

ACTION: Notice to authorize the continued use of public lands for recreation purposes.

SUMMARY: The following public lands in Klamath County, Oregon have been examined and found suitable for classification for lease to the La Pine Rodeo Association under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 *et seq.*). The La Pine Rodeo Association proposes to use the lands for a community rodeo grounds. This proposal would allow for the continued use that has been occurring for ten years under a similar lease. The lands involve about 20 acres and are described as:

Willamette Meridian, Oregon

T. 23 S., R. 10 E.,

Sec. 3, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$; (that portion lying north of the county road),

The lands are not needed for Federal purposes. The renewal of this lease is consistent with current BLM land use planning and would be in the public interest.

The lease, when issued, will be subject to the following:

1. The provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and to all applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior.
2. State and local planning and zoning ordinances.
3. The Management Plan approved by BLM.

Detailed information concerning this action is available for review at the office of the Bureau of Land Management, Prineville District, 3050 NE Third, Prineville, Oregon, 97754.

Upon publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the lands will be segregated from all other forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the general mining laws, except for lease under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and leasing under the mineral leasing laws. For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, interested persons may submit comments regarding the proposed lease or classification of the lands to the District Manager, Prineville District Office, P.O. Box 550, Prineville, Oregon 97754.

CLASSIFICATION COMMENTS: Interested parties may submit comments involving the suitability of the land for a community rodeo grounds. Comments on the classification are restricted to whether the use will maximize the future use of the land, whether the use is consistent with local planning and zoning, or if the use is consistent with State and Federal programs.

APPLICATION COMMENTS: Interested parties may submit comments regarding the specific use proposed in the application and plan of development, whether the BLM followed proper administrative procedures in reaching the decision, or any other factor not directly related to the suitability of the land for a community rodeo grounds.

Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the State Director. In the absence of any adverse comments, the classification will become effective February 17, 1998.

Dated: December 10, 1997.

Donald L. Smith,

Acting District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

[Docket No. NM-952-07-1420-00]

Notice of Filing of Plat of Survey; New Mexico

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The plats of survey described below will be officially filed in the New Mexico States Office, Bureau of Land Management, Santa Fe, New Mexico, on January 10, 1998.

New Mexico Principal Meridian, New Mexico.

Tps. 30-31 N., R. 16 W., accepted October 30, 1997, for Group 922 NM; T. 31 N., R. 18 W., accepted October 30, 1997, for Group 922 NM; T. 23 N., Rs. 10 and 11 W., accepted November 7, 1997, for Group 909 NM; T. 25 S., R. 3E., accepted November 7, 1997, for Group 949 NM.

If a protest against a survey, as shown on any of the above plats is received prior to the date of official filing, the filing will be stayed pending consideration of the protest. 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.

A person or party who wishes to protest against any of these surveys must file a written protest with the NM State Director, Bureau of Land Management, stating that they wish to protest.

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 protest is filled.

The above-listed plats represent dependent resurveys, surveys, and subdivisions.

These plats will be in the New Mexico State Office, Bureau of Land Management, P.O. Box 27115, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502-0115. Copies may be obtained from this office upon payment of \$1.10 per sheet.

Dated: December 9, 1997.

John P. Bennett,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor, For New Mexico.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-930-4214-010; COC-61331]

Proposed Withdrawal: Opportunity for Public Meeting; Colorado

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, proposes to withdraw approximately 450 acres of National Forest System lands for 10 years to allow management alternatives for the Forest Service. This notice closes these lands to location and entry under the mining laws for up to two years. The lands remain open to mineral leasing.

DATES: Comments on this proposed withdrawal or requests for public meeting must be received on or before March 19, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments and requests for a meeting should be sent to the Colorado State Director, BLM, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215-7076.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Doris E. Chelius, 303-239-3706.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 24, 1997, the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, filed an application to withdraw the following described National Forest System lands from location and entry under the United States mining laws (30 U.S.C. Ch 2):

Uncompahgre National Forest New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 44 N, R. 7 W.,

Sec. 31, W $\frac{1}{2}$.

T. 44 N, R. 8 W.,

Sec. 35, E $\frac{1}{2}$.

