

clarified August 31, 1976, will be issued to Cook Inlet Region, Inc., for approximately 4,027 acres. The lands involved are in the vicinity of Salamatof, Alaska.

Seward Meridian, Alaska

T. 4 N., R. 11 W., T. 7 N., R. 11 W., T. 4 N., R. 12 W., T. 6 N., R. 12 W., T. 7 N., R. 12 W., T. 8 N., R. 12 W., T. 7 N., R. 14 W.

A notice of the decision will be published once a week, for four (4) consecutive weeks, in the Anchorage Daily News. Copies of the decision may be obtained by contacting the Alaska State Office of the Bureau of Land Management, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599 ((907) 271-5960).

Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision, an agency of the Federal government or regional corporation, shall have until July 19, 1996, to file an appeal. However, parties receiving service by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal. Appeals must be filed in the Bureau of Land Management at the address identified above, where the requirements for filing an appeal may be obtained. 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.

Gary L. Cunningham,

Land Law Examiner, ANCSA Team, Branch of 962 Adjudication.

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Expanded Moxa Arch Area Natural Gas Development Project, Sweetwater, Lincoln, and Uinta Counties, WY; Availability of Final Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Lead Agency—Interior, Bureau of Land Management; Cooperating Agencies—Interior, Bureau of Reclamation and Fish and Wildlife Service; Agriculture, Forest Service.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the availability of the Expanded Moxa Arch Area Natural Gas Development Project Final EIS. The draft EIS was released April 14, 1995, for a 60-day public review. Over 300 copies of the draft EIS were issued and 23 comment letters were received. Some comments received expressed concern that the analysis of

cumulative effects of mineral development on the non-mineral resources of southwestern Wyoming was lacking, including wildlife, and air quality; some felt a regional, cumulative EIS should be prepared before any further development is authorized; and some felt land use changes would occur causing industrialization of southwest Wyoming. The final EIS contains a cumulative air quality analysis addendum to the draft EIS and Errata addressing all concerns expressed by commenters.

DATES: Comments on the final EIS will be accepted for 30 days following the date that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) publishes their Notice of Availability in the Federal Register. The EPA notice is expected to be published on June 21, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the final EIS should be sent to Bureau of Land Management, Bill McMahan (Project Coordinator), 280 Highway 191 North, Rock Springs, Wyoming 82901.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Moxa Arch Operators (Amoco Production Company, Union Pacific Resources Company, Wexpro/Celsius Energy Company, Bannon Energy, Marathon Oil Company, Presidio Exploration, and other companies) propose to continue to infill drill additional development wells in their leased acreage within the Moxa Arch oil and gas development area (approximately 476,261 acres) of southwestern Wyoming. The expanded area, combined with the lands analyzed in two previous environmental analysis documents, forms the Expanded Moxa Arch Natural Gas Development (Moxa) analysis area.

Collectively, the Moxa Operators' proposal would continue to infill drill in the Moxa natural gas field, where 957 wells are presently active and up to 1,325 additional wells could be drilled over the next 10 years. The Moxa Operators' plans and drilling schedules would be contingent upon both an increased demand for natural gas supplies in response to the Clean Air Act amendments of 1990 and an adequate price for the gas at the wellhead.

The Moxa Arch EIS analyzes the impacts of the Proposed Action—which would allow up to 1,325 new wells, Alternative A—which would allow up to 795 new wells (530 fewer than the Proposed Action), and Alternative B—the No Action Alternative. The draft and final EIS impact analysis focuses on the resource issues and concerns identified during public scoping and in response to comments received on the draft EIS. This draft EIS, in compliance with

Section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (as amended), includes the Biological Assessment for the purpose of identifying any endangered or threatened species which are likely to be affected by the proposed action.

Dated: June 6, 1996.

Alan L. Kesterke,

Associate State Director.

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

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The following public lands were examined and found suitable for classification and lease under the R&PP Act of June 14, 1926, as amended, 43 U.S.C. 869 *et seq.* (see 56 FR 43034, August 30, 1991). The lands have now been found suitable for conveyance under the same act:

Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona

T. 19 N., R. 22 W.,

Sec. 2, S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

The area described contains 80 acres.

The land is not needed for Federal purposes. Conveyance is consistent with current BLM land use planning and would be in the public interest.

The patent, when issued, will reserve ditches and canals and all minerals to the United States and be subject to the terms, conditions and reservations contained in the R&PP Act, all applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior, and all existing third-party rights.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Janice Easley, Land Law Examiner, Havasu Resource Area, 3189 Sweetwater Avenue, Lake Havasu City, Arizona 86406, Phone: (520) 855-8017.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The land will remain segregated from all other forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the general mining laws, except for conveyance under the R&PP Act and leasing under the mineral leasing laws.

In the absence of any adverse comments, the classification will become effective 60 days from the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register.

Dated: June 12, 1996.

Mary Jo Yoas,

Chief, Lands and Minerals Adjudication
Section.

