

**DATES:** No action will be taken on the project for at least 30 days following publication of this notice.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the final EIR/EIS will be available at the Imperial County Planning and Building Department, 939 Main Street, El Centro, CA 92243; telephone (760) 482-4236, extension 4310. Text of the final is also available on-line at the BLM website: // [www.ca.blm.gov/elcentro/mesquite/](http://www.ca.blm.gov/elcentro/mesquite/).

Public reading copies will be available for review at the following locations: (1) Bureau of Land Management, California State Office, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA; (2) Bureau of Land Management, El Centro Field Office, 1661 South Main Street, El Centro, CA; (3) Imperial County Planning and Building Department, 939 Main Street, El Centro, CA; (4) local libraries in San Diego County, California, and Imperial County, California; and in the town of Yuma, Arizona.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Contact Jurg Heuberger, Imperial County Planning and Building Department, 939 Main Street, El Centro, CA; telephone (760) 482-4236 extension 4310; or Kevin Marty, Bureau of Land Management, 1661 South 4th Street, El Centro, CA; telephone (760) 337-4422.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Mesquite Mine began operations under an approved plan of operations during 1985. Since this time, plan modifications and expansions have occurred, which are summarized within the approved Mesquite Mine consolidated plan of operations dated October, 1995. On November 30, 1998, Newmont Gold Company, operator of the Mesquite Mine, submitted a plan of operations for an expansion of the mine. The existing mine site encompasses 5,200 acres, of which 3,655 acres have been disturbed by mining activities to date. The total new un-permitted area proposed for disturbance under the expansion is 190 acres.

The expansion would allow the company to continue extracting and processing economical gold deposits, delineated by drilling programs initiated during 1988 and continuing to date. The expansion would increase the mine life a projected six years. The plan modification proposes to process approximately 89 million tons of ore and 242 million tons of waste rock. The Big Chief and Rainbow pit expansions would encompass approximately 350 acres of Federal, State and private (patented) land, of which 76 acres would be new, unpermitted land disturbance. The plan modification also describes alternative methods for

storage of waste rock, either in existing mined-out open pits, at new or expanded out-of-pit storage areas, or a combination of both; and construction of ancillary facilities including roads, fencing and drainage diversions. Current project is inactive; however if the price of gold increases to a favorable level, operations may be resumed.

Dated: March 5, 2002.

**Greg Thomsen,**

*Field Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

**[MT-924-1430-HN-003E; MTM 88990, MTM 88991, MTM 88992, MTM 90001]**

#### Public Notice—Jurisdiction Transfer as Required by the Crow Boundary Settlement Act of 1994; Montana

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This document provides notification to the public and state and local governmental officials of the transfer of exclusive jurisdiction and administration of the surface estate of 20,861.73 acres of public lands from the Bureau of Land Management to the United States of America, Bureau of Indian Affairs in trust for the Crow Indian Tribe and shall be recognized as part of the Crow Indian Reservation.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Russell Sorensen, BLM Dillon Field Office, 1005 Selway Drive, Dillon, Montana 59725-9431, 406-683-8036. By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior pursuant to Section 5(d)(G) of the Crow Boundary Settlement Act of November 2, 1994, Public Law 103-444, it is ordered as follows:

1. Subject to valid existing rights, jurisdiction of the surface estate for the following described lands was transferred to the Bureau of Indian Affairs in trust for the Crow Indian Tribe on the dates listed below:

(a) February 27, 2001, Yellowstone County, Montana:

#### Principal Meridian, Montana

- T. 3 S., R. 25 E.,  
Sec. 36, lots 5 through 10, inclusive,  
E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>.  
T. 2 S., R. 27 E.,  
Sec. 36, All.  
T. 3 S., R. 27 E.,  
Sec. 16, All;  
Sec. 36, All.

- T. 1 S., R. 28 E.,  
Sec. 4, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>;  
Sec. 16, All.  
T. 4 S., R. 28 E.,  
Sec. 1, lots 1 through 4, inclusive, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>,  
S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>;  
Sec. 4, lots 1 through 4, inclusive, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>,  
S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>.

(b) February 27, 2001, Big Horn County, Montana

#### Principal Meridian, Montana

- T. 7 S., R. 28 E.,  
Sec. 8, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>;  
Sec. 9, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>;  
Sec. 10, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>.  
T. 3 S., R. 30 E.,  
Sec. 22, All;  
Sec. 23, All.  
T. 4 S., R. 30 E.,  
Sec. 24, All.  
T. 5 S., R. 30 E.,  
Sec. 9, All.  
T. 3 S., R. 31 E.,  
Sec. 6, lots 1 through 7, inclusive,  
S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>;  
Sec. 7, lots 1 through 4, inclusive, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>,  
E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>.  
T. 4 S., R. 31 E.,  
Sec. 22, NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>;  
Sec. 23, NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>.  
T. 5 S., R. 31 E.,  
Sec. 3, lots 1 through 4, inclusive, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>,  
S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>;  
Sec. 21, N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>;  
Sec. 28, NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>.  
T. 2 S., R., 32 E.,  
Sec. 10, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>;  
Sec. 11, W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>.  
T. 6 S., R. 32 E.,  
Sec. 1, N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>.  
T. 7 S., R., 32 E.,  
Sec. 25, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>;  
Sec. 26, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>;  
Sec. 32, NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>;  
Sec. 36, NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>.  
T. 6 S., R. 33 E.,  
Sec. 10, All;  
Sec. 22, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>.  
T. 7 S., R. 33 E.,  
Sec. 29, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>;  
Sec. 30, lots 3, 4.  
T. 9 S., R. 33 E.,  
Sec. 20, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>.  
Sec. 30, lots 1 through 4, inclusive,  
E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>;  
Sec. 31, lots 1, 2, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>.  
T. 6 S., R. 34 E.,  
Sec. 15, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>;  
Sec. 16, All.  
T. 7 S., R. 34 E.,  
Sec. 16, NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>;  
Sec. 36, All.  
T. 8 S., R. 34 E.,  
Sec. 12, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>;  
Sec. 13, NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>;  
Sec. 14, SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>.  
T. 9 S., R. 34 E.,  
Sec. 16, SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>;  
Sec. 18, NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>;  
Sec. 20, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>;  
Sec. 21, NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>,  
SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>.  
T. 6 S., R. 35 E.,  
Sec. 8, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>;