The areas described exclude any patented lands within the application and contain approximately 450 acres of National Forest System lands in Ouray County.

The purpose of this withdrawal is to protect the area and allow the Forest Service alternatives in managing the land.

For a period of 90 days from the date of publication of this notice, all parties who wish to submit comments, suggestions, or objections in connection with this proposed withdrawal, may present their views in writing to the Colorado State Director. If it is determined that a public meeting should be held, the public meeting will be scheduled and conducted in accordance with 43 CFR 2310.3-1(c)(2). Notice of the meeting will be published in the **Federal Register**.

This application will be processed in accordance with the regulations set forth in 43 CFR Part 2310.

For a period of two years from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**, this land will be segregated from the mining laws as specified above unless the application is denied or cancelled or the withdrawal is approved prior to that date. During this period the Forest Service will continue to manage these lands.

Jenny L. Saunders,
Realty Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Concession Permits; Glacier Bay National Park, AK

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Public notice.

SUMMARY: Public notice is hereby given that the National Park Service (NPS) proposes to award concession permits authorizing the operation of cruise ship services for the public at Glacier Bay National Park, Alaska, for a period of five (5) years from January 1, 2000, through December 31, 2004. This solicitation offers sixty-eight (68) cruise ship entries from June 1 to August 31 and up to 546 cruise ship entries outside of the June-August regulatory period into Glacier Bay proper, subject to the scheduling limitation of two cruise ships per day, year round for all companies combined. This solicitation also serves as public notice that the NPS intends to discontinue the former practice of issuing Incidental Business Permits for park waters outside Glacier Bay proper, and instead require prospective operators to apply under a concession solicitation and prospectus

to operate in these waters after January 1, 2000.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Within 30 days of January 15, 1998, a notice will be published in the Commerce Business Daily. The official release date of the Prospectus shall be the date of publication in the Commerce Business Daily. Anyone interested in making an offer for these permits must do so within 90 days of the date of publication of the Commerce Business Daily announcement.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties should contact the Superintendent, Glacier Bay National Park & Preserve, P.O. Box 140, Gustavus, AK 99826 for a copy of the prospectus.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: An assessment of the environmental impact of this proposed action has been made and it has been determined that it will not significantly affect the quality of the environment, and that it is not a major Federal action having significant impact on the environment under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. The environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact may be reviewed in the headquarters building of Glacier Bay National Park & Preserve, Gustavus, Alaska.

There are two types of preferences applicable to this solicitation, as follows:

1. The provisions of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 3197), Section 1307(b) and 36 CFR 13.83 apply to this solicitation. Preference will be given to the Native Corporation(s) most directly affected by the creation of Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve and to persons who are determined to be local residents. The preferences established in ANILCA Section 1307 take precedence over the preferential right of renewal granted incumbent NPS concessioners (see item #2 below).

2. Thirty of the 68 cruise ship entries during the June 1-August 31 period referred to above are assigned to existing concessioners. These existing concessioners have operated satisfactorily during their current permits, and may apply and compete for new permits. As satisfactory operators, they have the rights to renewal provided for in PL 89-249, Section 5 and in 36 CFR 51.3(b) and 36 CFR 51.5.

For further details concerning these preferences, see the prospectus.

All interested parties are encouraged to apply and 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, Glacier Bay National Park & Preserve, at the Bartlett Cove Administration Building, Gustavus, Alaska 99826-0140 or at P.O. Box 140, Gustavus, AK 99826, not later than 90 days following the date of publication of the Commerce Business Daily announcement.

Tom Ferranti,

Acting Regional Director, Alaska Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Notice of Proposed Information Collection

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is announcing its intention to request approval for the collection of information on Underground Mining Permit Applications—Minimum Requirements for Reclamation and Operation Plans, 30 CFR Part 784.

DATES: Comments on the proposed information collection must be received by February 17, 1998, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to John A. Trelease, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1951 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room 210—SIB, Washington, DC 20240. Comments may also be submitted electronically to jtreleas@osmre.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request a copy of the information collection request, explanatory information and related form, contact John A. Trelease, at (202) 208-2783, or submit electronically to jtreleas@osmre.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). This notice identifies information collections that OSM will be submitting to OMB for extension. These collections are contained in 30 CFR Part 784.