DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency
[FEMA–1649–DR]

Pennsylvania; Major Disaster and Related Determinations


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (FEMA–1649–DR), dated June 30, 2006, and related determinations.

DATES: Effective Date: June 30, 2006.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated June 30, 2006, the President declared a major disaster under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121–5206 (the Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania resulting from severe storms, flooding, and mudslides beginning on June 23, 2006, and continuing, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121–5206 (the Stafford Act). Therefore, I declare that such a major disaster exists in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide assistance for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B) under the Public Assistance program in the designated areas, as well as Hazard Mitigation throughout the State, and any other forms of assistance under the Stafford Act you may deem appropriate, subject to completion of Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDAs), unless you determine that the incident is of such unusual severity and magnitude that PDAs are not required to determine the need for supplemental Federal assistance pursuant to 44 CFR 206.33(d). Direct Federal assistance is authorized.

Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance be supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs. If Other Needs Assistance is later warranted, Federal funding under that program will also be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs. For a period of up to 72 hours, you are authorized to fund assistance for debris removal and emergency protective measures, including direct Federal assistance, at 100 percent of the total eligible costs. Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

I do hereby determine the following areas of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to have been affected adversely by this declared major disaster:

Bradford, Bucks, Columbia, Luzerne, Northampton, Northumberland, Susquehanna, and Wyoming Counties for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B) under the Public Assistance Program, including direct Federal assistance. For a period of up to 72 hours, assistance for debris removal and emergency protective measures, including direct Federal assistance, will be provided at 100 percent of the total eligible costs.

All counties within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.051, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Coral Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individual and Family Assistance; 97.049, Individual and Family Disaster Housing Assistance; 97.050, Individual and Family Disaster Housing Operations; 97.055, Individual and Family Disaster Housing Assistance; 97.056, Public Assistance; 97.057, Public Assistance Grants; 97.058, Public Assistance Grants; 97.059, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

R. David Paulison,
Under Secretary for Federal Emergency Management and Director of FEMA

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management
[MT–921–06–1320–EL–P; MTM 95732]

Notice of Invitation—Coal Exploration License Application MTM 95732

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Invitation Coal Exploration License Application MTM 95732.

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 as 43 CFR 3410, interested parties are hereby invited to participate with Spring Creek Coal Company on a pro rata cost sharing basis in its program for the exploration of coal deposits owned by the United States of America in lands located in Big Horn County, Montana, encompassing 6,051.92 acres.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Giovannini, Mining Engineer, or Connie Schaff, Land Law Examiner, Branch of Solid Minerals (MT–921), Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Montana State Office, Billings, Montana 59101–4669, telephone (406) 896–5084 or (406) 896–5060, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: The lands to be explored for coal deposits are described as follows:

T 8 S., R 39 E., P.M.M.
Sec. 4: Lots 1 through 24
Sec. 5: Lots 1 through 24
Sec. 8: Lot 1
Sec. 14: S 4 NW 4, NW 4
Sec. 15: S 4 SE 4
Sec. 20: E 1/2
Sec. 21: S 1/2 NW 4
Sec. 22: NE 1/4 S
Sec. 23: NW 1/4 SW 1/4, SW 1/4
Sec. 24: SW 1/4
Sec. 35: S 1/2
T 9 S., R 39 E., P.M.M.
Sec. 1: Lots 1 through 4, W 1/2 E 1/2
Sec. 2: All
T 8 S., R 40 E., P.M.M.
Sec. 8: Lots 1 through 4, SE 1/4
Sec. 9: E 1/2 SW 1/4
T 9 S., R 40 E., P.M.M.
Sec. 5: Lots 3 through 4, S 4 NW 1/4
Sec. 6: Lots 1 through 7, S 4 NW 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4

Any party electing to participate in this exploration program must send written notice to both the State Director, BLM, 5001 Southgate Drive, Billings, Montana 59101–4669, and Spring Creek Coal Company, P.O. Box 67, Decker, Montana 59025. Such written notice must refer to serial number MTM 95732 and be received no later than 30 calendar days after publication of this Notice in the Federal Register or 10 calendar days after the last publication of this Notice in the Sheridan Press newspaper, whichever is later. This Notice will be published once a week for two (2) consecutive weeks in the Sheridan Press, Sheridan, Wyoming,
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. The exploration plan, as submitted by Spring Creek Coal Company, is available for public inspection at the BLM, 5001 Southgate Drive, Billings, Montana, during regular business hours (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.), Monday through Friday.

DATED: June 7, 2006.

