information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

This notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Multifamily Insurance Benefits Claims Package. OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2502–0415.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: The claims package requests from the mortgagee the necessary fiscal data required for HUD to determine the insurance owned to mortgage lenders that filed an insurance claim. When terms of a multifamily contract are breached or when a mortgagee meets conditions stated within the multifamily contact for an automated assignment, the holder of the mortgage may file for insurance benefits. The law, which supports this action, is statute 12 U.S.C. 1713(g) and Title II, Section 207(g) of the National Housing Act. This Act provides in part that "* * *" the mortgagee shall be entitled to receive the benefits of the insurance as hereinafter provided, upon assignment, transfer, and delivery to the Secretary, within a period and in accordance with rules and regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of (1) all rights and interest arising under the mortgage so in default; (2) all claims of the mortgagee against the mortgagor or others, arising under the mortgage transaction; (3) all policies of title or other insurance or surety bonds or guaranties and any or all claims there under; (4) any balance of the mortgage loan not advanced to the mortgagor; (5) any cash or property held by the mortgagee, or to which it is entitled, as deposits made for account of the mortgagor and which have been applied in reduction of the principal of the mortgage indebtedness; and (6) all records, documents, books, papers and accounts relating to the mortgage transaction." These provisions are further spelled out in 24 CFR 207 Subpart B, Contract Rights and Obligations. The receive these benefits, the mortgagee must prepare and submit to HUD the Multifamily Insurance Benefits Claims Package.

Agency form numbers, if applicable: HUD-2742, 2744-A. 2744-B, 2744-C, 2744-D, and 2744-E.

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection, including the number of respondents, frequency of response and hours of response: The estimated total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection is 767; the number of respondents is 118 generating approximately 118 annual responses; the frequency of response is on occasion, and the estimated time needed

to prepare the response varies from 15 minutes to $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

Status of the proposed information collection: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: March 12, 2003.

Sean G. Cassidy,

General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing-Deputy Federal Housing Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AK-040-02-1610-DO-086L]

Resource Management Plan; Ring of Fire

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Anchorage Field Office.

ACTION: Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare a Resource Management Plan (RMP) and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), a request for information for the scoping process, and a call for coal resource information.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the BLM, Anchorage Field Office, Alaska, is initiating a planning effort to prepare the Ring of Fire RMP. This planning activity encompasses approximately 1.3 million acres of public land. Section 201 and 202 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA, 43 U.S.C. 1711) and the regulations in 43 CFR 1600 direct this planning effort. The plan will fulfill the needs and obligations set forth by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). As required in 43 CFR 3420.1–2, this notice is also a specific call for coal resource information and identification of areas where there is an interest in future leasing and development of federal coal.

The BLM will work closely with interested parties to identify the management decisions that are best suited to the needs of the public. This collaborative process will take into account local, regional, and national needs and concerns. This notice initiates the public scoping process to identify planning issues and to develop planning criteria. The public is invited to nominate potential areas of critical environmental concern (ACEC), and river segments for wild and scenic river consideration during the planning process.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Interested parties may obtain further information or request to be placed on the mailing list for the Ring of Fire RMP planning effort by contacting Bob Lloyd, RMP Team Leader or Peter Ditton, Acting Field Manager, Anchorage Field Office, 6881 Abbott Loop Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99507, (907) 267–1246.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The planning area extends from below Dixon Entrance in southeast Alaska to Attu Island at the end of the Aleutian Chain and presents significant challenges. This is a lineal distance of some 2,500 miles. The area contains 80% of the total population of the State including Anchorage, the largest city, and Juneau, the State capital. The boundaries are the Canadian border for the southeast part of the planning area, the Matanuska-Susitna, Anchorage and Kenai Boroughs in Southcentral Alaska, Kodiak Island, and the Alaska Peninsula, and Aleutian Island Chain.

Within this 61,000,000 acre area there are approximately 1,300,000 acres (surface estate) of BLM-administered lands occurring as large blocks to small scattered tracts. Approximately 813,000 acres of the 1.3 million acres have been selected by the State of Alaska and Native Corporations, but have not been conveyed. Due to over selection, BLM will retain management of some of this selected land. Lands administered by BLM and not selected total approximately 463,000 acres.

Preliminary issues and management concerns have been identified by BLM and other agencies, and in meetings with individuals and user groups. They represent the BLM's knowledge to date on the existing issues and concerns with current management. The major issues that will be addressed in the plan effort are subsistence; oil and gas; access; locatable minerals; off-highway vehicle (OHV) use and designation; wild fire and fuels management; wild, scenic and recreation rivers; recreation; and land tenure adjustments.

DATES: The scoping comment period will commence with the publication of this notice. Meetings and comment deadlines will be announced through the local news media, newsletters and a web site to be developed by a contractor. Comments on issues and planning criteria should be received on or before the end of the scoping period at the address listed below.

