

T. 47 N., R. 71 W., 6th P.M., Wyoming.
 Section 21: Lots 1 through 3, 6 through 11, 14 through 16;
 Section 28: Lots 1 through 3, 6 through 11, 14 through 16;
 Section 33: Lots 1 through 3, 6 through 11, 14 through 16.
 Containing 2,900.24 acres more or less.

The tract is adjacent to Federal and State of Wyoming leases to the east and north controlled by the Cordero Rojo Mine. It is adjacent to additional unleased Federal coal to the west and south. It is also adjacent to about 540 acres of private coal controlled by the Cordero Rojo Mine. All of the acreage offered has been determined to be suitable for mining except for the main line railroad right-of-way in the far southeast portion of the LBA. Features such as the county roads and pipelines can be moved to permit coal recovery. The Belle Fourche River crosses the LBA, but can be diverted to allow mining. In addition, numerous oil and/or gas wells have been drilled on the tract. The estimate of the bonus value of the coal lease will include consideration of the future production from these wells. An economic analysis of this future income stream will determine whether a well is bought out and plugged prior to mining or re-established after mining is completed. The surface estate of the tract is owned by Cordero Mining Company, Cordero Rojo, Inc., a private individual, and the United States.

The tract contains surface mineable coal reserves in the Wyodak seam currently being recovered in the adjacent, existing mine. On the LBA tract, the Wyodak seam is generally a single seam averaging about 60 feet thick. An area containing no coal trends east/west across portions of section 4 in the southern portion of the LBA. Also, the southern portion of the LBA may have a rider of approximately 5–7 feet thick, which splits off the main seam with interburden ranging from 4–25 feet thick. Overburden depths to the Wyodak seam range from 60–340 feet thick on the LBA.

The tract contains an estimated 288,082,000 tons of mineable coal. This estimate of mineable reserves includes the main Wyodak seam and rider mentioned above but does not include any tonnage from localized seams or splits containing less than 5 feet of coal. It does not include the adjacent State of Wyoming or private coal although these reserves are expected to be recovered in conjunction with the LBA. It also excludes coal within and along the railroad right of way as required by typical mining practices. The total mineable stripping ratio (BCY/Ton) of

the coal is about 3.5:1. Potential bidders for the LBA should consider the recovery rate expected from thick seam and multiple seam mining.

The Maysdorf South LBA coal is ranked as subbituminous C. The overall average quality on an as-received basis is 8404 BTU/lb with about 0.29% sulfur. These quality averages place the coal reserves near the lower/middle of the range of coal quality currently being mined in the Wyoming portion of the Powder River Basin.

The tract will be leased to the qualified bidder of the highest cash amount provided that the high bid meets or exceeds the BLM's estimate of the fair market value of the tract. The minimum bid for the tract is \$100 per acre or fraction thereof. The bids should be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, or be hand delivered. The Cashier will issue a receipt for each hand-delivered bid. Bids received after 4 p.m., on Tuesday, November 27, 2007, will not be considered. The minimum bid is not intended to represent fair market value. The fair market value of the tract will be determined by the Authorized Officer after the sale. The lease issued as a result of this offering will provide for payment of an annual rental of \$3.00 per acre, or fraction thereof, and a royalty payment to the United States of 12.5 percent of the value of coal produced by strip or auger mining methods and 8 percent of the value of the coal produced by underground mining methods. The value of the coal will be determined in accordance with 30 CFR 206.250.

Bidding instructions for the tract offered and the terms and conditions of the proposed coal lease are available from the BLM Wyoming State Office at the addresses above. Case file documents, WYW174407, are available for inspection at the BLM Wyoming State Office.

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Alan Rabinoff,

Deputy State Director, Minerals and Lands.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Resource Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument (GSENM), Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Advisory Committee (GSENMAC) Meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and The Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Advisory Committee (GSENMAC) will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The GSENMAC will meet November 28 and 29, 2007; with an optional field trip on November 27.

ADDRESSES: The GSENMAC will meet at the GSENM Visitor Center, Conference Room, 745 HWY 89 East, Kanab, Utah.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact Larry Crutchfield, Public Affairs Officer, GSENM Headquarters Office, 190 East Center, Kanab, Utah 84741; phone (435) 644-4310, or e-mail larry_crutchfield@blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting on November 28 will begin at 8:30 a.m. and conclude at 6 p.m.; the meeting on November 29 will begin at 8:30 a.m. and conclude at 2:30 p.m. A geology/paleontology-oriented field trip is scheduled from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. on November 27.

The Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Advisory Committee (GSENMAC) was first appointed by the Secretary of Interior on September 26, 2003, pursuant to the Monument Management Plan, the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA) and was subsequently reappointed June 2, 2006. As specified in the Monument Management Plan, the GSENMAC will have several primary tasks (1) Review evaluation reports produced by the Management Science Team and make recommendations on protocols and projects to meet overall objectives. (2) Review appropriate research proposals and make recommendations on project necessity and validity. (3) Make recommendations regarding allocation of research funds through review of research and project proposals as well as needs identified through the evaluation process above. (4) Could be consulted on issues such as protocols for specific projects.

Topics to be presented and discussed by the GSENMAC include: Management updates to the GSENMAC; the Administrative Sub-committee report; and the integration of science and management.

Members of the public are welcome to address the committee beginning at 5

p.m. local time on November 28, 2007, in Kanab, Utah, at the GSENM Visitor Center. Depending on the number of persons wishing to speak, a time limit could be established. Interested persons may make oral statements to the GSENMAC during this time or written statements may be submitted for the GSENMAC's consideration. Written statements can be sent to: Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, Attn.: Larry Crutchfield, 190 E. Center Street, Kanab, UT 84741. Information to be distributed to the GSENMAC is requested 10 days prior to the start of the GSENMAC meeting.

All meetings, including the field trip, are open to the public; however, transportation, lodging, and meals are the responsibility of the participating public.

Dated: October 18, 2007.

Brad Exton,

Monument Manager, Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Notice of Public Meeting, Idaho Falls District Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Idaho Falls District Resource Advisory Council (RAC), will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The RAC will next meet in Salmon, Idaho on November 28 and 29, 2007. Day one of the meeting will be an orientation session aimed at training new members. An overview of each of the Idaho Falls District's four field offices will be presented. The second day will include updates of ongoing issues, including the Challis Field Office Travel Management Plan and Snake River Activity/Operations Plan. The meeting will also consider proposed fee increases on the Salmon-Challis National Forest and Upper Snake Field Office, as provided by the Recreation Enhancement Act. Finally, the RAC will set its quarterly meeting schedule for 2008. Other topics will be

scheduled as appropriate. All meetings are open to the public.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 15-member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in the BLM Idaho Falls District (IFD), which covers eastern Idaho.

All meetings are open to the public. The public may present written comments to the Council. Each formal Council meeting will also have time allocated for hearing public comments. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation, tour transportation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact the BLM as provided below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joanna Wilson or Sonja Shadow, RAC Coordinator, Idaho Falls District, 1405 Hollipark Dr., Idaho Falls, ID 83401. Telephone (208) 524-7550. E-mail: Joanna_Wilson@blm.gov or Sonja_Shadow@blm.gov.

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Sonja Shadow,

RAC Coordinator, Public Affairs Specialist.

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Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Utah's Resource Advisory Council and Recreation Resource Advisory Council Meetings

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Department of Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Utah's Resource Advisory Council (RAC) and Recreation Resource Advisory Committee (RRAC) Meetings.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and The Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Utah Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The Utah Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet December 11, 2007. The Recreation Resource Advisory Council will meet January 16-17, 2008.

ADDRESSES: The RAC will meet at the Homewood Suites, Rio Grande Conference Room, 423 West 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah, (December 11, 2007). The RRAC will meet at the Holiday Inn, Sands-Sky Conference Rooms, 838 Westwood Blvd., Price, Utah, (January 16-17, 2008).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sherry Foot, Special Programs Coordinator, Utah State Office, Bureau of Land Management, P.O. Box 45155, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84145-0155; phone (801) 539-4195.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 15-member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Utah. On December 11, from 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., the Council will hold elections of officers and will be given an update from the State Director on "What's Happening in Utah." Additional topics include: presentations on the oil and gas permitting process, OHV management subgroup, Healthy Lands Initiative, Take it Outside Initiative, and BLM's involvement in the Crandall Canyon Mine. A half-hour public comment period is scheduled to begin from 3 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Written comments may be sent to the Bureau of Land Management's address listed above. All meetings are open to the public; however, transportation, lodging, and meals are the responsibility of the participating public.

On January 16 (1 p.m.-4:30 p.m.) and January 17 (8 a.m.-11:15 a.m.), the Recreation Resource Advisory Council will be given recreation fee presentations from the BLM's Monticello Field Office (Cedar Mesa/Kane Gulch), the Price Field Office (Cleveland Lloyd Dinosaur Quarry) and from the U.S. Forest Service—Flaming Gorge NRA, American Fork Canyon, Mirror Lake Corridor, Manti-La Sal REA and Fishlake Campground. A half-hour public comment period is scheduled to begin from 10:30 a.m.-11 a.m. Written comments may be sent to the Bureau of Land Management addressed listed above. All meetings are open to the public; however, transportation, lodging, and meals are the responsibility of the participating public.

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Selma Sierra,

State Director.

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