DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management

Notice of Availability of the Record of Decision for the Moapa Solar Energy Center Project, Clark County, 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 Moapa Solar Energy Center Project. The Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management signed the ROD on May 1, 2014, which constitutes the final decision of the Department.

ADRESSES: Copies of the ROD are available upon request and for public inspection at the Southern Nevada District Office, Bureau of Land Management, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89130 or on the Internet at http://www.moaapasolarenergycenteres.com/.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gregory Helseth, Renewable Energy Project Manager, telephone 702–515–5173; address 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89130; email ghelseth@blm.gov. Persons who use a telecommunication device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 to contact Mr. Helseth during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question for Mr. Helseth. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Moapa Solar, LLC, applied to the BLM for a right-of-way grant on public lands to develop ancillary facilities for the 200 MW project on tribal lands. These ancillary facilities consist of roads, transmission lines, and a water pipeline. The generation-interconnection lines and access road would be located on approximately 20 miles northeast of Las Vegas in Clark County, Nevada.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the BLM published the Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) concurrently in the Federal Register by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) on September 13, 2013 (78 FR 56695).

The EPA published the Notice of Availability of the Final EIS in the Federal Register by the BIA on February 14, 2014 (79 FR 8986). Printed and electronic copies of the Draft and Final EIS are available at the Southern Nevada District Office and are posted on the Internet at http://www.moaapasolarenergycenteres.com. The final EIS analyzed five action alternatives and a No Action Alternative. The Proposed Action alternative is the BLM preferred alternative. This alternative is the applicant’s original proposal (as described in its Plan of Development dated February 26, 2013). The ROD approves the construction, operation, maintenance, and decommissioning of an access road, water pipeline, and 230kV and 500 kV transmission lines on BLM–managed lands analyzed as part of the Proposed Action in the Final EIS for the Moapa Solar Energy Center. The ROD conditions the BLM’s approval on all mitigation measures identified in the Final EIS and additional mitigation measures identified in the ROD.

Because this decision is approved by the Secretary of the Interior, it is not subject to administrative appeal (43 CFR 4.410(a)(3)).

Authority: 40 CFR 1506.6 and 40 CFR 1506.10.

Linda Lance, Deputy Director, Programs and Policy, Bureau of Land Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Gateway National Recreation Area Fort Hancock 21st Century Advisory Committee

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of renewal.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of the Interior is giving notice of renewal of the Gateway National Recreation Area Fort Hancock 21st Century Advisory Committee. The Committee provides advice on the development of a specific reuse plan and on matters relating to the future uses of the Fort Hancock Historic Landmark District within the Sandy Hook Unit of Gateway National Recreation Area.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix I–16) and with the concurrence of the General Services Administration, the Department of the Interior is announcing the renewal of an advisory committee for the Gateway National Recreation Area Fort Hancock Historic Landmark District. The Committee is a discretionary advisory committee established under the authority of the Secretary of the Interior.

The Committee provides guidance to the National Park Service in developing a plan for reuse of more than 30 historic buildings that the NPS has determined are excess to its needs and eligible for lease under 16 U.S.C. 1 et seq., particularly 16 U.S.C. 1a–2(k), and 16 U.S.C. 470h–3, or under agreement through appropriate authorities.

The Committee will include representatives from, but not limited to, the following interest groups: The natural resource community, the business community, the cultural resource community, the real estate community, the recreation community, the education community, the scientific community, and hospitality organizations. The Committee will also consist of representatives from the following municipalities: The Borough of Highlands, the Borough of Sea Bright, the Borough of Rumson, Middletown Township, and Monmouth County Freeholders.

Certification Statement: I hereby certify that the renewal of the Gateway National Recreation Area Fort Hancock 21st Century Advisory Committee is necessary and in the public interest, established under the authority of the Secretary of the Interior.

Dated: April 8, 2014.

Sally Jewell, Secretary of the Interior.

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