

other communities if the level of interest warrants. Early participation is encouraged and will help determine the future management of the North Steens Project area. Meetings and comment deadlines will be announced through the local news media and the Burns BLM Web site (<http://www.or.blm.gov/Burns/>). Written comments will be accepted throughout the planning process at the address above. Individual respondents may request 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.

#### Background Information

Prior to 1870, western juniper was limited generally to rocky ridgetops or shallow soil areas with sparse vegetation. Changes in the historic trends are readily apparent within the CMPA. Historically, virtually all plant communities in the Burns District were subjected to wildland fire occurring on a variety of frequencies. The resulting mosaic of plant communities enhanced the success and diversity of animal species and contributed to the ecological integrity of the entire region. In fire-dependent ecosystems, occasional fire is essential to the health and function of the natural system. The loss of natural disturbance events or at least the modification of those events in this area has greatly modified specific habitats affecting the sensitive species living within them.

Dated: April 28, 2005.

**Dana R. Shuford,**

*Burns District Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[NM-910-05-0777-XX]

#### Notice of Public Meeting, New Mexico Resource Advisory Council Meeting

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, New Mexico Resource Advisory Council (RAC), will meet as indicated below.

**DATES:** The Meeting dates are September 22-23, 2005, at the Holiday Inn Express, 1100 California NE, Socorro, New Mexico. An optional field trip is planned for September 21, 2005. The public comment period is scheduled for September 21, 2005, from 6-7 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Express. The public may present written comments to the RAC. Depending on the number of individuals wishing to comment and time available, oral comments may be limited. The three established RAC working groups may have a late afternoon or an evening meeting on Thursday, September 22, 2005.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The 15-member RAC advises 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 New Mexico. All Meetings are open to the public. At this Meeting, topics include issues on renewable and nonrenewable resources.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Theresa Herrera, New Mexico State Office, Office of External Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, P. O. Box 27115, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502-0115, (505) 438-7517.

Dated: July 14, 2005.

**Linda S.C. Rundell,**

*State Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

[MT-922-04-1310-FI-P; (NDM 89629)]

#### Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease NDM 89629

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Per 30 U.S.C. 188(d), the lessee, NPC, Inc., timely filed a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease NDM 89629, Billings County, North Dakota. NPC, Inc. paid the required rental accruing from the date of termination, February 1, 2005.

No leases were issued that affect these lands. The lessee agrees to new lease terms for rentals and royalties of \$10 per acre and 16 $\frac{2}{3}$  percent or 4 percentages above the existing competitive royalty rate. The lessee paid the \$500 administration fee for the reinstatement of the lease and \$155 cost for publishing this notice.

The lessee met the requirements for reinstatement of the lease per Sec. 31 (d) and (e) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188). We are proposing to reinstate the lease, effective the date of termination subject to:

- The original terms and conditions of the lease;
- The increased rental of \$10 per acre;
- The increased royalty of 16 $\frac{2}{3}$  percent or 4 percentages above the existing competitive royalty rate; and
- The \$155 cost of publishing this Notice

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Karen L. Johnson, Chief, Fluids Adjudication Section, BLM Montana State Office, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana 59107, (406) 896-5098.

Dated: June 23, 2005.

**Karen L. Johnson,**

*Chief, Fluids Adjudication Section.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[WY-040-1430-ES; WYW-134092]

#### Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act Classification, Sweetwater County, WY

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of realty action.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has examined and found suitable for classification for lease or conveyance under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, approximately 5 acres of public lands in Sweetwater County, Wyoming. The Ten Mile Water and Sewer District proposes to use the land for office and warehouse space for the District.

**DATES:** Interested persons may submit written comments to the BLM at the address stated below. Comments must be received by not later than September 6, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Bureau of Land Management, Rock Springs Field Office, 280 Highway 191 North, Rock Springs, Wyoming 82901.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patricia Hamilton, Realty Specialist, at the above address or at (307) 352-0334.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following described public land in Sweetwater County, Wyoming, has been examined and found suitable for classification for lease and/or conveyance under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 8890 *et seq.*) and is hereby classified accordingly:

**Sixth Meridian, Wyoming**

T. 20 N., R. 105 W.

Sec. 20, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$

The land described contains 5.00 acres.

