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**TITLE V, FEDERAL SURPLUS PROPERTY
PROGRAM FEDERAL REGISTER REPORT
FOR 11/22/96**

Unsuitable Properties

Buildings (by State)

Arizona

Clifton Administrative Site
Clifton Co: Greenlee AZ 85533–
Landholding Agency: GSA
Property Number: 549640006
Status: Excess
Reason: Floodway
GSA Number: 9–A–AZ–0797.

California

Bldgs. 100–110
Naval Air Weapons Station
China Lake Co: Kern CA 93555–6001
Landholding Agency: Navy
Property Number: 779640021
Status: Unutilized
Reason: Secured Area.

Bldgs. 111–120
Naval Air Weapons Station
China Lake Co: Kern CA 93555–6001
Landholding Agency: Navy
Property Number: 779640022
Status: Unutilized
Reason: Secured Area.

Bldgs. 121–130
Naval Air Weapons Station
China Lake Co: Kern CA 93555–6001
Landholding Agency: Navy
Property Number: 779640023
Status: Unutilized
Reason: Secured Area.

Bldgs. 131–140
Naval Air Weapons Station
China Lake Co: Kern CA 93555–6001
Landholding Agency: Navy
Property Number: 779640024
Status: Unutilized
Reason: Secured Area.

Bldgs. 141–147, 149
Naval Air Weapons Station
China Lake Co: Kern CA 93555–6001
Landholding Agency: Navy
Property Number: 779640025
Status: Unutilized
Reason: Secured Area.

Bldgs. 151–160
Naval Air Weapons Station
China Lake Co: Kern CA 93555–6001
Landholding Agency: Navy
Property Number: 779640026
Status: Unutilized
Reason: Secured Area.

Bldgs. 161–170
Naval Air Weapons Station
China Lake Co: Kern CA 93555–6001
Landholding Agency: Navy
Property Number: 779640027
Status: Unutilized
Reason: Secured Area.

Bldgs. 171–180
Naval Air Weapons Station
China Lake Co: Kern CA 93555–6001
Landholding Agency: Navy

Property Number: 779640028
Status: Unutilized
Reason: Secured Area.
Bldgs. 181–187, 893
Naval Air Weapons Station
China Lake Co: Kern CA 93555–6001
Landholding Agency: Navy
Property Number: 7790029
Status: Unutilized
Reason: Secured Area.

Delaware

Delaware Breakwater Light
Lewes Co: Sussex DE 19958–
Landholding Agency: GSA
Property Number: 549640007
Status: Excess
Reason: Other
Comment: Inaccessible
GSA Number: 4–U–DE–460.

Maryland

Fishing Battery Lighthouse
Harford Co: Havre De Grace MD 21078–
Landholding Agency: GSA
Property Number: 549640008
Status: Excess
Reason: Extensive deterioration
GSA Number: 4–U–MD–589.

Michigan

Paint Locker
St. Martins Island/Lake Michigan Co: Delta
MI 49829–
Landholding Agency: GSA
Property Number: 549640009
Status: Excess
Reason: Other
Comment: Inaccessible
GSA Number: 1–U–MI–760.
Dwelling/Light Tower
St. Martins Island/Lake Michigan Co: Delta
MI 49829–
Landholding Agency: GSA
Property Number: 549640010
Status: Excess
Reason: Other
Comment: Inaccessible
GSA Number: 1–U–MI–760.

Land (by State)

Hawaii

TMK 1–9–1–10:11, 1–9–1–01:1
Land, NAVMAG Lualualei
Honolulu Co: Honolulu HI 96706–
Landholding Agency: Navy
Property Number: 779640020
Status: Unutilized
Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or
explosive material.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

**Notice of Availability of a Final
Environmental Impact Statement for
the Proposed El Rancho Electric
Substation, Santa Fe County, New
Mexico**

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs,
Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the proposed approval by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) of a one acre easement on Indian trust land of the Pueblo of San Ildefonso for the Jemez Mountains Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Cooperative) is now available for public review. The FEIS also covers the proposed approval by the Rural Utilities Service (RUS), Department of Agriculture, for the advance of loan funds to the Cooperative for the construction of electrical distribution facilities on the site. The BIA as the lead agency, and the RUS as a cooperating agency are furnishing this notice in accordance with Council on Environmental Quality Regulations, 40 CFR 1503 and 1506.9.

DATES: The Record of Decision will be issued on or after December 16, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be addressed to Mr. Curtis Canard, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Albuquerque Area Office, Branch of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 26567, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87125–6567. Copies of the FEIS are also available at this address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Curtis Canard at the above address, or at (505) 766–3374.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Proposed Action would permit the Cooperative to construct a new 69/12.47 kV electric distribution substation and related facilities on 1.0 acre of land in the community of El Rancho, Santa Fe County, New Mexico. The substation includes terminal and switching equipment for a 69 kV transmission line. The related facilities consist of the 69 kV transmission line and four underground distribution tie lines.

The action is needed in order to meet the increasing demand for electrical power in the El Rancho service area. Service is now being supplied by a temporary substation, located approximately one and one-half miles from the proposed project site, whose capacity is no longer sufficient to deliver reliable electric power. Moreover, a higher capacity substation is needed in the El Rancho area to serve

as a backup source of power for a wider region.

The FEIS includes seven alternatives to the proposed action: no action, upgrading either the existing temporary substation or the Nambe substation feeder, or constructing a new substation at one of five alternate locations. The no action alternative would deny approval of the easement. This would not necessarily prevent the Cooperative from upgrading its service, but would certainly result in higher costs to consumers. The proposed substation site is optimal for the distribution of power within its load area. For all of the other alternatives, operating costs increase according to distance from this central point.

