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ADDRESSES: Copies of this recovery plan are available by request from the Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office, 2800 Cottage Way, W-2605, Sacramento, California, 916/414-6600. Recovery plans may also be obtained from: Fish and Wildlife Reference Service, 5430 Grosvenor Lane, Suite 110, Bethesda, Maryland 20814, 301/429-6403 or 1-800-582-3421. The fee for the plan varies depending on the number of pages of the plan. This recovery plan will be made available on the World Wide Web at <http://www.r1.fws.gov/ecoservices/endangered/recovery/default.htm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ina Pisani, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above Sacramento address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Restoring endangered or threatened animals and plants to the point where they are again secure, self-sustaining members of their ecosystems is a primary goal of our endangered species program. To help guide the recovery effort, we are working to prepare recovery plans for most of the listed species native to the United States. Recovery plans describe actions considered necessary for the conservation of the species, establish criteria for downlisting or delisting listed species, and estimate time and cost for implementing the recovery measures needed.

The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended in 1988 (Act) (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), requires the development of recovery plans for listed species unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species. Section 4(f) of the Act requires that public notice and an opportunity for public review and comment be provided during recovery plan development. Information presented during the public comment period has been considered in the preparation of this final recovery plan, and is summarized in the appendix to the recovery plan. We will forward substantive comments regarding recovery plan implementation to appropriate Federal or other entities so that they can take these comments into account during the course of implementing recovery actions.

The California red-legged frog (*Rana aurora draytonii*) occurs from sea level to elevations of about 1,500 meters

(5,000 feet) in its range. It has been extirpated from 70 percent of its former range. The California red-legged frog requires a variety of habitat elements with aquatic breeding areas embedded within a matrix of riparian and upland dispersal habitats. Breeding sites of the California red-legged frog are in aquatic habitats including pools and backwaters within streams and creeks, ponds, marshes, sag ponds, dune ponds, and lagoons. California red-legged frogs frequently breed in artificial impoundments such as stock ponds. Potential threats to the species include elimination or degradation of habitat from land development and land use activities, and habitat invasions by non-native aquatic species.

The objective of this recovery plan is to delist the California red-legged frog through implementation of a variety of recovery measures including: (1) Protection of known populations and reestablishment of populations; (2) protection of suitable habitat, corridors, and core areas; (3) habitat management; (4) development of land use guidelines; (5) research; (6) surveying and monitoring; and (7) public participation, outreach, and education.

Authority

The authority for this action is section 4(f) of the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1533(f).

Dated: August 19, 2002.

Steve Thompson,

Manager, California/Nevada Operations Office, Region 1, Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-910-02-0777XX]

Notice of Public Meeting; Sierra Front/Northwestern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council, Northeastern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council, and Mojave-Southern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Combined Resource Advisory Council meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Council meetings will be held as indicated below.

DATES: The three councils will meet on Thursday, October 17 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday, October 18, 2002, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., in the Conference Center at John Ascuaga's Nugget, 1100 Nugget Avenue, Sparks, Nevada 89502. On October 18, the Sierra Front/Northwestern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council will convene at 7:30 a.m. in joint session with BLM Northeast California Resource Advisory Council.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jo Simpson, Chief, Office of Communications, BLM Nevada State Office, 1340 Financial Blvd., Reno, Nevada, telephone (775) 861-6586; or BLM Public Affairs Specialist Debra Kolkman at telephone (775) 289-1946.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 15-member councils advise the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Nevada. Agenda topics include a presentation and discussion of accomplishments during 2002 and the outlook for 2003 for the BLM in Nevada; opening remarks and closeout reports of the three Resource Advisory Councils (RACs); discussion of nominations of proposed projects to be funded by the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998; breakout meetings of each group category; breakout meetings of the three RACs; discussion and approval of Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) guidelines; mine closure and bonding issues in Nevada; setting of schedules for meetings of the Individual RACs for the coming year, and other issues members of the Councils may raise. In the October 18 joint session, the Sierra Front/Northwestern Great Basin and Northeast California council members will hear a report from their National Conservative Area (NCA) subcommittee, which as been assisting the BLM with development of a draft management plan for the Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails National Conservation Area. The council members will also hear a briefing on NCA management from the Black Rock-High Rock NCA staff.