Public Participation: Public meetings will be held throughout the plan scoping and preparation period. In order to ensure local community participation and input, public meetings will be

scheduled in each of the planning areas. Early participation by all those interested is encouraged and will help determine the future management of lands within the Ring of Fire planning area. At least 15 days public notice will be given for activities where the public is invited to attend. The minutes and list of attendees for each meeting will be available to the public and open for 30 days to any participant who wishes to clarify the views they expressed. Written comments will be accepted throughout the planning process at the address shown below. In addition to the ongoing public participation process, formal opportunities for public participation will be provided through comment on the alternatives and upon publication of the BLM draft RMP/EIS. ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to the Bureau of Land

Management, Anchorage Field Office, 6881 Abbott Loop Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99507; Fax 907-267-1267. Documents pertinent to this proposal may be examined at the Anchorage Field Office located in Anchorage, Alaska. Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the Anchorage Field Office located in Anchorage, Alaska during regular business hours 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays, and may be published as part of the EIS. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations and businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be available for public inspection in their entirety. After gathering public comments on what issues the plan should address, the suggested issues will be placed in one of three categories:

- 1. Issues to be resolved in the plan;
- 2. Issues resolved through policy or administrative action; or
- 3. Issues beyond the scope of this plan.

Rationale will be provided in the plan for each issue placed in category two or three. In addition to these major issues, a number of management questions and concerns will be addressed in the plan. The public is encouraged to help identify these questions and concerns during the scoping process.

An interdisciplinary approach will be used to develop the plan in order to

consider the variety of resource issues and concerns identified. Disciplines involved in the planning process will include specialists with expertise in fire management, geology, forestry, outdoor recreation, archaeology, paleontology, subsistence, wildlife and fisheries, lands and realty, hydrology, soils, sociology and economics.

Peter J. Ditton,

Field Office Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park Advisory Commission; Notice of Public Meeting

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act that a meeting of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park Advisory Commission will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, April 4, 2003, at park headquarters, 1850 Dual Highway, Suite 100, Hagerstown, Maryland.

The Commission was established by Public Law 91–664 to meet and consult with the Secretary of the Interior on general policies and specific matters related to the administration and development of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park.

The members of the Commission are as follows: Mrs. Sheila Rabb Weidenfeld, Chairman, Mr. Charles J. Weir, Mr. Barry A. Passett, Mr. Terry W. Hepburn, Ms. Elise B. Heinz, Ms. JoAnn M. Spevacek, Mrs. Mary E. Woodward, Mrs. Donna Printz, Mr. Rockwood H. Foster, Mrs. Ferial S. Bishop, Ms. Nancy C. Long, Mrs. Jo Reynolds, Dr. James H. Gilford, Mrs. Sue Ann Sullivan, Brother James Kirkpatrick.

Topics that will be presented during the meeting include:

- 1. Status of the draft Land Protection Plan.
- 2. Major construction/development projects.
 - 3. Historic Leasing Program.
- 4. Duke Power Company right-of-way easement application.
- 5. Mecklenburg Warehouse planning project.
- 6. Western Maryland Railroad rightof-way planning study.

7. Business Plan.

The meeting will be open to the public. Any member of the public may file with the Commission a written statement concerning the matters to be discussed. Persons wishing further information concerning this meeting, or

who wish to submit written statements, may contact Douglas D. Faris, Superintendent, C&O Canal National Historical Park, 1850 Dual Highway, Suite 100, Hagerstown, Maryland 21740.

Minutes of the meeting will be available for public inspection six (6) weeks after the meeting at park headquarters, Hagerstown, Maryland.

Dated: February 28, 2003.

Kevin Brandt,

Acting Superintendent, C&O Canal National Historical Park.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail Advisory Commission; Notice of Meeting

SUMMARY: Notice is given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act that the first meeting of the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail Advisory Commission will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the following location and dates.

DATES: Monday, March 31 and Tuesday April 1, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the offices of the Pima County Parks and Recreation Department, 3500 West River Road, Tucson, Arizona 85741. A field trip to trail sites along the Santa Cruz River in Tucson, Tubac Presidio State Historic Park, and Tumacacori National Historical Park will occur on the afternoon of March 31. The public is welcome, but transportation will only be provided to commission members.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND COPIES OF MEETING MINUTES CONTACT: Meredith Kaplan, Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail, 1111 Jackson Street, Suite 700, Oakland, California 94607, at 510–817–1438, or meredith_kaplan@nps.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Advisory Commission was established in accordance with the National Trails System Act 915 U.S.C. 1241 *et seq.*), as amended by Public Law 191–365 to consult with the Secretary of the Interior on planning and other matters relating to the trail.

Agenda

- 1. Welcome and introductions
- 2. Review of Commission purpose and responsibilities
- 3. Background of accomplishments since 1990 trail authorization
- 4. Overview, discussion, and recommendations for the Long Range Interpretive Plan