shall a pump having connection to an oil line be used as a fire pump. Branch lines connected to the fire main for purposes other than fire and deck wash shall be so arranged that adequate water can be made continuously available for firefighting purposes.

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Subpart 193.30—[Added]

394. Subpart 193.30 is added to read as follows:

Subpart 193.30—Automatic Sprinkler Systems

§193.30-1 Application.

Automatic sprinkling systems shall comply with NFPA 13–1996.

PART 195—VESSEL CONTROL AND MISCELLANEOUS SYSTEMS AND EQUIPMENT

395. The authority citation for Part 195 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 46 U.S.C. 2113, 3306; 49 U.S.C. App. 1804; E.O. 12234, 45 FR 58801, 3 CFR, 1980 Comp., p. 277; 49 CFR 1.46.

§195.30-90 [Amended]

396. In § 195.30–90, paragraph (c) is amended by removing the terms "After November 23, 1994," and capitalizing the "e" in the term "each".

§195.35-90 [Amended]

397. In § 195.35–90, paragraph (c) is amended by removing the terms "After November 23, 1994," and capitalizing the "e" in the term "each".

PART 196—OPERATIONS

398. The authority citation for Part 196 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1321(j); 46 U.S.C. 2113, 3306, 5115, 6101; E.O. 11735, 38 FR 21243, 3 CFR, 1971–1975 Comp., p. 793; E.O. 12234, 45 FR 58801, 3 CFR, 1980 Comp., p. 277; 49 CFR 1.46.

§196.05-1 [Amended]

399. In § 196.05–1, paragraph (c) is amended by removing the terms "3d," and "12th."

400. Section 196.53–1 is revised to read as follows:

§196.53-1 Licensed officers.

All licensed officers on a vessel shall have their licenses conspicuously displayed.

PART 197—GENERAL PROVISIONS

401. The authority citation for Part 197 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1509; 43 U.S.C. 1333; 46 U.S.C. 3306, 3703, 6101; 49 CFR 1.46.

402. Section 197.462 is revised to read as follows:

§ 197.462 Pressure vessels and pressure piping.

- (a) The diving supervisor shall insure that each pressure vessel, including each volume tank, cylinder and PVHO, and each pressure piping system is examined and tested as required by this section and after any repair, modification or alteration to determine that they are in satisfactory condition and fit for the service intended.
- (b) Pressure vessels and pressure piping shall be examined annually for mechanical damage or deterioration. Any defect that may impair the safety of the pressure vessel or piping shall be repaired and pressure tested to the satisfaction of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection.
- (c) The following tests shall be conducted at least every three years:

(1) All piping permanently installed on a PVHO shall be pressure tested.

- (2) PVHOs subject to internal pressure shall be leak tested at the maximum allowable working pressure using the breathing mixture normally used in service.
- (3) Equivalent nondestructive testing may be conducted in lieu of pressure testing. Proposals to use nondestructive testing in lieu of pressure testing shall be submitted to the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection.
- (d) Unless otherwise noted, pressure tests conducted in accordance with this section shall be either hydrostatic tests or pneumatic tests.
- (1) When a hydrostatic test is conducted on a pressure vessel, the test pressure shall be no less than 1.25 times the maximum allowable working pressure.
- (2) When a pneumatic test is conducted on a pressure vessel, the test pressure shall be the maximum allowable working pressure stamped on the nameplate.
- (3) When a pneumatic test is conducted on piping, the test pressure shall be no less than 90 percent of the setting of the relief device.

(4) Pressure tests shall be conducted only after suitable precautions are taken to protect personnel and equipment.

(5) When pressure tests are conducted on pressure vessels or pressure piping, the test pressure shall be maintained for a period of time sufficient to allow examination of all joints, connections and high stress areas.

403. In § 197.480, paragraphs (a) and (b) are revised to read as follows:

§197.480 Logbooks.

(a) The person-in-charge of a vessel or facility required by 46 U.S.C. 11301 to

have an official logbook shall maintain the logbook on form CG-706.

(b) The person-in-charge of a vessel or facility not required by 46 U.S.C. 11301 to have an official logbook, shall maintain, on board, a logbook for making the entries required by this subpart.

404. In § 197.540, paragraph (b) is revised to read as follows:

§ 197.540 Determination of personal exposure.

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(b) *Initial exposure monitoring*. When benzene is first loaded as a cargo on board a vessel, an initial monitoring of each type of operation must be conducted to determine accurately the representative personal exposure of persons involved in the operation.

Dated: October 16, 1996.

J.C. Card,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Chief, Marine Safety and Environmental Protection. [FR Doc. 96–28407 Filed 11–18–96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–14–P

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

43 CFR Part 1300, 1600, 1780, 1810, 1860, 1880, 2090, 2200, 2300, 2360, 2400, 2520, 2610, 2640, 2650, 2710, 2720, 2740, 2800, 2810, 2880, 2910, 2920, 3000, 3100, 3130, 3150, 3160, 3200, 3250, 3260, 3420, 3460, 3480, 3500, 3590, 3600, 3800, 3830, 4100, 4200, 4300, 4700, 5400, 8200, 8340, 8360, 8560, 9210

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RIN 1004-AC73

Definitions

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This proposed rule would add a new part to the regulations of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). This new part would contain definitions of terms common to many or all programs and regulations of BLM. The rule also would remove from other parts of the BLM regulations those definitions proposed to appear in the new part, except for those of terms with meanings peculiar to particular BLM regulations or programs. The rule is needed to remove unnecessary duplication among BLM regulations.

DATES: You should submit your comments by January 21, 1997. BLM

will not necessarily consider comments postmarked, hand-delivered, or received by electronic mail after the above date in the decisionmaking process on the final rule.

ADDRESSES: You should mail comments to Director (420), Bureau of Land Management, Room 401 LS, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, DC 20240. You may deliver comments to this address in person as well. You may also comment via the Internet to WOComment@WO blm gov. Please

WOComment@WO.blm.gov. Please include "attn: AC73" and your name and return address in your Internet message. If you do not receive a confirmation from the system that we have received your internet message, contact us directly at (202) 452–5030. Comments will be available for public review at the above address during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Frank Bruno at (202) 452-0352, or Annetta Cheek at (202) 452-5099.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Public Comment Procedures II. Background III. Proposed Rule IV. Procedural Matters

I. Public Comment Procedures

Written comments on the proposed rule should be specific, should be confined to issues pertinent to the proposed rule, and should explain the reason for any recommended change. Where possible, you should reference the specific section or paragraph of the proposal that the comment is addressing. BLM will not necessarily consider or include in the Administrative Record for the final rule comments that are postmarked, handdelivered, or transmitted by electronic mail after the close of the comment period (see "DATES") or comments delivered to an address other than those listed above (see "ADDRESSES").

II. Background

BLM regulations are divided into "parts" and "subparts," generally by program subject matter. For example, you will find regulations on grazing in the public lands States outside Alaska in part 4100, geothermal leasing and operations in parts 3200–3280, and rights-of-way issued under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) (FLPMA) in part 2800. Most of these individual "program regulations" parts have Definitions sections, traditionally numbered §xxxx.0–5. These sections define terms pertinent to the specific

activity or land use covered in the program regulations. In many cases, they also define terms common to many or all BLM programs, which leads to a large amount of duplication.

This proposed rule is intended to relieve some of this duplication.

BLM definitions are derived from a variety of sources: statutory definitions, BLM and other agency usages, industry and interest group terminology and standards, and so forth. The same term may be defined differently in different contexts, depending on its statutory or other origin. Terms with such varying usages do not lend themselves to being included in a central glossary without multiple or multi-part definitions properly cross-referenced.

