

artificial cavity inserts installed upon request of the Service. Two of the four inserts were active by March 1998, one of which was identified as the nest tree in May 1998. Harvesting the 80 acres will incidentally take at least two RCWs (and any offspring produced), three natural cavity trees, and four trees with artificial cavity inserts.

The applicant proposes to provide \$50,000 to implement the Misstex RWC HCP. The mitigative aspects of this HCP involve translocating juvenile RCWs from the 80 acres in Montgomery County to Champion International's Brushy Creek RCW Management Area in Trinity County, Texas, in an attempt to establish an additional breeding pair on a permanently protected 210-acre site. If an additional RCW group has not been established on the Brushy Creek RCW Management Area after four breeding seasons, Champion International agrees to assume responsibility for the mitigation of the group located on the applicant's property.

The permanent protection and management of 210 acres on Brushy Creek RCW Management Area is intended to compensate for the loss of 80 acres of RCW habitat on the applicant's property. The agreement by Champion to increase its baseline number of RCW groups by one, essentially results in relocating one breeding group instead of the loss of one group. The balance of the funds that remain after the applicant's mitigation is considered complete will be placed in an endowment fund to be managed by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation for RCW recovery programs on state and private lands.

Dated: November 3, 1998.

Geoffrey L. Haskett,

*Acting Regional Director, Region 2,
Albuquerque, New Mexico.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Alaska Native Claims Selections

In accordance with Departmental regulation 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that a decision to issue conveyance under the provisions of Sec. 14(h)(1) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of December 18, 1971, 43 U.S.C. 1601, 1613(h)(1), will be issued to Calista Corporation for 9 sites aggregating approximately 158.6 acres.

The lands involved are in the vicinity of Nunivak Island, Alaska.

Seward Meridian

T. 3 S., R. 96 W.,
T. 4 S., R. 96 W.,
T. 4 S., R. 99 W.,
T. 3 N., R. 100 W.,
T. 3 S., R. 100 W.,
T. 4 S., R. 100 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 December 14, 1998 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.

Patricia A. Baker,

*Land Law Examiner, Branch of ANCSA
Adjudication.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-933-99-1320-01; COC 61357]

Notice of Public Hearing and Request for Comments on Environmental Assessment, Maximum Economic Recovery Report, and Fair Market Value; Application for Competitive Coal Lease COC 61357; Colorado

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: Bureau of Land Management, Colorado State Office, Lakewood, Colorado, hereby gives notice that a public hearing will be held to receive comments on the environmental assessment, maximum economic recovery, and fair market value of federal coal to be offered. An application for coal lease was filed by Oxbow Mining, Inc., requesting the

Bureau of Land Management offer for competitive lease 3,702.81 acres of federal coal in Delta and Gunnison Counties, Colorado. Tract delineation by the Uncompahgre Field Office resulted in the addition of 160 acres of federal coal in sec. 32, T. 12 S., R. 90 W., 6th P.M. for a grand total of 3,862.81 acres.

DATES: The public hearing will be held at 7 p.m., December 3, 1998. Written comments should be received no later than December 17, 1998.

ADDRESSES: The public hearing will be held in the Paonia Town Hall, 214 Grand Avenue, Paonia, Colorado. Written comments should be addressed to the Bureau of Land Management, Field Office Manager, Uncompahgre Field Office, 2505 South Townsend Avenue, Montrose, Colorado 81401.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Allan Belt, field Office Manager, Uncompahgre field Office at the address above, or by telephone at (970) 240-5315.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Bureau of Land Management, Colorado State Office, Lakewood, Colorado, hereby gives notice that a public hearing will be held on December 3, 1998, at 7 p.m., in the Paonia Town Hall at the address given above.

An application for coal lease was filed by Oxbow Mining, Inc., requesting the Bureau of Land Management offer for competitive lease federal coal in the lands outside established coal production regions described as:

T. 12 S., R. 90 W., 6th P.M.
Sec. 31, lots 1 to 14, inclusive, and NE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 32, lots 3 to 6, inclusive, lots 11 to 14, inclusive, and NW $\frac{1}{4}$.
T. 12 S., R. 91 W., 6th P.M.
Sec. 35, lots 1, 2, and 4 to 8, inclusive, 13 to 16, inclusive, lots 21, 22, and that part of HES No. 134 lying in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 36, lots 1 to 17, inclusive, NE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, and that part of HES No. 134 lying in lot 1.
T. 13 S., R. 90 W., 6th P.M.
Sec. 5, lots 7 to 10, inclusive;
Sec. 6, lots 8 to 17, inclusive.
T. 13 S., R. 91 W., 6th P.M.
Sec. 1, lots 1 and 4, inclusive, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ and SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 2, lot 1, and S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 12, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, and NW $\frac{1}{4}$.
Containing 3,862.81 acres.

