

California Desert District Advisory Council, c/o Bureau of Land Management, Public Affairs Office, 6221 Box Springs Boulevard, Riverside, California 92507-0714. Written comments also are accepted at the time of the meeting and, if copies are provided to the recorder, will be incorporated into the minutes.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND MEETING CONFIRMATION:

Contact the Bureau of Land Management, California Desert District, Public Affairs Office, 6221 Box Springs Boulevard, Riverside, California 92507-0714; (909) 697-5215.

Dated: October 31, 1996.

Jo Simpson,

Asst. District Manager, External Affairs.

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[AK-040-1410-00; AA-77671]

Notice of Realty Action; Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act Classification; Alaska

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The following public lands on Fort Richardson Army Base, near Anchorage, Alaska, have been examined and found suitable for classification and opening under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, as amended 943 U.S.C. 869 *et seq.*)

Seward Meridian, Alaska

T. 13 N., R. 2 W.,

Sec. 5, metes and bounds.

Containing 8.75 acres, more or less.

This action is a motion by the Bureau of Land Management to make available lands identified in EA No. AK-040-96-027, as not needed for Federal purposes and required by the Municipality of Anchorage, Anchorage School District as site of the Ursa Major Elementary School. Lease of the site for recreation or public purpose use would be in the public interest. Detailed information concerning this action is available for review at the office of the Bureau of Land Management, Anchorage District, 6881 Abbott Loop Road, Anchorage, Alaska. Lease of the lands would be subject to the following terms, conditions and reservations:

1. Provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and to all applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior.

2. All valid existing rights documented on the official public land records at the time of lease issuance.

3. All minerals shall be reserved to the United States, together with the right to prospect for, mine and remove the minerals.

4. Any other reservations that the authorized officer determines appropriate to ensure public access and proper management of Federal lands and interests therein.

Upon publication of this notice in the Federal Register, the lands will be segregated from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the general mining laws, except for lease or conveyance under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and leasing under the mineral leasing laws. For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice, interested persons may submit comments regarding the proposed classification of the lands to the District Manager, Anchorage District Office, 6881 Abbott Loop Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99507-2599. Any adverse comment will be reviewed by the State Director. In the absence of any adverse comments, the classification will become effective 60 days from the date of publication of this notice.

Classification Comments: Interested parties may submit comments involving the suitability of the land for a school facility. Comments on the classification are restricted to whether the land is physically suited for the proposal, whether the use will maximize the future use or uses of the land, whether the use is consistent with local planning and zoning, or if the use is consistent with State and Federal programs.

Application Comments: Interested parties may submit comments regarding the specific use proposed in the application and plan of development, whether the BLM followed proper administrative procedure in reaching the decision, or any other factor not directly related to the suitability of the land for a school facility.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dennis R. Benson, BLM, Anchorage District Office, 6881 Abbott Loop Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99507-2599, (907) 267-1212.

Dated: October 22, 1996.

Nicholas Douglas,

District Manager.

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[OR 53113-53117; OR-080-07-1430-01: G7-0010]

Realty Action; Proposed Modified Competitive Sale

October 28, 1996.

The following described public lands have been examined and determined to be suitable for transfer out of Federal ownership by modified competitive sale under the authority of Sections 203 and 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended (90 Stat. 2750; 43 U.S.C. 1713 and 90 Stat. 2757; 43 U.S.C. 1719), at not less than the appraised fair market value:

Willamette Meridian, Oregon,

T. 5 S., R. 6W.,

Sec. 11, Lot 6 (OR 53113)

Sec. 11, Lot 7 (OR 53114)

Sec. 11, Lot 8 (OR 53115)

Sec. 11, Lots 9 and 10 (OR 53116)

Sec. 11, Lots 11 and 12 (OR 53117)

The above-described parcels aggregate 6.45 acres in Yamhill County.

The parcels will not be offered for sale until at least 60 days after publication of this notice in the Federal Register. The fair market value of the parcels have not yet been determined. Anyone interested in knowing the values may request this information from the address shown below.

The above-described lands are hereby segregated from appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws, but not from sale under the above-cited statute, for 270 days or until title transfer is completed or the segregation is terminated by publication in the Federal Register, whichever occurs first.

The parcels are difficult and uneconomic to manage as part of the public lands and are not suitable for management by another Federal department or agency. No significant resource values will be affected by this transfer. The sale is consistent with the Salem District Resource Management Plan and the public interest will be served by offering these parcels for sale.

Modified Bidding Procedures

Modified bidding procedures are being used pursuant to 43 CFR 2711.3-2. Use of modified competitive sale procedures will avoid an inappropriate land ownership pattern.

The parcel identified as OR 53113 is being offered only to Sydenham Trust (fee owner of Tax Lot 100, Map 5 6 11) and Stimson Lumber Company (fee owner of Tax Lot 500, Map 5 6 12).

The parcel identified as OR 53114 is being offered only to Sylvia R. Post (fee owner of Tax Lot 2100, Map 5 6 11) and Stimson Lumber Company (fee owner of Tax Lot 500, Map 5 6 12).

The parcel identified as OR 53115 is being offered only to Sylvia R. Post (fee owner of Tax Lot 2100, Map 5 6 11) and Morrow Forest Products, Inc. (fee owner of Tax Lot 600, Map 5 6 12).