Depending on public support and acceptance of this proposed rule, BLM may propose a subsequent rule adding more definitions to the central definition section in the new part 1300 being proposed today (and removing them from program regulations), or perhaps all terms will be defined in this central glossary. BLM specifically requests public comments on whether this is a useful and appropriate approach. We also would like to receive suggestions as to other terms that should be included in the glossary in part 1300, or as to specific terms included in the glossary in this rule that should remain in program regulation definition sections and not be included in the central glossary.

III. Proposed Rule

The proposed rule would have four functions: (1) It would add a central glossary of terms in new part 1300; (2) with a few exceptions if usage requires, it would remove the centralized definitions from the various program regulation definition sections; (3) it would reorganize most of the definition sections of the program regulations by reordering the remaining definitions in alphabetical order; and (4) it would correct cross-references that would be affected by this proposed rule throughout Chapter II of Title 43 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

One result of this rule would be that some of the definitions of terms pertinent to your particular land use or activity will be located in part 1300 and others in the specific program regulation definition section. To mitigate any inconvenience this may cause, BLM field offices will be happy to provide photocopies of the program regulations pertaining to your interest, which is our current practice, plus the central glossary in part 1300.

In the following paragraphs, we will summarize the effect of this rule on the various program regulations.

Section-by-Section Description

Part 1300—Definitions

The following terms would be defined in the new § 1.5: Activity plan, actual costs, anniversary date, applicant, appraisal, authorized officer, bid, BLM or Bureau, business day, casual use, closed area, conveyance (document), Department, Director, land use plan, lease, legal description, lessee, lessor, license, licensee, mineral leasing laws, mining laws, multiple use, National Forest System lands, patent, permit, permittee, public domain lands, reclamation, Secretary, timber, and trespass.

BLM's inclusion of several of these terms in the new part 1300 requires a little more explanation here.

The definition of "reclamation" is in two parts, reflecting its usage in the context of irrigation and farming, and in the context of surface- or resource-disturbing activities requiring repair of land or resources.

As indicated in the rule language to be contained in part 1300, some of the common definitions provided are also contained in specific program regulations. Where such definitions are contained in specific program regulations, the definitions contained in the specific program regulations will govern.

For example, the terms "casual use," "Department," and "licensee" are included in part 1300 but have separate definitions in the mining regulations on Surface Management (subpart 3809), in the withdrawal regulations (part 2300), and in the rights-of-way regulations on Tramroads and Logging Roads (part 2810), respectively. Variations in usage and meaning require that these separate definitions remain in these program regulations. This is also true of the term "lease," which is defined in part 1300 to indicate that a lease conveys an interest in land. The program definition of "grazing lease" at 43 CFR 4100.0-5 is unaffected by the definition of "lease" in part 1300 and nothing in this proposed rule is intended to disturb the principle that a grazing lease conveys no interest in lands.

The term "authorized officer" would be defined in the central glossary. However, BLM expects that its use may be phased out as our regulations are simplified. In the future, the simple term "BLM" may be substituted for the vaguer "authorized officer" throughout our regulations. We specifically request public comment on whether this is a good idea. The proposed central glossary includes no definitions of "willful" or "nonwillful" trespass. We also invite comments as to whether definitions of such terms would be helpful in part 1300. Definitions of "willful" and "nonwillful" currently appear in various forms in §§ 2800.0–5(y)–(w). 3160.0–5(e), and 5400.0–5.

5(v)–(w), 3160.0–5(e), and 5400.0–5. The definitions of "business day" and "National Forest System lands" in proposed part 1300 are new and do not appear elsewhere in 43 CFR Chapter II.

Correlative Changes in 43 CFR Chapter II

Because proposed new part 1300 includes definitions drawn from many program regulations in Chapter II, this proposed rule needs to include amendments conforming the existing regulations to the new arrangement contemplated in this rule. These amendments mainly consist of corrections of cross-references and removals of program regulation definitions that would be superseded by those in part 1300.

In some instances, however, existing definitions included regulatory material that should not have been included in those definitions. An example is the definition of "reclamation," which appears in subpart 3802. In this situation, the regulatory material would be moved in this proposed rule from the definition to the program regulations.

In other instances, establishing a definition intended to apply to all program regulations necessitated a change in terminology in one particular program regulation because of a variation in usage in that program. An example is the definition of "permittee" in part 3600. In this part, "permittee" refers to someone who has purchased a material sales contract, as well as to the holder of a free-use permit. To deal with this kind of anomaly, this rule proposes to amend the regulations to refer to the person or entity buying or holding a contract to purchase mineral materials on the public lands as a "purchaser," and to the holder of a free-use permit as 'permittee.'

Å further organizational change that BLM proposes in this rule is the removal of the lettered paragraph designations from the program regulation definition sections. The definitions remaining in the program regulations, as well as the central glossary in part 1300, would be ordered alphabetically without paragraph designations.

In proposing these kinds of changes, BLM does not intend any substantive changes. In some instances, the proposed rule includes grammatical corrections, stylistic changes to reflect the style known as "Plain English,"—for example, in some instances "shall" is proposed to be replaced by "must"— and changes in common usage—for example, in some cases, "authorized officer" has been replaced by "BLM," a usage change that is gradually being incorporated in BLM's regulations. None of these changes is meant to be substantive, but you are welcome to comment on such changes if you find them troublesome.

Part 1600—Planning, Programming, Budgeting

The definition of "multiple use" would be removed from the planning regulations. The term is used in many of BLM's land use regulations.

Section 1610.2(j) would be amended only to change the way a cross-reference is described.

Part 1780—Cooperative Relations

The advisory committee regulations in subpart 1784 would be amended by removing the definitions of "Secretary" and "Director," which appear in this proposed rule in part 1300.

Part 1810—Introduction and General Guidance

Section 1810.1 on "Rules of construction; words and phrases" would be amended by removing paragraph (f), which construes the terms "officer" and "authorized officer."

Part 1860—Conveyances, Disclaimers and Correction Documents

This proposed rule would remove the definition of "authorized officer" from section 1864.0–5, which contains the definitions for the regulations on recordable disclaimers of interest in land, and from section 1865.0–5, which contains the definitions for the regulations on correction of conveyancing documents.

Part 1880—Financial Assistance, Local Governments

The payments in lieu of taxes regulations in subpart 1881 would be amended by removing the definition of "authorized officer." The regulations on mineral development impact relief loans in subpart 1882 would be amended by removing the definitions of "Secretary" and "Director."

Part 2090—Special Laws and Rules

The regulations on segregation and opening of lands in subpart 2091 would be amended by removing the definition of "authorized officer."

Part 2200—Exchanges

The general procedure regulations on exchanges in part 2200 would be amended by removing the definitions of "appraisal or appraisal report," "authorized officer," and "Secretary."

Part 2300—Land Withdrawals

The general withdrawal regulations in part 2300 would be amended by removing the definitions of "authorized officer," "applicant," and "legal description."

Sections 2310.1–2(c)(4) and 2310.1–3(b)(2) would be amended to correct cross-references. Section 2300.0–1 would be amended to make it clear that, as provided in the definition of "applicant" that is being removed in this rule, only Federal departments, agencies, or offices may apply for withdrawals of public lands.

Part 2360—National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska

The regulations on the management and protection of the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska would be amended by removing the definitions of "authorized officer" and "Secretary."

Part 2400—Land Classification

The general land classification regulations in part 2400 would be amended by removing the definition of "multiple use."

Part 2520—Desert-Land Entries

The general regulations on desert-land entries would be amended by removing the definition of "reclamation."

Part 2610—Carey Act Grants

The general regulations on Carey Act grants would be amended by removing the definition of "reclamation."

Part 2640—FAA Airport Grants

The regulations on Federal Aviation Administration airport grants would be amended by removing the definitions of "Secretary," "authorized officer," "applicant," and "conveyance document."