The coal resource to be offered is limited to coal recoverable by underground mining methods.

The purpose of the hearing is to obtain public comments on the environmental assessment and on the following items:

(1) The method of mining to be employed to obtain maximum economic recovery of the coal,

(2) The impact that mining the coal in the proposed leasehold may have on the area; and

(3) The methods of determining the fair market value of the coal to be offered.

Written requests to testify orally at the December 3, 1998, public hearing should be received at the Uncompahgre Field Office prior to the close of business December 3, 1998. Those who indicate they wish to testify when they register at the hearing may have an opportunity if time is available.

In addition, the public is invited to submit written comments concerning the fair market value and maximum economic recovery of the coal resource. Public comments will be utilized in establishing fair market value for the coal resource in the described lands. Comments should address specific factors related to fair market value including, but not limited to:

1. The quality and quantity of the coal resource.
2. The price that the mined coal would bring in the market place.
3. The cost of producing the coal.
4. The interest rate at which anticipated income streams would be discounted.
5. Depreciation and other accounting factors.
6. The mining method or methods which would achieve maximum economic recovery of the coal.
7. Documented information on the terms and conditions of recent and similar coal land transactions in the lease area, and
8. Any comparable sales data of similar coal lands.

Should any information submitted as comments be considered to be proprietary by the commenter, the information should be labeled as such and stated in the first page of the submission. Written comments on the environmental assessment, maximum economic recovery, and fair market value should be sent to the uncompahgre Field Office at the above address prior to close of business on December 17, 1998.

Substantive comments, whether written or oral, will receive equal consideration prior to any lease offering.

The Environmental Assessment and Maximum Economic Recovery Report are available from the Uncompahgre Field Office upon request.

A copy of the Environmental Assessment, the Maximum Economic Recovery Report, the case file, and the comments submitted by the public, except those portions identified as proprietary by the commenter and meeting exemptions stated in the

Freedom of Information Act, will be available for public inspection at the Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield, Lakewood, Colorado, 80215.

Dated: November 05, 1998.

Karen A. Purvis,

Solid Minerals Team Resource Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

[MT-960-1150-00]

District Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, North Dakota Field Office, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: A meeting of the Dakotas Resource Advisory Council will be held January 11 & 12, 1999, at the Expressway Suites, 180 E. Bismarck Expressway, Bismarck, North Dakota. The session will convene at 8:00 a.m. on January 11th and resume at 8:00 a.m. on the 12th. Agenda items include updates on the South Dakota Land Exchange, coordination with the U. S. Forest Service, and Off-Road Vehicle use on public lands. Election of a Chairperson for 2000 will also be on the agenda.

The meeting is open to the public and a public comment period is set for 8:00 a.m. on January 12th. The public may make oral statements before the Council or file written statements for the Council to consider. Depending on the number of persons wishing to make an oral statement, a per-person time limit may be established. Summary minutes of the meeting will be available for public inspection and copying.

The 12-member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in the Dakotas.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Douglas Burger, Field Office Manager, North Dakota Field Office, 2933 3rd Avenue West, Dickinson, ND 58601. Telephone (701) 225-9148.

Dated: November 4, 1998.

Douglas J. Burger,

Field Office Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AK-910-0777-74]

Alaska Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Alaska Resource Advisory Council meeting.

SUMMARY: The Alaska Resource Advisory Council will conduct an open meeting Wednesday, December 2, 1998, from 9:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and Thursday, December 3, 1998, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. The council will review BLM land management issues and take public comment on those issues. The meeting will be held at the BLM Alaska State Office, located on the 4th floor of the Anchorage Federal Office Building at 7th Avenue and C Street.

Public comment will be taken from 1-2 p.m. Wednesday, December 2. Written comments may be submitted at the meeting or mailed to the address below prior to the meeting.

ADDRESSES: Inquiries about the meeting should be sent to External Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, 222 W. 7th Avenue, #13, Anchorage, AK 99513-7599.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Teresa McPherson, (907) 271-5555.

Dated: November 6, 1998.

Brenda Zenan,

Acting Associate State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[MT-960-99-1990-00]

Resource Advisory Council Meeting, Missoula, Montana

AGENCY: Butte Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, DOI.

ACTION: Notice of Butte Resource Advisory Council meeting, Missoula, Montana.

SUMMARY: The Butte Resource Advisory Council will convene at 9 a.m., Thursday, December 10, 1998, at the Missoula Field Office, 3255 Fort Missoula Road, Missoula, Montana. The main issue will be to continue work on guidelines for BLM trails and roads.

The meeting is open to the public and written comments may be given to the