P.M.
Sec. 19, lots 1, 3, and 4, E½, and SE¼SW¼;
Sec. 20, NW¼, and W½SE¼;
Sec. 28, NW¼, SE¼, and W½NW¼;
Sec. 29, All;
Sec. 30, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, E½, and E½W½;
Sec. 31, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, E½, and E½W½;
Sec. 32, All;
Sec. 33, NE¼, and S½;
T. 33 S., R. 64 W., 6th P.M.
Sec. 4, lots 3 and 4, SW¼, and S½NW¼;
Sec. 5, lots 1, 3 and 4, SE¼NE¼, and S½SW¼;
Sec. 6, lots 1 to 7, inclusive, S½NE¼, SE¼, SE¼NW¼, and E½SW¼;
Sec. 7, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, NE¼, E½NW¼, N×SE¼, and E½SW¼;
Sec. 8, NW¼, SE¼, N×SW¼, and SW¼NE¼;
Sec. 9, N×NW¼, and SE¼NW¼;
Sec. 17, NE¼, N×SE¼, SE¼NW¼, and SW¼SW¼;
Sec. 18, lots 1 and 2, E½NW¼, SE¼, S½NE¼, and E½SW¼;
Sec. 19, NE¼NW¼, E×SE¼, N×NE¼, and SE¼NE¼;
Sec. 20, All, except NE¼NE¼;
Sec. 21, NE¼, NE¼NW¼, SW¼NW¼, N×SE¼, SW¼SE¼, and NW¼SW¼;
T. 32 S., R. 65 W., 6th P.M.
Sec. 10, E½;
Sec. 13, lots 1, 2, and 3, SW¼, and W½SW¼NE¼;
agenda items will be posted on the DAC Web page listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: All DAC meetings are open to the public. Public comment for items not on the agenda will be scheduled at the beginning of the meeting Saturday morning. Time for public comment may be made available by the council chairman during the presentation of various agenda items, and is scheduled at the end of the meeting for topics not on the agenda. While the Saturday meeting is tentatively scheduled from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., the meeting could conclude prior to 4:30 p.m. should the council conclude its presentations and discussions. Therefore, members of the public interested in a particular agenda item or discussion should schedule their arrival accordingly.

Written comments may be filed in advance of the meeting for the California Desert District Advisory Council, c/o Bureau of Land Management, External Affairs, 22835 Calle San Juan de Los Lagos, Moreno Valley, CA 92553. Written comments also are accepted at the time of the meeting and, if copies are provided to the recorder, will be incorporated into the minutes.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Briery, BLM California Desert District External Affairs, (951) 697–5220.


Timothy J. Wakefield,
Associate District Manager, California Desert District.

Additional Requestors and Disposition

Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with the Dilzini Gaan headdress should contact Mr. Juan Palma, State Director, Bureau of Land Management, Utah State Office, P.O. Box 45155, Salt Lake City, UT 84145–0155, telephone (801) 539–4010 before February 25, 2013.

This notice is published as part of the National Park Service’s administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA, 25 U.S.C. 3003(d)(3). The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the museum, institution, or Federal agency that has control of the Native American cultural items. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

History and Description of the Cultural Items

The one cultural item is a Dilzini Gaan headdress consisting of painted wood and cloth. It was acquired in 2009 by BLM law enforcement agents during a search warrant of a Blanding, UT, home as a part of the investigation code-named “Cerberus Action.” It is unknown where or when the suspect acquired the headdress.

Tribal cultural authorities of the Jicarilla Apache Nation, New Mexico; Mescalero Apache Tribe of the Mescalero Reservation, New Mexico; San Carlos Apache Tribe of the San Carlos Reservation, Arizona; Tonto Apache Tribe of Arizona; White Mountain Apache Tribe of the Fort Apache Reservation, Arizona; and the Yavapi Apache Nation of the Camp Verde Indian Reservation, Arizona, consulted with BLM cultural resources staff, and identified the headdress as a sacred object and an object of cultural patrimony eligible for repatriation under NAGPRA. The tribal cultural authorities recognized the materials used in the construction of this item, as well as the item’s style and type. Consequently, these tribal consultants were able to determine that the item is culturally affiliated specifically with the White Mountain Apache Tribe of the Fort Apache Reservation, Arizona, and to clearly distinguish it from other items of similar type and style associated with other Apache groups.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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[NPS–WASO–NAGPRA–11919; 2200–1100–665]

Notice of Intent To Repatriate a Cultural Item: Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Salt Lake City, UT

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Utah State Office, in consultation with the appropriate Indian tribes, has determined that the cultural item meets the definition of both a sacred object and an object of cultural patrimony, and repatriation to the Indian tribe stated below may occur if no additional claimants come forward. Representatives of any Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with the cultural item may contact the BLM Utah State Office at the below address.

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Determinations Made by the Bureau of Land Management, Utah State Office

Officials of the BLM, Utah State Office have determined that:

• Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(3)(C), the one cultural item described above is a specific ceremonial object needed by traditional Native American religious leaders for the practice of traditional Native American religions by their present-day adherents.

• Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(3)(D), the one cultural item described above has ongoing historical, traditional, or cultural importance to the Native American group or culture itself, rather than property owned by an individual.

• Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(2), there is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between the Dilzini Gaan headdress and the White Mountain Apache Tribe of the Fort Apache Reservation, Arizona.

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