

(CA-060-1430-01; CACA 7236)

**Public Land Order No. 7194; Partial Revocation of Secretarial Order Dated October 19, 1920; California****AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Public land order.

**SUMMARY:** This order partially revokes a Secretarial Order dated October 19, 1920, insofar as it affects 160 acres of public land withdrawn for the Bureau of Reclamation's Yuma Project. The land is no longer needed for the purpose for which it was withdrawn. The revocation is needed to permit completion of a land exchange as part of the Bureau of Land Management's land tenure adjustment program in Riverside and San Diego Counties. This action will open the land to surface entry and mining unless closed by overlapping withdrawals or temporary segregations of record. The land has been and will remain open to mineral leasing.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** June 17, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Duane Marti, BLM California State Office (CA-931.4), 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, California 95825, 916-979-2858.

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1988), it is ordered as follows:

1. The Secretarial Order dated October 19, 1920, which withdrew public lands for the Bureau of Reclamation's Yuma Reclamation Project, is hereby revoked insofar as it affects the following described land:

San Bernardino Meridian

T. 6 S., R. 7 E.,  
Sec. 20, W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ .

The area described contains 160 acres in Riverside County.

2. At 10 a.m. on June 17, 1996, the land will be opened to the operation of the public land laws generally, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law. All valid applications received at or prior to 10 a.m. on June 17, 1996, shall be considered as simultaneously filed at that time. Those received thereafter shall be considered in the order of filing.

3. At 10 a.m. on June 17, 1996, the land will be opened to location and entry under the United States mining laws, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law.

Appropriation of any of the land described in this order under the general mining laws prior to the date and time of restoration is unauthorized. Any such attempted appropriation, including attempted adverse possession under 30 U.S.C. 38 (1988), shall vest no rights against the United States. Acts required to establish a location and to initiate a right of possession are governed by State law where not in conflict with Federal law. The Bureau of Land Management will not intervene in disputes between rival locators over possessory rights since Congress has provided for such determination in local courts.

Dated: April 30, 1996.

Bob Armstrong,

*Assistant Secretary of the Interior.*

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(CO-950-1430-01; COC-54878)

**Public Land Order No. 7195; Withdrawal of National Forest System Land for the Hoosier Ridge Research Natural Area; Colorado****AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Public land order.

**SUMMARY:** This order withdraws approximately 684 acres of National Forest System land from mining for 50 years to protect the unique alpine ecosystem and associated plant life within the Hoosier Ridge Research Natural Area (RNA), which was designated on December 12, 1995. This land has been and remains open to such forms of disposition as may by law be made of National Forest System land and to mineral leasing.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** May 16, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Doris E. Chelius, BLM Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215-7076, 303-239-3706.

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1988), it is ordered as follows:

1. Subject to valid existing rights, the following described National Forest System land is hereby withdrawn from location and entry under the United States mining laws (30 U.S.C. Ch. 2 (1988)), for the Forest Service to protect the alpine ecosystem in the Hoosier Ridge RNA.

Sixth Principal Meridian

*Arapaho and Pike National Forests*

T. 8 S., R. 77 W.,

The Hoosier Ridge RNA is an irregular-shaped area within secs. 7, 8, 17, and 18 of T. 8 S., R. 77 W., and contains approximately 684 acres and the following metes and bounds description reflects the intent of the 1991 Establishment Record from a "quasi-legal" interpretation of said record. The area is described as follows:

Beginning at the cor. of secs. 7, 12, 13, and 18, in T. 8 S., Rgs. 77 and 78 W., 6th P.M., monumented with a granite stone, mkd. as described in the official record of the 1882 survey of the West Boundary of T. 8 S., R. 77 W., by Frank Koons.

From this cor., the centerline of State Highway 9 crossing Hoosier Pass, bears Westerly for approximately 3200 ft. distance.

Thence approximately N. 20° E., 719 ft. + -, to a steel post located just above the Forest edge.

Thence approximately N. 81° E., 4566 ft. + -, to a steel pipe and cairn located on a rocky ridge.

Thence approximately S. 56° E., 2454 ft. + -, to a cairn located on a high point on the Continental Divide (approx. County line).

Thence approximately N. 78° E., 1638 ft. + -, to the highest point located on an E-W portion of the Continental Divide (at the 12953 ft. level mkd. on the Alma 7.5' USGS quadrangle 1970).

Thence approximately S. 4° E., 3234 ft. + -, to "United States Locating Monument No. 541, Mineral Survey District No. 3." monument & cairn, as described in the Field Notes of Mineral Survey No. 541.

Thence approximately S. 82° W., 2843 ft. + -, to a steel pipe and cairn located on a broad grassy ridge separating Beaver Creek from Platte River drainages.

Thence approximately N. 79° W., 4459 ft. + -, to a rocky point on a ridge.

Thence approximately N. 42° W., 1716 ft. + -, to a cairn located on the Continental Divide ridge.

Thence approximately N. 9° W., 1168 ft. + -, to the cor. of secs. 7, 12, 13, and 18, and place of beginning.

