

Council. Oral comments may be presented to the Council at 3 p.m. The time allotted for oral comment may be limited, depending on the number of persons wishing to be heard. Individuals who plan to attend and need further information about the meeting, or who need special assistance, such as sign language or other reasonable accommodations, should contact the Butte Field Office, 106 North Parkmont (P.O. Box 3388), Butte, Montana 50702-3388, telephone 406-494-5059.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: BLM Butte Field Manager Merle Good at the above address or telephone number.

Dated: November 6, 1998.

Merle Good,

Butte Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-921-1430-00; WYW 82535]

Notice Providing for Opening of Public Land; Wyoming

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice terminates the temporary segregative effect as to 1,153.30 acres of public land which were originally included in application for exchange, Wyoming 82535.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 13, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tamara Gertsch, BLM Wyoming State Office, PO Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003-1828, 307-775-6115.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the regulations contained in 43 CFR 2091.3-2(b), at 9 a.m. on November 13, 1998, the following described lands will be relieved of the temporary segregative effect of exchange application WYW 82535.

Sixth Principal Meridian, Wyoming

T. 33 N., R. 108 W.,

Sec. 2, lots 1, 2, SNE, SNW, NESW, NWSE;

Sec. 3, SENE;

Sec. 4, SNE;

Sec. 9, NWNW;

Sec. 10, SWSW;

Sec. 15, WNW.

T. 36 N., R. 108 W.,

Sec. 26, SWSE;

Sec. 34, lots 3, 4, SNE, SENW, NESW, NSE;

Sec. 35, lots 3, 4, SNW, NWSW.

The area described contains 1,153.30 acres in Sublette County.

1. At 9 a.m. on November 13, 1998, the lands will be opened to the operation of the public land laws generally, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, and the requirements of applicable law. All valid applications received at or prior to 9 a.m. on November 13, 1998, shall be considered as simultaneously filed at that time. Those received thereafter shall be considered in the order of filing.

2. At 9 a.m. on November 13, 1998, the lands will be opened to location and entry under the United States mining laws. Appropriations of any of the lands described in this order under the general mining laws prior to the date and time of restoration is unauthorized. Any such attempted appropriation, including attempted adverse possession under 30 U.S.C. 38, shall vest no rights against the United States. Acts required to establish a location and to initiate a right of possession are governed by State law where not in conflict with Federal law. The Bureau of Land Management will not intervene in disputes between rival locators over possessory rights since Congress has provided for such determinations in local courts.

Dated: October 23, 1998.

Alan L. Kesterke,

Associate State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AZ-952-09-1420-00]

Arizona; Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey

November 3, 1998.

1. The plats of survey of the following described lands were officially filed in the Arizona State Office, Phoenix, Arizona, on the dates indicated:

A plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of H.E.S. No. 214 and a metes-and-bounds survey of tract 37 in unsurveyed Township 4½ North, Range 31 East, Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, was accepted July 6, 1998 and was officially filed July 17, 1998.

This plat was prepared at the request of the United States Forest Service.

A plat representing the survey of the Ninth Standard Parallel North, (south boundary), the Fourth Guide Meridian East, (east boundary), the west and north boundaries and the subdivisional lines, Township 37 North, Range 16 East, of the Gila and Salt River

Meridian, Arizona, was accepted August 31, 1998, and was officially filed September 10, 1998.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Navajo Area Office.

A plat representing the survey of the Ninth Standard Parallel North, (south boundary), Township 37 North, Range 17 East, of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, was accepted August 31, 1998, and was officially filed September 10, 1998.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Navajo Area Office.

A plat representing the survey of the Ninth Standard Parallel North, (south boundary), the east boundary, a portion of the west boundary, a portion of the subdivisional lines, and the subdivision of Sections 29 and 32, Township 37 North, Range 18 East, of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, was accepted August 31, 1998, and was officially filed September 10, 1998.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Navajo Area Office.

A plat, in two sheets, representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the subdivisional lines, the subdivision of Section 16, and a metes-and-bounds survey in Section 16, Township 5 South, Range 8 East, of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, was accepted July 28, 1998, and was officially filed July 30, 1998.

This plat was prepared at the request of the National Park Service.

A plat, in two sheets, representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the subdivisional lines, and the subdivision of Sections 8 and 9, Township 19 South, Range 16 East, of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, was accepted July 6, 1998, and was officially filed July 17, 1998.

This plat was prepared at the request of the United States Forest Service.

A plat, in eleven sheets, representing the survey of the legal descriptive boundary of the South Maricopa Mountains Wilderness Area in Townships 5 South, Ranges 1, 2 and 3 West, and 1 East. Townships 6 South, Ranges 1 and 2 West, and 1 East, of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, was accepted August 10, 1998, and was officially filed August 21, 1998.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Land Management, Phoenix Field Office.

A plat, in two sheets, representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the subdivisional lines and a portion of the U.S. Customs and Immigration Reserve, the subdivision of the Southeast Quarter of Section 6, and a metes-and-bounds

survey, in Section 6, Fractional Township 18 South, Range 5 West, of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, was accepted July 13, 1998, and was officially filed July 17, 1998.

