# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

# **Bureau of Land Management**

[WY-923-1310-FI; WYW173743]

# Wyoming: Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of 30 U.S.C. 188(d) and (e), and 43 CFR 3108.2–3(a) and (b)(1), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received a petition for reinstatement from Lee Washburn for Noncompetitive oil and gas lease WYW173743 for land in Weston County, Wyoming. The petition was filed on time and was accompanied by all the rentals due since the date the lease terminated under the law.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bureau of Land Management, Pamela J. Lewis, Chief, Branch of Fluid Minerals Adjudication, at (307) 775–6176.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The lessee has agreed to the amended lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$5.00 per acre, or fraction thereof, per year and 16<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> percent, respectively. The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee and \$163 to reimburse the Department for the cost of this Federal Register notice. The lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in sections 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), and the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate lease WYW173743 effective January 1, 2008, under the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above. BLM has not issued a valid lease affecting the lands.

#### Pamela J. Lewis,

Chief, Branch of Fluid Minerals Adjudication. [FR Doc. E8–11456 Filed 5–21–08; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4310–22–P

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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[NV–056–5874–EU; N–82714; 8–08807; TAS: 14X5260]

# Notice of Realty Action: Direct Sale of Public Lands in Nye County, NV

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

ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) proposes to offer by non-competitive sale one parcel of land in Nye County, Nevada totaling approximately 292.46 acres. This land has been examined and found suitable for disposal utilizing direct sale procedures. The authority for the sale is under Sections 203 and 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), 43 U.S.C. 1713 and 1719, respectively, and BLM land sale and mineral conveyance regulations at 43 CFR 2710 and 2720.

**DATES:** Interested parties may submit written comments regarding the proposed sale or the environmental assessment (EA) until July 7, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Mail written comments to the BLM Field Manager, Las Vegas Field Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89130.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Manuela Johnson at (702) 515-5224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following described land, parcel N– 82714, is located at the intersection of U.S. Highway 95 and State Route 373, known as Lathrop Wells, Nevada. The parcel is legally described as:

Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada.

T. 15 S., R. 50 E., Sec. 18, lots 39 and 41, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NW<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>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>,

NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>,

The area described contains 292.46 acres, more or less.

This parcel of land is offered for sale to Nye County, Nevada at no less than the fair market value (FMV) of \$818,900 as determined by the authorized officer. An appraisal report has been prepared by a state certified appraiser for the purposes of establishing FMV.

Consistent with Section 203 of FLPMA, the tract of the lands may be sold where, as a result of approved land use planning, the sale of the tract meets the disposal criteria. These lands are identified as suitable for disposal in the **BLM Las Vegas Resource Management** Plan (RMP), approved October 5, 1998. BLM has determined that the proposed action conforms to the land use plan decision, LD-1, in that RMP. LD-1 provides that the Las Vegas Field Office should dispose of this property to local governmental entities as identified by a local government and is consistent with community plans. The EA, master title

plat, map, and approved appraisal report for the proposed sale are available for review at the Las Vegas Field Office.

This sale meets the criteria found in 43 CFR 2710.0–3(a)(2) which states that disposal of such tract shall serve important public objectives, including but not limited to, expansion of communities and economic development, which cannot be achieved prudently or feasibly on lands other than public lands and which outweigh other public objectives and values, including, but not limited to, recreation and scenic values, which would be served by maintaining such tract in Federal ownership.

Lands totaling approximately 353.12 acres were identified for a noncompetitive direct sale under special legislation, Public Law 106–113, through a notice published in the **Federal Register** on March 9, 2001. Of these lands, 60.66 acres, more or less, were conveyed to Nye County by Patent Number 27–2002–0059, dated July 18, 2002. Public Law 106–113 expired on November 29, 2004.

On March 30, 2006, Nye County submitted a letter to the BLM requesting to purchase the remaining 292.46 acres, more or less, of lands pursuant to 43 CFR 2710.0–6(c)(3)(iii), Sections 203 and 209 of FLPMA, and the Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act (Public Law 106–248). Pursuant to that request from Nye County, the BLM proposes to offer by sale this parcel of land located in the Amargosa Valley.

This parcel is surrounded on the south side by private lands and the remaining sides by public lands. Access to the parcel is from U.S. Highway 95.

A direct sale (without competition) may be utilized, when in the opinion of the authorized officer, a competitive sale is not appropriate and the public interest would best be served by direct sale. An example includes, but is not limited to, a tract identified for transfer to State or local government.

Certain minerals for this parcel will be reserved to the United States in accordance with BLM approved Mineral Potential Report, dated February 29, 2000. Information pertaining to the reservation of minerals specific to the parcel is located in the case file and available for review at the Las Vegas Field Office.

Terms and Conditions of Sale: The patent issued would contain the following numbered reservations, covenants, terms and conditions:

1. All sand, gravel, oil and gas minerals are reserved to the United States, its permittees, licensees and lessees, together with the right to