

[AK-040-1410-00; AA-44386]

**Notice of Realty Action; Amending a Non-competitive Section 302 Surface Occupancy Lease, Alaska****AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Notice of Realty Action involves amending a joint Section 302 Surface Occupancy Lease, to the Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association and Department of Commerce and Economic Development, State of Alaska, for the Eklutna Salmon Hatchery, on public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management in Alaska. Amending this lease is intended to authorize the construction, operation and maintenance of a wellfield and pipeline to supply the Eklutna Salmon Hatchery with disease-free water. The lease is located between the old Glenn Highway to Palmer and the tailrace for the Eklutna Power Plant.

The land has been examined and found suitable for leasing under the provisions of Section 302 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA), of 1976, and 43 CFR Part 2920.

Seward Meridian, Alaska

T. 16 N., R. 2 E.,

Section 18 metes and bounds,

Containing 3.172 acres, more or less.

The reappraised rental for the entire lease is \$1500.00 per year. In addition, the lessee shall reimburse the United States for reasonable administrative and other costs incurred by the United States in processing the lease and for monitoring construction, operation, maintenance and rehabilitation of the facilities authorized. The reimbursement of cost shall be in accordance with the provisions of 43 CFR 2920.6.

This action is a motion by the Bureau of Land Management to make available lands identified in EA No. AK-040-96-019, as not needed for Federal purposes. Amending the Sec. 302 Surface Occupancy Lease would be in the public interest. Detailed information concerning this action is available for review at the office of the Bureau of Land Management, Anchorage District, 6881 Abbott Loop Road, Anchorage, Alaska.

Lease of the lands would be subject to the same terms, conditions and reservations found in the original Surface Occupancy Lease issued jointly to Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association and Department of Commerce and Economic Development, State of Alaska,

on July 22, 1982 for 30 years, expiring in the year 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Kathy A. Stubbs, BLM, Anchorage, District Office, 6881 Abbott Loop Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99507-2599, (907) 267-1212.

Dated: December 10, 1996.

Clinton Hanson,

*Acting, District Manager.*

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[AZ-050-07-1430-01; 2700]

**Arizona: Notice of Realty Action; Competitive Sale of Public Land in Quartzsite, La Paz County, Arizona****AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of realty action, competitive sale.

**SUMMARY:** The following public land has been found suitable for competitive sale under Sections 203 and 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA) (90 Stat. 2750, 43 U.S.C. 1713). The land will be offered at not less than the appraised fair market value. The land will not be offered for sale until at least 60 days after the date of this notice. The land is within the Town of Quartzsite boundary. Specific parcel sizes and locations will be published prior to the sale. Parcel sizes will meet Quartzsite zoning requirements.

In accordance with Section 7 of the Taylor Grazing Act, 43 U.S.C. 315f, and Executive Order Number 6910, the described land is hereby classified for disposal by sale.

Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona

T. 4 N., R. 19 W.,

Sec. 22, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;Sec. 23, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ,NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ,SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;Sec. 29, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ,N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Aggregating 315.00 acres, more or less.

No significant resource values will be affected by this disposal. The land will be sold to support the expansion and economic development of Quartzsite. The sale is consistent with the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) planning for the land involved and will serve important public objectives.

All parcels will be offered using competitive sale procedures as authorized under 43 CFR 2711.3-1. The land will be offered for sale by sealed bid only. Detailed information regarding the number of parcels, specific parcel locations, appraised fair market value of

each parcel, bidding procedures, bid submission and opening dates and location, and terms and conditions of the sale will be made available no less than 45 days prior to bid submission date.

Federal law requires that all bidders must be U.S. citizens, 18 years of age or older, a state or state instrumentality authorized to hold property, or a corporation authorized to own real estate in the state in which the land is located. Bids may be made by a principal or a duly qualified agent. Under competitive sale procedures, an apparent high bid will be declared at the time of bid openings. To eliminate split estates, mineral interests will be conveyed simultaneously with the surface estates. A bid will constitute an application to purchase the mineral estate. All qualified bidder(s) must include with their bid deposit for each parcel a \$50.00 filing fee for conveyance of the mineral estate.

If the land identified in this notice is not sold on the date of first sale offering, the unsold parcels will be offered competitively on a continuing basis until the land is either sold or withdrawn from sale. All over-the-counter sale parcels will be sold subject to the terms and conditions and at no less than the appraised fair market value.

The patents, when issued, will contain certain reservations to the United States and will be subject to any valid existing rights, and as requested by Quartzsite, easement for streets, roads, and public utilities.

**DATES:** For a period for 45 days from the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register, interested parties may submit comments to the Yuma Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, address below. Objections will be reviewed by the Arizona State Director, BLM, who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action and issue a final determination. In the absence of any objections, this realty action will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Debbie DeBock, Realty Specialist, Yuma Field Office, 2555 East Gila Ridge Road, Yuma, AZ 85365, (520) 317-3208.

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:** A sale packet will be made available at the Yuma Field Office, address above, prior to the bid submission date.

