

for Federal Aid in Sport Fish and Wildlife Restoration" are added to the list in order to be consistent with covered programs included in the *Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance*.

#### Interior Programs With Existing Consultation Processes

##### *Bureau: Fish and Wildlife Service*

The entries for Established Research and Research at Cooperative Units should be deleted since these activities are no longer the responsibility of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

##### *Bureau: Bureau of Mines*

The entry for the Bureau of Mines, "State Mining and Mineral Resources and Research Institutes," should be deleted from the list because the Budget authority has expired and the program has been removed from the *Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance*.

##### *Bureau: Bureau of Reclamation*

The following program should be added to the list of programs administered by this bureau:

5. Desalination Research and Development—42 U.S.C. 7815–16.

##### *Bureau: U.S. Geological Survey*

The following entries should be added to the list of activities administered by this bureau:

4. Established Research—16 U.S.C. 661–661c, 742a–742l, 757a–757l, 778–778c, 931–939c.

5. Research at Cooperative Units—16 U.S.C. 753a–b.

Dated: March 10, 1997.

Robert J. Lamb,

*Acting Assistant Secretary—Policy, Management and Budget.*

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#### **Bureau of Land Management**

[WY–920–07–1320–00]

#### **Powder River Regional Coal Team Activities; Schedule of Public Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Interior, Wyoming.

**ACTION:** Notice of schedule of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Powder River Regional Coal Team (RCT) announces that it has scheduled its annual public meeting for April 23, 1997 for the following purposes: (1) review current and proposed activities in the Powder River Coal Region, (2) review new and pending coal lease applications (LBA),

and (3) make recommendations on new coal lease applications.

**DATES:** The RCT meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. M.D.T. on Wednesday, April 23, 1997, at the Wyoming Conservation Commission Meeting Room, 777 West 1st Street, Casper, Wyoming. The meeting is open to the public.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Wyoming Conservation Commission's Meeting Room, 777 1st Street, Casper, Wyoming. Attendees may wish to make their room reservations before until April 11, 1997. A block of rooms has been reserved for team members and guests at the Casper Hilton Inn through April 11, 1997. For room reservations call 1–307–266–6000.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Pam Hernandez or Eugene Jonart, Wyoming State Office, Attn. (922), P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003; telephone (307) 775–6270 or 775–6257.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Primary purpose of the meeting is to discuss pending and new coal lease applications (LBA) from Evergreen Enterprises, (WYW138975), filed on May 13, 1996, for an estimated 675 million tons and 7,841 acres, and the Antelope Coal Company (WYW141435), filed February 14, 1997, for an estimated 177 million tons and 1,470 acres. This is the initial public notification of the pending applications listed above, in accordance with the Powder River Operational Guidelines (1991). Generally, a coal lease application filed under the LBA portion of BLM regulations (43 CFR 3425) takes two to four years to be processed to the competitive sale stage, depending on informational and environmental study requirements. The RCT may generate recommendation(s) for any or all of the new and pending LBAs.

The meeting will serve as a forum for public discussion on Federal coal management issues of concern in the Powder River Basin region. Any party interested in providing comments or data related to the above pending applications may either do so in writing to the State Director (925), Wyoming State Office, Bureau of Land Management, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, WY. 82003 no later than April 14, 1997, or by addressing the RCT with his/her concerns at the meeting on April 23, 1997.

The proposed agenda for the meeting follows:

1. Introduction of RCT Members and guests.
2. Approval of the Minutes of the April 23, 1996, Regional Coal Team meeting held in Cheyenne, Wyoming.
3. Regional Coal Activity Status:

- a. Current Production and Trend
- b. Activity Since Last RCT Meeting;
- c. Status of pending LBAs previously reviewed by RCT:

—North Rochelle LBA—WYW127221, Zeigler; filed 7/22/92; 140 million tons; est. sale date July 1997. Draft EIS was reviewed by public from November 8, 1996 thru January 10, 1997. A public hearing was held in Gillette, WY, on December 12, 1996.

—Powder River—WYW136142; Peabody; filed 3/23/95, est. 550 million tons, 4,020 acres, tentative sale date in March 98

—Jacob's Ranch—WYW136458; (Wyoming), Kerr-McGee; filed 4/14/95, est. 432 million tons, 4,000 acres, tentative sale date June 98.

d. Status of Coal Exchanges—Belco/Hay Creek; Nance/Brown AVF

e. Pending Coal Lease Modifications (if any):

f. New coal lease applications (LBAs):

4. Update of Selected Portions of 1996 Executive Summary.

5. Other Regional Issues:

—Status of Buffalo Resource Area's Management Plan, (Wyoming).

—Encoal Corporation Presentation

—North American Power Group Presentation

6. Lease Applicant Presentations:

—Evergreen Enterprises

—Antelope Coal Company

7. RCT Activity Planning Recommendations

—Review and recommendation(s) on pending lease Application(s).

8. Discussion of the next meeting.

9. Adjourn.

Public discussion opportunities will be provided on all agenda items.

