assists the Center Director in the assessment of program accomplishments and the development of program planning through a program review process; (5) provides leadership within NCHS on legislative affairs, develops and coordinates the Center's legislative activities, and serves as principal liaison between NCHS programs and executive and legislative branch officials on legislative affairs; (6) serves as principal advisor in areas of budget and resource development, formulates and presents the NCHS budget, and serves as principal liaison between NCHS programs and budget officials in CDC, DHHS, and OMB; (7) develops fiscal policies, financial management procedures, and systems throughout NCHS, and provides leadership for the direction and improvement of financial management functions; (8) directs and manages the execution of the NCHS budget, including a system of budgetary and expenditure controls, financial reports, and assistance to staff; (9) provides planning, operational review and coordination for the NCHS Reimbursable Work Program, and coordinates required clearances of the program; (10) manages and coordinates NCHS' responsibilities for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act, and serves as principal liaison between NCHS programs and clearance officials in CDC, DHHS, and OMB; (11) assures that NCHS's confidentiality and privacy policy are consistent with legislative mandates, and that these policies and the Privacy Act are clearly articulated and enforced within NCHS; provides policy leadership and guidance on data sharing and data release agreements; and develops and maintains privacy Act System Notices.

Dated: September 6, 1996.

Claire Broome,

Acting Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Issuance of Permit for Incidental Take of Threatened Species

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service.

Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

On July 31, 1996, a notice was published in the Federal Register (61 FR 39979) that an application has been

filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Connel Gower Construction, Inc. for a permit to incidentally take, pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act (Act) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), threatened Utah Prairie Dog (Cynomys parvidens). Anticipated incidental take of this species is in conjunction with otherwise legal activities including construction of commercial and industrial buildings and facilities within a 63-acre industrial complex in Cedar City, Iron County, Utah pursuant to the Implementation Agreement that implements the Habitat Conservation Plan prepared by Connel Gower Construction, Inc.

Notice is hereby given that on September 13, 1996, as authorized by the provisions of the Act, the Service issued an incidental take permit (permit number PRT–817340) to the abovenamed party subject to certain conditions set forth therein. The permit was granted only after it was determined that it was applied for in good faith, that by granting the permit it will not be to the disadvantage of the threatened species, and that it will be consistent with the purposes and policy set forth in the Act, as amended.

Additionally information on this permit action may be obtained by contacting the Assistant Field Supervisor, Fish and Wildlife Service, Utah Ecological Services Field Office, 145 East 1300 South Street, Suite 404, Salt Lake City, Utah 84115, telephone (801) 524–5001, on weekdays between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Dated: September 13, 1996.

Terry T. Terrell,

Deputy Regional Director, Denver, Colorado. [FR Doc. 96–24246 Filed 9–20–96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4310–55–M

Bureau of Land Management

[MT-960-1320-03-242A; MTM 83859]

Availability of Environmental Assessment and Request for Comments on the Finding of No Significant Impact; Fair Market Value, and Maximum Economic Recovery; Coal Lease Application MTM 83859— Spring Creek Coal Company

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Montana, Miles City District, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management announces the availability of the Environmental Assessment (EA) for Spring Creek Coal Company's Federal Coal Lease Application MTM 83859 and requests public comment on the associated Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and Fair Market Value (FMV) and Maximum Economic Recovery (MER) of the coal resources subject to the lease application.

The land included in the Coal Lease Application MTM 83859 is located in Big Horn County, Montana, and is described as follows:

T. 8 S., R. 39 E., P.M.M.

Sec. 22: E1/2SW1/4SW1/4;

Sec. 25: SW1/4SW1/4;

