

development would also include parking facilities for approximately 8,500 vehicles for patrons and employees, and an RV park with approximately 200 RV spaces.

The 151.87± acres encompass nine contiguous tax lots in Clark County, Washington, near Ridgfield and La Center, Washington. The project site is located along NW. 319th Street between NW. 41st Avenue and NW. 31st Avenue, and adjacent to Interstate 5 at the NW. 319th Street interchange.

The proposed action encompasses the various federal approvals which would be required to implement the Tribe's efforts to establish a tribal land base, including approval of the Tribe's fee-to-trust application, approval of the Tribe's gaming management contract and approval of the Tribe's request for a reservation proclamation.

Areas of environmental concern identified so far for analysis in the EIS include land resources, water resources, air quality, living resources, cultural resources, socioeconomic conditions, traffic and transportation, land use, public utilities and services, noise, lighting, hazardous materials, environmental justice, and visual resources/aesthetics. The range of issues and alternatives to be addressed in the EIS may be expanded or reduced, based on comments received in response to this notice and at the public scoping meeting.

Public Comment Availability

Comments, including names and addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the BIA address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section, during business hours, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by the law. We will not, however, consider anonymous comments. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

Authority

This notice is published in accordance with section 1503.1 of the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500 through 1508) implementing the procedural

requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4371 *et seq.*), and the Department of the Interior Manual (516 DM 1–6), and is in the exercise of authority delegated to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.1.

Michael D. Olsen,

Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA–660–04–1220]

Emergency Closure and Restriction Order

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is imposing a closure on approximately 440 acres of public land to recreational shooting. The emergency closure will remain in place until December 31, 2004. The use of firearms will continue to be allowed for hunting consistent with California Department of Fish and Game regulations and seasons. Specifically, this closure will apply to BLM managed lands located in Aguanga Valley, California, south of Highway 79 along what is known locally as the High Point Road.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bruce Shaffer, Acting Field Manager, 690 West Garnet Avenue, North Palm Springs, CA 92258, telephone (760) 251–4800 or Janaye Byergo, Resource Management Specialist, (858) 451–1767.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The closure will be in concert with a closure imposed on contiguous U.S. Forest Service (USFS) lands. The High Point area attracts users from three counties in southern California—Riverside, Orange, and San Diego. The BLM and USFS have become aware through public complaints that the recreational shooting at High Point is causing an immediate threat to public safety. A highway, residences, and an RV resort are all within two miles of the shooting area. Cross-shooting is occurring from the different shooting sites, and stray and ricocheting bullets are striking homes and out buildings of the nearby private residents. Shooters are firing a wide variety of calibers: handguns—.50, .44, .38, 9 mm, .357; rifles—7 mm

magnum, .308, 30.06, 7.62, .22. Some rounds are carrying up to two miles and more in distance. The BLM recognizes that recreational target shooting is a valid use of public lands, and seeks to balance this with the need to provide for public safety.

During the emergency closure, BLM will be taking steps to implement a permanent closure of the area to recreational shooting. This closure is in accordance with provisions of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (Pub. L. 94–579, 90 stat. 2743, 43 U.S.C. 1701) and Title 43, Subpart 8364.1 of the U.S. Code of Federal Regulation (CFR). Maximum penalties are \$1000.00 fine and/or 12 months in prison.

This order affects public lands in San Diego County, California, thus described:

San Bernardino Meridian

T. 9 S., R. 1 E.,

Section 2, NW¼NW¼, SW¼NW¼, NW¼SW¼, NE¼SW¼, SE¼SW¼.

T. 9 S., R. 1 E.,

Section 11, NE¼.

T. 9 S., R. 1 E.,

Section 12, W½NW¼.

Bruce Shaffer,

Acting Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA–338–03–1610–00]

Notice of Availability of the King Range National Conservation Area Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a Proposed Resource Management Plan (RMP) and associated Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the King Range National Conservation Area (NCA) located in Humboldt and Mendocino Counties, California. The Proposed RMP and Final EIS have been prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and under authority of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, the King Range Act of 1970 (Pub. L. 91–476), and BLM policies. The Proposed RMP was developed with broad public participation beginning with scoping meetings in November

2002, release of a Draft RMP/Draft EIS with public meetings in February and March 2004, and ongoing dialogue with a variety of publics. The Proposed RMP addresses management on the approximately 64,000-acre King Range NCA and the contiguous 5,000 acres of BLM-managed lands.

