in consideration of section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), along with Executive Order 13576,

"Delivering an Efficient, Effective, and Accountable Government," and the President's Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies of January 21, 2009—Transparency and Open Government (74 FR 4685; January 26, 2009), which call on all Federal agencies to promote openness and transparency in Government by disclosing information to the public, we invite public comment before final action on these permit applications before final action is taken.

# **III. Permit Applications**

A. Endangered Species

Applicant: Zoological Society of San Diego, San Diego, CA; PRT–62113A

The applicant requests a permit to import one captive-born male Aye-aye (*Daubentonia madagascariensis*) from Japan, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo, Omaha, NE; PRT–62434A

The applicant requests a permit to import one captive-born male snow leopard (*Uncia uncia*) from Canada for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Houston Zoo, Inc., Houston, TX; PRT–697763

The applicant requests amendment to their captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) to include the red-crowned crane (*Grus japonensis*) to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: ADLSeven Hunting Ranch LLC, Crystal City, TX; PRT–62429A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the barashigha (Rucervus duvaucelii), Eld's deer (Rucervus eldii), Arabian oryx (Oryx leucoryx), scimitar-horned oryx (Oryx dammah), Addax (Addax nasomaculatus), and dama gazelle (Nanger dama) to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Hahn Laboratory/University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia, PA; PRT–54173A

The applicant requests a permit to import chimpanzee (*Pan troglodytes*) biological samples from Cameroon for

the purpose of enhancement to the survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Multiple Applicants

The following applicants each request a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (Damaliscus pygargus pygargus) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Donald Hotter, Colstrip, MT; PRT–30686A

Applicant: Stanley Coman, Clancy, MT; PRT–61274A

Correction

On January 4, 2012, we published a **Federal Register** notice inviting the public to comment on several applications for permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species (77 FR 298). We provided an incorrect permit number in our description of the Feld Entertainment application, which starts in the second column on page 300. We printed the incorrect number of PRT-702230. That number should have been PRT-720230. All the other information we printed was correct. With this notice, we correct that error and extend the comment period for the Feld Entertainment application (see DATES). The complete corrected entry for this application is as follows:

Applicant: Feld Entertainment Inc., Vienna, VA; PRT–720230

The applicant requests renewal of their captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for leopard (*Panthera pardus*) and Asian elephant (*Elephas maximus*), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

## Brenda Tapia,

Program Analyst/Data Administrator, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management** 

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Call for Nominations for the Pinedale Anticline Working Group, Wyoming

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Nominations are being solicited for one position representing transportation/rights-of-way or energy and mineral development interests on the Pinedale Anticline Working Group (PAWG).

**DATES:** Complete nominations must be received no later than February 16, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Mail or deliver nominations to Shelley Gregory, Bureau of Land Management, Pinedale Field Office, 1625 West Pine Street, P.O. Box 768, Pinedale, WY 82941, or email to ssgregory@blm.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Shelley Gregory, Bureau of Land Management, Pinedale Field Office, 1625 West Pine Street, P.O. Box 768, Pinedale, WY 82941; (307) 315–0612, ssgregory@blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The PAWG was established by the Environmental Impact Statement Record of Decision (ROD) for the Pinedale Anticline Project Area (PAPA) on July 27, 2000, and carried forward with the release of the ROD for the PAPA Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement on September 12, 2008. The Secretary of the Interior renewed the PAWG charter on August 3, 2010.

The PAWG is a Federal Advisory Committee Act group which develops recommendations and provides advice to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) on mitigation, monitoring and adaptive management in the PAPA.

PAWG duties and responsibilities are as follows:

1. Develop recommendations for the BLM regarding matters relating to monitoring and mitigation of oil and gas development as described in the ROD for the PAPA. At the direction of the Designated Federal Officer, the PAWG may review and analyze information, recommend issues for evaluation and provide advice on the issues presented.

2. Review the implementation of construction and rehabilitation operations through an annual field inspection to provide advice to ensure that the mitigation measures are reasonable and effective.

- 3. Advise the BLM on working with stakeholders to develop or enhance resource management programs and objectives.
- 4. Make recommendations on future PAWG resource management priorities.

Nominations are being solicited for persons representing the following categories:

- 1. Transportation and rights-of-way interests.
- 2. Energy and mineral development interests.

