

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Fayetteville/Greenville Expansion Project, Texas Gas Transmission, LLC, Right-of-Way Permit Application To Cross Hillside National Wildlife Refuge, Holmes County, MS: Withdrawal

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of right-of-way permit application; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: We, the Fish and Wildlife Service, published a notice requesting public comments on a right-of-way (ROW) permit application we received from Texas Gas Transmission, LLC (Texas Gas), to install a natural gas pipeline under lands within Hillside National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) in Holmes County, MS. The company chose an alternate route that bypasses Hillside NWR and no longer seeks a ROW permit from us, and has withdrawn its application. Therefore, we are not seeking comments on the application.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ken Clough, Fish and Wildlife Service, 6578 Dogwood View Parkway, Jackson, MS 39213; by facsimile to (601) 965-4010; or by e-mail to ken_clough@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 3, 2008, we published a **Federal Register** notice (73 FR 65391) announcing the availability of an application for a ROW permit by Texas Gas to install a natural gas pipeline under lands within Hillside NWR. The application was made available for a 30-day review and comment period. Because Texas Gas has abandoned the route that would have crossed the refuge in favor of an alternate route which bypasses the refuge, the review and comment period has been cancelled.

Authority: We publish this notice under 30 U.S.C. 185 (k).

Dated: November 10, 2008.

Cynthia K. Dohner,

Acting Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-100-1610-DP]

Notice of Correction to Notice of Availability of the Additional Air Quality Impact Assessment To Support the Little Snake Draft Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement (RMP/EIS), Moffat and Routt Counties, CO

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of correction.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) published a Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register** [73 FR 60321] on October 10, 2008, that had incorrect information in the **DATES** section. The October 10, 2008, Notice of Availability incorrectly indicated that the BLM would receive written comments on the Additional Air Quality Impact Assessment within 45 days following the date the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) published their Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. The EPA was not required, nor did it intend to publish such a notice of availability. Therefore, the BLM is publishing this notice of correction to clarify that the BLM will receive written comments on the Additional Air Quality Impact Assessment within 45 days following the date that this notice of correction publishes in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: To assure that they will be considered, the BLM must receive written comments on the Air Quality Impact Assessment by January 5, 2009. Additional announcements are being made through local media news releases and information will be posted on the Little Snake Resource Management Plan Web site: <http://www.co.blm.gov/lspa/rmp>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jeremy Casterson, Planning and Environmental Coordinator, BLM—Little Snake Field Office, 455 Emerson St., Craig, CO 81625. *Phone:* (970) 826-5071. *E-mail:* Jeremy_Casterson@blm.gov.

Lynn E. Rust,

Acting State Director, Colorado.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-010-07-1990-EX; N-78123]

Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Newmont Mining Corporation Proposed Emigrant Project Plan of Operations, NV

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability (NOA).

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and 43 CFR Part 3809, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Elko Field Office has prepared with the assistance of a third party contractor, a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) on Newmont Mining Corporation's proposed Emigrant Project Plan of Operations. The project area is located in Elko County about ten miles south of Carlin, Nevada. The DEIS analyzes potential environmental impacts that could result from the open pit mine project during the projected 10-year operating period. This is the second DEIS issued for this project. The original DEIS was issued March 25, 2005.

DATES: The DEIS is now available for comment. Written comments on the DEIS will be accepted until January 5, 2009.

ADDRESSES: The public may submit comments by the following methods:

Mail: Bureau of Land Management, Elko Field Office, *Attn:* Emigrant Mine Project Manager, 3900 East Idaho Street, Elko, NV 89801;

Fax: (775) 753-0255.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tom Schmidt, Project Manager, Elko Field Office, 3900 East Idaho Street, Elko, NV 89801; (775) 753-0200.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A DEIS for this project was originally issued March 25, 2005. Substantive comments were received on that DEIS. This new DEIS, which incorporates revisions made in response to those comments, is being issued to replace the 2005 DEIS.

Newmont Mining Corporation has submitted a Plan of Operations to open the Emigrant Mine about ten miles south of Carlin, Nevada. Modifications to the proposed plan have been made based upon new information pertinent to the proposed action and its effects. The mine and associated facilities would be located in portions of Sections 24, 26, 34, 36 of T. 32 N., R. 53 E.; and Sections 1, 2, 3, 11, 12, T. 31 N., R 53 E. Mt. Diablo Meridian, Nevada.

