

All plant facilities would be located on the valley floor. Natural gas would be available to the site from the same sources as for the Preferred Alternative and would require construction of two branch lines on right-of-way across BLM land to the reservation boundary.

Agencies and individuals are urged to provide comments on this DEIS as soon as possible. All comments received by August 15, 1998 will be considered in preparation of the Final EIS.

Dated: June 4, 1998.

Kevin Gover,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Indian Gaming

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of approved agreements to Tribal-State Compact.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988, Pub. L. 100-497, 25 U.S.C. § 2710, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish, in the **Federal Register**, notice of approved Tribal-State Compacts for the purpose of engaging in Class III (casino) gambling on Indian reservations. The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through his delegated authority, has approved the Agreements between the Crow Indian Tribe and the State of Montana regarding Class III gaming which was executed on March 11, 1998.

DATES: This action is effective June 12, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George T. Skibine, Director, Indian Gaming Management Staff, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, D.C. 20240, (202) 219-4068.

Dated: June 4, 1998.

Kevin Gover,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management, Alaska

[AK-962-1410-00-P]

Notice for Publication; AA-6694-A; Alaska Native Claims Selection

In accordance with Departmental regulation 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is

hereby given that a decision to issue conveyance under the provisions of Sec. 14(a) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of December 18, 1971, 43 U.S.C. 1601, 1613(a), will be issued to Afognak Native Corporation, Successor in Interest to Port Lions Native Corporation, for approximately 20,552 acres. The lands involved are located on or in the vicinity of Afognak, Whale, and Kodiak Islands, Alaska, as follows:

Seward Meridian, Alaska

T. 26 S., R. 21 W.

T. 26 S., R. 23 W.

T. 24 S., R. 22 W.

T. 27 S., R. 23 W.

T. 27 S., R. 22 W.

T. 26 S., R. 24 W.

A notice of the decision will be published once a week, for four (4) consecutive weeks, in the *Kodiak Daily Mirror*. Copies of the decision may be obtained by contacting the Alaska State Office of the Bureau of Land Management, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599 ((907) 271-5960).

Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision, an agency of the Federal government or regional corporation, shall have until July 13, 1998 to file an appeal. However, parties receiving service by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal. Appeals must be filed in the Bureau of Land Management at the address identified above, where the requirements for filing an appeal may be obtained. Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR Part 4, Subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

Sherri D. Belenski,

Land Law Examiner, ANCSA Team, Branch of 962 Adjudication.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-040-1231-00]

Temporary Closure of Certain Roads and Public Lands During the Operation of the 1998 Silver State 300 Off-Highway Vehicle Race: Nevada, Ely and Las Vegas Districts

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of closure order.

SUMMARY: The Assistant District Manager, Nonrenewable Resources of

the Ely Field Office announces the temporary closure of selected roads and public lands under the administration of the Ely Field Office and the Las Vegas Field Office. Approximately 46 miles of a 317 mile vehicle event route are affected by this temporary closure. This action is being taken to comply with provisions of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Biological Opinion for this event (File No. 1-5-98-F-081), to prevent unnecessary environmental degradation of desert tortoise habitat during the official permitted running of the 1998 Silver State 300 Race, and to provide for the safety of racers and members of the public.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND TIMES: Two areas are closed on June 27, 1998 during Pacific Standard Time hours described below.

(1) The first 41 mile long closure segment consists of a road commonly known as the Carp-Elgin Road and another unnamed rural road segment located west and north of Carp, Nevada. This area is located between Interstate Highway 15 and Lyman Crossing, and is closed from 3:00 am through 1:00 pm. This segment begins in section 2, Township 14 South, Range 67 East, and ends in section 16, Township 9 South, Range 67 East. As soon as all race vehicles have completed travel along this segment of the designated route, the area will be progressively opened proceeding from a south to north direction. The area may be opened earlier than 1:00 pm if all race vehicles have passed beyond the closure boundary. (2) The second 5 mile long temporary closure area includes a rural road segment east of Maynard Lake located between section 19 in Township 8 South, Range 63 East and the finish location for the race in section 11, Township 9 South, Range 62 East. This area is closed from 11:00 am through approximately 10:00 pm on June 27, 1998. This area may be opened earlier than 10:00 pm if all race vehicles have passed through the closure.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mike Bunker, Outdoor Recreation Planner, Ely Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, HC 33 Box 33500, Ely, Nevada 89301-9408. Telephone (702) 289-1800.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Maps of the designated route for this race event which is affected by this closure are available for inspection at the Bureau of Land Management Offices in Caliente, Ely and Las Vegas in Nevada.

Closure Areas

The closure affects a designated route and adjoining lands. The designated route is marked with colorful flagging,

directional arrows and other markers that identify the route on the ground.