This RNA contains approximately 684 acres of which about half is within the Dillon Ranger District of the Arapaho National Forest, managed by the White River National Forest; and about half within the South Park Ranger District in the Pike and San Isabel National Forest, in Summit and Park Counties, Colorado. Maps of the area are available at the address shown above.

2. The withdrawal made by this order does not alter the applicability of those public land laws governing the use of National Forest System lands under lease, license, or permit, or governing the disposal of their mineral or vegetative resources other than under the mining laws.

3. This withdrawal will expire 50 years from the effective date of this order unless, as a result of a review

conducted before the expiration date pursuant to Section 204(f) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714(f) (1988), the Secretary determines that the withdrawal shall be extended.

Dated: April 30, 1996.

Bob Armstrong,

*Assistant Secretary of the Interior.*

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### Filing of Plats of Survey: Oregon/ Washington

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, DOI.

ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The plats of survey of the following described lands are scheduled to be officially filed in the Oregon State Office, Portland, Oregon, thirty (30) calendar days from the date of this publication.

Willamette Meridian

#### Oregon

T. 18 S., R. 1 W., accepted April 30, 1996

T. 40 S., R. 2 W., accepted March 6, 1996

T. 19 S., R. 6 W., accepted April 30, 1996

T. 28 S., R. 9 W., accepted April 23, 1996

T. 30 S., R. 13 W., accepted April 15, 1996

T. 31 S., R. 15 W., accepted April 15, 1996

#### Washington

T. 6 N., R. 15 E., accepted April 30, 1996

T. 23 N., R. 9 W., accepted March 6, 1996

If protests against a survey, as shown on any of the above plat(s), are received prior to the date of official filing, the filing will be stayed pending consideration of the protest(s). A plat will not be officially filed until the day after all protests have been dismissed and become final or appeals from the dismissal affirmed.

The plat(s) will be placed in the open files of the Oregon State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 1515 S.W. 5th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97201, and will be available to the public as a matter of information only. Copies of the plat(s) may be obtained from the above office upon required payment. A person or party who wishes to protest against a survey must file with the State Director, Bureau of Land Management, Portland, Oregon, a notice that they wish to protest prior to the proposed official filing date given above. 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 proposed official filing date.

The above-listed plats represent dependent resurveys, survey and subdivision.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bureau of Land Management, (1515 S.W. 5th Avenue) P.O. Box 2965, Portland, Oregon 97208.

Dated: May 6, 1996.

Robert D. DeViney, Jr.,

*Chief, Branch of Realty and Records Services.*

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### National Park Service

#### Royal Production Company, Big Thicket National Preserve, Hardin County, Texas; Availability of Plan of Operations and Environmental Assessment Drilling an Exploratory Oil Well

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 9.52(b) of Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 9, Subpart B, that the National Park Service has received from Royal Production Company a Plan of Operations to drill an exploratory oil well in Big Thicket National Preserve, located within Hardin County, Texas.

The Plan of Operations and Environmental Assessment are available for public review and comment for a period of 30 days from the publication date of this notice. The documents can be viewed during normal business hours at the Office of the Superintendent, Big Thicket National Preserve, 3785 Milam Street, Beaumont, Texas. Copies can be requested from the Superintendent, Big Thicket National Preserve, 3785 Milam, Beaumont, TX 77701.

Dated: April 30, 1996.

Richard R. Peterson,

*Superintendent, Big Thicket National Preserve.*

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### DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#### Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Clean Water Act

In accordance with Departmental Policy, 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that a consent decree in *United States of America v. Ritschard Brothers, Inc. Carmelo Ritschard, and Donald Ritschard*, No. 3:96-CV-310AS (N.D. Ind.), was lodged with the United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana on May 9, 1996.

The proposed consent decree concerns alleged violations of the Clean

Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311, as a result of the discharge of fill material onto portions of property located in St. Joseph County, Indiana, which are alleged to constitute "waters of the United States." The consent decree requires Ritschard Brothers, Inc., Carmelo Ritschard, and Donald Ritschard to (1) refrain from further discharges at the wetland; (2) perform partial restoration at the wetland; (3) monitor the fill material for three years, to ensure that no hazardous substances are leaching into the wetland; (4) place a conservation easement on the portion of the wetland and surrounding uplands which the Ritschard own; (5) pay a portion of the purchase price of a 120-acre farmland parcel, and perform all necessary design and construction necessary to create a mitigation wetland; and (6) pay a penalty of \$20,000 to the United States Treasury.

The Department of Justice will accept written comments relating to the proposed consent decree for thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Attention: Daniel R. Dertke, 10th & Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Room 7215—Main Building, Washington, D.C. 20530 and should refer to *United States v. Ritschard Brothers, Inc.*, DJ Reference No. 90-5-1-6-555.

The consent decree may be examined at the Clerk's Office, United States District Court, Room 102, Robert A. Grant Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, 204 South Main Street, South Bend, Indiana, 46601.

Letitia J. Grishaw,

*Chief, Environmental Defense Section, Environment and Natural Resources Division, U.S. Department of Justice.*

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### Antitrust Division

#### Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Petrotechnical Open Software Corporation

Notice is hereby given that, on April 22, 1996, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. § 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), Petrotechnical Open Software Corporation ("POSC") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its