

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

[OR-080-08-5420-00-H011; GP8-0025; OR-53981]

Recordable Disclaimer of Interest; Oregon**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Proposed issuance of recordable disclaimer of interest, Oregon.

SUMMARY: An application has been filed by John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company for a recordable disclaimer of interest involving 200 acres of land in Columbia County, Oregon, to remove a cloud on the title. The cloud is a result of an exclusion contained in the patent conveying title from the United States. The patent excluded "the timber thereon." Subsequently, the United States interest in the said timber was extinguished when a timber sale contract was issued; however, no instrument was recorded to show that the interest was extinguished. The applicant desires to have clear title. The United States of America hereby gives notice of its intention to disclaim and release all interest in the timber to the owner of record.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Until February 2, 1998, all persons who wish to submit comments may do so in writing to the Salem District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, 1717 Fabry Road SE, Salem, Oregon 97306.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Radosta, Realty Specialist, Salem District Office, (503) 375-5664.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 315 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), 43 U.S.C. 1745, an application has been filed by John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company for issuance of a recordable disclaimer of interest by the United States, affecting the following described land:

Willamette Meridian

T. 3 N., R. 2 W.,
Sec. 9, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.

The subject land (and other land) was conveyed by the United States by Coal Patent No. 646950, dated August 18, 1918. The patent conveyed the land "exclusive of the timber thereon." On January 10, 1941, the United States (General Land Office) issued Timber Contract I6g-428, in which the reserved timber was sold. When the timber contract was terminated in 1946, the landowner requested that a release or

relinquishment of the timber interest be recorded so as to provide him with clear title. The response was that the General Land Office had no authority to do so.

Section 315 of FLPMA authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to issue a recordable disclaimer of interest in land where the disclaimer will help to remove a cloud on the title under certain criteria. One criterion is where a record interest of the United States in the land has terminated by operation of law or is otherwise invalid. The Bureau of Land Management has reviewed the official records and has determined that the United States has no claim to or interest in the above described land and that the issuance of a recordable disclaimer of interest will help to remove a cloud on the title to the land. Accordingly, a recordable disclaimer of interest will be issued shortly after the 90-day comment period.

Dated: October 23, 1997.

Robert D. DeViney, Jr.,

Chief, Branch of Realty and Records Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

[NV-030-98-1020-00-24-1 A]

Sierra Front/Northwest Great Basin Resource Advisory Council—Notice of Meeting Locations and Times**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Resource Advisory Council Meeting Locations and Times.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA) the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Council meetings will be held as indicated below. The agenda includes a business meeting, public comment period and a tour of the Walker River Basin.

All meetings are open to the public. The public may present written comments to the council. Each formal council meeting will have a time allocated for hearing public comments. The public comment period for the council meeting is listed below. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment, and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. Individuals who plan to attend and need further information about the meetings, or need special assistance such as sign language

interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Joan Sweetland, Carson City District Office, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, NV 89701 (702) 885-6107.

DATE, TIMES: The dates are November 20 and 21, 1997. Depart BLM Carson City Office, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City at 7:00 a.m. November 20, and begin tour of Walker River Basin. Arrive Hawthorne, Nevada, 5:00 p.m. At 6:00 p.m. the Council will have dinner at the El Capitan, Hawthorne, followed by the meeting at 6:30 p.m. The Agenda will include a business meeting, approval of the Minutes of the previous meeting, remarks by State Director Robert Abbey, discussion of the proposed Black Rock Desert Management Plan. The public comment period will be at 8:30 p.m., with adjournment for the evening at 9:00 p.m. At 8:00 a.m. the council will depart Hawthorne to continue tour of Walker River Basin and will return to Carson City at 5:00 p.m.

All council meetings and tours are open to the public, but the public is responsible for their own transportation, food and lodgings.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

John Singlaub, Carson City District Manager, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, Nevada 89701 (702) 885-6000.

Dated: October 22, 1997.

John O. Singlaub,

District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

[AZ-910-0777-61-241A]

State of Arizona Resource Advisory Council Meeting**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Arizona Resource Advisory Council Meeting, notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Arizona Resource Advisory Council. The meeting will be held December 2, 1997, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Montana Room at the Bureau of Land Management National Training Center, 9828 N. 31st Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona. The agenda items to be covered at the one-day meeting include: Review of previous meeting minutes; BLM State Director's Update on legislation, regulations and statewide planning efforts; Grazing Issues and Update on FWS Biological Opinion;

Update on Impacts of the Lawsuit on State Grazing Leases on BLM Permits; Report on S&G Technical Review and Rangeland Resource Teams; Reports by the S&G, Recreation and Public Relations Working Groups; Reports from RAC members; RAC Discussion on future meeting dates and locations. A public comment period will take place at 11:30 a.m. for any interested publics who wish to address the Council.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Deborah Stevens Bureau of Land Management, Arizona State Office, 222 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85004-2203, (602) 417-9215.

