

This limited use designation does not apply to emergency vehicles, fire suppression and rescue vehicles, law enforcement vehicles, and other motorized vehicles specifically approved by an authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management. The closure affects approximately 200,000 acres. A map of the open route network is available from the Bureau of Land Management, 3801 Pegasus Dr., Bakersfield, CA 93308, (805) 391-6000.

E. Overnight camping is allowed within designated campgrounds and designated camping areas in the CPNA. All other public lands within the CPNA are closed to overnight parking or camping. Camping or overnight parking within all portions of the CPNA is prohibited within 200 yards of any natural or artificial water source. Overnight camping is limited to 14 days within any 30 day period, for a total of no more than 28 days within any one year period, except as specified in writing by the authorized officer.

The primary purpose of all corrals, loading chutes, and other appurtenant livestock facilities during the authorized grazing season will be for livestock management. Camping or parked vehicles may not interfere with their use. All litter, waste, and refuse at campsites must be kept within a container or receptacle while camping, and removed when leaving the CPNA.

F. Other supplemental rules prescribed by the CPNA Management Plan include:

- Property left unattended for more than three days without the prior approval of the Authorized Officer will be treated as abandoned and may be removed and stored by law enforcement personnel at the owner's expense.
- Pets and pack animals must be controlled by the owner at all times. Pack animals shall be within corrals, or adequately restrained. Pets must be prevented from chasing, harassing, or taking wildlife.
- Organized groups with 20 or more persons or 5 or more vehicles must secure a permit for any activities off county roads.
- The use of metal detectors is prohibited, except for approved administrative purposes.
- All research and study activities require a permit or written authorization from the BLM.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** These rules are effective October 17, 1997 and will remain in effect until revised, revoked or amended by the Authorized Officer.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The above supplementary rules are being

implemented for the following purposes:

The BLM administers approximately 200,000 acres in the Carrizo Plain Natural Area (CPNA). The CPNA is managed jointly with the California Department of Fish and Game and The Nature Conservancy for the benefit of indigenous species within a fully functional ecosystem. The natural area is important to fifteen species of plants and animals that are currently listed, proposed to be listed, or fully protected by either the federal or California Endangered Species Acts. In addition, the natural area encompasses world-class archaeological sites, and continues to be of great importance to native peoples. These values have contributed toward making the CPNA an increasingly popular destination for sightseeing and outdoor recreation. Use is concentrated at certain sites and along trails, but many activities are highly dispersed. The purpose of these actions is to protect and efficiently manage these special resources, and enhance visitors safety on public lands.

This order is in no way intended to affect the rights of private land owners, or their interests within the closure area, with respect to private lands. Further, this order does not infer any Bureau of Land Management jurisdiction over private or state lands within closure areas.

A copy of this **Federal Register** notice and maps showing the affected areas are available for review in the Bakersfield District Office of the Bureau of Land Management.

**PENALTIES:** The authorities for these closures and supplementary rules are 43 CFR 8341.2, 8364.1, and 8365.1-6. Violations of these rules are punishable by fines of up to \$1,000 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months as well as the penalties provided under State law.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ronald D. Fellows, Bureau of Land Management, Bakersfield District Manager, 3809 Pegasus Dr., Bakersfield CA 93308, Phone (805) 391-6000.

Dated: October 7, 1997.

**John Skibinski,**

*Acting District Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### Public Notice

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

**ACTION:** Public notice.

**SUMMARY:** Public notice is hereby given that the National Park Service proposes to award 17 concession permits authorizing the operation of sport hunting guide-outfitter services for the public at Wrangell St. Elias National Preserve, Alaska for a period of five years from January 1, 1998 through December 31, 2002. Currently there are sixteen concessioners providing the services described in this prospectus. One permit is for a hunt area for which there is no current operator.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** December 16, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties should contact the Superintendent, Wrangell-St. Elias National Park & Preserve, P.O. Box 439, Copper Center, Alaska 99573 or by calling (907) 822-5234 for a copy of the prospectus.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** These permits have been determined to be categorically excluded for the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act and no environmental document will be prepared.

The 16 existing concessioners have performed their obligations to the satisfaction of Secretary under existing permits which expire by limitation of time on December 31, 1997, and therefore pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of October 9, 1965 (16 U.S.C. 20), are entitled to be given preference in the renewal of the permit, providing that the existing concessioners submit a responsive offer (a timely offer which meets the terms and conditions of the Prospectus). This means that the permit will be awarded to the party submitting the best offer, provided that if the best offer was not submitted by an existing concessioner, then the existing concessioner will be afforded the opportunity to match the best offer. If the existing concession agrees to match the best offer, then the permit 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 permit 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.

There is no incumbent concessioner for the 17th permit, and accordingly, no preference will be awarded to an applicant for this guide area.

Any offer, including that of the existing concessioner, must be received by the Superintendent, Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve, P.O.

Box 439, Copper Center, AK 99573, not later than on or before the sixtieth (60th) day following publication of this notice to be considered and evaluated.