This plat was prepared at the request of the National Park Service.

A plat, in five sheets, representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the subdivisional lines, and the subdivision of Section 8, and the metes-and-bounds survey of the Mount Tipton Wilderness Area Boundary, in Township 24 North, Range 18 West, of Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, was accepted July 23, 1998, and was officially filed July 30, 1998.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Land Management, Kingman Field Office.

A plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the Sixth Standard Parallel North through Range 19 West, a portion of the Fifth Guide Meridian West through Township 24 North, and a portion of the subdivisional lines, and the metes-and-bounds survey of the Mount Tipton Wilderness Area Boundary, in Township 24 North, Range 19 West, of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, was accepted July 28, 1998, and was officially filed July 30, 1998.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Land Management, Kingman Field Office.

A plat, in three sheets, representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the west boundary and a portion of the subdivisional lines, the subdivision of Sections 18, 30 and 31, and the metes-and-bounds survey of the Mount Tipton Wilderness Area Boundary, in Township 25 North, Range 17 West of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, was accepted July 21, 1998, and officially filed July 24, 1998.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Land Management, Kingman Field Office.

A plat, in four sheets, representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the Sixth Standard Parallel North, through Range 18 West, portions of the Fifth Guide Meridian West, through Township 25 North, and a portion of the subdivisional lines, the subdivision of Sections 17, 18 and 31, and the metes-and-bounds survey of the Mount Tipton Wilderness Area Boundary, in Township 25 North, Range 18 West, of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, was accepted July 22, 1998, and was officially filed July 24, 1998.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Land Management, Kingman Field Office.

A plat, in ten sheets, representing the survey of the legal descriptive boundary

of the Mount Tipton Wilderness Area in Townships 24 North, Ranges 17, 18 and 19 West, Townships 25 North, Ranges 17 and 18 West, and Township 26 North, Range 18 West, of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, was accepted August 17, 1998, and was officially filed August 28, 1998.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Land Management, Kingman Field Office.

A plat, in four sheets, representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the south and east boundaries and a portion of the subdivisional lines, the subdivision of Sections 28 and 34, and the metes-and-bounds survey of the Mount Tipton Wilderness Area Boundary in Township 26 North, Range 18 West, of Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, was accepted July 8, 1998, and was officially filed July 17, 1998.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Land Management, Kingman Field Office.

2. These plats will immediately become the basic records for describing the land for all authorized purposes. These plats have been placed in the open files and are available to the public for information only.

3. All inquires relating to these land should be sent to the Arizona State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 222 N. Central Avenue, PO Box 1552, Phoenix, Arizona 85001-1552.

Kenny D. Ravnikar,

Chief Cadastral, Surveyor of Arizona.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submitted for Office of Management and Budget Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service, DOI.

ACTION: Notice of information collection solicitation.

SUMMARY: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Minerals Management Service (MMS) is soliciting comments on an information collection, Designation of Royalty Payment Responsibility (OMB Control Number 1010-0107, Form MMS-4425), which expires on December 31, 1998.

FORM: MMS-4425, Designation of Royalty Payment Responsibility.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before January 12, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Comments sent via the U.S. Postal Service should be sent to Minerals Management Service, Royalty Management Program, Rules and Publications Staff, P.O. Box 25165, MS 3021, Denver, Colorado 80225-0165; courier address is Building 85, Room A613, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225; e-mail address is RMP.comments@mms.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dennis C. Jones, Rules and Publications Staff, phone (303) 231-3046, FAX (303) 231-3385, e-mail Dennis.C.Jones@mms.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Section 3506 (c)(2)(A), we are notifying you, members of the public and affected agencies, of this collection of information, Designation of Royalty Payment Responsibility, which expires December 31, 1998. We are requesting OMB approval for a three year extension of this existing collection authority. Is this information collection necessary for us to properly do our job? Have we accurately estimated the industry burden for responding to this collection? Can we enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information we collect? Can we lessen the burden of this information collection on the respondents by using automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology?

The Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Simplification and Fairness Act of 1996 (RSFA), Pub. L. 104-185, as corrected by Pub. L. 104-200, establishes the owners of operating rights and/or lease record title (who are jointly defined as "lessees" under RSFA) as responsible for making royalty and related payments on a Federal lease. The Secretary of the Interior is responsible for the collection of royalties from lessees producing minerals from leased Federal lands. The Secretary is required by various laws to manage the production of mineral resources on Federal onshore and offshore leases, to collect the royalties due, and to distribute the funds in accordance with those laws. MMS performs the royalty management functions for the Secretary. When a company or individual enters into a contract to develop, produce, and dispose of minerals from Federal lands, that company or individual agrees to pay the United States a share (royalty) of the full value received for the minerals taken from leased lands.

Currently, it is common for a payor rather than a lessee to make royalty and related payments on a Federal lease. When a payor pays royalties on a