The definition of "applicant" that would be removed is obsolete in part because it refers to a provision of the Code of Federal Regulations that no longer exists. However, the provision in the definition that only public agencies, as defined in Section 503 of the Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982 (49 U.S.C. 47102(15)), may apply for an airport grant must be preserved in BLM's regulations. Therefore, § 2640.0–1 would be amended to make it clear that only a State, agency of a State, a municipality or other political subdivision of a State, a tax-supported

organization, or an Indian tribe or pueblo may apply for an airport grant under part 2640, in accordance with Section 516 of the Airport and Airway Improvement Act (49 U.S.C. 47125).

Part 2650—Alaska Native Selections

The general regulations on Alaska Native selections would be amended by removing the definitions of "Secretary," "patent," and "Director."

Part 2710—Sales: Federal Land Policy and Management Act

The general regulations on land sales under FLPMA would be amended by removing the definitions of "Secretary" and "authorized officer." The rule would also amend § 2710.0–8(a) to correct grammar and remove an unnecessary cross-reference to the definition of public lands in § 2710.0–5—the definition applies, as stated at the beginning of § 2710.0–5, whether the cross-reference remains or is removed.

Part 2720—Conveyance of Federally-Owned Mineral Interests

The regulations on the conveyance of Federally-owned mineral interests under section 209 of FLPMA (43 U.S.C. 1719) would be amended by removing the definition of "authorized officer."

Part 2740—Recreation and Public Purposes Act

The general regulations on the Recreation and Public Purposes Act would be amended by removing the definition of "authorized officer."

Part 2800—Rights-of-Way, Principles and Procedures

The general regulations on rights-ofway in subpart 2800 would be amended by removing the definitions of "Secretary," "authorized officer," "applicant," "casual use," "actual costs," and "trespass."

Part 2810—Tramroads and Logging Roads

The regulations on tram and logging roads over O. and C. and Coos Bay Revested Lands would be amended by removing the definitions of "Bureau," "Timber of the United States" or "federal timber" (considered as one term), and "authorized officer." The second of these terms—"Timber of the United States" or "federal timber"— would not be defined separately in part 1300 but would be covered by the definition of "timber."

Part 2880—Rights-of-Way Under the Mineral Leasing Act

The general regulations on oil and natural gas pipelines and related

facilities in subpart 2880 would be amended by removing the definitions of "applicant" and "authorized officer."

Part 2910—Leases

The regulations on airport leases in subpart 2911 would be amended by removing the definitions of "authorized officer" and "applicant." A new provision would be added to the beginning of § 2911.2–2 to state the applicant qualifications currently contained in the definition of "applicant" at § 2911.0–5(d).

Part 2920—Leases, Permits and Easements

The regulations on leases, permits, and easements in part 2920 would be amended by removing the definitions of "authorized officer," "lease," "permit," "land use plan," "applicant," and "casual use."

The proposed rule would also amend \$\\$ 2920.1-1(d) and 2920.1-2(a) to incorporate in the regulation the requirement currently in the definition of "casual use" that such use be "noncommercial."

Part 3000—Minerals Management; General

The general regulations on minerals management in part 3000 would be amended by removing the definitions of "Secretary," "Director," "authorized officer," "public domain lands," "anniversary date," and "Bureau."

Part 3100—Oil and Gas Leasing

The general regulations on onshore oil and gas leasing in subpart 3100 would be amended by removing the definitions of "lessee" and "bid." A reference to "parties in interest" would be clarified in § 3102.5–1.

Part 3130—Oil and Gas Leasing: National Petroleum Reserve, Alaska

The general regulations on oil and gas leasing in the National Petroleum Reserve, Alaska, in part 3130 would be amended by removing the definition of "Bureau."

Part 3150—Onshore Oil and Gas Geophysical Exploration

The general regulations on onshore oil and gas geophysical exploration in subpart 3150 would be amended by removing the definition of "casual use."

Part 3160—Onshore Oil and Gas Operations

The general regulations on onshore oil and gas operations in subpart 3160 would be amended by removing the definition of "lessor." The definition of "lease" would be retained in this part

even though it is also defined in part 1300, because of the significant differences in terms between fluid mineral leases and other BLM leases. The definition of "lessee" would be retained in this part, because of special elements that need to be added to the definition of fluid mineral "lessee" to accommodate the requirements of the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Simplification and Fairness Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104–185), which amended the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act (30 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.).

Part 3200—Geothermal Resources Leasing: General

The general regulations on geothermal resources leasing in subpart 3200 would be amended by removing the definitions of "Secretary," "Director," "authorized officer," "anniversary date," "Bureau," "lessee," and "public domain lands."

The regulations on geothermal resources exploration operations in subpart 3209 would be amended by removing the definition of "casual use." Also, § 3203.6 would be amended to correct a cross-reference to this definition.

Part 3250—Utilization of Geothermal Resources

The regulations on use of geothermal resources would be amended by removing the definitions of "licensee" and "authorized officer" and by correcting cross-references contained in § 3250.0–5.

Part 3260—Geothermal Resources Operations

The regulations on geothermal resources operations in part 3260 would be amended by removing the definition of "casual use."

Part 3420—Competitive Leasing

The regulations on competitive coal leasing in part 3420 contain no definitions. However, this proposed rule would amend § 3427.0–7 to remove an inaccurate cross-reference.

Part 3460—Environment

The regulations on determining Federal lands unsuitable for coal mining in subpart 3461 contain no definitions. However, this proposed rule would adjust a cross-reference to the definition of "alluvial valley floor" in § 3461.5 to reflect numbering changes.

Part 3480—Coal Exploration and Mining Operations Rules

The general regulations on coal exploration and mining operations in

subpart 3480 would be amended by removing the definition of "license."

Part 3500—Leasing of Solid Minerals Other Than Coal and Oil Shale

The general regulations on leasing of solid minerals other than coal and oil shale in subpart 3500 would be amended by removing the definitions of "Secretary," "Director," "authorized officer," "public domain lands," and "Bureau."

Part 3590—Solid Minerals (Other Than Coal) Exploration and Mining Operations

The general regulations on exploration and mining operations for solid minerals other than coal in subpart 3590 would be amended by removing the definitions of "lessee," "licensee," "permittee," and "reclamation."

The proposed general definition provides that, in the context of resource use and extraction, "reclamation" means the measures undertaken to bring about the rehabilitation, reconditioning, restoration, or reshaping of lands or water affected by any surface- or subsurface-disturbing use.

Part 3600—Mineral Materials Disposal: General

The general regulations on disposal of mineral materials in part 3600 would be amended by removing the definitions of "Bureau," "Director," "permittee," and "authorized officer." In part 3600, the term "permittee" is currently used interchangeably to mean an entity that obtains a contract to buy mineral materials from the public lands and an entity that obtains a free-use permit. In this proposed rule, BLM proposes to substitute the more accurate term "purchaser" for the first of these two usages. A definition is proposed to be added for this term in part 3600, and the term will be added or substituted where appropriate. No substantive change is proposed by this action. As a term to describe the holder of a free-use permit under part 3620, "permittee" as proposed to be defined in part 1300 should suffice.

Part 3800—Mining Claims Under the General Mining Laws

The regulations on exploration and mining in the context of the wilderness review program in subpart 3802 would be amended by removing the definitions of "reclamation" and "authorized officer."

In subpart 3802, the specific reclamation requirements that were included in the definition of "reclamation" would be incorporated in the section on reclamation, 3802.3–2(h).

The language being moved consists of regulatory requirements, rather than definitions, and thus belongs more properly in the portion of the regulations containing substantive requirements for operator action or procedure.

The regulations on surface management in connection with hardrock mining in subpart 3809 would be amended by removing the definitions of "authorized officer" and "mining laws."

Part 3830—Location of Mining Claims

The regulations on recordation of mining claims, mill sites, and tunnel sites, payment of service charges, and payment of rental fees in subpart 3833 would be amended by removing the definition of "authorized officer."

