

associated ponds, process facility, and refinery; a mill; a carbon-in-leach plant; waste rock dumps; a tailings storage facility; and ancillary facilities. The mine would be located on the eastern side of the Pancake Mountain Range, about 30 miles southeast of Eureka, 50 miles west of Ely and 15 miles south of U.S. Route 50. Currently, Midway is authorized to disturb up to 267 acres for exploration purposes. The proposed operations and associated disturbance would increase disturbance to 3,749 acres of public land managed by the BLM. The projected mining period is 10 years. Associated construction, closure, reclamation, and post-closure monitoring periods would extend the project life for an additional estimated 38 years. Midway is currently conducting exploration activities in this area which were analyzed in two environmental assessments: The *Midway Gold Rock Project Final Environmental Assessment* (June 2012), and the *Environmental Assessment for the Midway Gold Rock Project, Exploration Amendment* (October 2012).

A range of alternatives will be developed, including the no-action alternative, to address the issues identified during scoping. Mitigation measures will be considered to minimize environmental impacts and to assure the proposed action does not result in unnecessary or undue degradation of public lands.

The purpose of the public scoping process is to determine relevant issues that will influence the scope of the environmental analysis, including alternatives, and guide the process for developing the EIS. At present, the BLM has identified the following preliminary issues:

(a) Potential effects to wild horses, which would include loss of habitat from surface disturbance and which could include mortality from collision with project-related vehicles on existing roads.

(b) Potential effects to Greater Sage-Grouse, which would include loss of habitat from surface disturbance and which could include impacts to the species created by construction and operation in proximity to active sage-grouse leks.

(c) Potential effects to mule deer, which would include loss of habitat from surface disturbance habitat and which could include mortality from collision with project-related vehicles on existing access roads.

(d) Potential effects to employment and housing availability.

(e) Potential effects to archaeological resources in the area, which could

include Carbonari (historical charcoal production) sites and the Lincoln Highway route.

(f) Potential effects to air quality created by the initiation of mining at the Gold Rock Mine Project.

(g) Potential effects to viewshed in and around areas of Visual Resources Management Classes III and IV from project construction and operation, including effects to night sky from nighttime operations.

(h) Potential effects to recreational uses and users, which would include loss of access and loss of hunting areas.

The BLM will use the NEPA commenting process to help fulfill the public involvement requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. 470f) as provided for in 36 CFR 800.2(d)(3). Native American tribal consultations will be conducted in accordance with policy, and tribal concerns, including impacts on Indian trust assets, will be given due consideration. The BLM is in the process of determining the Cooperating Agencies. Federal, State, and local agencies, along with other stakeholders that may be interested or affected by the BLM's decision on this project are invited to participate in the scoping process and, if eligible, may request or be requested by the BLM to participate 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.

Authority: 40 CFR part 1501 and 43 CFR part 3809.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Intent To Collect Fees on Public Lands in the Red Cliffs National Conservation Area, Washington County, UT

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (REA), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) St. George Field Office proposes to establish a new standard amenity recreation fee for day-use of the developed amenities at the White Reef Park, located in the Red Cliffs National Conservation Area (NCA) in Washington County, Utah.

DATES: Effective March 5, 2014, the BLM will begin collecting standard amenity fees at White Reef Park.

ADDRESSES: Mail: NCA Manager, Beaver Dam Wash and Red Cliffs National Conservation Areas, St. George Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, 345 E Riverside Drive, St. George, Utah 84790 or utsgmail@blm.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kyle Voyles, NCA Outdoor Recreation Planner, St. George Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, 345 E. Riverside Drive, St. George, Utah 84790, 435-688-3373, kvoyles@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 leave a message or question with the above individual. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the REA (16 U.S.C 6802 (f)), the Secretary may charge a standard amenity recreation fee provided the following specific requirements are met: The area provides significant opportunities for outdoor recreation; the area has substantial Federal investments; the fees can be efficiently collected; and the area includes six required amenities: Designated developed parking, a permanent toilet facility, a permanent trash receptacle, an interpretive sign, exhibit, or kiosk, picnic tables, and security services.