The revised proposal for the Emigrant Mine would include developing and operating an open pit mine, constructing a waste rock disposal facility, storing oxide waste in mined out areas of the pit, developing an oxide heap leach pad, constructing ancillary facilities, temporarily rerouting intermittent stream and flows in the pit area, and concurrent reclamation. Proposed mining operations would last approximately 10 years through 2017. Approximately 1,172 acres of public land and 260 acres of private land would be disturbed.

The issues analyzed in the DEIS include potential direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts to wildlife and cultural resources, the potential for waste rock, heap leach, and pit walls to produce acid rock drainage or heavy metals, and diversion of an unnamed drainage. In addition, the following resources are analyzed: geology and minerals, Native American religious concerns, air quality, paleontology, lands and realty, fisheries and aquatic resources, range management, vegetation, soils, visual resources, recreation and wilderness, weeds, social and economic values, environmental justice, and threatened, endangered, candidate, and sensitive species.

The DEIS analyzes the proposed action and no action alternatives. Other alternatives considered and reasons why they were eliminated from detailed analysis are discussed. Measures to avoid or minimize environmental impacts and to assure the proposed action does not result in undue or unnecessary degradation of public lands are included. This DEIS can be reviewed and/or downloaded from the BLM Elko Web page at http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/elko_field_office.html.

The BLM is asking the public to comment on the DEIS. Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the above address during regular business hours 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays, and may be published as part of the DEIS. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be advised that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as

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

Gene Seidlitz,
Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ES-930-1310-FI; LAES 51206]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease, Louisiana

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of Public Law 97-451, the Bureau of Land Management-Eastern States (BLM-ES) received a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease LAES 51206 from Rhumba Operating, LLC for lands in Caldwell Parish, Louisiana. The petition was filed on time and was accompanied by all the rentals due since the date the lease terminated under the law.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robyn Shoop, Supervisory Land Law Examiner, BLM-ES, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia, at (703) 440-1512.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: No valid lease has been issued affecting these lands. The lessee has agreed to the new lease terms for rental and royalties at rates of \$10.00 per acre or fraction thereof, per year, and 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ percent, respectively. The lessee has paid the required \$500.00 administrative fee and \$163.00 to reimburse the BLM for the cost of publishing this Notice in the **Federal Register**. The lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement as set out in Sections 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), and the BLM is proposing to reinstate the lease effective December 1, 2006, under the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

Dated: October 22, 2008.

Steven R. Wells,
Deputy State Director, Division of Natural Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[UT-090-1610-017J]

Notice of Availability of Record of Decision for the Monticello Field Office Approved Resource Management Plan

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The BLM announces the availability of the Approved Resource Management Plan (RMP)/Record of Decision (ROD) for the Monticello Field Office located in Utah. The Department of the Interior Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management signed the ROD on November 17, 2008, which constitutes the final decision of the Department of the Interior and makes the Approved RMP effective immediately.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the Approved RMP/ROD are available upon request at the BLM Monticello Field Office, 365 North Main, Monticello, UT 84535, or via the Internet at <http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/monticello/planning/html>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: BLM Monticello Field Office, Nick Sandberg, Associate Field Office Manager, telephone (435) 587-1500; 365 N. Main, Monticello, Utah 84535.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This Approved RMP was developed with multiple opportunities for public participation through a multi-year collaborative planning process. The BLM sought participation from the public, tribes, and local, State, and Federal agencies in the development of this RMP and will continue to pursue partnerships in the management of public lands. No inconsistencies with State or local plans, policies, or programs were identified during the Governor's consistency review of the Proposed RMP/Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The Approved RMP is designed to achieve or maintain desired future conditions identified through the planning process.

The Monticello Field Office Approved RMP/ROD addresses management of approximately 1.8 million acres of BLM-administered surface lands and 2.5 million acres of federally owned mineral estate in San Juan County and a small portion of Grand County, Utah. The planning effort addressed a variety of management issues, including: Cultural resources; recreation and off-highway vehicle management; visual resources; woodlands products; special designations, including Areas of Critical