DATES: BLM Planning Regulations (43 CFR 1610.5–2) state that any person who participated in the planning process, and has an interest that may be adversely affected, may protest. The protest must be filed within 30 days of the date that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) publishes a notice of the Proposed RMP/Final EIS availability in the **Federal Register**. More specific instructions and requirements for protests are contained in the Supplementary Information section of this notice.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the Proposed RMP/Final EIS may be obtained from the following BLM locations: BLM Arcata Field Office, 1695 Heindon Road, Arcata, CA 95521, telephone (707) 825–2300; BLM King Range NCA Project Office, P.O. Drawer 189, Whitethorn, CA 95589, telephone (707) 986–5400; or BLM California State Office, 2800 Cottage Way, Room W–1834, Sacramento, CA 95825, telephone (916) 978–4600; or requested by e-mail at caweb330@ca.blm.gov. The BLM will also announce the availability of the Proposed RMP/Final EIS through local media outlets, the current project mailing list, and on the BLM Arcata Field Office Web site (<http://www.ca.blm.gov/arcata/index.html>).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bob Wick, Bureau of Land Management, (707) 825–2300.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The King Range Act of 1970 (Public Law 91–476) established the King Range NCA. The Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (Pub. L. 94–579) expanded the area to its present size of approximately 64,000 acres. The King Range Act requires development of “a comprehensive, balanced, and coordinated plan of land use, development, and management of the Area.” The act also states “that the plan will be reviewed and reevaluated periodically.” An original plan was completed in 1974, and the present planning effort is the first comprehensive update to be undertaken.

The King Range NCA encompasses 35 miles of Pacific coastline and provides for a range of outdoor recreation opportunities. The area contains three federally listed threatened fish species: southern Oregon/northern California

coasts Coho salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*), northern California steelhead (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*), and California coastal Chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*), and one federally listed threatened animal: northern spotted owl (*Strix occidentalis caurina*).

The BLM has considered an array of alternatives including specific land use allocations and prescriptions consistent with the legislative intent for the King Range NCA. Recreation and visitor-use management, forest health, fisheries and wildlife management, fire management, travel management, and community involvement in King Range NCA operations are addressed in these alternatives. The Draft RMP/Draft EIS examined four alternatives that respond to these issues. Alternative A is the No Action (current management) Alternative. Alternatives B, C and D present a range of management scenarios with varying amounts of natural resource restoration/use and differing levels of recreation use and developed facilities. The Proposed RMP Alternative is a combination of specific components from Alternatives B, C and D, and provides for a mix of management goals, allowable uses and actions that best address planning issues and conservation of resource values of the area.

The planning process includes an opportunity for administrative review through a plan protest to the BLM Director should a previous commenter on the Draft RMP/Draft EIS believe that the decision has been issued in error. Only those persons or organizations who participated in the planning process may protest. Protests from parties having no previous involvement will be denied without further review. A protesting party may raise only those issues which were submitted for the record during the planning process. New issues raised during the protest period should be directed to the BLM, Arcata Field Manager, 1695 Heindon Road, Arcata, CA 95521 for consideration in plan implementation, as potential plan amendments, or as otherwise appropriate. The period for filing protests begins when the EPA publishes in the **Federal Register** its Notice of Receipt of the Final EIS containing the Proposed RMP.

Protests must be filed in writing to: Director (210), Attention: Brenda Williams, P.O. Box 66538, Washington, DC 20035; or by overnight mail to: Director (210), Attention: Brenda Williams, 1620 L Street, NW., Suite 1075, Washington, DC 20036. In order to be considered complete, the protest must contain, at a minimum, the following information:

1. The name, mailing address, telephone number, and interest of the person filing the protest.

2. A statement of the issue or issues being protested.

3. A statement of the part or parts of the plan being protested. To the extent possible, this should be done by reference to specific pages, paragraphs, sections, tables, maps, etc. included in the Proposed RMP.

4. A copy of all documents addressing the issue or issues which were submitted during the planning process or a reference to the date the issue or issues were discussed by the person participating, for the record.

5. A concise statement explaining why the decision of the BLM California State Director is believed to be incorrect. This is a critical part of the protest. Take care to document all relevant facts. As much as possible, reference or cite the planning documents, environmental analysis documents, and available planning records (*i.e.*, meeting minutes or summaries, correspondence, *etc.*). A protest which merely expresses disagreement with the proposed decision, in the absence of supporting data, will not provide additional basis for the BLM Director's review of the decision.

To be considered “timely”, the protest must be postmarked no later than the last day of the 30-day protest period. Also, although not a requirement, it is recommended that the protest be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested. E-mail and faxed protests will not be accepted as valid protests unless the protesting party also provides the original letter by either regular or overnight mail postmarked by the close of the protest period. Under these conditions, the BLM will consider the e-mail or faxed protest as an advance copy, and it will receive full consideration. If you wish to provide the BLM with such advance notification, please direct faxed protests to the attention of the BLM Protests Coordinator at (202) 452–5112, and e-mails to

Brenda_Hudgens_Williams@blm.gov. Please direct the follow-up letter to the appropriate address provided above.