Michael A. Ferguson,

Deputy State Director, Resources Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ID-990-1020-00]

Resource Advisory Councils; Notice of a Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Upper Columbia—Salmon Clearwater Districts, Idaho.

ACTION: Notice of Resource Advisory Council Meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), 5 U.S.C. Appendix, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the meeting of the Upper Columbia—Salmon Clearwater Districts Resource Advisory Council (RAC) on Wednesday, December 3, 1997 and Thursday, December 4, 1997 in Missoula, MT.

Agenda items include: a briefing on the status of implementation of the approved Idaho rangeland standards and guidelines; discussion of potential issues for future meetings; the status of the Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem Management Project; and range improvement/contributed funds. The meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. (MST), December 3, 1997 and be held at the Grant Creek Inn, 5280 Grant Creek Road, Missoula, MT. The public may address the Council during the public comment period from 2:00 p.m.—2:30 p.m. on December 3, 1997.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: All Resource Advisory Council meetings are open to the public. Interested persons may make oral statements to the Council, or written statements may be submitted for the Council's

consideration. Depending on the number of persons wishing to make oral statements, a per-person time limit may be established by the District Manager.

The Council's responsibilities include providing long-range planning and establishing resource management priorities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ted Graf (208) 769-5004.

Dated: October 22, 1997.

Fritz U. Rennebaum,
District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Inventory Completion for Native American Human Remains and Associated Funerary Objects from Lake and Harney Counties, OR in the Control of the Oregon State Office, Bureau of Land Management, Portland, OR

AGENCY: National Park Service.

ACTION: Notice.

Notice is hereby given in accordance with provisions of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3003 (d), of the completion of an inventory of human remains and associated funerary objects from Lake and Harney Counties, OR in the control of the Oregon State Office, Bureau of Land Management, Portland, OR.

A detailed assessment of the human remains was made by Bureau of Land Management and Oregon State Museum of Anthropology professional staff in consultation with representatives of the Burns Paiute Tribe of Burns Paiute Indian Colony of Oregon, the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation, and the Klamath Tribe.

Between 1935-1937, human remains representing one individual were recovered from Catlow Cave, Harney County, OR during legally authorized excavations on BLM lands by the University of Oregon Museum of Natural History. No known individuals were identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

In 1957, human remains representing five individuals were recovered from the vicinity of Table Rock, Lake County, OR during excavations without permit by Joan Oswalt. In 1960, Ms. Oswalt donated these human remains and associated funerary objects to the Oregon State Museum. No known

individuals were identified. The five associated funerary objects include a shell necklace and chipped stone tools.

Between 1967-1969, human remains representing five individuals were recovered from Table Rock caves, Lake County, OR during legally authorized excavations by the University of Oregon Museum of Natural History. No known individuals were identified. The eleven associated funerary objects include woven matting, a winnowing tray, an obsidian tool, and a basketry fragment.

In 1968, human remains representing two individuals were recovered from the vicinity of Table Rock, Lake County, OR during legally authorized excavations by Bureau of Land Management staff. No known individuals were identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

Morphological evidence indicates these human remains are Native American based on dental wear and bone condition. Based on the contexts, manner of interment, and associated funerary objects, the sites listed above have been determined to be precontact habitation sites. Archeological and ethnographic evidence indicates these sites are precontact Northern Paiute sites and burials based on continuities of tool and basketry styles. Oral history evidence presented by representatives of the Burns Paiute Tribe of Burns Paiute Indian Colony of Oregon during consultation supports this affiliation. Northern Paiute people are represented by the present day tribes of the Burns Paiute Tribe of Burns Paiute Indian Colony of Oregon, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, and the Klamath Indian Tribe of Oregon.

Based on the above mentioned information, officials of the Bureau of Land Management have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(1), the human remains listed above represent the physical remains of thirteen individuals of Native American ancestry. Officials of the Bureau of Land Management have also determined that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001 (3)(A), the sixteen objects listed above are reasonably believed to have been placed with or near individual human remains at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony. Lastly, officials of the Bureau of Land Management have determined that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001 (2), there is a relationship of shared group identity which can be reasonably traced between these Native American human remains and associated funerary objects and the Burns Paiute Tribe of Burns Paiute Indian Colony of Oregon, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation