

minutes to complete the information required. The non-commercial entries will be filed by persons less knowledgeable of the declaration form and would require approximately 15 minutes each to complete. Occasionally an entry is received that lists scientific specimens of various species of wildlife. These entries may be required to be submitted with multiple invoices, permits and other pertinent documents. This will have the effect of increasing the completion time to approximately 30 minutes. Entries filed by hunters would require less than ten minutes to complete as the Service will not, by policy, require the entry of scientific names for the species.

**Annual Responses:** It is estimated that 21,250 respondents will submit 4 responses for a total of 85,000 responses.

**Annual Burden Hours:** 21,250.

Dated: April 9, 1997.

**Carolyn A. Bohan,**

*Acting Assistant Director—Refuges and Wildlife.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Receipt of Petition for Federal Acknowledgment of Existence as an Indian Tribe

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

This is published in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.

Pursuant to 25 CFR 83.9(a) (formerly 25 CFR 54.8(a)) notice is hereby given that the The People of La Junta (Jumano/Mescalero), 2111 Beverly, Odessa, Texas 79761, has filed a petition for acknowledgment by the Secretary of the Interior that the group exists as an Indian tribe. The petition was received by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) on October 3, 1996, and was signed by members of the group's governing body.

This is a notice of receipt of petition and does not constitute notice that the petition is under active consideration. Notice of active consideration will be sent by mail to the petitioner and other interested parties at the appropriate time.

Under Section 83.9(a) (formerly 54.8(d)) of the Federal regulations, interested parties may submit factual and/or legal arguments in support of or in opposition to the group's petition.

Any information submitted will be made available on the same basis as other information in the BIA's files. Such submissions will be provided to the petitioner upon receipt by the BIA. The petitioner will be provided an opportunity to respond to such submissions prior to a final determination regarding the petitioner's status.

The petition may be examined, by appointment, in the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Branch of Acknowledgment and Research, Room 3427-MIB, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240, Phone: (202) 208-3592.

Dated: April 7, 1997.

**Ada E. Deer,**

*Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[WO-350-4210-01]

#### Extension of Approved Information Collection, OMB Number 1004-0157

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

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is announcing its intention to request renewal of existing approval to collect certain information from applicants who wish to acquire a right-of-way on public lands under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) of 1976. The information collection requirements covered by this notice are necessary to making a determination as to the reasonable level of reimbursement costs and to determine who may be entitled to an off-set against reimbursements of cost.

**DATES:** Comments on the proposed information collection must be received by June 16, 1997 to be considered.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be mailed to: Director (420), Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C Street NW., Room 401LS, Washington, DC 20240.

Comments may be sent via Internet to: WoComment@WO140@attmail.com. Please include "ATTN: 1004-0157" and your name and return address in your Internet message.

Comments may be hand-delivered to the Bureau of Land Management

Administrative Record, Room 401, 1620 L Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Comments will be available for public review at the L Street address during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.), Monday through Friday.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Carl C. Gammon, (202) 452-7777.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with 5 CFR 1320.12(a), BLM is required to provide 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning a collection of information contained in a published current rule to solicit comments on (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. BLM will receive and analyze any comments sent in response to this notice and include them with its request for approval from the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

BLM grants rights-of-way on public lands through the authority of Title V of FLPMA (90 Stat. 2776, 43 U.S.C. 1761). Section 304(b) of FLPMA authorizes the BLM to receive payment of reasonable cost to reimburse the government for the cost of processing rights-of-way. In determining reasonable costs, BLM must consider such things as actual cost (exclusive of management overhead), the portion of cost incurred that is for the benefit of the general public rather than for the exclusive benefit of the applicant, the public service provided, and other relevant factors, to determine who may be entitled to an off-set against reimbursement of costs. The information collection requirements found at 43 CFR 2808.3 are necessary to making a determination as to the reasonable level of reimbursement pursuant to Section 304 (b) of FLPMA.