Robert Giovannini,
Acting Chief, Branch of Solid Minerals.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management
[WY–040–06–1610–DT]

Notice of Availability of the Record of Decision for the Jack Morrow Hills Coordinated Activity Plan and Green River Resource Management Plan Amendment, Wyoming

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the National Environmental Policy Act, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the availability of the Record of Decision (ROD) for the Jack Morrow Hills Coordinated Activity Plan (CAP) and Green River Resource Management Plan (RMP) Amendment. The ROD documents the BLM’s decision to approve a land use plan amendment that addresses approximately 585,000 acres of public land located in Sweetwater, Sublette, and Fremont counties in southwestern Wyoming. The JMHCAP/Green River RMP Amendment contains land-use plan decisions that supersede previous land-use planning decisions made in the Green River RMP and completes decisions deferred in the Green River RMP. The CAP/ROD went into effect on the date the Wyoming State Director signed the ROD. Publication of this NOA today announces and commences the 30-day appeal period for a project implementation included in the ROD.

ADDRESSES: The ROD will be available electronically on the following Web site: http://www.wy.blm.gov/jmhecapped.

Copies of the Jack Morrow Hills CAP/ROD are available for public inspection at the following BLM office locations:

• Bureau of Land Management, Wyoming State Office

• 5353 Yellowstone Road, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003.

• Bureau of Land Management, Rock Springs Field Office.

• 280 Highway 191 North, Rock Springs, Wyoming 82901.

To request a copy of the ROD, please write or telephone the BLM contacts listed below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael R. Holbert, Field Manager, or Renee Dana, Jack Morrow Hills CAP Team Leader, Bureau of Land Management, Rock Springs Field Office, 280 Highway 191 North, Rock Springs, Wyoming 82901. Requests for a copy of the ROD may be sent electronically to: rock_springs_wymail@blm.gov with “JMHCAP” in the subject line. Mr. Holbert and Ms. Dana may be reached at (307) 352–0256.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Jack Morrow Hills CAP/ROD was developed with broad public participation through a 4-year collaborative planning process. The Jack Morrow Hills CAP/ROD is designed to achieve or maintain desired future conditions developed through the planning process. To meet the desired resource conditions, it includes a series of management actions for resources in the area including upland and riparian vegetation, wildlife habitats, heritage and visual resources, air quality, sensitive species, special management areas, livestock grazing, minerals including oil and gas, and recreation.

In response to the 30 day protest period that ended on August 16, 2004, a total of 1,011 protests were received by BLM. The BLM reviewed and responded to all submittals. The ROD includes a decision regarding the implementation of the project that may be appealed in accordance with 43 CFR part 4. The 30-day appeal period will start on the date this Notice of Availability is published in the Federal Register.

The JMHCAP and ROD modify existing special management areas and establish new ones. The JMHCAP planning area includes five Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACECs) previously designated under the Green River RMP. Four of the designated five ACECs remain unchanged. The fifth, Steamboat Mountain ACEC, has been expanded by about 4,000 acres and includes the Indian Gap historic trail and key habitats types such as the rare sagebrush/scurfpea vegetation type.

To protect important scientific values, the West Sand Dunes Archaeological District has been established as a new management area so that the BLM may manage a portion of the public lands with important Native American cultural values, important watershed values, unique wildlife habitat, and feature crucial and overlapping big game habitat the Steamboat Mountain Management Area has been established.

The Jack Morrow Hills CAP is essentially the same as the Proposed Plan in the Jack Morrow Hills CAP/FEIS published in July 14, 2004 (69 FR 42201). No inconsistencies with State or local plans, policies, or programs were identified during the Governor’s consistency review of the CAP/FEIS. As a result, only editorial modifications were made in the JMHCAP. These modifications correct and clarify errors that were noted during review of the CAP/FEIS and provide further clarification for some of the decisions.


Walter E. George.
Acting State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
National Park Service

Abbreviated Final Environmental Impact Statement and General Management Plan; Minidoka Internment National Monument; Jerome County, ID; Notice of Availability

Summary: Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (Pub. L. 91–190, as amended), and the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR part 1500–1508), the National Park Service (NPS), Department of the Interior, has prepared an abbreviated final environmental impact statement (FEIS) for the proposed General Management Plan (GMP) for Minidoka Internment National Monument located in southern Idaho. This FEIS describes and analyzes four GMP alternatives that respond to four NPS planning requirements and to the public’s concerns and issues, identified during the extensive scoping and public involvement process. Each alternative presents management strategies for resource protection and preservation, education and interpretation, visitor use and facilities, land protection and boundaries, and long-term operations and management of the national monument. The potential environmental consequences of all the alternatives, and mitigation strategies, are identified and analyzed in the FEIS.

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