

completion of the exchange, approximately 285 acres acquired from Hancock would be added to Land Tenure Zone 1.

The two parcels proposed for sale to resolve longstanding unauthorized use situations would be assigned to Land Tenure Zone 3 and are located within Section 11, Township 16 South, Range 7 West and Section 2, Township 21 South, Range 3 West, Willamette Meridian.

The parcel proposed for transfer to Lane County would be assigned to Land Tenure Zone 3 and is located within Section 7, Township 16 South, Range 6 West, Willamette Meridian.

The proposed RMP provision to allow the disposal of lands without a plan amendment where survey hiatuses and unintentional encroachments on public land are discovered in the future would provide for such lands to be automatically assigned to Land Tenure Zone 3 where legal disposal criteria are met. This provision would potentially affect lands located in portions of Benton, Douglas, Lane and Linn Counties, Oregon.

The plan amendment and proposed Hancock exchange will be analyzed in an environmental assessment. No individual disposal actions to accomplish the other actions described above would be completed until the appropriate environmental analyses and public and interagency reviews were completed in the future and the action found to be in conformance with other provisions of the RMP.

Major issues involved in the plan amendment include: (1) Impacts to management of public forest lands, including scarce mature forest habitats and (2) impacts to local government revenues and the local economy. Disciplines to be represented on the interdisciplinary team preparing the plan amendment and environmental assessment include, but are not limited to: archeology, anthropology, lands and minerals, recreation, forestry, fisheries, hydrology, botany, soils, wildlife, geology and hazardous materials.

The need for a public meeting will be evaluated based on the level of public input as a result of public notification procedures. Any public meeting will be announced at least 15 days in advance.

Detailed information concerning the proposed exchange and plan amendment, including the environmental assessment, will be available at a later date at the BLM office in Eugene, Oregon. When the draft plan amendment and the environmental assessment are completed in the fall of 1997, another comment period will be provided to

allow for additional public input to the exchange and plan amendment. This comment period will be announced in a **Federal Register** notice and local media. Any final decision will also be published to these same standards and applicable appeal or protest period(s) will be provided.

Dated: September 2, 1997.

**Denis Williamson,**

*Acting District Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[MT-960-1320-00]

#### Notice of Intent To Plan and Notice of Exchange Proposal

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Montana, Miles City District, Powder River Resource Area, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to plan and notice of proposed exchange of alluvial valley floor fee coal in Rosebud, County, for federal coal in Rosebud and Powder River Counties, Montana.

**SUMMARY:** An Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared to consider an exchange proposal of fee coal in the alluvial valley floor of the Tongue River within the Powder River Resource Area, Miles City District. This action will be in conformance with the Powder River Resource Management Plan (1984). It will be based on existing statutory requirements and will meet the requirements of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) of 1976 and the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (SMCRA) of 1977. The Draft EIS is scheduled for completion by fall, 1998.

**DATES:** Any issues, concerns or alternatives should be submitted to BLM on or before November 14, 1997.

A series of public meetings have been planned to facilitate public participation in the proposal. The schedule is as follows:

1. October 20, 7:00 p.m., Broadus, MT
2. October 21, 7:00 p.m., Forsyth, MT
3. October 22, noon, Lame Deer, MT
4. October 23, 7:00 p.m., Miles City, MT
5. October 27, 10:00 a.m., Crow Agency, MT
6. October 28, 6:00 p.m., Ashland, MT
7. October 29, 7:00 p.m., Billings, MT

**ADDRESSES:** All submissions should be sent to the following address: Bureau of Land Management, Powder River Resource Area Manager, 111 Garryowen Road, Miles City, Montana 59301.

The public meetings will be held at the following locations:

1. Broadus, Community Center
2. Forsyth, City Hall, 247 North 9th
3. Lame Deer, Chamber of Commerce Meeting Room
4. Miles City, Miles Community College, Room 106
5. Crow Agency, location to be announced
6. Ashland, St. Labre School Auditorium
7. Billings, Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks Conference Room, 2300 Lake Elmo Drive

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dan Benoit, Team Leader, (406) 233-2841.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The BLM is considering a proposal to exchange fee coal pursuant to Section 206 of FLPMA, (43 U.S.C. 1716) as amended, and Section 510(b)(5) of SMCRA (30 U.S.C. 1260(b)(5)). The exchange has been proposed by the Nance Cattle Company, Brown Cattle Company, et al., through Montco acting as their agent. Section 510(b)(5) of SMCRA provides that owners of coal determined to be unminable due to prohibitions against mining coal within an alluvial valley floor, west of the 100th Meridian, west longitude, are entitled to an exchange of coal with the Federal Government.

