

internal BLM review are incorporated into the Final EIS. Public comments resulted in the addition of clarifying text, but did not significantly change the proposed decisions. Copies of the Proposed RMPA and Final EIS for the CCMA have been sent to affected Federal, State, and local government agencies and to interested parties. Copies of the document are also available for public inspection at: BLM Hollister Field Office, 20 Hamilton Court, Hollister, CA; and BLM California State Office, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA. Instructions for filing a protest with the Director of the BLM regarding the Proposed Plan/Final EIS may be found at 43 CFR 1610.5. A protest may only raise those issues with plan-level decisions that were submitted for the record during the planning process. E-mail and faxed protests will not be accepted as valid protests unless the protesting party also provides the original letter by either regular or overnight mail postmarked by the close of the protest period. Under these conditions, BLM will consider the e-mail or faxed protest as an advance copy and it will receive full consideration. If you wish to provide BLM with such advance notification, please direct faxed protests to the attention of the BLM protest coordinator at (202) 452-5112, and e-mails to Brenda_Hudgens-Williams@blm.gov.

Please direct the follow-up letter to the appropriate address provided below. The protest must contain:

- a. The name, mailing address, telephone number, and interest of the person filing the protest.
- b. A statement of the part or parts of the plan and the issue or issues being protested.
- c. A copy of all documents addressing the issue(s) that the protesting party submitted during the planning process or a statement of the date they were discussed for the record.
- d. A concise statement explaining why the protestor believes the State Director's decision is wrong.

All protests must be in writing and mailed to the following address:

Regular Mail: Director (210), Attention: Brenda Williams, P.O. Box 66538, Washington, DC 20035.

Overnight Mail: Director (210), Attention: Brenda Williams, 1620 L Street, NW., Suite 1075, Washington, DC 20036.

The Director will promptly render a decision on the protest. The decision will be in writing and will be sent to the protesting party by certified mail, return receipt requested. The decision of the Director shall be the final decision of the Department of the Interior.

Dated: July 14, 2005.

Robert Beehler,

Hollister Field Office Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AZ 330-05-1610-DP-082A-241E]

Notice of Availability of Lake Havasu Field Office Draft Resource Management Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of Lake Havasu Field Office (Arizona) Draft Resource Management Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) planning regulations, title 43 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 1610.2(f)(3) and the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations, title 40 CFR 1502.9(a), the BLM hereby gives notice that the Lake Havasu Field Office Draft Resource Management Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DRMP/DEIS) is available for public review and comment. The planning area encompasses more than 1.3 million acres of the BLM-administered lands.

DATES: Written comments on the DRMP/DEIS will be accepted for 90 days following the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes its Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. Future meetings or hearings and any other public involvement activities will be announced at least 15 days in advance through local media.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be mailed to Tim Smith, Lake Havasu Field Manager, Resource Management Plan, Lake Havasu Field Office, 2610 Sweetwater, Lake Havasu City, Arizona 86406. You may also comment using the following e-mail address:

Lake_havasu@blm.gov. Finally, you may hand-deliver comments to the above listed address. A minimum of five public meetings will be held during the 90-day public review and comment period during which oral and written comments will be accepted. Exact dates, places, and times of public meetings will be announced using local media, and may be posted on the Arizona BLM Web page, or you may contact Gina Trafton at (928) 505-1273 for further information.

Public comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will

be available for public review at the BLM Lake Havasu Field Office, 2610 Sweetwater, Lake Havasu City, Arizona 86406, during regular business hours (8 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 street 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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gina Trafton, Planning and Environmental Coordinator, Bureau of Land Management, 2610 Sweetwater, Lake Havasu City, Arizona 86406, telephone (928) 505-1273.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A copy of the Lake Havasu Field Office Draft Resource Management Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement is available for review via the Internet from a link at <http://www.az.blm.gov> (subject to change). You may also obtain an electronic (on CD-ROM), or paper copy at the Bureau of Land Management, Lake Havasu Field Office at the address listed previously or by contacting Gina Trafton at (928) 505-1273.

The Lake Havasu Field Office Draft Resource Management Plan/Draft Environmental Impact Statement is being developed by the BLM. The DRMP/DEIS includes strategies for protecting and preserving the biological, cultural, recreational, geological, educational, scientific, and scenic values that balance multiple uses of the BLM-administered lands throughout the Lake Havasu Field Office planning area.

The preferred alternative attempts to accomplish the above in coordination with the Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Arizona Department of Transportation, Arizona State Land Department, Arizona Game and Fish Department, California Department of Fish and Game, the BLM and other land managing agencies within the boundaries of the planning area. The range of alternatives in this draft incorporates planning decisions brought forward from the current BLM planning documents, the Yuma District Resource Management Plan (1987), Kingman Resource Area Resource Management Plan (1995), Lower Gila

South Resource Management Plan (1988) and Lower Gila North Management Framework Plan (1983). The preferred alternative identifies five potential Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC): Beale Slough Riparian and Cultural ACEC (2,395 acres); Bullhead Bajada Natural and Cultural ACEC (7,090 acres); Crossman Peak Scenic ACEC (48,855 acres); Swansea Historic District ACEC (5,973 acres); and, Three Rivers Riparian ACEC (2,246 acres). There are up to four additional potential ACECs in one or more of the other alternatives: Black Peak Cultural ACEC (740 acres); Cienega Mining District Historic ACEC (6,649 acres); Lake Havasu Aubrey Hills Natural Area ACEC (19,088 acres); and, Whipple Wash Natural Area ACEC (10,962 acres). The following types of resource use limitations would generally apply to these ACECs: (1) Design grazing prescriptions to achieve the desired plant community objectives; (2) Recreation facilities would be limited to projects that protect ACEC values; (3) Camping would be limited to developed or signed sites; (4) Travel would be permitted only on designated open and signed routes. For detailed information see Chapter 2, Description of Alternatives, Special Area Designations section.

A Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared by the BLM for the Resource Management Plan accordance with planning regulations at 43 CFR 1610 and NEPA at 40 CFR 1502. The Lake Havasu Field Office Resource Management Plan affects only the BLM-administered Federal lands and Federal interests located within the planning area boundary.

Dated: September 16, 2005.

Elaine Y. Zielinski,
Arizona State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NM-923-1430-ET; NMNM 055653]

Public Land Order No. 7645; Partial Revocation of Public Land Order No. 2051; New Mexico

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public land order.

SUMMARY: This order partially revokes a Public Land Order insofar as it affects 40.16 acres of public land withdrawn

for use by the New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, now New Mexico State University, for research purposes in connection with Federal programs.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 31, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gilda Fitzpatrick, BLM New Mexico State Office, 1474 Rodeo Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502, 505-438-7597.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The land has been patented to a mining claimant. Since the land has been conveyed out of Federal ownership this is a record-clearing action only.

Order

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 (2000), it is ordered as follows:

Public Land Order No. 2051, which withdrew public land for use by the New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, now New Mexico State University, for research purposes in connection with Federal programs, is hereby revoked insofar as it affects the following described land:

New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 23 S., R. 2 E.,

Sec. 23, lots 19 and 20 (formerly described as S½ of lots 3 and 4).

The area described contains 40.16 acres in Dona Ana County.

Dated: September 13, 2005.

Rebecca W. Watson,

Assistant Secretary—Land and Minerals Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Public Land Order No. 7646; Revocation of Coal Classification Withdrawals; NM

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public land order.

SUMMARY: This order revokes 7 Executive Orders in their entirety as to approximately 512,380 acres withdrawn for coal classification purposes. This order opens the lands to surface entry and nonmetalliferous mining.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 31, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gilda Fitzpatrick, BLM New Mexico

State Office, 1474 Rodeo Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502, (505) 438-7597.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The lands were originally withdrawn to protect the potential coal resources from mining claims, but since coal is now a leaseable mineral the withdrawals are no longer needed. Copies of the original withdrawal orders containing legal descriptions of the lands involved are available from the BLM New Mexico State Office at the address listed above.

Order

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 (2000), it is ordered as follows:

1. The Executive Orders dated December 23, 1910, February 6, 1911, April 22, 1911, May 18, 1911, August 25, 1915, October 14, 1915, and July 30, 1917, which withdrew lands for coal classification purposes, are hereby revoked in their entirety.

2. At 10 a.m. on October 31, 2005, the lands referenced in Paragraph 1 will be opened to the operation of the public land laws generally, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law. All valid applications received at or prior to 10 a.m. on October 31, 2005, shall be considered as simultaneously filed at that time. Those received thereafter shall be considered in the order of filing.

3. At 10 a.m. on October 31, 2005 the lands referenced in Paragraph 1 will be opened to nonmetalliferous mineral location and entry under the United States mining laws, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law. Appropriation of any of the lands under the general mining laws prior to the date and time of restoration is unauthorized. Any such attempted appropriation, including attempted adverse possession under 30 U.S.C. 38 (2000), shall vest no rights against the United States. Acts required to establish a location and to initiate a right of possession are governed by State law where not in conflict with Federal law. The Bureau of Land Management will not intervene in disputes between rival locators over possessory rights since Congress has provided for such determinations in local courts.