

ACTION: Notice; FACA meeting.

SUMMARY: The Hanford Reach National Monument Federal Advisory Committee will conduct its first meeting on Wednesday, June 20, 2001 from 1 to 5:30 pm and Thursday, June 21, from 8 to 9:30 am in the Consolidated Information Center (CIC)/Library, rooms 120 and 120A on the Washington State University, Tri-Cities campus, 2770 University Dr., Richland, WA. The meeting is open to the public and press.

DATES: The meeting will take place Wednesday, June 20, 2001 from 1 to 5:30 pm and Thursday, June 21, from 8 to 9:30 am. Time will be made available for public comments to be heard during the meeting. Written comments received by June 21, 2001, 9:30 am, will be incorporated into the meeting notes. Written comments received after the deadline will be accepted, but will not be incorporated into the meeting notes.

ADDRESSES: Any member of the public wishing to submit written comments may submit them during the meeting or send them to Mr. Greg Hughes, Designated Federal Official for the Hanford Reach National Monument (HRNM) Federal Advisory Committee, Hanford Reach National Monument/Saddle Mountain National Wildlife Refuge, 3250 Port of Benton Blvd., Richland, WA 99352; fax (509) 375-0196. Copies of the draft meeting agenda can be obtained from the Designated Federal Official.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public wishing further information concerning the meeting should contact Mr. Greg Hughes, Designated Federal Official for the Hanford Reach National Monument (HRNM) FACA; phone (509) 371-1801, fax (509) 375-0196.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: During this meeting, the Hanford Reach National Monument Federal Advisory Committee will hold introductions of Committee Members and Alternates, Facilitators, and the Designated Federal Official. Introductory statements will be made by U.S. Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service and U.S. Department of Energy authorities. The Committee will hear informational presentations about Presidential Proclamation #7319, the Advisory Committee Charter, Department of Energy requirements, and National Wildlife Refuge System mandates and organization. Additionally, the Committee will discuss groundrules, selection of a Committee Chair and process design.

Dated: May 24, 2001.

Greg Hughes,

Project Leader, Hanford Reach National Monument.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Proposed Plan Amendments and Environmental Impact Statement/ Environmental Impact Report for the North Baja Pipeline Project, California, in Accordance With 43 CFR 1610.5-5

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to consider proposed amendments to the California Desert Conservation Area Plan and the Yuma District Resource Management Plan in conjunction with the North Baja Pipeline project.

SUMMARY: This notice supplements the notice published by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) in the **Federal Register** in the issue of May 22, 2001 at page 28160 (66 FR 28160). That notice requested comments on environmental issues related to the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) consideration of amendments to the Yuma Resource Management Plan (RMP) and the California Desert Conservation Area (CDCA) Plan. The proposed North Baja Pipeline project extends from Ehrenberg, Arizona through Riverside and Imperial Counties south to the Mexican border. All federal lands affected by the proposed plan amendments are located in eastern Imperial County, California. FERC and the California State Lands Commission are jointly preparing an Environmental Impact Statement and an Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) that will analyze the environmental impacts of the proposed project. An amendment to the CDCA Plan is required because part of the proposed project is not within a CDCA designated Utility Corridor. An amendment to the Yuma RMP is required because the proposed project would cross portions of the Milpitas Wash Natural Area, and that plan does not allow for new utilities within this area. BLM will attempt to use the EIS/EIR to consider the plan amendments. If the Plan(s) are not amended, BLM may authorize installation of the project within existing corridors only, or BLM may deny the project if the existing corridor option does not prove feasible. The

currently identified environmental issues are listed in the notice previously published by FERC in the **Federal Register** in the issue dated December 18, 2000 at page 79097 (65 FR 79097).

DATES: Submit comments, concerning the scope of the proposed amendments, on or before July 5, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed by Lynda Kastoll, Project Manager, Bureau of Land Management, El Centro Field Office, 1661 So. 4th Street, El Centro, CA 92243.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lynda Kastoll at the above address or at (760) 337-4421.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: North Baja Pipeline Project's proposed action consists of the construction and operation of about 79.8 miles of pipeline, including 11.5 miles of 36-inch-diameter and 68.3 miles of 30-inch-diameter pipe, extending from an interconnection with El Paso Natural Gas Company in La Paz County, Arizona, through Riverside and Imperial Counties, California, to an interconnection at the international border between the United States and Mexico. It includes the construction of a new compressor station (with associated metering facilities) in Ehrenberg, Arizona, a meter station near the Ogilby Road-Interstate 8 interchange in Imperial County, CA and a pig launcher and receiver facility near Rannel's Drain and 18th Avenue in Riverside County, California. A pig is an internal tool used to inspect the pipeline for potential leaks or damage.

The nominal construction right-of-way (construction corridor) for the pipeline would be 80 feet wide, with 50 feet retained as permanent right-of-way. About 63 percent of the pipeline route would abut or overlap existing road or powerline rights-of-way.

