

legged frog resulting from the proposed development of the project site.

(2) Approval of the HCP would not have adverse effects on unique geographic, historic or cultural sites, or involve unique or unknown environmental risks.

(3) Approval of the HCP would not result in any cumulative or growth-inducing impacts and would not result in significant adverse effects on public health or safety.

(4) The project does not require compliance with Executive Order 11988 (Floodplain Management), Executive Order 11990 (Protection of Wetlands), or the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, nor does it threaten to violate a Federal, State, local or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment.

(5) Approval of the HCP would not establish a precedent for future actions or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects.

The Service therefore has made a preliminary determination that approval of the HCP qualifies as a categorical exclusion under the National Environmental Policy Act, as provided by the Department of the Interior Manual (516 DM 2, Appendix 1 and 516 DM 6, Appendix 1). Based upon this preliminary determination, we do not intend to prepare further National Environmental Policy Act documentation. The Service will consider public comments in making its final determination on whether to prepare such additional documentation.

The Service provides this notice pursuant to section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act. We will evaluate the permit application, the HCP, and comments submitted thereon to determine whether the application meets the requirements of section 10 (a) of the Act. If the requirements are met, the Service will issue a permit to the applicant. We will make the final permit decision no sooner than 30 after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: June 6, 2006.

Diane K. Noda,

Field Supervisor, Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office, Ventura, California.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Red Rock Lakes National Wildlife Refuge, Lima, MT

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a comprehensive conservation plan and environmental assessment; request for comments.

SUMMARY: This notice advises that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) intends to gather information necessary to prepare a Comprehensive Conservation Plan (CCP) and associated environmental documents for Red Rock Lakes National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) in Lima, Montana. The Service is furnishing this notice in compliance with Service CCP policy to advise other agencies and the public of its intentions, and to obtain suggestions and information on the scope of issues to be considered in the planning process.

DATES: Written comments must be received by July 12, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Comments and requests for more information regarding Red Rock Lakes NWR should be sent to Laura King, Planning Team Leader, Tewaukon NWR, Division of Refuge Planning, 9754 143½ Avenue, SE., Cayuga, North Dakota 58013-9764.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laura King, 701-724-3598, or Linda Kelly at 303-236-8132.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Service has initiated a CCP for Red Rock Lakes NWR for the conservation and enhancement of its natural resources. Red Rock Lakes NWR has six establishing purposes: (1) "as a refuge and breeding ground for wild birds and animals" (Executive Order 7023, dated April 22, 1935); (2) "for use as an inviolate sanctuary, or for any other management purpose, for migratory birds" (16 U.S.C. 715d [Migratory Bird Conservation Act]); (3) "for (a) incidental fish and wildlife-oriented recreational development, (b) the protection of natural resources, [and] (c) the conservation of endangered species or threatened species" (16 U.S.C. 460k-1), "the Secretary * * * may accept and use * * * real * * * property. Such acceptance may be accomplished under the terms and conditions of restrictive covenants imposed by donors." (16 U.S.C. 460k-2 [Refuge Recreation Act [16 U.S.C. 460k-460k-4], as amended]); (4) "the conservation of the wetlands of the Nation in order to maintain the public benefits they provide and to help fulfill international obligations

contained in various migratory bird treaties and conventions" (16 U.S.C. 3901(b) [Emergency Wetlands Resources Act of 1986]); (5) "for the development, advancement, management, conservation, and protection of fish and wildlife resources" (16 U.S.C. 742f(a)(4)), "for the benefit of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, in performing its activities and services. Such acceptance may be subject to the terms of any restrictive or affirmative covenant, or condition of servitude." (16 U.S.C. 742f(b)(1) [Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956]); (6) "conservation, management, and restoration of the fish, wildlife, and plant resources and their habitats for the benefit of present and future generations of Americans" (16 U.S.C. 668dd(a)(2) [National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act]).

This Refuge encompasses 58,326 acres, of which 32,350 are designated as wilderness. The Refuge lies in the high-elevation Centennial Valley and contains primarily wetland and riparian habitats. This minimally altered natural and diverse habitat provides for species such as trumpeter swans, moose, sandhill cranes, curlews, peregrine falcons, eagles, numerous hawks and owls, badgers, wolverines, bears, pronghorn, and wolves (in the backcountry). Native fish such as Arctic grayling and west-slope cutthroat trout occur in Refuge waters.

During the comprehensive planning process, management goals, objectives, and strategies will be developed to carry out the purposes of the Refuge, and to comply with laws and policies governing refuge management and public use of the Refuge.