Part 4100—Grazing Administration— Exclusive of Alaska

The general regulations on grazing administration outside of Alaska in subpart 4100 would be amended by removing the definitions of "activity plan," "authorized officer," "land use plan," and "Secretary," and by clarifying and correcting a cross-reference in § 4100.0–8 on land use plans to reflect the role of public participation in the development of land use plans.

Part 4200—Grazing Administration; Alaska; Livestock

The general regulations on livestock grazing in Alaska in subpart 4200 would be amended by removing the definitions of "Secretary," "Director," and "authorized officer."

Part 4300—Grazing Administration; Alaska: Reindeer

The general regulations on reindeer grazing in Alaska in subpart 4300 would be amended by removing the definitions of "Bureau," "Director," and "authorized officer."

Part 4700—Protection, Management, and Control of Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros

The general regulations on protection, management, and control of wild, free-roaming horses and burros in subpart 4700 would be amended by removing the definition of "authorized officer."

Part 5400—Sales of Forest products; General

The general regulations on sales of forest products in subpart 5400 would be amended by removing the definitions of "authorized officer," "Bureau," "Director," "Federal timber," "timber," and "trespass." The definition of

"permit" would be retained in part 5400 because of the special usages and requirements of the forestry program.

Part 8200—Procedures

The regulations on the management of the Fossil Forest Research Natural Area, New Mexico, in subpart 8224 would be amended by removing the definition of "authorized officer."

Part 8340—Off-Road Vehicles

The general regulations on off-road vehicles in subpart 8340 would be amended by removing the definitions of "Bureau" and "closed area." Regulatory provisions contained in the definition of "closed area" would be relocated in § 8341.2 on special rules.

Part 8360—Visitor Services

The general regulations on visitor services in subpart 8360 would be amended by removing the definition of "authorized officer."

Part 8560—Wilderness Areas

The regulations on the management of designated wilderness areas in subpart 8560 would be amended by removing the definitions of "authorized officer" and "Bureau."

Part 9210—Fire Management

The regulations on wildfire prevention in subpart 9212 would be amended by removing the definitions of "authorized officer," "permit," and "closed area."

IV. Procedural Matters

The principal authors of this proposed rule are Michael Schwartz, Special Assistant to the Assistant Director for Resource Use and Protection, Olivia Short of the Regulatory Reinvention Initiative Team, Jeff Holdren of the Use Authorization Team, Lois Mason of the Use Authorization Team, and Frank Bruno and Ted Hudson of the Regulatory Management Team, Bureau of Land Management.

The BLM has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) and has found that the proposed rule would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment under section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C). BLM has placed the EA and the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) on file in the BLM Administrative Record at the address specified previously. You may review these documents by contacting us at the address listed above (see ADDRESSES). If you wish to submit comments in response to the EA and

FONSI, you may do so in accordance with the *Public Comment Procedures* section above, or contact us directly.

This rule is not subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Order 12866.

This proposed rule does not represent a governmental action capable of interference with constitutionally protected property rights or result in a taking of private property under Executive Order 12630. It does not provide for the taking of any property rights or interests.

Congress enacted the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 (RFA), 5 U.S.C. 601 et seq., to ensure that Government regulations do not unnecessarily or disproportionately burden small entities. The RFA requires a regulatory flexibility analysis if a rule would have a significant economic impact, either detrimental or beneficial, on a substantial number of small entities. BLM has determined under the RFA that this proposed rule would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. Moving definitions from one section to another will not have any economic impact whatsoever, and the minor changes proposed in some of the definitions and the conforming changes in regulatory text have been shown in a Determination of Effects of Rules to have no discernible economic impact.

This proposed rule does not contain information collection requirements that require approval by the Office of Management and Budget under the Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.

Creation of a central definition section will not result in any unfunded mandate to State, local, or tribal governments in the aggregate, or to the private sector, of \$100 million or more in any one year. Further, none of the minor changes proposed in the definitions, and none of the correlative changes proposed in the program regulations to accommodate the relocated and amended definitions will establish a Federal mandate that may result in expenditures of \$100 million or more in any one year by State, local, and tribal governments in the aggregate, or by the private sector. Therefore, a Section 202 statement under the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act is not required.

The Department has determined that this rule meets the applicable standards provided in sections 3(a) and 3(b)(2) of Executive Order 12988.

The proposed rule does not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and

responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, BLM has determined that the proposed rule would not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant preparation of a Federalism Assessment under Executive Order 12612.

List of Subjects

43 CFR Part 1300

Indians, Indians—lands, Public lands.

43 CFR Part 1600

Administrative practice and procedure, Environmental impact statements, Indians, Intergovernmental relations, Public lands.

43 CFR Part 1780

Administrative practice and procedure, Advisory committees, Public lands.

43 CFR Part 1810

Administrative practice and procedure, Archives and records, Disaster assistance, Forests and forest products, Public lands.

43 CFR Part 1860

Administrative practice and procedure, Public lands.

43 CFR Part 1880

Administrative practice and procedure, Civil rights, Grants programs-natural resources, Intergovernmental relations, Loan Programs-natural resources, Public lands, Public lands-mineral resources.

43 CFR Part 2090

Airports, Alaska, Coal, Grazing lands, Indians-lands, Public lands, Public lands-classification, Public lands-mineral resources, Public lands-withdrawal, Seashores, Veterans.

43 CFR Part 2200

National forests, Public lands.

43 CFR Part 2300

Administrative practice and procedure, Electric power, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public lands-withdrawal.

43 CFR Part 2360

Alaska, Environmental protection, Natural resources, Oil and gas reserves, Public lands-withdrawal.

43 CFR Part 2400

Agriculture, Forests and forest products, Public lands-classification, Public lands-mineral resources, Recreation and recreation areas, Watersheds. 43 CFR Part 2520

Irrigation, Public lands, Reclamation, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

43 CFR Part 2610

Homesteads, Intergovernmental relations, Irrigation, Public lands-grants, Reclamation.

43 CFR Part 2640

Airports, Public lands-grants.

43 CFR Part 2650

Administrative practice and procedure, Alaska, Federal buildings and facilities, Indians-claims, Indianslands, National forests, Public landsgrants, Wildlife refuges.

43 CFR Part 2710

Administrative practice and procedure, Public lands-mineral resources, Public lands-sale.

43 CFR Part 2720

Administrative practice and procedure, Public lands-mineral resources. Public lands-sale.

43 CFR Part 2740

Intergovernmental relations, Public lands-sale, Recreation and recreation areas, Reporting and record keeping requirements.

43 CFR Part 2800

Communications, Electric power, Highways and roads, Pipelines, Public lands-rights-of-way, Reporting and record keeping requirements.

43 CFR Part 2810

Highways and roads, Public landsrights-of-way, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

43 CFR Part 2880

Administrative practice and procedure, Common carriers, Pipelines, Public lands-rights-of-way, Reporting and record keeping requirements.

43 CFR Part 2910

Airports, Alaska, Public lands, Recreation and recreation areas, Waste treatment and disposal.

43 CFR Part 2920

Public lands, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

43 CFR Part 3000

Public lands-mineral resources.

43 CFR Part 3100

Government contracts, Mineral royalties, Oil and gas exploration, Public lands-mineral resources, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Surety bonds.

43 CFR Part 3130

Alaska, Government contracts, Mineral royalties, Oil and gas exploration, Oil and gas reserves, Public lands-mineral resources, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Surety bonds.

43 CFR Part 3150

Alaska, Oil and gas exploration, Public lands-mineral resources, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Surety bonds.

43 CFR Part 3160

Government contracts, Indians-lands, Mineral royalties, Oil and gas exploration, Penalties, Public landsmineral resources, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

43 CFR Part 3200

Geothermal energy, Government contracts, Mineral royalties, Public lands-mineral resources, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Surety bonds.

43 CFR Part 3250

Geothermal energy, Government contracts, Public lands-mineral resources, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Surety bonds.