The first 11.5 miles of the project are in or adjacent to agricultural lands in the Blythe and Palo Verde Valley areas. The alignment then parallels an electric transmission line and Stallard Road on the Palo Verde Mesa from Mile Post (MP) 11.5 to MP 28. From MP 28 to MP 39 it parallels Highway 78, then from MP 39 to MP 75 it parallels either an electric transmission line or public roadways for all but about 5.4 miles, across desert habitats. It crosses Interstate 8 at MP 75, then parallels the edge of sand dunes to its crossing of the All American Canal at MP 79.5 and its termination in Mexico at MP 79.6.

The combined United States and Mexico pipeline system is initially designed to carry 500 million cubic feet per day of natural gas. As designed, the new pipeline system will serve existing

and planned power plants in Mexico and in the United States that in turn serve electric power demand in northern Baja California, Mexico and western United States' markets.

The total project configuration, as proposed and including measures to avoid, minimize, or mitigate impacts on the environment, is being considered along with several alternatives, including building the pipeline entirely within existing corridors as designated in the California Desert Conservation Area Plan, and a "No Action" alternative.

Dated: May 22, 2001.

MarLynn Spears,

Acting Chief, Branch of Lands (CA-931).

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Availability of the Final Maurice National Scenic and Recreational River Comprehensive Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of the Final Maurice National Scenic and Recreational River Comprehensive Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service has finalized the Comprehensive Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement for the management, protection, and use of the Maurice National Scenic and Recreational River in New Jersey. Comments will be accepted for 30 days from the date of this notice. Please be advised that, if requested, the National Park Service is required to supply the names and addresses of individuals providing comments. For more information about this document, contact Mary Vavra, National Park Service Program Manager, by letter or telephone:

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Vavra, Program Manager, National Park Service, Philadelphia Support Office, 200 Chestnut Street, 3rd Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19106, (215) 597-9175.

Dated: March 25, 2001.

Marie Rust,

Regional Director, Northeast Region, National Park Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Boston Harbor Islands Advisory Council; Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463) that the Boston Harbor Islands Advisory Council will meet on Wednesday, June 20, 2001. The meeting will convene at 3 p.m. at the New England Aquarium Conference Center, Central Wharf, Boston, MA.

The Advisory Council was appointed by the Director of National Park Service pursuant to Public Law 104-333. The 28 members represent business, educational/cultural, community and environmental entities; municipalities surrounding Boston Harbor; Boston Harbor advocates; and Native American interests. The purpose of the Council is to advise and make recommendations to the Boston Harbor Islands Partnership with respect to the development and implementation of a management plan and the operation of the Boston Harbor Islands National Recreation Area.

The Agenda for this meeting is as follows:

1. Call to Order, Introductions of Advisory Council members present
2. Review and Approval of Minutes of March meeting
3. Update on Activities since the March Meeting
4. Presentation of GMP status by NPS
5. Report from the Co-chairs
6. Island Events this season
7. Public Comment
8. Next Meeting
9. Adjourn

The meeting is open to the public. Further information concerning Council meetings may be obtained from the Superintendent, Boston Harbor Islands. Interested persons may make oral/written presentations to the Council or file written statements. Such requests should be made at least seven days prior to the meeting to: Superintendent, Boston Harbor Islands NRA, 408 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, MA, 02110, telephone (617) 223-8667.

May 17, 2001.

George E. Price, Jr.,

Superintendent, Boston Harbor Islands NRA.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Announcement of Subsistence Resource Commission meeting

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

SUMMARY: The Superintendent of Cape Krusenstern National Monument and Kobuk Valley National Park and the Chairpersons of the Subsistence Resource Commissions for Cape Krusenstern National Monument and Kobuk Valley National Park announce a forthcoming joint meeting of the Cape Krusenstern National Monument and Kobuk Valley National Park Subsistence Resource Commissions. The following agenda items will be discussed:

- (1) SRC Chairs Welcome—Introduction of commission members and guests. Review and approve agenda.
- (2) Review and approve minutes from last meeting.
- (3) SRC review of regional issues.
- (4) SRC review Subsistence Hunting Plan/and work session.
- (5) Public and other agency comments.
- (6) Identify agenda topics, set time and place of next SRC meeting.
- (7) Adjournment.

DATES: The meeting will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday June 6 and 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 7. If needed, the Chairs may schedule evening sessions.

LOCATION: The meeting will be held at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service conference room in Kotzebue, Alaska. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Office in Kotzebue is located at 160 2nd Street, Telephone (907) 442-3799.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David W. Spirtes, Superintendent, P.O. Box 1029, Kotzebue, Alaska 99752, Telephone (907) 442-3890 or Ken Adkisson at (800) 471-2352 or 443-2522.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Subsistence Resource Commissions are authorized under Title VIII, section 808, of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, Public Law 96-487 and operate in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committees Act.

Robert L. Arnberger,

Regional Director.

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