The significant issues identified and analyzed in the FEIS include cultural resources, aesthetic qualities, and land use.

The BIA has afforded the public the opportunity to participate in the preparation of this FEIS. The Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS was published in the Federal Register on March 25, 1993. One public scoping meeting was held on April 22, 1993, at the Pojoaque High School gymnasium in Pojoaque, New Mexico. Additional information for scoping was drawn from a public meeting held during the environmental assessment process, and from written comments submitted on the Environmental Assessment.

The Notice of Availability for the Draft EIS was published in the Federal Register on March 8, 1996, with a 60 day public comment period ending on May 7, 1996. On April 11, 1996, a public meeting was held to inform the public about the Draft EIS and provide an opportunity for public comment. As a result of comments received at this meeting, the public comment period was officially extended to May 31, 1996. Additional notices to the public were published in the *Santa Fe New Mexican* and the *Rio Grande Sun*.

Dated: November 19, 1996.

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Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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Bureau of Land Management

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Environmental Impact Statement; Notice of Intent

ACTION: Notice of Intent to Conduct a Planning Review and Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the Carbon Basin Tract coal lease

application, WYW 139975, and call for coal resource and other resource information 43 CFR 3420.1-2.

SUMMARY: Ark Land Company has filed an application with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to obtain a Federal coal lease on 4145.15 acres of Federal coal lands located in Carbon County, Wyoming. The BLM has determined that an EIS must be prepared to evaluate the environmental impacts of coal mining which could result from the issuance of this lease. The application will be processed according to the coal lease-by-application (LBA) regulations at 43 CFR 3425. The Carbon Basin coal tract has not been identified in the Great Divide Resource Management Plan (RMP)(1990) as an area available for further coal leasing consideration. As a result, a planning review of the proposed coal lease project area will be conducted concurrently with the preparation of the coal lease EIS.

The Federal Coal Management Program established four major steps, collectively called "the coal screening/planning process" (43 CFR 3420.1-4), to be used in the identification of Federal coal areas that are acceptable for further leasing consideration. During the planning review, the coal screening process, including application of the coal unsuitability criteria (43 CFR 3461), will be conducted on the proposed project area. If the area is found acceptable for further consideration for coal leasing, it will result in an amendment to the Great Divide RMP.

In accordance with 43 CFR 3420.1-2, this notice also serves to fulfill the required call for coal and other resource information. This request for resource information is to formally solicit indications of interest and information on coal resource development potential and on other resources which may be affected by coal development for lands in the planning review/proposed project area. Industry, State and local governments, and the general public may submit information on lands that should or should not be considered for coal leasing, including statements describing why the lands should or should not be considered for leasing.

DATES: As part of this process, three public scoping meetings have been scheduled. On December 3, 1996, at 6:30 p.m., a meeting will be held at the Town of Hanna Administration Office, 301 S. Adams, Hanna, Wyoming. The second scoping meeting will take place in Laramie, Wyoming, at 6:30 p.m., December 4, 1996, at the Albany County Library, 310 S. Eighth Street. The final scoping meeting is scheduled for December 10, 1996, 6:30 p.m., at the

Jeffrey Memorial Community Center, Third and Spruce, Rawlins, Wyoming.

ADDRESSES: Questions, comments, or concerns should be addressed in writing to the Great Divide Resource Area, Bureau of Land Management, Attn: Karla Swanson, Area Manager, 1300 North Third Street, Rawlins, Wyoming 82301. In order to insure that comments will be considered in the draft EIS, they should be received by the BLM at the above address by January 3, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Interested parties may obtain further information or request to be placed on the Rawlins BLM District mailing list by contacting Brenda Vosika Neuman or John Spehar, (307-328-4200) or write to the above address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Ark Land Company, St. Louis, Missouri, filed a coal lease application on September 20, 1996, with the BLM, pursuant to provisions of 43 CFR 3425.1 for the following lands in Carbon County, Wyoming:

Sixth Principal Meridian, Wyoming

T. 20 N., R. 79 W.

Sec. 6, lot 5.

T. 20 N., R. 80 W.

Sec. 4, lots 1, 2, 3;

Sec. 6, lots 1, 2, and SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 12, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.

T. 21 N., R. 79 W.

Sec. 20, N $\frac{1}{2}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 28, NW $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 30, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, E $\frac{1}{2}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$;

Sec. 32, NW $\frac{1}{4}$.

T. 21 N., R. 80 W.

Sec. 26, all;

Sec. 28, W $\frac{1}{2}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 32, E $\frac{1}{2}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 34, all.

The area described contains approximately 4145.15 acres.

The coal lease application area is located in the Carbon Basin, approximately 40 miles east of the town of Rawlins, 5 miles northwest of the town of Elk Mountain, 13 miles southwest of the town of Medicine Bow, and 12 miles southeast of the town of Hanna, all located in Carbon County, Wyoming. If successful in obtaining a Federal coal lease for the proposed project area, the coal mining would be conducted by Arch of Wyoming, Inc., an affiliate of Ark Land Company. Arch of Wyoming has operated coal mines in the Hanna Basin Region of Carbon County, Wyoming since 1972.

The primary coal mining operation would utilize conventional dragline, surface or strip mining methods to expose the coal resource, including the drilling and blasting of overburden material and coal. Once the stripping operation reaches its economic cutoff, coal exposed in the final highwall