43 CFR Part 3260

Environmental protection, Geothermal energy, Government contracts, Public lands-mineral resources, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

43 CFR Part 3420

Administrative practice and procedure, Coal, Government contracts, Intergovernmental relations, Mines, Public lands-mineral resources, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

43 CFR Part 3460

Coal, Environmental protection, Government contracts, Mines, Public lands-mineral resources.

43 CFR Part 3480

Government contracts, Intergovernmental relations, Mineral royalties, Mines, Public lands-mineral resources, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

43 CFR Part 3500

Government contracts, Mineral royalties, Public lands-mineral resources, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Surety bonds.

43 CFR Part 3590

Environmental protection, Government contracts, Indians-lands, Mines, Public lands-mineral resources, reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

43 CFR Part 3600

Public lands-mineral resources, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

43 CFR Part 3800

Administrative practice and procedure, Environmental protection, Intergovernmental relations, Mines, Public lands-mineral resources, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Surety bonds, Wilderness areas.

43 CFR Part 3830

Mineral royalties, Mines, Public lands-mineral resources, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

43 CFR Part 4100

Administrative practice and procedure, Grazing lands, Livestock, Penalties, Range management, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

43 CFR Part 4200

Administrative practice and procedure, Alaska, Grazing lands, Livestock, Range management.

43 CFR Part 4300

Administrative practice and procedure, Alaska, Grazing lands, Range Management, Reindeer, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

43 CFR Part 4700

Horses, Intergovernmental relations, Penalties, Public lands, Range management, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Wildlife.

43 CFR Part 5400

Administrative practice and procedure, Forests and forest products, Public lands, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

43 CFR Part 8200

Public lands, Research.

43 CFR Part 8340

Public lands, Recreation and recreation areas, Traffic regulations.

43 CFR Part 8360

Penalties, Public lands, Recreation and recreation areas.

43 CFR Part 8560

Penalties, Public lands, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Wilderness areas.

43 CFR Part 9210

Fire prevention, Penalties, Public lands.

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For the reasons set forth in the preamble above, BLM proposes to amend Title 43 of the CFR as follows:

1. Part 1300 is added to read as follows:

PART 1300—DEFINITIONS

Sec

1301.1 Purpose of this part. 1301.5 Definitions of key terms used by BLM. Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1201; 43 U.S.C. 1740.

§1301.1 Purpose of this part.

The purpose of this part is to collect in one location definitions of terms common to many Bureau of Land Management services, activities, programs, and operations.

§ 1301.0–5 Definitions of key terms used by BLM.

Some of the common definitions provided herein are also contained in specific program regulations. Where such definitions are contained in specific program regulations, the definitions contained in the specific program regulations will govern. With that exception, as used in this chapter, and as the context requires:

Activity plan means a plan for managing one or more resources or values to achieve a desired outcome.

Actual costs means the costs expended by BLM in performing its responsibilities and missions. These may include, but are not limited to, processing an application or other document for use of the public or other applicable Federal lands or resources, environmental impact statements, or monitoring the construction, operation, maintenance, or termination of the use authorized by a grant, permit, lease, or other form of authorization. Actual costs include both direct and indirect costs. For instance, for purposes of Category VI applications for rights-of-way issued under part 2880 of this chapter and 30 U.S.C. 185, actual costs are full administrative costs and other costs of processing, including management overhead. If required by statute, actual costs exclude management overhead.

Anniversary date means the same day and month in succeeding years as that date on which an action or authorization became effective.

Applicant means any individual or business entity, association, public agency, or unit of Federal, State, local, or tribal government that applies for the use, closure, preservation, classification, withdrawal, and/or transfer of lands, interests in land, and/or resources administered by the BLM.

Appraisal or Appraisal report means a written opinion by a qualified appraiser that impartially sets forth the market value of land or interests in land as of a specific date. The report includes the presentation and analysis of relevant market information.

Authorized officer means any employee of BLM or the Department who has been delegated the authority to perform the duties described in BLM

regulations.

Bid means an amount offered to BLM for the value of, or as partial compensation for, lands, resources, or rights to commodities being offered for sale.

BLM means the Bureau of Land Management, or any officer or employee authorized to act for the Bureau of Land Management in a particular circumstance.

Bureau means the Bureau of Land Management, BLM.

Business day means any day Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays, that the Federal Government is open for business.

Casual use means any short-term activity that only causes negligible disturbance to the public lands, their resources or improvements, and that is not prohibited by closure of the lands. Activities that involve use of heavy equipment or explosives and that involve vehicular movement other than over established roads and trails are examples of activities that do not constitute casual use.

Closed area means any public lands temporarily closed by the BLM to public use or entry in general or to a specified entry or use.

Conveyance means a transfer of legal title to land or interest(s) in land or other property by a document in the form of a deed, patent, interim conveyance issued under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), approval or tentative approval issued under the Act of July 7, 1958, as amended (72 Stat. 339), or other legal

Department means the Department of the Interior, unless otherwise specified. Director means the Director of BLM,

unless otherwise specified.

Land use plan means a document developed under the provisions of part 1600 of this chapter to establish management direction for resource uses of public lands, such as a Resource Management Plan or Management Framework Plan.

Lease means a written agreement entered into by BLM which conveys an interest in lands which authorizes the use of lands or interests therein for a fixed period of time.

Legal description means:

(1) A written description of a specific tract of land based on either:

- (i) An approved and filed Federal land survey executed as part of the United States Public Land Survey System, or
- (ii) A protraction diagram, where specifically authorized under Federal
- (2) In the absence of an approved and filed Federal survey or an authorized protraction diagram, legal description means a written description that defines the exterior boundaries of a tract of land by reference to a metes and bounds survey or natural or other monuments.

Lessee means a person or entity that holds record title, in whole or in part, in a lease issued by the United States.

Lessor means the party to a lease who holds the reversionary interest in the estate that is being leased.

License means a privilege issued by BLM to do some particular act or series of acts on land without conveying any estate or interest in land.

Licensee means a person or entity who holds in whole or in part a BLM license to use or explore public lands or resources or both.

Mineral leasing laws means the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended (30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.), the Mineral Leasing Act for Acquired Lands of 1947, as amended (30 U.S.C. 351-360), the Act of May 21, 1930 (30 U.S.C. 301-306), the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 as amended (30 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.), and all laws supplementing and amending these laws.

Mining laws means the Lode Law of 1866, as amended (14 Stat. 251), the Placer Law of 1870, as amended (16 Stat. 217), and the Mining Law of 1872, as amended (17 Stat. 91), and all laws supplementing and amending these laws, including, but not limited to, the Building Stone Act of 1892, as amended (27 Stat. 348), the Saline Placer Act of 1901 (31 Stat. 745) (See R.S. 2318-2352), the Surface Resources Act of 1955 (69 Stat. 367, 30 U.S.C. 611-614), 302 and 314 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1732 and 1744), the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (107 Stat. 312, 405-407), and the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for fiscal year 1993 (106 Stat. 1374, 1378-

Multiple use means:

(1) The management of the public lands and their various surface and

subsurface resource values so that they are utilized in the combination that will best meet the present and future needs of the American people;

(2) The most judicious use of the land for some or all of these resources or related services over areas large enough to provide sufficient latitude for periodic adjustments in use to conform to changing needs and conditions;

(3) The use of some land for less than all of the resources;

- (4) A combination of balanced and diverse resource uses that takes into account the long-term needs of future generations for renewable and nonrenewable resources, including, but not limited to, recreation, range, timber, minerals, watershed, wildlife and fish, and natural scenic, scientific, and historical values; and
- (5) Harmonious and coordinated management of the various resources, each with the other, without permanent impairment of the productivity of the land and the quality of the environment, with consideration being given to the relative values of the various resources, and not necessarily the combination of uses that will give the greatest economic return or the greatest unit output.