Sec. 26: S¹/₂NE¹/₄NE¹/₄SW¹/₄, NW¹/₄NE¹/₄ SW¹/₄, N¹/₂SW¹/₄NE¹/₄SW¹/₄, SE¹/₄NE¹/₄ SW¹/₄, N¹/₂NW¹/₂NW¹/₄SW¹/₄, N¹/₂NE¹/₄ NW¹/₄SW¹/₄, SE¹/₄NW¹/₄NW¹/₄SW¹/₄, NE¹/₄SW¹/₄SE¹/₄, N¹/₂SW¹/₄SE¹/₄, SE¹/₄NE¹/₄SE¹/₄, N¹/₂SE¹/₄SE¹/₄, NE¹/₄SW¹/₄SE¹/₄, N¹/₂SE¹/₄SE¹/₄;

Sec. 27: N¹/₂SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, N¹/₂S¹/₂SW¹/₄

NE¹/₄, SE¹/₄SE¹/₄SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, S¹/₂NW¹/₄

SE¹/₄NE¹/₄, S¹/₂SE¹/₄NE¹/₄, E¹/₂NW¹/₄

NW¹/₄, N¹/₂NE¹/₄SE¹/₄NW¹/₄, SE¹/₄NW¹/₄, NE¹/₄

NE¹/₄NE¹/₄SE¹/₄.

T. 8 S., R. 40 E., P.M.M.

Sec. 30: S¹/₂NW¹/₄NE¹/₄SW¹/₄, S¹/₂NE¹/₄ SW¹/₄, SW¹/₄NW¹/₄SE¹/₄, W¹/₂SW¹/₄SE¹/₄, W¹/₂SE¹/₄SW¹/₄SE¹/₄.

320.00 Acres.

The EA addresses the cultural, socioeconomic, environmental and cumulative impacts that would likely result from leasing these coal lands. Two alternatives are addressed in the EA:

Alternative 1—(Proposed Action) would involve leasing the 320 acre tract, as applied for, which contains about 37.8 million tons of coal. Approximately 247 acres of lands within the application area, inclusive of 48 acres of crucial winter range for deer and antelope and 199 acres currently designated as suitable for leasing with no stipulations, would be redesignated as suitable for leasing with stipulations.

This alternative would also involve redesignating 63 acres of lands within the application area currently designated as suitable for leasing pending further study due to the presence of sage and Sharptail grouse. Approximately 30 of those acres would be redesignated as suitable for leasing with stipulations due to sage grouse wintering habitat. The remaining 33 acres would be outside the grouse habitat and would be suitable for leasing without stipulations.

Alternative 2—(No Action) Reject or deny the coal lease application. The Federal coal lands would not be offered for lease.

The public is invited to submit written comments on the FONSI associated with this proposed action as well as the FMV and MER of the proposed lease tract. In addition, notice is also given that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, October 22, 1996, on the FONSI, the proposed lease sale, FMV, and MER.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before 4:30 p.m., October 25, 1996. The public hearing will be held Tuesday, October 22, 1996 at 1:00 p.m. at the BLM Miles City District Office, 111 Garryowen Road, Miles City, Montana.

ADDRESSES: Comments or questions may be directed to Todd Christensen, Area Manager, Powder River Resource Area, Bureau of Land Management, 111 Garryowen Road, Miles City, Montana, 59301 (telephone 406–232–4331). Copies of the EA are available at the above address. For more complete data on this tract, please contact Randy Heuscher (telephone 406–255–2816), BLM, 222 North 32nd Street, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dan Benoit, Project Leader, Miles City District Office, phone (406) 232–4331.

District Office, phone (406) 232–4331. **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In** accordance with the Federal Coal Management regulations 43 CFR 3422 and 3425, not less than 30 days prior to publication of notice of sale, the Secretary shall solicit public comments on the proposed sale, FMV, and MER of the proposed lease tract. Proprietary data marked as confidential may be submitted to the Bureau of Land Management in response to this solicitation of public comments. Data so marked will be treated in accordance with the laws and regulations governing the confidentiality of such information. A copy of the comments submitted by the public on FMV and MER, except those portions identified as proprietary by the author and meeting exemptions stated in the Freedom of Information Act, will be available for public inspection at the Bureau of Land Management, 222 North 32nd Street, Billings, Montana, during regular business hours, (9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) Monday through Friday.

