

national needs and concerns. This notice initiates the public scoping process to identify planning issues and to develop planning criteria.

DATES: In compliance with the enabling legislation (Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails National Conservation Area Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-554, December 21, 2000)), the plan must be completed by December 20, 2003. The public is encouraged to participate in the planning process, beginning with the identification of issues and planning criteria. The scoping comment period will commence with the publication of this notice. Formal scoping will end 60 days after publication of this notice. Comments on issues and planning criteria would be most helpful if received on or before the end of the scoping period. Public participation activities, including scoping meetings to identify issues and planning criteria, will be announced at least 15 days before the scheduled meeting in the local news media and in notices sent to persons and parties on the mailing list. In order to ensure local community participation, public meetings will be rotated among locations including, but not necessarily limited to Cedarville, California, and Gerlach, Reno, and Winnemucca, Nevada. In addition to the ongoing public participation process and the scoping meetings, formal opportunities for public participation will be provided through comment on the alternatives and upon publication of the draft RMP/draft EIS. A web site will also be established to display updated information to the public and to provide a means for submission of public comments via e-mail. Persons who would like to be placed on mailing lists, should notify the Winnemucca or Surprise Field Offices at the addresses listed below, or call (775) 623-1500.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to the attention of the NCA Resource Management Plan Project Manager, 5100 East Winnemucca Boulevard, Winnemucca, Nevada 89445, Phone (775) 623-1500. Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, may be published as part of the EIS. Individual respondents may require confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations and businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of

organizations or businesses, will be available for public inspection in their entirety.

A map of the planning area is available at the Winnemucca Field Office (address and phone number listed above); the Surprise Field Office, 602 Cressler Street, Cedarville, CA 96104, Phone (530) 279-6101; the Nevada State Office, 1340 Financial Blvd., Reno, NV 89502, Phone (775) 861-6400; and at the California State Office, 2800 Cottage Way, Suite W-1834, Sacramento, CA 95825-1886, Phone (916) 978-4600.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Terry Reed, Field Office Manager or Roger Farschon, Acting NCA Manager, at the Winnemucca Field Office, Phone (775) 623-1500 or the Acting Surprise Field Office Manager, Phone (530) 279-6101.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The RMP will determine management of approximately 1,217,500 acres of federally administered public lands including: the Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails NCA (Approximately 800,100 acres), ten associated wilderness areas (approximately 757,100 acres), the Lahontan Cutthroat Trout ISA (approximately 13,400 acres) and a small area of BLM administered public lands located west of the ISA between the ISA and the Summit Lake Indian Reservation (approximately 2,300 acres), and the southern portion of the Black Rock Desert Playa (South Playa) (approximately 24,100 acres). Approximately 379,500 acres of wilderness are located within the boundaries of the NCA.

The public is asked to assist the BLM with the identification of issues related to management of the planning area, including the NCA and wilderness. Preliminary issues and management concerns have been identified by BLM personnel, other agencies, and in meetings with individuals and user groups. Anticipated issues include, but are not limited to the following: how will natural, cultural, and wilderness resources be protected?; how can visitor use, access and safety best be achieved?; how will NCA management be integrated with other agency and community plans and needs?; and what facilities and infrastructure are needed to provide visitor services and administration of the NCA? After gathering public comments on what issues the plan should address, the suggested issues will be placed in one of three categories: (1) Issues to be resolved in the plan; (2) issues resolved through policy or administrative action;

and (3) issues beyond the scope of the plan. BLM will provide feedback to the public on the final issues to be addressed in the plan. An interdisciplinary approach will be used to develop the plan in order to consider the variety of resource issues and concerns identified. Disciplines involved in the planning process will include specialists with expertise in rangeland management, minerals and geology, forestry, outdoor recreation, archaeology, paleontology, wildlife and fisheries, land and realty, hydrology, soils, sociology, and economics.

Plan development will involve close cooperation with the State of Nevada, tribal, county and municipal governments, federal agencies, and interested groups, agencies, and individuals. The Resource Advisory Councils (RACs) for the planning area, the Sierra Front-Northwestern Great Basin RAC and the Northeast California RAC, will be used to provide additional public input. Consistent with the enabling legislation, the plan for the NCA and associated wilderness areas will emphasize the protection and enhancement of the NCA's and wilderness areas' resource values while providing the public with opportunities for compatible recreation activities. The plan for the specified contiguous areas will emphasize management consistent with applicable laws and regulations. The concerns and interest of area residents, including the activities of recreation, grazing, hunting, trapping, mining, energy development, and access will be addressed in the plan.

The Plan will incorporate appropriate decisions from existing BLM plans such as current management plans for the area. It also will use information developed and management alternatives proposed in previous studies of the lands within or adjacent to the NCA (including the Draft Sonoma-Gerlach/Paradise Denio Plan Amendment).