National Forest System lands means all National Forest lands reserved or withdrawn from the public domain of the United States, all National Forest lands acquired through purchase, exchange, donation, or other means, the National Grasslands and land utilization projects administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, under Title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act (7 U.S.C. 1010 et sea.), and other lands, waters, or interests therein that are administered by the Forest Service or are designated for administration through the Forest Service as part of the system (16 U.S.C. 1609).

Patent means a conveyance document issued by the United States granting legal title to surveyed lands or interests in lands; or the document issued by the BLM to confirm legal title to land previously granted through a clear list (a list of lands granted to entities such as States and railroads in lieu of multiple patents), interim conveyance issued under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), or approval or tentative approval issued under the Act of July 7, 1958, as amended (72 Stat. 339).

Permit generally means a written authorization to use public lands or resources for a specified purpose, except as otherwise defined in § 5400.0–5 of this chapter.

Permittee means a person or entity who holds, in whole or in part, a BLM permit whether obtained from the BLM or by assignment.

Public domain lands means lands, including mineral estates, that never left the ownership of the United States, lands that were obtained by the United States in exchange for public domain lands, lands that have reverted to the ownership of the United States through the operation of the public land laws, and other lands specifically identified by the Congress as part of the public domain.

Reclamation means:

- (1) In regulations pertaining to resource use and extraction, the measures undertaken to bring about the rehabilitation, reconditioning, restoration, or reshaping of lands or water affected by any surface- or subsurface-disturbing use; or
- (2) In regulations pertaining to land entry by settlers, the establishment of works to conduct water to land for irrigation and cultivation.

Secretary means the Secretary of the Interior or his or her authorized delegate.

Timber means standing trees, downed trees or logs that can be measured in cubic or board feet. Federal timber, or timber of the United States, is timber owned or managed by the United States or any agency thereof, including timber on allotted and tribal Indian lands in the O. and C. area as defined by § 2812.0-5(e) of this chapter.

Trespass means any use, occupancy or development of the public lands, or the severance, removal, damage, or unlawful use of the resources of the public lands, without legal authority.

PART 1600—PLANNING PROGRAMMING, BUDGETING

2. The authority citation for part 1600 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1712, 1740.

- 3. Section 1601.0-5 is amended by removing paragraph (f), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.
- 4. Section 1610.2 is amended by revising the first sentence of paragraph (i) to read as follows:

§ 1610.2 Public participation.

(j) When resource management plans involve areas of potential mining for coal by means other than underground mining, and the surface is privately owned, the Bureau of Land Management will consult with all qualified surface

owners, as that term is defined in § 3400.0–5 of this chapter. * *

PART 1780—COOPERATIVE RELATIONS

5. The authority citation for part 1780 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1740.

6. Section 1784.0-5 is amended by removing paragraphs (b) and (c), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 1810—INTRODUCTION AND **GENERAL GUIDANCE**

7. The authority citation for part 1810 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1201; 43 U.S.C. 1740.

8. Section 1810.1 is amended by removing paragraph (f).

PART 1860—CONVEYANCES, **DISCLAIMERS AND CORRECTION DOCUMENTS**

9. The authority citation for part 1860 is added to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1161, 1201, and 1740.

- 10. The authority citations for subparts 1862 and 1863 are removed.
- 11. Section 1864.0-5 is amended by removing paragraph (a), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.
- 12. Section 1865.0-5 is amended by removing paragraph (a), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 1880—FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, **LOCAL GOVERNMENTS**

13. The authority citation for part 1880 is added to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1740.

- 14. The authority citation for subpart 1881 is removed.
- 15. Section 1881.0-5 is amended by removing paragraph (e).
- 16. The authority citation for subpart 1882 is removed.
- 17. Section 1882.0-5 is amended by removing paragraphs (a) and (b), and by removing the remaining lettered paragraph designation "(c)."

PART 2090—SPECIAL LAWS AND **RULES**

18. The authority citation for part 2090 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 322, 641, 1201, 1624, 1740; 16 U.S.C. 3124; 30 U.S.C. 189.

19. Section 2091.0-5 is amended by removing paragraph (a), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 2200—EXCHANGES: GENERAL **PROCEDURES**

20. The authority citation for part 2200 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1740.

21. Section 2200.0-5 is amended by removing paragraphs (c), (g), and (v), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 2300—LAND WITHDRAWALS

22. The authority citation for part 2300 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1201: 43 U.S.C. 1740: E.O. 10355 (17 FR 4831, 4833).

23. Section 2300.0-1 is amended by revising the first sentence of paragraph (a) to read as follows:

§ 2300.0-1 Purpose.

- (a) These regulations set forth procedures implementing the Secretary of the Interior's authority to process the applications of Federal departments, agencies, and offices for public land withdrawals and, if appropriate, to make, modify or extend such Federal land withdrawals. * * *
- 24. Section 2300.0-5 is amended by removing paragraphs (b), (l), and (n), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by reordering the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.
- 25. Section 2310.1-2 is amended by revising paragraph (c)(4) to read as follows:

§ 2310.1-2 Submission of applications.

(c) * * *

(4) The type of withdrawal action that is being requested (See the definition of withdrawal in § 2300.0-5), and whether the application pertains to the making, extension, or modification of a withdrawal.

26. Section 2310.1-3 is amended by revising paragraph (b)(2) to read as follows:

§ 2310.1–3 Submission of withdrawal petitions.

(b) * * * * *

(2) The type and purpose of the proposed withdrawal action (See the definition of withdrawal in § 2300.0–5), and whether the petition pertains to the making, extension, or modification of a withdrawal:

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PART 2360—NATIONAL PETROLEUM RESERVE IN ALASKA

27. The authority citation for part 2360 is added to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1733 and 1740; 42 U.S.C. 6503.

28. Section 2361.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (b) and (e), and by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section.

PART 2400—LAND CLASSIFICATION

29. The authority citation for part 2400 is added to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1740.

30. Section 2400.0–5 is amended by removing paragraph (o), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 2520—DESERT-LAND ENTRIES

31. The authority citation for part 2520 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1201, 1733, 1740.

32. Section 2520.0–5 is amended by removing paragraph (a)(1), by removing all of the remaining paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 2610—CAREY ACT GRANTS

33. The authority citation for part 2610 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 641.

34. Section 2610.0–5 is amended by removing paragraph (h), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 2640—FAA AIRPORT GRANTS

35. The authority citation for part 2640 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1740, 49 U.S.C. 47101 et seq.

36. Section 2640.0–1 is revised to read as follows:

§ 2640.0-1 Purpose.

This subpart sets forth procedures for the issuance of conveyance documents for lands under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior to public agencies—States, agencies of States, municipalities or other political subdivisions of States, tax-supported organizations, or Indian tribes or pueblos—for use as airports and airways.

37. Section 2640.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (b), (c), (e), and (g), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

38. Section 2640.0–7 is removed.

PART 2650—ALASKA NATIVE SELECTIONS

39. The authority citation for part 2650 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1624.

40. Section 2650.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (b), (i), and (s), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 2710—SALES: FEDERAL LAND POLICY AND MANAGEMENT ACT

41. The authority citation for part 2710 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1713, 1740.

42. Section 2710.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (b) and (c), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

43. Section 2710.0–8 is amended by revising the introductory text of paragraph (a) to read as follows:

§ 2710.0-8 Lands subject to sale.

(a) All public lands that meet the disposal criteria specified under § 2710.0–3 are subject to sale under this part, except:

PART 2720—CONVEYANCE OF FEDERALLY-OWNED MINERAL INTERESTS

44. The authority citation for part 2720 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1719, 1733, 1740.

45. Section 2720.0–5 is amended by removing paragraph (c), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 2740—RECREATION AND PUBLIC PURPOSES ACT

46. The authority citation for part 2740 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1740; 31 U.S.C. 9701.

47. Section 2740.0–5 is amended by removing paragraph (b), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 2800—RIGHTS-OF-WAY, PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES

48. The authority citation for part 2800 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 31 U.S.C. 9701; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740.