All meetings are open to the public. The public may present written comments to the three RAC groups or the individual RACs. The public comment period for the council meeting will be at 3 p.m. on Thursday, October 17. Individuals who plan to attend and need further information about the meeting or need special assistance such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Debra Kolkman at the Nevada

State Office, BLM, 1340 Financial Blvd., Reno, Nevada, telephone (775) 289-1946.

Dated: September 4, 2002.

Jean Rivers-Council,
Acting State Director, Nevada.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[COC-3292]

Public Land Order No. 7538; Transfer of Jurisdiction to the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service; Colorado

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public Land Order.

SUMMARY: This order transfers administrative jurisdiction of 837.12 acres of lands within the boundary of the San Isabel National Forest to the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service for management as National Forest System lands.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 12, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Doris E. Chelius, BLM Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215-7076, 303-239-3706.

Order

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land and Policy Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C 1714 (1994) it is ordered as follows:

Subject to valid existing rights, the administrative jurisdiction of the following described lands, which are within the boundary of the San Isabel National Forest, are hereby transferred to the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service to be managed as National Forest System lands:

New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 50 N., R. 6 E.,
Sec. 16, lot 12.
T. 51 N., R. 8 E.,
Sec. 36, NE¼.
T. 50 N., R. 9 E.,
Sec. 36.

The areas described aggregate 837.12 acres in Chaffee and Gunnison Counties.

Dated: August 28, 2002.

Rebecca W. Watson,
Assistant Secretary—Land and Minerals Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[UTU 1837 et al.]

Public Land Order No. 7537; Revocation of Forest Service Withdrawals; Utah

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public Land Order.

SUMMARY: This order revokes 7 Public Land Orders, 25 Secretarial Orders, and 2 Executive Orders in their entirety. The lands were withdrawn for Forest Service administrative sites, ranger stations, campgrounds, recreation areas, plant nurseries, a city watershed, roads, and a conservation center. The lands are no longer needed for the purposes for which they were withdrawn and the Forest Service has requested the revocations. There are approximately 13,822 acres involved in the revocations. The lands will be opened to mining and to such forms of disposition as may by law be made of National Forest System lands unless closed by overlapping withdrawals or other segregations of record.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 15, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rhonda Flynn, BLM Utah State Office, 324 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111-2303, 801-539-4132. A copy of the orders being revoked is available from this location.

Order

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 (1994), it is ordered as follows:

1. The following Public Land Orders, Secretarial Orders, and Executive Orders are hereby each revoked in their entirety:

(a) Public Land Order Nos. 1084, 1715, 2400, 3928, 4102, 4115, and 4245.

(b) Secretarial Orders dated August 23, 1906, October 26, 1906, November 17, 1906, December 13, 1906, January 9, 1907, January 23, 1907, August 15, 1907, August 16, 1907, August 29, 1907, September 5, 1907, October 29, 1907, November 18, 1907, January 7, 1908, January 14, 1908, April 4, 1908, April 28, 1908, April 30, 1908, May 13, 1908, June 5, 1908, July 10, 1908, August 12, 1908, August 22, 1908, October 6, 1908, and two dated October 30, 1908.

(c) Executive Order dated June 6, 1906 and Executive Order No. 3852.

2. At 10 a.m. on October 15, 2002, the lands shall be opened to such forms of disposition as may by law be made of

National Forest System lands, including location and entry under the United States mining laws, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law. Appropriation of lands described in this order under the general mining laws prior to the date and time of restoration is unauthorized. Any such attempted appropriation, including attempted adverse possession under 30 U.S.C. 38 (1994), shall vest no rights against the United States. Acts required to establish a location and to initiate a right of possession are governed by State law where not in conflict with Federal law. The Bureau of Land Management will not intervene in disputes between rival locators over possessory rights since Congress has provided for such determinations in local courts.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Forest Service has determined that the withdrawals are no longer needed and has requested the revocations. The lands are located in several national forests throughout Utah.

Dated: August 28, 2002.

Rebecca W. Watson,
Assistant Secretary—Land and Minerals Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[MT-070-02-1430-ES; MTM 90728]

Notice of Realty Action; Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act Classification; Montana

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The following described lands in Broadwater County, Montana have been examined and found suitable for classification for conveyance to Broadwater County under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 et seq.). Broadwater County proposes to use the lands for expansion of an existing shooting range on county land.

Principal Meridian, Montana

T. 7 N., R. 1 E.,
Sec. 21: E½
Sec. 28: N½NE¼
Containing 400 acres.