Please note that comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, are available for public review and/or release under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Individual respondents may request confidentiality. Respondents who wish to withhold their name and/or street address from public review or from disclosure under FOIA, must state this prominently at the beginning of their written comments. Such requests will

be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

The Director will promptly render a decision on the protest. The decision will be in writing and will be sent to the protesting party by certified mail, return receipt requested. The decision of the Director will be the final decision of the Department of the Interior.

Dated: July 20, 2004.

Lynda J. Roush,

Arcata Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-154-1610-DQ-GGCA]

Notice of Availability of Record of Decision for the Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area Resource Management Plan (RMP)/Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of Record of Decision (ROD).

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA), and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) management policies, the Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park and Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area Act of 1999 and the Black Canyon of the Gunnison Boundary Revision Act of 2003, the BLM announces the availability of the RMP/ROD for the Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area (NCA) located in Montrose and Delta Counties, Colorado. The Colorado State Director will sign the RMP/ROD, which becomes effective immediately.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the NCA RMP/ROD are available upon request from the Field Manager, Uncompahgre Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, 2505 S. Townsend Avenue, Montrose, Colorado or via the Internet at <http://www.gunnison-gorge-eis.com>. Copies may also be obtained by calling Bill Bottomly, Gunnison Gorge NCA (970) 240-5337. Copies have also been sent to the following local libraries.

Montrose Public Library, 320 South 2nd Street, Montrose, CO 81401.

Delta Public Library, 211 West 6th Street, Delta, CO 81416.

Crawford Public Library, 425 Highway 92, Crawford, CO 81415.

Hotchkiss Public Library, 1st and Main Street, Hotchkiss, CO 81419.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Karen Tucker, Manager, Gunnison Gorge NCA, 2465 S. Townsend Avenue, Montrose, CO (970) 240-5309, karen_tucker@co.blm.gov, or Bill Bottomly, Land Use Planner, Gunnison Gorge NCA, 2465 S. Townsend Avenue, Montrose, CO (970) 240-5337, bill_bottomly@co.blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Gunnison Gorge NCA RMP/ROD was developed with broad public participation through a two-year collaborative planning process. This RMP/ROD addresses management on approximately 95,780 acres of public land in the planning area. The Gunnison Gorge NCA RMP/ROD is designed to achieve or maintain desired future conditions developed through the planning process. It includes a series of management actions to meet the desired resource conditions for upland and riparian vegetation, wildlife habitats, cultural and visual resources, livestock grazing, recreation, wilderness management, and special status species and habitat.

The approved Gunnison Gorge NCA RMP is essentially the same as the Proposed Gunnison Gorge NCA RMP/Final Environmental Impact Statement (PRMP/FEIS), published on January 23, 2004. BLM received 32 protests to the PRMP/FEIS. No inconsistencies with State or local plans, policies, or programs were identified during the Governor's consistency review of the PRMP/FEIS. As a result, only minor editorial modifications were made in preparing the RMP/ROD. These modifications corrected errors that were noted during review of the PRMP/FEIS and provide further clarification for some of the decisions. An errata sheet is included with the RMP/ROD that identifies the location of the corrections in the PRMP/FEIS.

Dated: April 28, 2004.

Doug Koza,

Associate State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-055-5853-EU]

Notice of Realty Action: Competitive Sale of Public Lands in Clark, Lander, and Elko Counties, NV

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of realty action.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) proposes to sell 74 parcels of federal land in Clark County, Nevada, aggregating approximately 4,320.82 acres. The BLM also proposes to offer for sale two parcels of federal land in Lander County and one parcel in Elko County, aggregating approximately 359.16 acres. The sale will be conducted in Las Vegas, Nevada, on February 2, 2005, in accordance with competitive bidding procedures.

DATES: Comments regarding the proposed sale must be received by BLM on or before December 27, 2004.

Sealed bids must be received by BLM not later than 4:30 p.m., P.s.t., January 26, 2005.

All parcels of land proposed for sale are to be put up for purchase and sale, at public auction, beginning at 10 a.m., P.s.t., February 2, 2005. Registration for oral bidding for those who have not pre-registered will begin at 8 a.m., P.s.t., February 2, 2005 and will end at 10 a.m., P.s.t.

Other deadline dates for the receipt of payments, and arranging for certain payments to be made by electronic transfer, are specified in the proposed terms and conditions of sale, as stated herein.

ADDRESSES: Comments regarding the proposed sale, as well as sealed bids to be submitted to BLM, should be addressed to: Field Manager, Las Vegas Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada 89130.

More detailed information regarding the proposed sale and the lands involved may be reviewed during normal business hours (7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) at the BLM Las Vegas Field Office (LVFO).

The address for oral bidding registration, and the location of the public auction, is: Cashman Center, 850 Las Vegas Boulevard North, Las Vegas, NV 89101.

The auction will take place in the Cashman Theater located southwest of the Cashman Center Stadium with entrance to the Theater between Parking Lots "B" and "C". Registration will take place in the Theater Lobby.