Upon publication in the Federal Register, the land described above will be segregated from appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws. The segregative effect of this Notice of Realty Action shall

terminate upon issuance of patent or other document of conveyance to such land, upon publication in the Federal Register of a termination of the segregation, or 270 days from the date of publication, whichever occurs first. The BLM may accept or reject any offer to purchase or withdraw any parcel from sale if the Authorized Officer determines that consummation of the sale would not be fully consistent with FLPMA or another applicable law.

Dated: December 12, 1996.

Gail Acheson,  
Field Manager.

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[NM-030-1430-01]

### **Sale of Public Land in Socorro County, NM**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Interior.

**ACTION:** Modified notice of realty action.

**SUMMARY:** This notice withdraws the sale of Parcel No. 1, described in the previous Notice of Realty Action which was published in the Federal Register on October 18, 1996, Volume 61, No. 203, pages 54453 and 54454. The reason for the withdrawal is because of the need to evaluate an application filed under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act to lease the subject land. The sale of all other parcels remains unchanged.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Chella Herrera or Jon Hertz, Socorro Resource Area Office, 198 Neel Avenue, NW, Socorro, New Mexico 87801 or call (505) 835-0412.

Dated: December 12, 1996.

Josie Banegas,  
Acting District Manager.

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### **Closure and Land Use Restrictions**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

**CLOSURE SUMMARY:** Notice is given that approximately ten (10) acres of public land and the abandoned man-made structures and features known as American Flat Millsite located upon those lands within Storey County, Nevada, and described as follows are closed to public occupation and off-road vehicle (ORV) use:

Mr. Diablo Meridian, Nevada

T16N R21E Sec. 7, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  Millsite features include: Concrete buildings and structures, walls, floors, structural supports, tunnels, adits, wells, ruins and rubble.

This closure affects all public uses at the millsite other than authorized scientific and educational activities, and mining activities conducted under an approved plan of operation. Authorized users must have in their possession, a written permit from BLM signed by the authorized officer. The Closed Area is within the following described Restricted Area.

**RESTRICTIONS SUMMARY:** Public use activities on one hundred ninety (190) acres of public land surrounding American Flat Millsite are restricted and/or prohibited.

The Restricted Area is described as follows:

Mt. Diablo Meridian

T16N R21E Sec. 6, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  (appx. 30 acres)

T16N R21E Sec. 7, NE $\frac{1}{4}$  (appx. 160 acres)

The general public may occupy the restricted lands during daylight hours only (sunrise to sunset).

Motorized vehicles must remain on existing, well established dirt access roads. These roads are not maintained. Use of the roads is at the discretion of the users. Roads within the restricted area are Open to motorized use unless posted Closed. Prohibited activities include: Use of a weapon or firearm for any purpose other than the taking of game in accordance with State of Nevada hunting regulations; camping; campfires; use of fireworks; detonation of explosive devices or rockets; painting of graffiti and possession of paint or spray paint cans; use of a motorized vehicle on a road posted Closed to such use.

**PURPOSE:** To provide for public safety and to preserve the remaining integrity of a significant historic site.

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** The closure and activity restrictions become effective January 21, 1997. Interested persons may submit comments to the Carson City District Manager.

Authority: 43 CFR 8364—Closure and Restriction Orders; 8365.1-6—Supplementary Rules of Conduct; 8340—Off-road Vehicles; 8341.2—Off-road Vehicles Conditions of Use, Special Rules. State and local laws and ordinances apply and may be enforced by the appropriate authorities.

**PENALTY:** Any person failing to comply with the closure order or activity restrictions may be subject to imprisonment for not more than 12

months, or a fine in accordance with the applicable provisions of 18 USC 3571, or both.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The American Flat Millsite is an abandoned mining feature located within the Virginia City National Historic Landmark. At the time of its completion in 1922, it was the largest concrete mill structure in the world utilizing cyanide extraction processing of gold and silver ore. When the price of silver fell in 1927, all of the machinery at the mill was dismantled. Neither the buildings or the surrounding lands associated with the millsite have been maintained or utilized for mining for nearly fifty years. Structural soundness of the millsite features is steadily disintegrating as a result of natural weathering and vandalism. These features and remnant ruins are not safe for public entry. The remaining structures have been determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

The general public is primarily attracted to the millsite for its historic and visual features.

Due to the remote location, the millsite area has become popular for numerous undesirable public uses and unlawful activities.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John O. Singlaub, District Manager, Carson City District, Bureau of Land Management, 1535 Hot Springs Road, Carson City, Nevada 89706, Telephone: (702) 885-6000.

The closure and restrictions do not apply to agency, law enforcement or emergency response personnel during the conduct of their official duties.

A map of the closed area and restricted public lands may be obtained at the contact address.

Dated: December 4, 1996.

John O. Singlaub,  
District Manager, Carson City District.

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### **Notice of Intent To Amend the Klamath Falls Resource Area Resource Management Plan**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**SUMMARY:** This Notice of Intent is to advise the public that the Klamath Falls Resource Area, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) intends to consider a proposal which would require amending an existing land use plan.

**DATES:** The comment period for this proposed plan amendment will