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National Park Service

Notice of Availability of the Draft Development Concept Plan/ Environmental Impact Statement for the Entrance Area/Road Corridor, Denali National Park and Preserve

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of the Draft Development Concept Plan/Environmental Impact Statement for the Entrance Area/Road Corridor, Denali National Park and Preserve.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service announces the availability of a Draft Development Concept Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (DCP/EIS) for the Entrance Area/Road Corridor (Front Country) of Denali National Park and Preserve. The document describes and analyzes the environmental impacts of a proposed action and three other action alternatives for visitor facilities and services. A no action alternative also is evaluated. This notice announces the dates and locations of public hearings to solicit comments on the draft DCP/EIS.

DATES: Comments on the draft DCP/EIS must be received no later than August 19, 1996. Hearing dates, times, and locations are listed under Supplementary Information, below.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the draft DCP/EIS should be submitted to the Superintendent, Denali National Park and Preserve, Post Office Box 9, Denali Park, Alaska 99755. Copies of the draft DCP/EIS are available by request from the aforementioned address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mike Tranel, Denali National Park and Preserve. Telephone: (907) 683-9552 FAX: (907) 683-9612.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190, as amended), the National Park Service, has prepared a draft DCP/EIS for proposed visitor facilities and services on the front country Denali National Park and Preserve in Alaska. Information meetings and public hearings are scheduled in Alaska on the dates and at the times and locations indicated below.

- August 5 (Monday), Anchorage, Egan Center, Room 56, 6:30 to 10:00 pm.

- August 6 (Tuesday), Talkeetna/Trapper Creek, Upper Susitna Valley Senior Center, 6:30 to 10:30 pm.

- August 7 (Wednesday), Healy, Tri-Valley Community Center, 6:30 to 10:00 pm.

- August 8 (Thursday), Fairbanks, Westmark Hotel, 6:30 to 10:00 pm.

- August 13 (Tuesday), Cantwell, Community Hall, 6:30 to 10:00 pm.

- August 14 (Wednesday), Denali Park, Denali Park Hotel, 6:30 to 10:00 pm.

The first hour of each meeting will be a discussion session. Representatives of the NPS planning team will be available to answer questions and hear your comments in a more informal setting. The rest of the meeting will be a public hearing; a brief introduction by the planning team will be followed by public testimony on the plan.

The draft DCP/EIS includes five alternatives for providing for visitor use and resource protection and related facility development in the front country of Denali National Park and Preserve. The front country includes all non-wilderness areas along the Parks Highway, the Riley Creek/headquarters area, and the park road corridor to the Kantishna airstrip. The five alternatives include a no action alternative and four action alternatives. The proposed action is based on the recommendations of the Denali Task Force, a committee formed at the request of the Secretary of the Interior in 1994, on proposals received during public scoping, on previous plans, and on planning team work and impact analysis.

Facilities and services considered in the proposed action and in each alternative include visitor accommodations, campgrounds, camper conveniences, interpretive facilities, transportation, parking, bus tours, bicycle use, rest and picnic areas, concessions, road maintenance, trails, employee housing, administrative and support facilities, airstrips, and utility systems. The alternatives differ in construction costs, extent and location of visitor facilities, and corresponding environmental, social, and economic impacts.

The Proposed Action (Alternative D) would provide visitor facilities and services in the front country to meet a wide range of visitor needs and interests. Front country developments would be limited to actions in which the NPS has traditionally specialized, such as interpretive centers, environmental education opportunities, trails, and campgrounds. The park hotel would be closed, and the NPS would encourage the private sector to develop visitor service facilities

(accommodations, food service, and other commercial services) outside the park. The existing Visitor Access Center would be remodeled and expanded to serve as an interpretive/science center, and a new visitor services building and parking would be constructed nearby. Camper convenience services would be provided in this same area and the existing store and temporary shower building removed. Some buildings in the former hotel area would be adaptively used to provide an environmental education facility. New permanent rest areas would be constructed at Savage and Toklat. Additional trails would be constructed primarily in the Nenana River and Savage River areas. New campsites would be developed in the entrance area, the Nenana River corridor, and in the Kantishna area. Road maintenance and repair would be upgraded to address safety concerns and major structural failures along the park road. These actions would be phased in over the 15- to 20-year life of the plan.

Alternative A (No Action—Continue Current Management Direction) represents no change from current management direction. With the exception of development concepts not yet implemented, it continues the present course of action set forth in existing management plans and guidance documents including the Statement for Management (1995) and the General Management Plan/Land Protection Plan/Wilderness Suitability Review (1986). This alternative represents the existing situation in the park, so existing facilities and services would remain. For example, the temporary park hotel would be rehabilitated as funds allow, adaptive use of historic structures and overcrowding of administrative space would continue, campgrounds would not be expanded, and no new trail construction or additional trail maintenance would be done.

Alternative B (Implement Development Concepts from Previous Plans) would fully implement previous planning decisions and development concepts contained in approved plans such as the 1986 General Management Plan and the 1992 Amendment to the 1983 Development Concept Plan/Environmental Assessment for the park road corridor and 1987 addendum (1992 Riley Creek Amendment). These documents not only propose additional facilities throughout the park to support NPS operations; they also propose increased visitor services and facilities within the park entrance area. Examples of new facilities proposed include a new hotel and camper convenience center to