Terry A. Reed,

Field Manager, Winnemucca, Nevada.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ES-960-1910-BJ-4489] ES-51270, Group 35, Missouri

Notice of Filing of Plat of Survey; Missouri

The plat of the dependent resurvey of a portion of the township boundaries and portions of the subdivisional lines

and the survey of the Lock and Dam No. 26 acquisition boundary, in Townships 48 and 49 North, Range 5 East, of the 5th Principal Meridian, Missouri, will be officially filed in Eastern States, Springfield, Virginia at 7:30 a.m., on January 8, 2002.

The survey was requested by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

All inquiries or protests concerning the technical aspects of the survey must be sent to the Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Eastern States, Bureau of Land Management, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153, prior to 7:30 a.m., January 8, 2002.

Copies of the plat will be made available upon request and prepayment of the appropriate fee.

Dated: November 15, 2001.

Corwyn J. Rodine,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NMNM 94899, NMNM 94902, NMNM 94903]

Notice of Proposed Withdrawal and Opportunity for Public Meeting; New Mexico

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, has filed applications to withdraw approximately 329.44 acres of National Forest System lands to protect the area and future investment of existing microwave electronic sites. This notice closes the National Forest System lands for up to 2 years from location and entry under the United States mining laws. The land will remain open to mineral leasing and to all other uses which may be made of National Forest System lands.

DATES: Comments must be received by March 6, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Cibola National Forest, 2113 Osuna Road, NE, Suite A, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87113-1001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sue McHenry, Cibola National Forest, 505-346-2650.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On April 12, 2001, the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, filed applications to withdraw the following described National Forest System lands from location and entry under the

United States mining laws, subject to valid existing rights:

1. NMNM 94899 (Microwave Electronic Site), New Mexico Principal Meridian, Cibola National Forest

T. 11 N., R. 7 W.,

Sec. 8, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 17, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$,
N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, and
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.

The area described contains 130 acres in Cibola County.

2. NMNM 94902 (Capilla Peak Electronic Site), New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 5 N., R. 5 E.,

Sec. 3, W $\frac{1}{2}$ of lot 2, E $\frac{1}{2}$ of lot 3, E $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$
of lot 3, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$,
W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$,
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$,
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$,
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$,
E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, and
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.

T. 6 N., R. 5 E.,

Sec. 34, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and
W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

The area described aggregates 131.94 acres in Torrance County.

3. NMNM 94903, East La Mosca Electronic Site, New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 12 N., R. 7 W.,

Sec. 20, E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 21, W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.

The area described contains 5.0 acres in Cibola County.

La Mosca Peak Electronic Site, New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 20 N., R. 7 E.,

Sec. 20, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$,
W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$,
S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$,
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$,
S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$,
N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$,
and N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

The area described contains 62.5 acres in Cibola County.

For a period of 90 days from the date of publication of this notice, all persons who wish to submit comments, suggestions, or objections in connection with the proposed withdrawal may present their views in writing to the Cibola National Forest Supervisor at the above address.

Notice is hereby given that an opportunity for a public meeting is afforded in connection with the proposed withdrawal. All interested persons who desire a public meeting for the purpose of being heard on the proposed withdrawal must submit a written request to the Cibola National Forest Supervisor, at the above address, within 90 days from the date of publication of this notice. Upon determination by the authorized officer that a public meeting will be held, a

notice of the time and place will be published in the **Federal Register** at least 30 days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The applications will be processed in accordance with the regulations set forth in 43 CFR 2300.

For a period of 2 years from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the lands will be segregated as specified above unless the applications are denied or canceled or the withdrawals are approved prior to that date. The temporary uses which will be permitted during this segregative period are land uses permitted by the Forest Service under existing laws and regulations including, but not limited to, construction and operation of the electronic sites.

Dated: November 6, 2001.

Steven W. Anderson,

Acting Albuquerque Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Availability of Record of Decision for the General Management Plan for Cane River Creole National Historical Park, LA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of the Record of Decision for the Final General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement, Cane River Creole National Historical Park, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of the Interior's National Park Service signed a Record of Decision (March 29, 2001) on a General Management Plan for Cane River Creole National Historical Park.

The National Park Service will implement Alternative 1, the preferred alternative, as described in the Final General Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement. Cane River Creole National Historical Park will persevere and rehabilitate the cultural landscapes, historic structures, and artifacts of the two park units, Oakland and Magnolia Plantations, to reflect the continuum of history up to about 1960. This will result in few changes to the current configuration of plantation structures or the general appearance of the landscape.

The long history of the plantations and the major cultural, social, and economic stories of Louisiana plantation lifeways and agriculture that they represent will be told (interpreted) to