In accordance with the R&PP Act, the Ten-Mile Water and Sewer District has filed a R&PP Act petition/application and plan of development in which it is proposed to use the above described public lands for office and warehouse space needed by the District. The lands are not needed for Federal purposes. Lease or conveyance pursuant to the R&PP Act is consistent with the Green River Resource Area Management Plan, dated August 8, 1987, and would be in the public interest. The lease/conveyance, when issued, will be subject to the following terms, conditions, and reservations:

1. Provisions of the R&PP Act and to all applicable regulations, policy and including but not limited to the regulations stated in 43 CFR part 2740, guidance of the Secretary of the Interior.

2. Reservation of a right-of-way to the United States for ditches and canals pursuant to the Act of August 30, 1890, 43 U.S.C. 945.

3. All minerals shall be reserved to the United States, together with the right to prospect for mine, and remove the minerals under applicable laws and regulations established by the Secretary of the Interior.

4. Provided, that the land conveyed shall revert to the United States upon a finding, and after notice and opportunity for a hearing, that the patentee has not substantially developed the lands in accordance with the approved plan of development on or before the date five years after the date of conveyance. No portion of the land shall under any circumstance revert to the United States if any such portion

has been used for solid waste disposal or for any other purpose which may result in the disposal, placement, or release of any hazardous substance.

5. If, at any time, the patentee validly transfers to another party ownership of any portion of the land not used for the purpose(s) specified in the application and the plan of development, the patentee shall pay the Bureau of Land Management the fair market value, as determined by the authorized officer, of the transferred portion as of the date of transfer, including the value of any improvements thereon.

6. All valid existing rights of record, including those documented on the official public land records at the time of lease/patent issuance.

Detailed information concerning the proposed action, including but not limited to documentation relating to compliance with applicable environmental and cultural resource laws, is available for review at the BLM, Rock Springs Field Office, 280 Highway 191 North, Rock Springs, Wyoming 82901, telephone: (307) 352-0334.

On July 21, 2005, the above described lands will be segregated from all other forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the general mining laws, except for lease or conveyance under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and leasing under the mineral leasing laws.

Interested parties may submit written comments regarding the proposed lease/conveyance or classification of the lands to the Field Manager, Rock Springs Field Office, at the address stated above in this notice for that purpose. Comments must be received by not later than September 6, 2005.

**Classification Comments:** Interested parties may submit comments involving the suitability of the land for an office building and warehouse facility. Comments on the classification are restricted to whether the land is physically suited for the proposal, whether the use will maximize the future use or uses 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 Bureau of Land Management followed proper administrative procedures in reaching the decision; or any other factor not directly related to the suitability of the land for an office building and warehouse.

Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the State Director, who may

sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In the absence of any adverse comments, the classification will become effective 60 days after July 21, 2005.

(Authority: 43 CFR 2741.5)

Dated: June 23, 2005.

**Michael R. Holbert,**

*Field Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[WO-310-1310-PB-24 1A]

#### Notification To Terminate the Benefits of the Royalty Rate Reductions Granted Under the Stripper Well Royalty Reduction Program and Request for Comment

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is providing the six-month notification to terminate all royalty rate reductions for stripper well properties under the regulations at 43 CFR 3103.4-2(b)(4). In addition, BLM is requesting comments on the financial conditions under which BLM would reestablish the benefit.

**DATES:** This termination of benefits for stripper well properties is effective for sales on or after February 1, 2006. Send your comments to reach BLM on or before August 22, 2005. The BLM will not necessarily consider comments received after the above date.

**ADDRESSES:** Mail: Director (630), Bureau of Land Management, Eastern States Office, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153.

Personal or messenger delivery: 1620 L Street, NW., Suite 401, Washington, DC 20036.

Direct Internet: <http://www.blm.gov/nhp/news/regulatory/index.html>.

Internet E-mail: [Comments\\_Washington@blm.gov](mailto:Comments_Washington@blm.gov).

Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rudy Baier, Bureau of Land Management, (202) 452-5024 (Commercial or FTS). Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, except holidays, for assistance in reaching Mr. Baier.