Comments should be sent to the BLM, P.O. Box 36800, Billings Montana 59107 and should include but is not necessarily limited to the following:

- 1. The quantity and quality of the coal resources:
- 2. The mining method or methods which would achieve MER of the coal including specification of the seams to be mined, timing and rate of production, restriction to mining and inclusion of the tract in an existing mining operation;
- 3. The FMV appraisal including but not limited to the evaluation of the tract

as an incremental unit of the existing mine, selling price of the coal, mining and reclamation costs, net present value discount factors, depreciation and other tax accounting factors, value of the surface estate and any comparable sales data of similar coal lands.

The values given above may or may not change as a result of comments received from the public and changes in market conditions between now and when final economic evaluations are completed.

Glenn A. Carpenter,

District Manager.

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Morrow and Gilliam Counties, OR: Visitor Restrictions

September 10, 1996.

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Department of the Interior (DOI), Prineville District.

ACTION: Notice is hereby given that the public lands as legally described below are closed seasonally from September 15 to April 15 to all vehicle access and travel.

In Morrow County, Oregon

Township 3 South, Range 23 East, Willamette Meridian,

Section 31: That portion of the SW¹/4NW¹/4, the SW¹/4, the W¹/2 SE¹/4, and the SE¹/4SE¹/4 lying South and West of Hale Ridge Morrow County Road 707. Section 32: That portion of the SW¹/4SW¹/4 lying South and West of Hal Ridge Morrow County Road 707.

In Gilliam County, Oregon

Township 4 South, Range 23 East, Willamette Meridian,

Section 4: That portion of the SW1/4SW1/4 lying South and West of Hale Ridge Gilliam County Road 707.

Section 5: That portion of the $W^{1/2}SE^{1/4}$ and the $SE^{1/4}$ of the $SE^{1/4}$ lying South and West of Hale Ridge Gilliam County Road 707.

The aforementioned land located in Morrow and Gilliam Counties, Oregon, near Rock Creek, are seasonally closed from September 15 to April 15 each year. The purpose of this closure is to reduce the spread of noxious weeds in the area by preventing vehicles from transporting and introducing weed seeds during the period of high visitor use, and to protect soil and watershed resources from off-road vehicle damage during periods of muddy conditions.

Exemptions to this closure will apply to administrative and law enforcement personnel of the BLM or Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, and personnel performing law enforcement, firefighting, or other emergency duties.

The authority for this closure comes from 43 CFR 8364.1(a): Closure and restriction orders. Violation of this closure order is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months as provided in 43 CFR 8360.0–7. A more specific location of public lands under this closure can be obtained at the BLM Prineville District Office.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Heidi Mottl, Recreation Planner, BLM Prineville, District Office, P.O. Box 550, Prineville. Oregon 97754, telephone number (541) 416–6700.

Dated: September 10, 1996. Harry R. Cosgriffe, *Area Manager, Central Oregon Resource Area.* [FR Doc. 96–24231 Filed 9–20–96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4310–33–M

[NM-018-096-1430-02; NMNM 95857]

Notice of Realty Action; Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act Classification; New Mexico

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The following public lands in Santa Fe County, New Mexico have been examined and found suitable for classification for lease or conveyance of Santa Fe County, under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 et seq.). Santa Fe County proposes to use the lands for a Fire Substation, Public Works Substation and Fire Fighters Training Facility.

New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 20 N, R. 9 E.,

Sec. 18, lots 21, 22, and 23.

Containing approximately 15 acres.

The lands are not needed for Federal purposes. Lease or conveyance is consistent with current BLM land use planning and would be in the public interest.

The lease/conveyance, when issued, will be subject to the following terms, conditions and reservations:

- 1. Provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and to all applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior.
- 2. A right-of-way of for ditches and canals constructed by the authority of the United States.
- 3. All minerals shall be reserved to the United States, together with the