Alan R. Pierson,

*State Director, Wyoming.*

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#### **Public Land Order No. 7249; Partial Revocation of Executive Order Dated July 24, 1875; Michigan**

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

**ACTION:** Public Land Order.

**SUMMARY:** This order revokes an Executive order insofar as it affects 1.70 acres of public land withdrawn for use by the U.S. Coast Guard for lighthouse purposes. The land is no longer needed for lighthouse purposes. This action will open the land to surface entry. The land has been and remains open to mineral leasing.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 17, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ed Ruda, BLM Eastern States Office, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153, 703-440-1671.

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

1. The Executive Order dated July 24, 1875, which withdrew public land for use as lighthouse purposes, is hereby revoked insofar as it affects the following described land:

Michigan Meridian

*Point Betsie Lighthouse*

T. 26 N., R. 16 W.,  
Sec. 4, lot 10.

The area described contains 1.70 acres in Benzie County.

2. At 10:00 a.m. on April 17, 1997 the land will be opened to the operation of the public land laws generally, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law. All valid applications received at or prior to 10 a.m. on April 17, 1997 shall be considered as simultaneously filed at that time. Those received thereafter shall be considered in the order of filing.

Dated: February 19, 1997

Bob Armstrong,

*Assistant Secretary of the Interior.*

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

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management.

**ACTION:** Notice.

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

Willamette Meridian

*Oregon*

T. 9 S., R. 4 E., accepted January 31, 1997  
T. 21 S., R. 1 W., accepted January 31, 1997  
T. 16 S., R. 3 W., accepted January 24, 1997  
T. 38 S., R. 4 W., accepted January 31, 1997  
T. 32 S., R. 5 W., accepted January 31, 1997  
T. 21 S., R. 9 W., accepted January 24, 1997  
T. 23 S., R. 9 W., accepted January 24, 1997  
T. 25 S., R. 13 W., accepted February 28, 1997

If protests against a survey, as shown on any of the above plat(s), are received

prior to the date of official filing, the filing will be stayed pending consideration of the protest(s). A plat will not be officially filed until the day after all protests have been dismissed and become final or appeals from the dismissal affirmed.

The plat(s) will be placed in the open files of the Oregon State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 1515 S.W. 5th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97201, and will be available to the public as a matter of information only. Copies of the plat(s) may be obtained from the above office upon required payment. A person or party who wishes to protest against a survey must file with the State Director, Bureau of Land Management, Portland, Oregon, a notice that they wish to protest prior to the proposed official filing date given above. A statement of reasons for a protest may be filed with the notice of protest to the State Director, or the statement of reasons must be filed with the State Director within thirty (30) days after the proposed official filing date.

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

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

Dated: March 7, 1997.

Robert D. DeViney, Jr.,  
*Chief, Branch of Realty and Records Services.*  
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### **National Park Service**

#### **Public Notice**

**SUMMARY:** Public notice is hereby given that the National Park Service proposes to award a concession contract authorizing continued operation of commercially guided horse rides, for the public at Bryce Canyon National Park for a period of five (5) years from January 1, 1998 through December 31, 2002.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Offers will be accepted for sixty (60) days under the terms described in the Prospectus. The sixty (60) day application period will begin with the release of the Prospectus, which will occur on or before April 17, 1997. The actual release date of the Prospectus shall be the date of publication in the "Commerce Business Daily".

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties should contact the Superintendent; Bryce Canyon National Park; P.O. Box 170001; Bryce Canyon, Utah 84717; to obtain a

copy of the Prospectus describing the requirements of the proposed contacts.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This contract renewal has been determined to be categorically excluded from the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act and no environmental document will be prepared.

The existing concessioner has performed its obligation to the satisfaction of the Secretary under an existing contract which expires by limitation of time on December 31, 1997. Therefore pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of October 9, 1965 (79 Stat. 969; 16 U.S.C. 20), the concessioner is entitled to be given preference in the renewal of the contract and in the award of a new contract providing that the existing concessioner submits a responsive offer (a timely offer which meets the terms and conditions of the Prospectus). This means that the contract will be awarded to the party submitting the best offer, provided that if the best offer was not submitted by the existing concessioner, then the existing concessioner will be afforded the opportunity to match the best offer. If the existing concessioner agrees to match the best offer, then the contract will be awarded to the existing concessioner.

If the existing concessioner does not submit a responsive offer, the right of preference in renewal shall be considered to have been waived, and the contract will then be awarded to the party that has submitted the best responsive offer.

The Secretary will consider and evaluate all offers received as a result of this notice. Any offer, including that of the existing concessioner, must be received by the Superintendent, Bryce Canyon National Park; P.O. Box 170001; Bryce Canyon, Utah 84717; not later than sixty (60) days following release of the Prospectus to be considered and evaluated.

Dated: March 7, 1997.

John T. Crowley.

*Acting Director, Intermountain Region.*

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### **National Preservation Technology and Training Board: Meeting**

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting of the National Preservation Technology and Training Board.

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee