

are proposed for the enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services Operations, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111-4056, and must be received within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Documents and other information submitted with this application are available for review by any party who requests a copy to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services Operations, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111-4056. Telephone: (612/713-5343); FAX: (612/713-5292), or email peter_fasbender@fws.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-056-1430-ES; N-41566-35]

Notice of Realty Action: Segregation Terminated, Lease/Conveyance for Recreation and Public Purposes

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Segregation Terminated, Recreation and Public Purpose Lease/Conveyance.

SUMMARY: The following described public land in Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada was segregated for exchange purposes on October 19, 1995 under serial number N-60073; on July 23, 1997 under serial number N-61855; and on July 23, 1997 under serial number N-66364. These exchange segregations will be terminated upon publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. The land has been examined and found suitable for lease/conveyance for recreational or public purposes under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 *et seq.*). Clark County School District proposes to use the land for a middle school.

Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada

T. 22 S., R. 60 E.,
Sec. 11, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

Containing 20.0 acres, more or less, located at Torrey Pines Drive and W. Robindale Road.

The land is not required for any federal purpose. The lease/conveyance is consistent with current Bureau

planning for this area and would be in the public interest. The lease/patents, when issued, will be subject to the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior, and will contain the following reservations to the United States:

1. A right-of-way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by the authority of the United States, Act of August 30, 1890 (43 U.S.C. 945).

2. All minerals shall be reserved to the United States, together with the right to prospect for, mine and remove such deposits from the same under applicable law and such regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe and will be subject to:

1. Easements in accordance with the Clark County Transportation Plan.

2. Those rights for sewer pipeline purposes which have been granted to Clark County Sanitation District by Permit No. N-62347 under the Act of October 21, 1976 (43 USC 1761).

3. Those rights for roadway purposes which have been granted to Clark County by Permit N-62893 under the Act of October 21, 1976 (43 USC 1761).

4. Those rights for water pipeline purposes which have been granted to Las Vegas Valley Water District by Permit No. N-63109 under the Act of October 21, 1976 (43 USC 1761).

Detailed information concerning this action is available for review at the office of the Bureau of Land Management, Las Vegas Field Office, 4765 Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Upon publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the above described land will be segregated from all other forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the general mining laws, except for lease/conveyance under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, leasing under the mineral leasing laws, and disposal under the mineral material disposal laws. For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, interested parties may submit comments regarding the proposed lease/conveyance for classification of the lands to the Las Vegas Field Manager, Las Vegas Field Office, 4765 Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada 89108.

Classification Comments: Interested parties may submit comments involving the suitability of the land for a middle school. Comments on the classification are restricted to whether the land is physically suited for the proposal, whether the use will maximize the future use or uses of the land, whether the use is consistent with local planning and zoning, or if the use is consistent with State and Federal programs.

Application Comments: Interested parties may submit comments regarding the specific use proposed in the application and plan of development, whether the BLM followed proper administrative procedures in reaching the decision, or any other factor not directly related to the suitability of the land for a middle school. Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the State Director. In the absence of any adverse comments, the classification of the land described in this Notice will become effective 60 days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**. The lands will not be offered for lease/conveyance until after the classification becomes effective.

Dated: November 14, 2000.

Rex Wells,

Assistant Field Manager, Division of Lands, Las Vegas, NV.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-056-1430-ES; N-66487, N-73703]

Notice of Realty Action: Direct Sales

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Direct Sales.

SUMMARY: The Las Vegas Valley Water District and the Clark County Sanitation District have requested direct sales for the following described public lands in Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada. The two parcels will be used in conjunction with the development of the Desert Breeze Water Resource Center and, once patented, will house sodium hypochlorite used in the treatment of sewage water for distribution to large turf irrigators. The lands have been examined and found suitable for sale under the provisions of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (43 CFR 2711.3-3) and the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (P.L. 105-263).

N-66487 Direct Sale to Las Vegas Valley Water District

T. 21 S., R. 60 E., M.D.M.
Sec. 16, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.

Containing approximately 0.625 acres, more or less.

N-73703 Direct Sale to Clark County Sanitation District

T. 21 S., R. 60 E., M.D.M.
Sec. 16, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW
 $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.

Containing approximately 0.625 acres, more or less. Both parcels are located near the corner of Flamingo Road and Durango Drive.

The land is not required for any federal purpose. The direct sales are consistent with current Bureau planning for this area and would be in the public interest. The patents will be subject to the provisions of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior, and the land will be subject to the following reservations to the United States:

1. A right-of-way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by the authority of the United States, Act of August 30, 1890, (26 Stat. 391, 43 U.S.C. 945).

2. All the mineral deposits in the lands patented, and to it, or persons authorized by it, the right to prospect, mine, and remove such deposits from the same under applicable law; and will be subject to:

1. Easements in accordance with the Clark County Transportation Plan. Detailed information concerning this action is available for review at the office of the Bureau of Land Management, Las Vegas Field Office, 4765 Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada.

The lands have been segregated from all forms of appropriation under the Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (P.L. 105-263).

Comments: For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, interested parties may submit comments as to whether the BLM followed proper administrative procedures in reaching the decision or any other factor not directly related to the suitability of the land for direct sales. Comments should be mailed to the Field Manager, Las Vegas Field Office, 4765 Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada 89108. Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the State Director who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In the absence of any adverse comments, this realty action will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior. The lands will not be offered for conveyance until 60 days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: November 15, 2000.

Rex Wells,

Assistant Field Office Manager, Las Vegas, NV.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY070-1310-EJ]

Notice of Intent To Invite Public Participation in the Amendment of the Buffalo and Platte River Resource Management Plans

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent To Amend the Buffalo and Platte River Resource Management Plans.

SUMMARY: The Buffalo and Casper Field Offices of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in Wyoming are preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for oil and gas development, including coalbed methane, in the Powder River Basin of Wyoming. A Notice of Intent to prepare the EIS was published in the **Federal Register** on June 21, 2000, pages 38571-38572. The scoping period was open from May 22, 2000 through July 31, 2000. Scoping meetings were held in Sheridan, Gillette, Buffalo, and Douglas, Wyoming, in June, 2000. This EIS will provide additional analysis under the National Environmental Policy Act for decisions in the Buffalo and Platte River Resource Management Plans (RMPs) related to oil and gas development. A reasonably foreseeable oil and gas development scenario will be included to aid in analyzing impacts. Land use plan decisions that will be evaluated and may be amended include the following:

- Areas open (or closed) to oil and gas development.
- Lease stipulations or mitigation measures necessary for coalbed methane development.
- Other decisions as appropriate.

This Notice satisfies the requirements in the regulations at 43 CFR 1610.2(c) for amending an RMP.

DATES: Meeting dates and other public participation activities will be announced in public notices, the local media, or in letters sent to interested and potentially affected parties. Persons wishing to participate in this amendment process and wishing to be placed on mailing lists must notify the Buffalo Field Office at the address and phone number below. If you wish to comment on the proposed planning criteria please submit your comments by January 10, 2001. The public may review the Buffalo and Platte River Resource Management Plans at the address below.

ADDRESSES: Please submit comments to: Buffalo Field Office, Bureau of Land

Management, Attn: Paul Beels, 1425 Fort Street, Buffalo, WY 82834.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Beels, Powder River Oil and Gas EIS Project Leader, BLM Buffalo Field Office, at the above address or at (307) 684-1100.

Freedom of Information Act

Considerations: Public comments submitted for this planning amendment, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review and disclosure at the Buffalo Field Office during regular business hours (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The area analyzed is the Powder River Basin of Wyoming. The Buffalo Field Office area encompasses all of Campbell, Sheridan and Johnson Counties. The 1985 Buffalo Resource Management Plan (RMP) was revisited and evaluated from 1992 through 1997. This process included public participation. The evaluation resulted in determining that the RMP planning and management decisions were still valid. Environmental analyses were conducted and documented on a variety of coalbed methane (CBM) project proposals through the 1990s. These include the Pistol Point, Marquiss, Lighthouse, Gillette North, Gillette South, and Wyodak CBM project proposals. Each of these environmental analyses covered the effects of the proposed actions and alternatives, including the cumulative effects of the projects combined with other development and actions within the area. Based on the evaluation of these project proposals in regard to the scope and meaning of the Buffalo RMP decisions, it was determined that amendments to the RMP (i.e., changing, adding or deleting RMP decisions) were not necessary. Although specific amendments to the RMP decisions were not needed, each of the analyses for these project proposals served to supplement and update the analysis in the EIS for the Buffalo RMP.