49. Section 2800.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (b), (c), (e), (m), (o), and (u), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

50. Section 2800.0–7 is amended by adding paragraph (d) to read as follows:

§ 2800.0-7 Scope.

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(d) Casual use does not require a right-of-way grant or temporary use permit under this chapter.

PART 2810—TRAMROADS AND LOGGING ROADS

51. The authority citation for part 2810 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1732-1733, 1740.

52. Section 2812.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (a), (b), and (d), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 2880—RIGHTS-OF-WAY UNDER THE MINERAL LEASING ACT

53. The authority citation for part 2880 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 185.

54. Section 2880.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (c) and (d), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 2910—LEASES

55. The authority citation for part 2910 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 687c, 687c-1; 43 U.S.C. 1740.

- 56. The authority citation for subpart 2911 is removed.
- 57. Section 2911.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (b) and (d), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.
- 58. Section 2911.2–2 is amended by redesignating paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) as paragraphs (b), (c), and (d), respectively, and by adding a new paragraph (a) to read as follows:

§ 2911.2-2 Applications.

- (a) An application may only be submitted by:
 - (1) A citizen of the United States;
- (2) A group or association of citizens of the United States;
- (3) A corporation organized under the laws of the United States or of any State, authorized to conduct business in the State in which the land involved is situated; or
- (4) A State or political subdivision or instrumentality thereof, such as a county or municipality.
- 59. The authority citation for subpart 2912 is removed.

PART 2920—LEASES, PERMITS AND EASEMENTS

60. The authority citation for part 2920 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1732-1733, 1740.

- 61. Section 2920.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (a), (c), (d), (f), (j), and (k), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.
- 62. Section 2920.1–1 is amended by revising paragraph (d) to read as follows:

§ 2920.1-1 Authorized use.

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- (d) No land use authorization is required under the regulations in this part for noncommercial casual use of the public lands.
- 63. Section 2920.1–2 is amended by revising the first sentence of paragraph (a) to read as follows:

§ 2920.1-2 Unauthorized use.

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(a) Any use, occupancy, or development of the public lands, other than noncommercial casual use as defined in § 1301.0–5 of this chapter, without authorization under the procedures in § 2920.1–1 or without authorization under parts 3000 through 3870, is considered a trespass. * * *

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PART 3000—MINERALS MANAGEMENT; GENERAL

64. The authority citation for part 3000 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 189; 30 U.S.C. 306; 30 U.S.C. 359; 16 U.S.C. 3150; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740; 42 U.S.C. 6508; 31 U.S.C. 9701.

65. Section 3000.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (c), (d), (e), (g), (i), and (o), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 3100—OIL AND GAS LEASING

66. The authority citation for part 3100 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 189, 30 U.S.C. 359, 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740.

- 67. Section 3100.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (i) and (k), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.
- 68. Section 3102.5–1 is amended by adding the words "in interest" after the word "parties" in the last sentence of the introductory text and by removing the paragraph designation "(k)" from § 3000.0–5 in the parenthetical.

PART 3130—OIL AND GAS LEASING: NATIONAL PETROLEUM RESERVE, ALASKA

69. The authority citation for part 3130 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 6508; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740.

70. Section 3130.0–5 is amended by removing paragraph (b), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 3150—ONSHORE OIL AND GAS GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION

71. The authority citation for part 3150 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 189; 30 U.S.C. 359; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740; 16 U.S.C. 3150; 42 U.S.C. 6508; 31 U.S.C. 9701.

72. Section 3150.0–5 is amended by removing paragraph (b) and by removing the remaining paragraph designation (a).

PART 3160—ONSHORE OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS

73. The authority citation for part 3160 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740; 30 U.S.C. 189; 30 U.S.C 359; 30 U.S.C. 306; 25 U.S.C. 396d, 399; 42 U.S.C. 6508; 30 U.S.C. 1751.

74. Section 3160.0–5 is amended by removing paragraph (i), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 3200—GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES LEASING: GENERAL

75. The authority citation for part 3200 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 1023, 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740.

- 76. Section 3200.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (b), (g), (m), (o), (q), (t), (w), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.
- 77. Section 3203.6 is amended by removing from the introductory text the cross reference "3209.0–5" and adding in its place the cross reference "1301.0–5."
- 78. Section 3209.0–5 is amended by removing paragraph (c), and by removing both of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section.

PART 3250—UTILIZATION OF GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES

79. The authority citation for part 3250 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 1023, 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740.

80. Section 3250.0–5 is amended by removing paragraph (a) and (b), by removing from the cross-reference at the end of paragraph (g) the paragraph designations "(f) and (g)," by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 3260—GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES OPERATIONS

81. The authority citation for part 3260 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 1023, 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740.

82. Section 3260.0–5 is amended by removing paragraph (j), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 3420—COMPETITIVE LEASING

83. The authority citation for part 3420 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 189; 30 U.S.C. 359; 30 U.S.C. 1266; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740.

84. Section 3427.0–7 is amended by removing "(43 CFR 3500.0–5)" at the end of paragraph (b).

PART 3460—ENVIRONMENT

85. The authority citation for part 3460 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 189; 30 U.S.C. 359; 30 U.S.C. 1266; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740.

86. Section 3461.5 is amended by removing the paragraph designation "(a)" from the cross-reference to § 3400.0–5 that appears in paragraph (s)(1) of this section.

PART 3480—COAL EXPLORATION AND MINING OPERATIONS RULES

87. The authority citation for part 3480 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 189; 30 U.S.C. 359; 30 U.S.C. 1266; 16 U.S.C. 1540; 25 U.S.C. 396d, 399; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740.

88. Section 3480.0–5 is amended by removing paragraph (a)(18), by removing all of the remaining numbered paragraph designations in paragraph (a), and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 3500—LEASING OF SOLID MINERALS OTHER THAN COAL AND OIL SHALE

89. The authority citation for part 3500 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 189; 30 U.S.C. 359; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 30 U.S.C. 192c; 30 U.S.C. 293; 16 U.S.C. 508b; 16 U.S.C. 460n-5; 16 U.S.C. 460q-1; 16 U.S.C. 460dd-2; 16 U.S.C. 460mm-1, 460mm-3.

90. Section 3500.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (a), (b), (d), (f), and (m), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 3590—SOLID MINERALS (OTHER THAN COAL) EXPLORATION AND MINING OPERATIONS

91. The authority citation for part 3590 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 189; 30 U.S.C. 359; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740; 30 U.S.C. 192c; 16 U.S.C. 508b; 30 U.S.C. 293; 16 U.S.C. 460n-5; 16 U.S.C. 460dd-2; 16 U.S.C. 460mm-3; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 25 U.S.C. 396d; 25 U.S.C. 396; 25 U.S.C. 2107.

92. Section 3590.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (c), (d), (e), and (g), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 3600—MINERAL MATERIALS DISPOSAL: GENERAL

93. The authority citation for part 3600 is added to read as follows:

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 601; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740.

94. Section 3600.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order, and by adding the definition of "purchaser" in proper alphabetical order, to read as follows:

§ 3600.0-5 Definitions.

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Purchaser means a business or government entity, or other person, buying or holding a contract to purchase mineral materials on the public lands.

95. Section 3601.1–2 is amended by revising paragraphs (a) and (b) to read as follows:

§ 3601.1–2 Authorization to use lands subject to material sales contracts and free use permits.

(a) The purchaser under contract of sale or the permittee with a permit for free use has, unless otherwise provided, the right to:

(1) Extract, remove, process and stockpile the material until the termination of the contract or permit regardless of any subsequent appropriation under the provisions of the general land laws; and

(2) Use and occupy the described lands if it is determined by the authorized officer to be necessary for fulfillment of the contract or permit until termination of that contract.

