

We use a stratified sampling technique for categories 1 through 8; categories 9 and 10 use intercept surveys. We use a general sampling technique for categories 11 through 13. The randomize sample we pull from the database will include an estimated 1,200 persons unless the database population is less than 1,200, at which point we will survey all. We set an 80% response rate goal. Whenever possible, we choose telephone surveys over mail surveys.

We develop questionnaires with the help of focus groups from around the country. We ask questions in the following general areas:

- (1) Program specific (i.e., processing permits, recordation of mining claims, facilities and access to public land for recreation);
- (2) Service delivery;
- (3) Management practices;
- (4) Resource protection;
- (5) Rules, regulations, and policies;
- (6) Communication with the public;
- (7) Overall satisfaction; and
- (8) General demographics.

IV. Requests for Comments

We are particularly interested in comments on the actions discussed in Items II and III. We provide the following guidelines to assist you in responding.

General Issues

A. Is the proposed collection of information in categories 1 through 13 (see III) necessary, taking into account accuracy, adequacy, and reliability, and the agency's ability to process the information in a useful and timely fashion?

B. What enhancements can the BLM and USDAFS make to the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?

As a Potential Respondent

A. We estimate the average public reporting burden for a customer survey is 15 minutes per response (13,000 respondents per year \times 15 minutes per response = 3,250 hours annually). For comment cards, we estimate the average public reporting burden is three minutes per response (30,000 respondents per year \times three minutes per response = 1,500 hours annually).

The information collection burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources we expend to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide the information including to:

- (1) Review instructions;
- (2) Develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for purposes to collect, validate, verify,

process, maintain, disclose, and provide information;

(3) Adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements;

(4) Train personnel to respond to a collection of information;

(5) Search data sources;

(6) Complete and review the collection of information; and

(7) Transmit or otherwise to disclose the information.

Please comment on (1) the accuracy of our estimate and (2) how the agencies could minimize the burden of the collection information, including the use of automated collection techniques.

B. The BLM and USDAFS estimate that respondents will incur no additional costs for reporting other than the time required to complete the collection. The estimates should take into account the costs associated to generate, maintain, and disclose or provide information.

C. Do you know of any other Federal, State, or local agency collecting similar data? If you do, specify the agency, collection element(s), and the methods of collection.

As a Potential User

Are there any alternative sources of data? Do you use them? If so, what are their deficiencies and/or strengths?

BLM will summarize all responses to this notice and include them in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: May 29, 2001.

Michael Schwartz,
BLM Information Collection Clearance Officer.

Dated: May 21, 2001.

William Delaney,
USDA, Forest Service, Program Manager, Customer Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AK-962-1410-HY-P; AA-52323]

Alaska Native Claims Selection

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, DOI.

ACTION: Notice of decision designating lands for conveyance.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that an appealable decision approving lands for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation

Act will be issued to the Afognak Joint Venture for lands in T. 22 S., R. 18 W., Seward Meridian, Alaska, located on Afognak Island. Notice of the decision will also be published four times in the Kodiak Daily Mirror.

DATES: The time limits for filing an appeal are:

1. Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision shall have until July 16, 2001 to file an appeal.

2. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.

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.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the decision may be obtained from: Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jerri Sansone (907) 271-3231

Authority: 43 CFR 2650.7(d).

Jerri Sansone,
Land Law Examiner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AK-962-1410-HY-P; F-19155-1]

Alaska Native Claims Selection

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, DOI.

ACTION: Notice of decision approving lands for conveyance.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that an appealable decision approving lands for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act will be issued to Doyon, Limited, for lands in T. 3 N., R. 13 E., Kateel River Meridian, located in the vicinity of Huslia, Alaska, containing approximately 40 acres. Notice of the decision will also be published four times in the *Fairbanks Daily News-Miner*.

DATES: The time limits for filing an appeal are:

1. Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision, shall have until July 16, 2001 to file an appeal.

2. Parties receiving service by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.

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.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the decision may be obtained from: Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Barbara Opp, (907) 271-5669.

Authority: 43 CFR 2650.7(d).

Barbara J. Opp,

Land Law Examiner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-920-1320-EL, WYW153467]

Coal Lease Exploration License, WY

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of invitation for coal exploration license.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 2(b) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended by section 4 of the Federal Coal Leasing Amendments Act of 1976, 90 Stat. 1083, 30 U.S.C. 201(b), and to the regulations adopted at 43 CFR 3410, all interested parties are hereby invited to participate with Triton Coal Company, LLC on a pro rata cost sharing basis in its program for the exploration of coal deposits owned by the United States of America in the following-described lands in Campbell County, WY:

T. 42 N., R. 70 W., 6th P.M., Wyoming
Sec. 6: Lots 8-23;

Sec. 7: Lots 5-14;

Sec. 8: Lots 1-12, 16;

Sec. 9: Lots 1-8, 11-14;

T. 43 N., R. 70 W., 6th P.M., Wyoming

Sec. 31: Lots 13-20;

T. 42 N., R. 71 W., 6th P.M., Wyoming

Sec. 1: Lots 5-15, 19, 20.