The Service requests input as to which issues affecting management or public use should be addressed during the planning process. The Service is especially interested in receiving public input in the following areas:

(a) What do you value most about this Refuge?

(b) What problems or issues do you see affecting management of this Refuge?

(c) What changes, if any, would you like to see in the management of this Refuge?

The Service has provided the above questions for your optional use. The Service has no requirement that you provide information; however, any comments received by the Planning Team will be used as part of the planning process.

Opportunities for public input will also be provided at a public meeting to be scheduled for early summer 2006. Exact dates and times for these public meetings are yet to be determined, but

will be announced via local media and a newsletter. All information provided voluntarily by mail, phone, or at public meetings (e.g., names, addresses, letters of comment, input recorded during meetings) becomes part of the official public record. If requested under the Freedom of Information Act by a private citizen or organization, the Service may provide copies of such information. The environmental review of this project will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*); NEPA Regulations (40 CFR 1500–1508); other appropriate Federal laws and regulations; Executive Order 12996; the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997; and Service policies and procedures for compliance with those laws and regulations.

Dated: May 5, 2006.

James J. Slack,

Deputy Regional Director, Region 6, Denver, CO.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AK–964–1410–HY–P; F–14915–A, F–14915–A2]

Alaska Native Claims Selection

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of decision approving lands for conveyance.

SUMMARY: As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that an appealable decision approving lands for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act will be issued to Ohog Incorporated for lands in the vicinity of Ohogamiut, Alaska, and located in:

Lot 6, U.S. Survey No. 11028, Alaska.

Containing 0.78 acres.

Seward Meridian, Alaska

T. 16 N., R. 69 W., Secs. 18 to 21, inclusive; Secs. 28 to 33, inclusive.
Containing 4,753.82 acres.

T. 16 N., R. 70 W., Secs. 23 and 24.
Containing 1,280 acres.

T. 18 N., R. 70 W., Secs. 1, 11, 12, and 14.
Containing 1,920 acres.
Aggregating 7,954.60 acres.

Notice of the decision will also be published four times in the Tundra Drums.

DATES: The time limits for filing an appeal are:

1. Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision shall have until July 12, 2006 to file an appeal.

2. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.

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.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the decision may be obtained from: Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513–7599.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Bureau of Land Management by phone at 907–271–5960, or by e-mail at ak.blm.conveyance@ak.blm.gov. Persons who use a telecommunication device (TTD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8330, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact the Bureau of Land Management.

Eileen Ford,

Land Law Examiner, Branch of Adjudication II.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

[MT–922–06–1310–FI–P; MTM 85972]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease MTM 85972

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Per 30 U.S.C. 188(d), Sonalta Resources Inc. and Quicksilver Resources Inc. timely filed a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease MTM 85972, Stillwater County, Montana. The lessee paid the required rental accruing from the date of termination, January 1, 2006.

No leases were issued that affect these lands. The lessee agrees to new lease terms for rentals and royalties of \$10 per acre and 16⅔ percent or 4 percentages above the existing competitive royalty rate. The lessee paid the \$500 administration fee for the reinstatement of the lease and \$163 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 16⅔ percent or 4 percentages above the existing competitive royalty rate; and
- The \$163 cost of publishing this Notice

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Karen L. Johnson, Chief, Fluids Adjudication Section, BLM Montana State Office, 5001 Southgate Drive, Billings, Montana 59101–4669, 406–896–5098.

Dated: June 5, 2006.

Karen L. Johnson,

Chief, Fluids Adjudication section.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AZA 31044–01]

Public Land Order No. 7664; Withdrawal of National Forest System Land for the Diamond Rim Quartz Crystal Interpretive Area; Arizona.

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public Land Order.

SUMMARY: This order withdraws 990 acres of National Forest System land from location and entry under the United States mining laws for 20 years to protect the Diamond Rim Quartz Crystal Interpretive Area.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 12, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Angela Mogel, BLM Arizona State Office, One North Central Avenue, Suite 800, Phoenix, Arizona 85004–4427, 602–417–9536.

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 (2000), it is ordered as follows:

1. Subject to valid existing rights, the following described National Forest System land is hereby withdrawn from location and entry under the United States mining laws, 30 U.S.C. Ch. 2 (2000), to protect the Diamond Rim Quartz Crystal Interpretive Area:

Tonto National Forest

Gila and Salt River Meridian

T. 11 N., R. 11 E.,
Sec. 1, SW1/4;
Sec. 12, W1/2 and W1/2E1/2;