The parcel identified as OR 53116 is being offered only to Vern G. Clemmer and Charlotte Clemmer (fee owners of Tax Lot 200, Map 5 6 11) and Morrow Forest Products, Inc. (fee owner of Tax Lot 600, Map 5 6 12).

The parcel identified as OR 53117 is being offered only to Dwight D. Hall (fee owner of Tax Lot 300, Map 5 6 11), Morrow Forest Products, Inc. (fee owner of Tax Lot 600, Map 5 6 12), and Merle and Marla R. Wright (fee owners of Tax Lot 200, Map 5 6 14).

The terms, conditions, and reservations applicable to the sale are as follows:

1. Bidders must be United States citizens and 18 years of age or older. Proof of citizenship shall accompany the bid.

2. Sealed written bids, delivered or mailed, must be received by the Bureau of Land Management, Salem District Office, 1717 Fabry Road SE, Salem, Oregon 97306, prior to 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 29, 1997. Each written sealed bid must be accompanied by a certified check, postal money order, bank draft or cashier's check, made payable to USDI—Bureau of Land Management for not less than the appraised value of the parcel to be sold. The sealed bid envelopes must be clearly marked in the lower left hand corner, "Bid for Public Land Sale OR 53—". The written sealed bids will be opened and the high bid will be declared at the sale.

3. The mineral interests being offered for conveyance have no known mineral value. A bid will also constitute an application for conveyance of the mineral estate, in accordance with Section 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act. A nonrefundable \$50.00 filing fee will be required from the prospective purchaser for purchase of the mineral estate.

4. The patents will be subject to:
a. Rights-of-way for ditches or canals will be reserved to the United States under 43 U.S.C. 945; and
b. All valid existing rights and reservations of record.

Detailed information concerning the sale is available for review at the Salem District Office, address above, or at the Tillamook Resource Area Office, P.O. Box 404 (4610 Third Street), Tillamook, Oregon 97141.

For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register, interested parties may submit comments to the Tillamook Area

Manager, address above. Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the Salem District Manager, who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In the absence of any adverse comments, this realty action will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA-017-1920-00-4686]

Proposed Resource Area Management Plan Amendment, Bishop Resource Area, California

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Plan Amendments to the Bishop Resource Management Plan.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA) and the Code of Federal Regulations (40 CFR 1501.7, 43 CFR 1610.5-5), notice is hereby given that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) proposes two plan amendments to the Bishop Resource Area Management Plan.

The first proposed plan amendment would correct the administrative status and release from further wilderness review eight Section 202 Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs) in the Bishop Resource Area. The WSAs would no longer be managed under Wilderness Interim Management Policy and would be subject to prescriptions in the Bishop Resource Management Plan (1993).

The second proposed plan amendment would identify a parcel of land in Inyo County, CA for disposal to the Los Angeles Dept. of Water and Power as part of the land exchange to acquire the Manzanar National Historic Site. The parcel, known as the Owens River parcel, is 259.03 acres. In addition, the proposed Manzanar exchange includes one of the Section 202 WSA parcels to be released from wilderness review.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The eight WSAs are comprised of twenty-seven separate parcels. On their own merit, none qualify for wilderness study. All but one parcel is less than 5,000 acres, which is the minimum required for wilderness study. This one exception fails to meet the outstanding opportunities criterion for solitude or

primitive and unconfined types of recreation which is also required for wilderness study status.

In 1979-80, the eight areas were designated as WSAs in association with adjoining Forest Service WSAs. The BLM areas met the criteria for wilderness study status *only* because they were considered in combination with adjacent Forest Service WSAs. The Forest Service has subsequently removed their WSAs from wilderness study status. The recent Forest Service action has compelled the Bureau to undertake a plan amendment to release the eight WSAs from further wilderness study.

The Section 202 WSAs to be released lie in Inyo and Mono Counties. Several contain multiple land parcels. The WSAs include the following:

1. CA-010-060—Paiute WSA—(3 parcels)
2. CA-010-063—Coyote Southeast WSA—(6 parcels)
3. CA-010-065—Black Canyon WSA—(3 parcels)
4. CA-010-068—Wheeler Ridge WSA—(2 parcels)
5. CA-010-072—Laurel-McGee WSA—(1 parcel)
6. CA-010-075—White Mountain WSA—(9 parcels)
7. CA-010-077—Benton Range WSA—(2 parcels)
8. CA-010-103—Sweetwater WSA—(1 parcel)

The Owens River parcel, identified for inclusion in the Manzanar Land Exchange is located in Inyo County, east of the Owens River, and south of Tinemaha Reservoir. The legal description is: T.11S, R.35E., Sec. 30, Lots 5, 8, 9, 12, and 13; Sec. 31, Lots 9, 12, 13, 16, 17, 20, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$. The area measures 259.03 acres.

The Bishop Resource Area will send out copies of the amendment(s) if requested. Review copies of the document(s) are available at public libraries in the communities of Lone Pine, Independence, Bishop, Mammoth Lakes, and Bridgeport.

DATES: These proposed plan amendments may be protested only by parties who participated in the process. Protests must be sent to the Director (480), Bureau of Land Management, Resource Planning Team, 1849 C Street, N.W., Washington D.C. 20240. Protests must be postmarked within 30 days of the date of this proposed decision. Protests must minimally contain the following information: (1) The name, mailing address, telephone number, and interest of the person filing the protest; (2) A statement of the issue or issues being protested; (3) A statement of the