Containing 2,816.14 acres, more or less.

All of the coal in the above-described land consists of unleased Federal coal within the Powder River Basin Known Recoverable Coal Resource Area. The purpose of the exploration program is to obtain data on the Wyodak coal seam.

ADDRESSES: The proposed exploration program is fully described and will be conducted pursuant to an exploration plan to be approved by the Bureau of Land Management. Copies of the exploration plan are available for review during normal business hours in the following offices (serialized under number WYW153467): BLM, Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone Road,

P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, WY 82003; and, BLM, Casper Field Office, 2987 Prospector Drive, Casper, WY 82604.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice of invitation will be published in "The News-Record" of Gillette, WY, once each week for two consecutive weeks beginning the week of June 11, 2001, and in the **Federal Register**. Any party electing to participate in this exploration program must send written notice to both the BLM and Triton Coal Company, LLC no later than thirty days after publication of this invitation in the **Federal Register**. The written notice should be sent to the following addresses: Triton Coal Company, LLC, North Rochelle Mine, Attn: Tim L. Thamm, 510 Reno Road, Gillette, WY 82718, and the BLM, Wyoming State Office, Branch of Solid Minerals, Attn: Mavis Love, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, WY 82003.

The foregoing is published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to 43 CFR 3410.2-1(c)(1).

Dated: May 29, 2001.

Phillip C. Perlewitz,

Chief, Branch of Solid Minerals.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA-610-01-1610-DL]

Proposed Order for Temporary Closure of Selected Routes of Travel or Areas in Imperial County, Riverside County, and San Bernardino County, California

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

SUMMARY: Selected routes of travel or areas in two locations in the California Desert Conservation Area (CDCA) will be temporarily closed to vehicle use pursuant to 43 CFR 8364.1. The proposed closure is to provide interim protection for the desert tortoise, desert tortoise habitat, and other resource values from motorized vehicle use authorized under the CDCA Plan. By taking these interim actions, BLM contributes to the conservation of the endangered and threatened species in accordance with section 7(a) (1) of the Endangered Species Act (ESA). BLM also avoids making any irreversible or irretrievable commitment of resources which would foreclose any reasonable and prudent alternatives which might be required as a result of the consultation on the CDCA plan in accordance with 7(d) of the ESA. These closures will remain in effect until

records of decision are signed for amendments to the CDCA Plan for the Northern and Eastern Colorado Desert and the West Mojave Desert.

The vehicle route closures are as follows: 1. In the Edwards Bowl area vehicle use is restricted to specified routes. 2. In two areas of desert tortoise critical habitat in the Northern and Eastern Colorado Desert (NECO) planning area vehicle use is restricted to specified routes.

Exceptions to the vehicle closures include Bureau of Land Management (BLM) operation and maintenance vehicles, law enforcement and fire vehicles, and other emergency vehicles.

The Orders for closure will be posted in the appropriate BLM Field Office and at places near and/or within the area to which the closure or restriction applies (see Field Offices at end of this Notice).

DATE: No sooner than July 16, 2001, **Federal Register** Orders of final closure will be published for each of the two areas.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be sent to the appropriate Field Office, Attn: Route Closure, at the addresses listed below.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 16, 2000, the Center for Biological Diversity, and others (Center) filed for injunctive relief in U.S. District Court, Northern District of California (Court) against the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) alleging that the BLM was in violation of Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) by failing to enter into formal consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) on the effects of adoption of the California Desert Conservation Area Plan (CDCA Plan), as amended, upon threatened and endangered species. On August 25, 2000, the BLM acknowledged through a court stipulation that activities authorized, permitted, or allowed under the CDCA Plan may adversely affect threatened and endangered species, and that the BLM is required to consult with the FWS to insure that adoption and implementation of the CDCA Plan is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of threatened and endangered species or to result in the destruction or adverse modification of critical habitat of listed species.

Although BLM has received biological opinions on selected activities, consultation on the overall CDCA Plan is necessary to address the cumulative effects of *all* the activities authorized by the CDCA Plan. Consultation on the overall Plan is complex and the completion date is uncertain. Absent consultation on the entire Plan, the impacts of individual activities, when