(b) The purchaser or permittee is subject to the continuing rights of the United States to issue leases, permits, and licenses for the use and occupancy of the lands, provided that this authorized use does not endanger or materially interfere with the production or removal of materials under contract or permit.

96. Section 3602.1–2 is amended by revising paragraph (a) to read as follows:

§ 3602.1-2 Reclamation plans.

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(a) A statement of the proposed manner and time for completion of the reclamation of the areas disturbed by the purchaser's or permittee's operations.

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97. Section 3602.1–3 is amended by revising paragraph (b), the first sentence

of paragraph (c), and paragraph (d), to read as follows:

§ 3602.1–3 Approval and modification of mining and reclamation plans.

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(b) The purchaser's or permittee's operation must not deviate from the plan approved by BLM.

(c) An approved mining or reclamation plan may be modified by mutual agreement of BLM and the purchaser or permittee at any time to adjust to changed conditions, or correct any oversight potentially resulting in undue or unnecessary degradation.

(d) BLM will review the proposed plan modification and within 30 days will notify the purchaser or permittee of its approval or needed changes.

98. Section 3602.2 is amended by revising the third sentence of paragraph (a) to read as follows:

§ 3602.2 Sampling and testing.

(a) * * * The purchaser or permittee must submit his findings to BLM. * * *

99. Section 3602.3 is revised to read as follows:

§ 3602.3 Removal of improvements.

After the contract or permit period expires, BLM may grant the purchaser or permittee no more than 90 days, excluding periods of inclement weather, to remove the equipment, personal property, and any other improvements placed on the public lands by the purchaser or permittee. Improvements such as roads, culverts and bridges may remain in place with the consent of BLM. If the purchaser or permittee fails to remove such equipment, personal property, or any other improvements, such equipment, property, or improvements will become the property of the United States but the purchaser or permittee will remain liable for the cost of removal of such equipment, personal property, and any other improvements, and for restoration of the

100. Section 3604.1 is amended by revising the second sentence of paragraph (d) to read as follows:

§ 3604.1 Non-exclusive disposal. * * * * *

(d) * * * No mining or reclamation plan will be required, but the purchaser or permittee must comply with the terms of the contract or permit to protect health and safety and prevent undue or unnecessary degradation of the public lands.

101. Section 3604.2 is amended by revising the second sentence of paragraph (a) to read as follows:

§ 3604.2 Reclamation.

(a) * * * However, BLM may allow qualified purchasers and permittees to perform interim or final reclamation, where needed, in lieu of paying reclamation charges.

PART 3800—MINING CLAIMS UNDER THE GENERAL MINING LAWS

102. The authority citation for part 3800 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 351; 16 U.S.C. 460y-4; 30 U.S.C. 22; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 43 U.S.C. 154; 43 U.S.C. 299; 43 U.S.C. 1201; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740; 30 U.S.C. 28k.

103. Section 3802.0-5 is amended by removing paragraphs (a) and (h), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

104. Section 3802.3–2 is amended by revising paragraph (h) to read as follows:

§ 3802.3-2 Requirements for environmental protection.

- (h) Reclamation. (1) The operator must reclaim those lands disturbed or affected by its mining operation conducted under an approved plan of operations. The operator may propose and submit with the plan of operations measures for reclamation of the affected area. BLM may approve the measures suggested by the operator or may require other reclamation measures.
- (2) Reclamation under this subpart must include the following elements:
- (i) Reshaping of the lands disturbed and affected by mining operations to the approximate original contour or to an appropriate contour considering the surrounding topography as determined by BLM;
- (ii) Restoring such reshaped lands by replacement of topsoil; and
- (iii) Revegetating the lands by using species previously occurring in the area to provide a vegetative cover at least to the point where natural succession is
- (3) Reclamation must be carried out as contemporaneously as feasible with operations. It must be commenced, conducted, and completed as soon after disturbance as feasible without undue physical interference with mining operations.
- (4) BLM will not require the operator to reclaim disturbances or effects caused by separate operations in mined areas abandoned before April 2, 1980. *
- 105. Section 3809.0-5 is amended by removing paragraphs (a) and (e), by removing all of the remaining lettered

paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 3830—LOCATION OF MINING **CLAIMS**

106. The authority citation for part 3830 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 22, 28k; 43 U.S.C. 1201; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740.

107. Section 3833.0-5 is amended by removing paragraph (s), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 4100—GRAZING ADMINISTRATION—EXCLUSIVE OF **ALASKA**

108. The authority citation for part 4100 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 315a-r; 43 U.S.C. 1181d; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740.

109. Section 4100.0-5 is amended by removing the definitions of "activity plan," "authorized officer," "land use plan," and "Secretary."

110. Section 4100.0–8 is amended by revising the final sentence to read as follows:

$\S\,4100.0-8$ Land use plans.

* * * Livestock grazing activities and management actions approved by the authorized officer must be in conformance with the land use plan, as defined at § 1301.0–5 of this chapter, and as prepared in accordance with the public participation requirements of § 1610.2 of this chapter.

PART 4200—GRAZING ADMINISTRATION; ALASKA; LIVESTOCK

111. The authority citation for part 4200 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 316n; 43 U.S.C. 1181d; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740.

112. Section 4200.0-5 is amended by removing paragraphs (a), (b), and (c), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 4300—GRAZING ADMINISTRATION; ALASKA; REINDEER

113. The authority citation for part 4300 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 316n; 43 U.S.C. 1181d; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740.

114. Section 4300.0-5 is amended by removing paragraphs (c), (d), and (e), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 4700—PROTECTION, MANAGEMENT, AND CONTROL OF WILD FREEROAMING HORSES AND **BURROS**

115. The authority citation for part 4700 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1336; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740; 43 U.S.C. 315a.

116. Section 4700.0-5 is amended by removing paragraph (b) and by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section.

PART 5400—SALES OF FOREST PRODUCTS: GENERAL

117. The authority citation for part 5400 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 601; 43 U.S.C. 315a; 16 U.S.C. 607a; 16 U.S.C. 615a; 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740.

118. Section 5400.0–5 is amended by removing the definitions of "authorized officer," "Bureau," "Director," "Federal timber," "timber," and "trespass."

PART 8200—PROCEDURES

119. The authority citation for part 8200 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1740; 43 U.S.C. 1181e; 43 U.S.C. 1201.

120. Section 8224.0-5 is amended by removing paragraph (a), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 8340—OFF-ROAD VEHICLES

121. The authority citation for part 8340 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1201; 43 U.S.C. 315a; 16 U.S.C. 1540; 16 U.S.C. 670h; 16 U.S.C. 460l-6a; 16 U.S.C. 1246; 43 U.S.C. 1733,

122. Section 8340.0-5 is amended by removing paragraphs (c) and (h), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

123. Section 8341.2 is amended by adding at the end of paragraph (b) two new sentences to read as follows:

§8341.2 Special rules.

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* (b) * * * BLM may allow the use of off-road vehicles in closed areas in its discretion. Such use may be made only with the approval of BLM.

PART 8360—VISITOR SERVICES

124. The authority citation for part 8360 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740; 43 U.S.C. 315a; 16 U.S.C. 670h; 16 U.S.C. 460l-6a; 16 U.S.C. 1246.

125. Section 8360.0–5 is amended by removing paragraph (a), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 8560—WILDERNESS AREAS

126. The authority citation for part 8560 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740, 1782; 16 U.S.C. 1133.

127. Section 8560.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (b) and (c), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

PART 9210—FIRE MANAGEMENT

128. The authority citation for part 9210 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1733, 1740.

129. Section 9212.0–5 is amended by removing paragraphs (b), (f), and (g), by removing all of the remaining lettered paragraph designations in the section, and by placing the remaining definitions in alphabetical order.

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