Nomination packages should contain the following information:

- 1. Name of Resource Advisory Council to be Considered For
- 2. Specific Area of Interest Nominee Seeks to Represent
  - 3. Full Legal Name of Nominee
  - 4. Business Address
  - 5. Home Address
  - 6. Mailing Address
  - 7. Business Phone
  - 8. Home Phone
  - 9. Email Address
  - 10. Occupation/Title
  - 11. Education
  - 12. Work History
- 13. Career/Education/Experience Highlights
- 14. Experience or Knowledge of the Council's Geographic Area of Jurisdiction
- 15. Experience Working with Disparate Groups to Achieve Collaborative Solutions
- 16. Any BLM Permits, Leases or Licenses Held by Nominee or Employer
- 17. Whether or Not Nominee is a Registered Lobbyist
  - 18. Original Signature and Date
- 19. Two Letters of Reference From Interests or Organizations to be Represented

## 20. A Current Resume

A group nominating more than one person should indicate a preferred order of appointment. The Obama Administration prohibits individuals who are currently federally registered lobbyists from being appointed or reappointed to FACA and non-FACA boards, committees, or councils.

Members are expected to attend all scheduled PAWG meetings. Members are appointed for 2-year terms and may be reappointed to additional terms at the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior.

Additional information about the PAWG, its membership and activities, and the nomination process can be found at: http://www.blm.gov/wy/st/en/ field offices/pinedale/pawg.html.

Authority: 43 CFR 1784.4-1.

## Donald A. Simpson,

State Director.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

#### **Bureau of Land Management**

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# Notice of Competitive Coal Lease Sale,

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the coal reserves in the lands described below in Musselshell County, Montana, will be offered for competitive lease by sealed bid in accordance with the provisions of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended.

DATES: The lease sale will be held at 11 a.m. on February 28, 2012. Sealed bids must be submitted on or before 10 a.m. on February 28, 2012.

ADDRESSES: The lease sale will be held in the 920 Conference Room of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Montana State Office, 5001 Southgate Drive, Billings, Montana 59101–4669.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Greg Fesko by telephone at (406) 896-5080 or by email at gfesko@blm.gov; or Connie Schaff by telephone at (406) 896–5060 or by email at cschaff@blm.gov. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-(800) 877-8339 to contact the above individuals during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individuals. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This sale is being held in response to a lease by application (LBA) filed by Signal Peak Energy LLC. The Federal coal resource to be offered consists of all reserves recoverable by underground mining methods in the following described lands:

## Principal Meridian, Montana

Sec. 4, lot 1, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; Sec. 8, NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; Sec. 10, W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; Sec. 14, SW1/4NE1/4, NW1/4, S1/2; and Sec. 22, W1/2, SE1/4.

Containing 2,679.86 acres, more or less, in Musselshell County, Montana.

The tract (LBA MTM 97988) contains an estimated 35.5 million tons of recoverable coal reserves. The tract's coal reserves average 12.4 feet in thickness, 9,735 BTU per pound in heating value, 9.64 percent ash, and 0.87 percent sulfur content. The coal reserves to be offered are based on mining the Mammoth coal seam described in the proposed action in the Environmental Assessment and consists of all reserves recoverable by underground mining methods. 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. No bid that is less than \$100 per acre, or fraction thereof, will be considered. The minimum bid is not intended to represent fair market value. The fair market value will be determined by the authorized officer after the sale.

Sealed bids clearly marked "Sealed Bid for MTM 97988 Coal Sale—Not to be opened before 11 a.m. on February 28, 2012" must be submitted to the Cashier, BLM Montana State Office, at the address given above.

Prior to lease issuance, the high bidder, if other than the applicant, must pay to the BLM the cost recovery fees in the amount of \$132,739 in addition to all processing costs the BLM incurs after the date of this sale notice (43 CFR 3473.2).

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 10 a.m. on February 28, 2012, will not be considered. If identical high bids are received, the tying high bidders will be requested to submit follow-up sealed bids until a high bid is received. All tie-breaking sealed-bids must be submitted within 15 minutes following the sale official's announcement at the sale that identical high bids have been received. A lease issued as a result of this offering will provide for payment of an annual rental of \$3 per acre, or fraction thereof, and a royalty payable to the United States of 12.5 percent of the value of coal mined by surface methods and 8.0 percent of the value of coal mined by underground methods. Bidding instructions for the tract offered and the terms and conditions of the proposed coal lease are included in the Detailed Statement of Lease Sale. Copies of the statement and the proposed coal lease are available at the Montana State Office. Case file MTM 97988 is also available