

resources, and water resources across up to 28 million acres of BLM-administered land in Alaska.

While BLM currently intends to prepare a single EIS, we request public input during the scoping period on whether the analysis should be completed through one or multiple EISs. The BLM is also seeking input on specific areas within these planning areas that may experience unique or otherwise significant impacts as a result of opening the lands, which would need to be considered in the analysis.

During this 60-day scoping period, the BLM does not intend to hold any public meetings, in-person or virtual. Should the BLM later determine to hold public meetings, the specific date(s) and location(s) of any meeting will be announced at least 15 days in advance. The BLM is seeking public comments on issues, concerns, potential impacts, alternatives, and mitigation measures that should be considered in the analysis. Additional opportunities for public participation, including at least a 60-day public comment period, will be provided upon publication of the Draft EIS. The NEPA process will be completed consistent with 40 CFR 1501.10(b)(2), following which the Secretary will make a decision regarding the ANCSA 17(d)(1) withdrawals.

The input of Alaska Native Tribes and Corporations is of critical importance to this EIS. Therefore, during the planning process, the BLM will continue to consult with potentially affected Federally recognized Tribes on a government-to-government basis, and with affected Alaska Native Corporations in accordance with Public Law 108–199, Div. H, sec. 161, 118 Stat. 452, as amended by Public Law 108–447, Div. H, sec. 518, 118 Stat. 3267, as well as Executive Order 13175, and other Department and Bureau policies. We respectfully request participation in consultation by Alaska Native Tribes and Alaska Native Corporations to provide their views and recommendations on the alternatives outlined above, including specific lands to be opened or to remain subject to withdrawals. The BLM will hold individual consultation meetings upon request.

The BLM will also use and coordinate the NEPA process to help fulfill its obligations under the NHPA, including as provided in 36 CFR 800.2(d)(3). Information about historic and cultural resources within the area potentially affected by the proposed action will assist the BLM in identifying and evaluating impacts to such resources. Federal, State, and local agencies, along with Tribes and other stakeholders that

may be interested in or affected by the proposed opening of lands withdrawn under the authority of Section 17(d)(1) of ANCSA, are invited to participate in the scoping process and, if eligible, may request or be asked by the BLM to participate in the development of the EIS as cooperating agencies.

It is important that commenters provide their comments at such times and in such manner that they are useful to the agency's preparation of the EIS. Therefore, comments should be provided prior to the close of the comment period and should clearly articulate the commenter's concerns and contentions. Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be part of the public record for this proposed action. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Steven Cohn,

State Director, BLM Alaska.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Realty Action: Direct Sale of Public Land in Delta County, CO

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management.

ACTION: Notice of realty action.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is proposing the noncompetitive (direct) sale of a parcel of public land in Colorado to resolve inadvertent and unauthorized use of public lands. The 6.62-acre parcel is located in Delta County and will be sold to Bud Hawkins and Cindy Hawkins at the appraised fair market value of \$3,500. The sale will be subject to the applicable provisions of sections 203 and 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA) and BLM land sale regulations.

DATES: Interested parties may submit written comments regarding this direct sale by October 3, 2022.

ADDRESSES: Mail written comments to Jana Moe, Realty Specialist, BLM Uncompahgre Field Office, 2465 S Townsend Road, Montrose, CO 81401 or by email to jpmoe@blm.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jana Moe, Realty Specialist, BLM, Uncompahgre Field Office, telephone: (970) 240–5324; email: jpmoe@blm.gov. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BLM will consider the direct sale, in accordance with Sections 203 and 209 of FLPMA, of the following public lands:

New Mexico Principal Meridian, Colorado

T. 51 N., R. 9 W.,

Sec. 17, lots 1 and 4.

The area described contains 6.62 acres, according to the official plat of survey on file with the BLM.

There is no known mineral value in the parcel so the mineral estate would also be conveyed in accordance with Section 209 of FLPMA. This sale is in conformance with the BLM Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area (GGNCA) Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan decision LAND C–5, (pages 2–9) approved in November 2004. The parcel is located within the GGNCA planning area but is not located within the GGNCA boundary. A parcel-specific environmental assessment (EA), document number DOI–BLM–CO–S054–2020–0006 EA, was prepared in connection with this realty action. It can be viewed online at <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2000347/510>.

The land is suitable for direct sale under FLPMA, without competition, consistent with 43 CFR 2711.3–3(a)(5), because there is a need to resolve an inadvertent and unauthorized use of public lands, which are encumbered by privately owned improvements.