The following is an explanation of specific items of information requested pursuant to 43 CFR 2808.3: Information on the monetary value of the rights and privileges sought by the applicant is needed to determine both eligibility and, if eligible, the reasonable level of

reimbursement. Such data consist of an estimate of the cost to construct the proposed project on public lands. If applicants believe that they are eligible for further reimbursement reductions for public benefit or service aspects of the proposed project, proof of such public benefit or service, consisting of the identification of any original study data developed, identification of tangible improvements, such as roads, trails, recreation facilities, etc., is needed. Where applicants believe they should be considered for additional reductions or a waiver of cost reimbursement requirements, a showing of information on the nature of a financial hardship, existence of an outstanding lease or permit, proof of full time residency, requirement for the relocation of an existing facility or the existence of other compelling public benefits or services are needed in accordance with 43 CFR 2808.5 to aid in determining whether they meet specific statutory requirements to obtain benefits. Failure to collect the necessary information would result in BLM's inability to develop defensible, reasonable reimbursement costs for applicants in accordance with statutory and regulatory requirements. The effect to the government would be insufficient payment received for services rendered or increased cost to the government relating to protest and appeal actions contesting the accuracy of the reimbursable cost determinations.

Based on BLM's experience administering the activities described above, there will be about 17 applications annually. The respondents are individuals or companies that seek an off-set against cost reimbursement. The public reporting burden for the information collected is estimated to average 50 hours per response. The frequency of response is once. The estimated total annual burden on new respondents is about 850 hours.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: April 10, 1997.

**Carole J. Smith,**

*Information Collection Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[CA-060-1430-01; CACA 35734-FD]

#### Opening of Lands; California

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

**ACTION:** Opening order.

**SUMMARY:** A parcel of land which was segregated for exchange CACA-35734 has dropped from the exchange. This order terminates the exchange segregation and opens the land.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 16, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nancy Alex, BLM California State Office (CA-931), 2135 Butano Drive, Sacramento, California, 95825-0451, (916) 979-2858.

**OPENING:** The segregation imposed by notation to the records of land described below is hereby terminated, and the lands are available, subject to other withdrawals and segregations of record, under the public land and mineral laws of the United States.

#### San Bernardino Meridian, California

T. 10 S., R. 13 E., sec. 10, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , containing 80 acres in Imperial County.

**David McInay,**  
*Chief, Branch of Lands.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[ES-030-7-1430-02]

#### Notice of Availability: Michigan Draft Resource Management Plan Amendment/Environmental Assessment

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management.

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Milwaukee District Office, has completed the Michigan Draft Resource Management Plan Amendment (RMPA) and Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Disposal of U.S. Coast Guard Lighthouse Properties. The purpose of the RMPA/EA is to assess the impacts of transferring seven tracts of public land to the State of Michigan, other Federal agencies and non-profit organizations.

This notice is issued pursuant to 43 CFR 1610.2(C).

In accordance with 43 CFR 1610.4-7, Selection of Preferred Alternative, the

public is invited to comment on the draft RMPA/EA.

**DATES:** The comment period for the draft RMPA/EA commences with the publication of this notice. Comments must be postmarked no later than May 16, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the District Manager, Milwaukee District Office, P.O. Box 631, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201-0631.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Howard Levine, Planning and Environmental Coordinator, Milwaukee District, (414) 297-4463, or Larry Johnson, Realty Specialist, Milwaukee District, (414) 297-4413.

Dated: April 4, 1997.

**James W. Dryden,**  
*District Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[WY-989-1050-00-P]

#### Filing of Plats of Survey; Wyoming

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The plats of survey of the following described lands are scheduled to be officially filed in the Wyoming State Office, Cheyenne, Wyoming, thirty (30) calendar days from the date of this publication.

#### Sixth Principal Meridian, Wyoming

T. 20 N., R. 109 W., accepted April 4, 1997  
T. 21 N., R. 109 W., accepted April 4, 1997  
T. 22 N., R. 109 W., accepted April 4, 1997  
T. 22 N., R. 110 W., accepted April 4, 1997

#### Wind River Meridian, Wyoming

T. 1 S., R. 1 E., accepted April 4, 1997  
T. 2 N., R. 2 E., accepted April 4, 1997  
T. 1 S., R. 4 E., accepted April 4, 1997

If protests against a survey, as shown on any of the above plats, are received prior to the official filing, the filing will be stayed pending consideration of the protest(s) and or appeal(s). A plat will not be officially filed until after disposition of protest(s) and or appeal(s).

These plats will be placed in the open files of the Wyoming State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 5353 Yellowstone Road, Cheyenne, Wyoming, and will be available to the public as a matter of information only. Copies of the plats will be made available upon request and prepayment