The White Reef Park (located at T. 41 S, R. 14 W., SLM, UT., sec. 23, NW1/4) meets the requirements for a standard amenity fee site. The White Reef Park is comprised of approximately 715 acres of public land within the Red Cliffs NCA and includes a developed day-use area. White Reef Park is fenced and includes designated-parking spaces for 18 vehicles and four pull-through stalls for oversized vehicles. A permanent vault toilet and trash receptacle, regulatory signing, an information kiosk, and a shade shelter with picnic tables are available at the site. Within the White Reef Park is the restored mid-19th century Orson B. Adams House, which offers on-site interpretive materials (panels and brochures) and three designated-vehicle

parking spaces, two of which are accessible. Volunteer docents offer regularly-scheduled guided tours of the house and adjacent farmstead. Other interpreted sites in the White Reef Park include the late-19th century W. McMullin farmstead and the 1950's era movie set for Columbia Pictures' film, "They Came to Cordura." Amenities in the White Reef Park include janitorial, maintenance, law enforcement, and visitor contact services. Additional outdoor recreation opportunities include hiking, mountain biking, and equestrian trail riding on an eight-mile-long designated non-motorized trail system, with links to other, longer-distance trails outside the NCA.

Pursuant to 43 CFR Part 2930, standard amenity fees will be collected through the issuance of a BLM Recreation Use Permit for day-use of the White Reef Park amenities. Fees will be collected through a self-service pay station located at White Reef Park. Visitors holding the America the Beautiful—The National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Interagency Senior Pass (Golden Age Passport) or Interagency Access Pass (Golden Access Passport) will be entitled to a 50 percent discount on standard amenity recreation fees.

On February 22, 2013, the Utah Recreation Resource Advisory Committee (RRAC) reviewed and unanimously approved the proposal to establish a new fee site at the White Reef Park where standard amenity fees for day-use would be collected. Standard amenity fees for the White Reef Park will be \$5 per vehicle, and would only be adjusted after appropriate public notice and involvement, and additional consultation with the Utah RRAC.

The February 2013, *Red Cliffs Recreation Area Business Plan* was prepared by the BLM to address fee collection, site operation, and proposed fee expenditures for White Reef Park. Copies of the *Red Cliffs Recreation Area Business Plan* are available at the Interagency Visitor Center in St. George, Utah. Fee amounts will be posted at a pay station kiosk at the White Reef Park, included in the Red Cliffs Recreation Area information brochure, available at the Interagency Visitor Center, and posted on the BLM St. George Field Office Web site.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 6801 *et seq.*

Jenna Whitlock,

Associate State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey; Arizona

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey; Arizona.

SUMMARY: The plats of survey of the described lands were officially filed in the Arizona State Office, Bureau of Land Management, Phoenix, Arizona, on dates indicated.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona

The plat representing the survey of a portion of the Ninth Standard Parallel North (south boundary) of Township 37 North, Range 10 East, and the south, west and north boundaries, the subdivisional lines and the subdivision of certain sections, Township 38 North, Range 10 East, accepted August 1, 2013, and officially filed August 6, 2013, for Group 1114, Arizona.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the south and east boundaries and a portion of the subdivisional lines and survey of the subdivision of certain sections and metes-and-bounds surveys of portions of the administrative boundary of the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Township 14 South, Range 14 East, accepted August 7, 2013, and officially filed August 9, 2013, for Group 1111, Arizona.

This plat was prepared at the request of the General Services Administration.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the east and north boundaries and a portion of the subdivisional lines and survey of the subdivision of certain sections and metes-and-bounds surveys of portions of the administrative boundary of the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Township 15 South, Range 14 East, accepted August 7, 2013, and officially filed August 9, 2013, for Group 1111, Arizona.

This plat was prepared at the request of the General Services Administration.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the subdivisional lines and survey of the subdivision of section 30 and metes-and-bounds surveys of portions of the administrative boundary of the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Township 14 South, Range

15 East, accepted August 7, 2013, and officially filed August 9, 2013, for Group 1111, Arizona.

This plat was prepared at the request of the General Services Administration.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the north boundary and a portion of the subdivisional lines and survey of the subdivision of certain sections and metes-and-bounds surveys of portions of the administrative boundary of the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Township 15 South, Range 15 East, accepted August 7, 2013, and officially filed August 9, 2013, for Group 1111, Arizona.

This plat was prepared at the request of the General Services Administration.

A person or party who wishes to protest against any of these surveys must file a written protest with the Arizona State Director, Bureau of Land Management, stating that they wish to protest.

A statement of reasons for a protest may be filed with the notice of protest to the State Director, or the statement of reasons must be filed with the State Director within thirty (30) days after the protest is filed.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

These plats will be available for inspection in the Arizona State Office, Bureau of Land Management, One North Central Avenue, Suite 800, Phoenix, Arizona, 85004-4427. 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.

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Chief Cadastral Surveyor of Arizona.

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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 West Chocolate Mountains Renewable Energy Evaluation Area and California Desert Conservation Area Plan Amendment, Imperial County, CA

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.