Pursuant to the requirements of 43 CFR 2711.1–2(d), publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** will segregate the land from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws, except for the sale provisions of FLPMA. Until

completion of the sale, the BLM will no longer accept land use applications affecting the public land. The segregative effect will terminate upon issuance of a patent, publication in the **Federal Register** or on a termination of the segregation, or on August 18, 2024 unless extended by the BLM Colorado State Director in accordance with 43 CFR 2711.1–2(d) prior to the termination date.

The patents, if issued, will include the following terms, covenants, conditions, and reservations:

1. A reservation to the United States for ditches and canals constructed by authority of the United States under the Act of August 30, 1890;

2. Valid existing rights issued prior to conveyance;

3. An appropriate indemnification clause protecting the United States from claims arising out of the patentee's use, occupancy, or operations on the patented lands;

4. Additional terms and conditions that the authorized officer deems appropriate.

The EA, appraisal, maps, and environmental site assessment are available for review at the location listed in the **ADDRESSES** section earlier. Interested parties may submit, in writing, any comments concerning the sale, including notifications of any encumbrances or other claims relating to the parcel (see **ADDRESSES**).

The BLM Colorado State Director will review adverse comments regarding the parcel and may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action, in-whole or in-part. In the absence of timely objections, this realty action will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior.

In addition to publication in the **FEDERAL REGISTER**, the BLM will also publish this notice in the *Delta County Independent* newspaper, once a week, for 3 consecutive weeks.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comments, the BLM will make your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

(Authority: 43 CFR 2711.1–2)

Stephanie Connolly,

Acting BLM Colorado State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Notice of Inventory Completion: Valentine Museum, Richmond, VA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Valentine Museum has completed an inventory of human remains and has determined that there is no cultural affiliation between the human remains and any Indian Tribe. The human remains were likely removed from unknown locations in Virginia and/or North Carolina.

DATES: Disposition of the human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice may occur on or after September 19, 2022.

ADDRESSES: Alicia Starliper, Collection Project Manager/Registrar, The Valentine Museum, 1015 E Clay Street, Richmond, VA 23219, telephone (804) 649–0711 Ext. 329, email astarliper@thevalentine.org.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA. The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the Valentine Museum. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice. Additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the inventory or related records held by the Valentine Museum.

Description

Human remains representing, at minimum, three individuals were removed from unknown locations reasonably believed to be in Virginia. One individual, whose sex and age are indeterminate, is represented by four teeth, one distal phalanx, and one unidentified bone. A second individual, whose sex and age are indeterminate, is represented by a cranial fragment. The third individual is a male, 21–30 years old. No known individuals were identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

As part of his interest in prehistoric culture, museum founder Mann S. Valentine II (1824–1892), together with his sons Benjamin B. Valentine (1862–1919) and Edward P. Valentine (1864–1908), initiated multiple amateur

excavations of Native American burial sites predominantly located in Virginia and North Carolina. The Valentine family disturbed these burial sites and removed ancestral human remains and funerary objects to add to their private collection, which became the foundation of the Valentine Museum.

Aboriginal Land

The human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice were removed from known geographic locations. These locations are the aboriginal lands of one or more Indian Tribes. The following information was used to identify the aboriginal land: Executive Order.

Determinations

Pursuant to NAGPRA and its implementing regulations, and after consultation with the appropriate Indian Tribes, the Valentine Museum has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of three individuals of Native American ancestry.
- No relationship of shared group identity can be reasonably traced between the human remains and any Indian Tribe.
- The human remains described in this notice were removed from the aboriginal lands of the Catawba Indian Nation (*previously* listed as Catawba Tribe of South Carolina); Cherokee Nation; Chickahominy Indian Tribe; Chickahominy Indian Tribe—Eastern Division; Delaware Nation, Oklahoma; Delaware Tribe of Indians; Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians; Monacan Indian Nation; Nansemond Indian Nation (*previously* listed as Nansemond Indian Tribe); Pamunkey Indian Tribe; Rappahannock Tribe, Inc.; The Muscogee (Creek) Nation; Tuscarora Nation; and the Upper Mattaponi Indian Tribe.

Requests for Disposition

Written requests for disposition of the human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice must be sent to the Responsible Official identified in **ADDRESSES**. Requests for disposition may be submitted by:

1. Any one or more of the Indian Tribes identified in this notice and, if joined to a request from one or more of the Indian Tribes, any one or more of the following non-federally recognized Indian groups: the Cheroenhaka (Nottoway) Indian Tribe; Mattaponi Indian Tribe; Nottoway Indian Tribe of Virginia; and the Patowomeck Indian Tribe of Virginia.