Sec. 9, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ .  
 T. 7 S., R. 35 E.,  
 Sec. 36, lot 4.  
 T. 8 S., R. 35 E.,  
 Sec. 16, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ .  
 T. 7 S., R. 36 E.,  
 Sec. 13, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ .  
 T. 9 S., R. 36 E.,  
 Sec. 13, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ .  
 T. 8 S., R. 37 E.,  
 Sec. 16, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ .  
 T. 7 S., R. 38 E.,  
 Sec. 1, lot 10, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 2, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 12, lots 5, 6.

(c) May 21, 2001, Yellowstone County, Montana

#### Principal Meridian, Montana

T. 4 S., R. 25 E.,  
 Sec. 16, lot 1.

The areas described aggregate 20,861.73 acres in Big Horn and Yellowstone Counties, Montana.

2. The transfer of the above described surface estate for such lands and all activities conducted thereon vests custody and accountability unto the United States of America, on behalf of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, in trust for the Crow Indian Tribe.

**John E. Moorhouse,**

*Acting Deputy State Director, Division of Resources.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[CA-180-1430-01; CACA 8188]

#### Public Land Order No. 7524; Partial Revocation of Executive Order No. 4203; California

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Public Land Order.

**SUMMARY:** This order partially revokes an Executive Order insofar as it affects 20 acres withdrawn for possible inclusion into the Tahoe National Forest. The land is no longer needed for the purpose for which it was withdrawn. This order makes the land available for exchange.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** May 9, 2002.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Duane Marti, BLM California State Office, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, California 95825-1886, 916-978-4675.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management

Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1994), it is ordered as follows:

1. Executive Order No. 4203, which withdrew lands for possible inclusion into national forests, is hereby revoked insofar as it affects the following described land:

#### Mount Diablo Meridian

T. 17 N., R. 10 E.,  
 Sec. 21, W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ .

The area described contains 20 acres in Nevada County.

2. The above described land is hereby made available for exchange under Section 206 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 716 (1994).

Dated: April 23, 2002.

**Rebecca W. Watson,**

*Assistant Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[CO-930; COC-28673]

#### Public Land Order No. 7521; Opening of National Forest System Lands Under Section 24 of the Federal Power Act; Colorado

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Public Land Order.

**SUMMARY:** This order opens, subject to the provisions of Section 24 of the Federal Power Act, 456.29 acres of National Forest System lands withdrawn by a United States Geological Survey Order which established Bureau of Land Management Power Site Classification No. 441. This action will permit consummation of a pending Forest Service land exchange and retain the power rights to the United States. The lands have been and will remain open to mineral leasing and, under the provisions of the Mining Claims Rights Restoration Act of 1955, to mining.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** June 10, 2002.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Doris E. Chelius, BLM Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215-7093, 303-239-3706.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by the Act of June 10, 1920, Section 24, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 818 (1994), and pursuant to the determination of the Federal Energy

Regulatory Commission in DVCO-558-000, it is ordered as follows:

At 9 a.m. on June 10, 2002, the following described National Forest System lands withdrawn by the United States Geological Survey Order dated January 23, 1958, which established Power Site Classification No. 441, will be opened to disposal subject to the provisions of Section 24 of the Federal Power Act as specified by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission determination DVCO-558-000, and subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law:

#### New Mexico Principal Meridian

##### Rio Grande National Forest

T. 40 N., R. 2 W.,  
 Sec. 4, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 9, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 10, lots 8 to 10, inclusive;  
 Sec. 11, lots 16 and 17;  
 Sec. 14, lot 3 and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 15, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 23, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
 and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 25, lots 1 and 2.

The areas described aggregate 456.29 acres in Mineral County.

Dated: April 23, 2002.

**Rebecca W. Watson,**

*Assistant Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[OR-958-1430-ET; GPO-02-047; OR-19228]

#### Public Land Order No. 7523; Revocation of Executive Order Dated November 13, 1889; Oregon

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Public Land Order.

**SUMMARY:** This order revokes an Executive Order in its entirety as to the remaining 313.77 acres of lands withdrawn for the U.S. Army, Corps of Engineers' Coos Bay and Harbor Improvement Project. The lands are no longer needed for the purpose for which they were withdrawn. This action will open the lands to surface entry. The lands have been and will remain open to mineral leasing. The lands are within the Bureau of Land Management's Coos Bay North Spit Special Recreation Management Area and would remain closed to mining.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** June 10, 2002.