The entire width and length of the designated route and all lands within 300 feet of the edge of the course described above, are closed to all vehicles except for law enforcement, emergency vehicles, race management vehicles, and official race vehicles. All public lands within 300 feet of the course, and access routes leading to the course are closed to vehicle use at a point 300 feet from their intersection with the course. Spectator vehicles are prohibited from entering the closure area. No vehicle stopping or parking is allowed within the closure area.

The following restrictions will be in effect for the duration of the closure. Unless otherwise authorized no person shall:

1. Park any vehicle in violation of posted restrictions, or in such a manner as to obstruct or impede normal or emergency traffic movement or the parking of other vehicles, creating a safety hazard, or endanger any person, property or feature. Vehicles so parked are subject to citation, removal and impoundment at owners expense;

2. Take a vehicle through, around or beyond a restrictive sign, recognizable barricade, fence, or traffic control barrier or other device;

3. Obstruct, resist, or attempt to elude a law enforcement officer of rail to follow their orders or direction.

The above restrictions do not apply to public highways and roads, emergency vehicles, and vehicles owned by the United States, the State of Nevada, Lincoln County or Clark County. Vehicles under permit for operation by event participants or by race management must adhere to the race permit stipulations. Vehicles that are not operated by spectators that need to cross through the closure area may be specifically authorized to proceed if travel is confined to an access road that leads to a checkpoint where crossing of the race route can be safely accomplished as directed by race management personnel.

Authority for closure of public lands is found 43 CFR 8360, subpart 8364.1 and 43 CFR 8372. persons who violate this closure order 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.

Dated: June 5, 1998.

Gene L. Draais,

Assistant District Manager, Nonrenewable Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-933-98-1320-01; COC 61945]

Colorado; Notice of Invitation for Coal Exploration License Application, Bowie Resources Limited

Pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act of February 25, 1920, as amended, and to Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations, Subpart 3410, members of the public are hereby invited to participate with Bowie Resources Limited in a program for the exploration of unleased coal deposits owned by the United States of America in the following described lands located in Delta County, Colorado:

T. 12 S., R. 91 W., 6th P.M.

Sec. 12, lots 7, 8, S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 22, S $\frac{1}{2}$;

Sec. 23, lots 1 to 7, inclusive, W $\frac{1}{2}$, and that part of HES No. 133 lying in the S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 26, lots 1 to 5, inclusive, W $\frac{1}{2}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, and that part of HES No. 133 lying in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 27, all;

Sec. 28, S $\frac{1}{2}$;

Sec. 29, SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 32, lots 1, 2, 7 to 10, inclusive, lots 15, 16, and NE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 33, lots 1 to 16, inclusive, and N $\frac{1}{2}$;

Sec. 34, lots 1 to 16, inclusive, and N $\frac{1}{2}$;

Sec. 35, lots 3, and 7 to 22, inclusive, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, that part of HES No. 134 and that part of lots 4 to 6, inclusive, lying in the S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.

The area described contains approximately 6,053.00 acres.

The application for coal exploration license is available for public inspection during normal business hours under serial number COC 61945 at the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215, and at the Montrose District Office, 2465 South Townsend Avenue, Montrose, Colorado 81401.

Written Notice of Intent to Participate should be addressed to the attention of the following persons and must be received by them within 30 days after publication of this Notice of Invitation in the **Federal Register**:

Karen Purvis; Solid Minerals Team, Resource Services, Colorado State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215
and

Bowie Resources Limited, P.O. Box 483, Paonia, Colorado 81428.

Any party electing to participate in this program must share all costs on a pro rata basis with Bowie Resources

Limited and with any other party or parties who elect to participate.

Dated June 3, 1998.

Karen Purvis,

Solid Minerals Team, Resource Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

Notice of Intent To Amend the Phoenix Resource Management Plan, Arizona

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, the Bureau of Land Management, Phoenix Field Office, Arizona, will be preparing an Environmental Assessment-level plan amendment to the Phoenix Resource Management Plan. The plan amendment will assess impacts of proposed changes to a land tenure classification decision from retention to disposal through exchange of federal lands in Yavapai County in central Arizona.

DATES: Written comments will be accepted until July 13, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to the Field Manager, Bureau of Land Management, Phoenix Field Office, 2015 West Deer Valley Road, Phoenix, Arizona 85027.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The planning area will include a public and non-public land in Yavapai County in central Arizona, encompassing 480 acres.

Selected parcel lies within the Black Canyon Resource Conservation Area and is currently identified as a retention parcel. Proposed modification to the Phoenix Resource Management Plan will be integrated with the proposed E-Z Ranch Exchange, and the impacts thereof will be presented in a single Environmental Assessment-level analysis.

The interdisciplinary team will consist of specialists representing wildlife, riparian, cultural resources, hydrology, and lands. Specialists with other expertise will be added if needed.

Description of Possible Alternatives

Reasonable alternatives including the no-action alternative will be analyzed in the Environmental Assessment. One alternative will be selected as the agency-preferred alternative.