**Judith Gottlieb,**

*Acting Regional Director, Alaska Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### National Institute of Corrections

#### Advisory Board Meeting

**TIME AND DATE:** 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, November 18, 1997 (changed from October 21, 1997).

**PLACE:** Sheraton National Hotel, 900 South Orme Street, Arlington, VA 22204.

**STATUS:** Open.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Updates on NIC's strategic planning; survey concerning civil commitment of sex offenders; interstate compact; victims' issues discussion points; amendment of the Bylaws; election of officers/liaisons; orientation for new Board members; and the Office of Justice Programs quarterly report.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Larry Solomon, Deputy Director. (202) 307-3106, ext. 155.

**Morris L. Thigpen,**

*Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Office of the Secretary

**Bureau of International Labor Affairs;  
U.S. National Administrative Office;  
North American Agreement on Labor  
Cooperation; Hearing on Submission  
#9701**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice of hearing.

**SUMMARY:** The purpose of this notice is to announce a hearing, open to the public, on Submission #9701.

Submission #9701, filed with the U.S. National Administrative Office (NAO) by Human Rights Watch (HRW), the International Labor Rights Fund (ILRF), and the National Association of Democratic Lawyers (ANAD) of Mexico, involves labor law matters in Mexico and was accepted for review by the NAO on July 14, 1997. Notice of acceptance for review was published in the **Federal Register** on July 17, 1997 (62 FR 38327).

Article 16 (3) of the North American Agreement on Labor Cooperation (NAALC) provides for the review of labor law matters in Canada and Mexico by the NAO in accordance with U.S. domestic procedures. Revised procedural guidelines pertaining to the submission, review, and reporting process utilized by the Office were published in the **Federal Register** on April 7, 1994 (59 F.R. 16660). The guidelines provide for a discretionary hearing as part of the review.

**DATES:** The hearing will be held on November 19, 1997, commencing at 9:00 a.m. Persons desiring to present oral testimony at the hearing must submit a request in writing, along with a written statement or brief describing the information to be presented or position to be taken.

**ADDRESSES:** The hearing will be held in Brownsville, Texas, at the Brownsville Public Library located at 2600 Central Boulevard, Brownsville, Texas 78520, Main Meeting Room, Room #102. Written statements or briefs and requests to present oral testimony may be mailed or hand delivered to the U.S. National Administrative Office (NAO), Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room C-4327, Washington, D.C. 20210. Requests to present oral testimony and written statements or briefs must be received by the NAO no later than close of business, November 5, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Irasema T. Garza, Secretary, U.S. National Administrative Office, Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room C-4327, Washington, D.C. 20210. Telephone: (202) 501-6653 (this is not a toll-free number).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Nature and Conduct of Hearing

As set out in the notice published in the **Federal Register** on July 17, 1997, the objective of the NAO's review of the submission is to gather information to better understand and publicly report on the Government of Mexico's promotion of compliance with, and effective enforcement of, its labor law through appropriate government action, as set out in Article 3(1) of the NAALC, and on the steps the Government of Mexico has taken to ensure access to tribunals for the enforcement of labor law and recourse to procedures under which labor rights are protected in accordance with Articles 4(1) and 4(2) of the NAALC.

The hearing will be conducted by the Secretary of the NAO or the Secretary's designee. It will be open to the public.

All proceedings will be conducted in English, with simultaneous translation in English and Spanish provided. The public files for the submission, including written statements, briefs, and requests to present oral testimony, will be made a part of the appropriate hearing record. The public files will also be available for inspection at the NAO prior to the hearing.

The hearing will be transcribed. A transcript of the proceeding will be made available for inspection, as provided for in Section E of the procedural guidelines, or may be purchased from the reporting company.

Disabled persons should contact the Secretary of the NAO no later than November 5, 1997, if special accommodations are needed.

##### II. Written Statements or Briefs and Requests To Present Oral Testimony

Written statements or briefs shall provide a description of the information to be presented or position taken and shall be legibly typed or printed. Requests to present oral testimony shall include the name, address, and telephone number of the witness, the organization represented, if any, and any other information pertinent to the request. Five copies of a statement or brief and a single copy of a request to present oral testimony shall be submitted to the NAO at the time of filing.

No request to present oral testimony will be considered unless accompanied by a written statement or brief. A request to present oral testimony may be denied if the written statement or brief suggests that the information sought to be provided is unrelated to the review of the submission or for other appropriate reasons. The NAO will notify each requester of the disposition of the request to present oral testimony.

In presenting testimony, the witness should summarize the written statement or brief, may supplement the written statement or brief with relevant information, and should be prepared to answer questions from the Secretary of the NAO or the Secretary's designee. Oral testimony will ordinarily be limited to a ten minute presentation, not including the time for questions. Persons desiring more than ten minutes for their presentation should so state in the request, setting out reasons why additional time is necessary.

The requirements relating to the submission of written statements or briefs and requests to present oral testimony may be waived by the Secretary of the NAO for reasons of equity and public interest.