The Nance Cattle Company, Brown Cattle Company, et al. have proposed to exchange to the United States the following described nonfederal Alluvial Valley Floor coal in Rosebud County, Montana:

#### Principal Meridian Montana

- T. 4 S., R. 43 E.,  
 Sec. 23, Lot 2, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 24, Lots 2 to 4 inclusive, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 25, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 26, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 27, Lot 1;  
 Sec. 33, Lot 1;  
 Sec. 34, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 35, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 T. 5 S., R. 42 E.,  
 Sec. 22, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 25, Lot 5, E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 27, Lot 1, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 35, E $\frac{1}{2}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 T. 5 S., R. 43 E.,  
 Sec. 3, Lots 3 and 4;  
 Sec. 9, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 17, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 T. 6 S., R. 42 E.,  
 Sec. 1, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 12, E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 13, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 T. 6 S., R. 43 E.,  
 Sec. 6, Lots 2 to 7 inclusive, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 7, Lots 1 to 4 inclusive, E $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 18, Lots 1 and 2, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Approximately 3,737.99 acres.

In exchange, the United States would transfer title to federal coal of equal value, as determined by appraisal and in accordance with the procedures found in 43 CFR 2201.6, from the following described pool of federal coal:

**Principal Meridian Montana, (Rosebud County, Montana)**

- T. 4 S., R. 44 E.,  
 Sec. 7, Lots 6 and 7, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 8, Lots 2 to 4 inclusive, Lots 6 to 13 inclusive, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 16, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 18, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 20, all;  
 Sec. 30, Lots 1 to 4 inclusive, E $\frac{1}{2}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 31, Lot 1, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 32, Lots 1 to 4 inclusive, N $\frac{1}{2}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 T. 5 S., R. 43 E.,  
 Sec. 2, Lots 1 to 10 inclusive, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 10, Lots 1 to 11 inclusive, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Approximately 4,147.78 acres.

**Principal Meridian Montana, (Powder River County, Montana)**

- T. 2 S., R. 45 E.,  
 Sec. 29, S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 30, Lots 1 to 4 inclusive, E $\frac{1}{2}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 32, Lots 1 to 4 inclusive, N $\frac{1}{2}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 T. 3 S., R. 45 E.,  
 Sec. 4, Lots 3 and 4, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 6, Lots 1, 2, 6 and 7, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 8, all.

Approximately 3,048.60 acres.

**Principal Meridian Montana, (Rosebud County, Montana)**

- T. 3 S., R. 44 E.,  
 Sec. 34, all;  
 T. 4 S., R. 44 E.,  
 Sec. 2, Lots 1 to 4 inclusive, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 4, Lots 1 to 10 inclusive, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Approximately 1,883.17 acres.

Subject to valid existing rights, the federal land identified above has been segregated from appropriation under the public land laws and minerals laws, except from a coal exchange for a period of three years beginning August 6, 1997.

Dated: September 12, 1997.

**Darrel Pistorius,**

*Acting District Manager.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

[MT-070-97-1990-00]

**Resource Advisory Council Meeting, Butte, MT**

**AGENCY:** Butte District Office, Bureau of Land Management, DOI.

**ACTION:** Notice of Butte District Resource Advisory Council Meeting, Butte, Montana.

**SUMMARY:** The Council will convene at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, October 15, 1997. Issues that will be discussed include travel management plan, ORV use, and the RAC's involvement in implementing the Standards and Guidelines.

The meeting will be held at the Butte District Office, 106 N. Parkmont, Butte, Montana.

The meeting is open to the public and written comments may be given to the Council. Oral comments may be presented to the Council at 11 a.m. The time allotted for oral comments may be limited, depending on the number of persons wishing to be heard. Individuals who plan to attend and need further information about the meeting, or need special assistance, such as sign language or other reasonable accommodations, should contact the Butte District, 106 North Parkmont (P.O. Box 3388), Butte, Montana 59702-3388; telephone 406-494-5059.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jim Owings at the above address or telephone number.

Dated: September 9, 1997.

**James R. Owings,**

*District Manager.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

[CO-930-1430-01; COC 1269]

**Public Land Order No. 7283; Partial Revocation of Executive Order No. 5327 and Public Land Order No. 4522; Colorado**

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

**ACTION:** Public land order.

**SUMMARY:** This order partially revokes an Executive order and a public land order insofar as they affect 164.86 acres of public land withdrawn for protection of oil shale resources. The withdrawals

are no longer needed for this purpose and revocations are needed to permit disposal of the land through sale under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, as amended. The land is temporarily closed to surface entry and mining due to a pending sale application. The land has been and will remain open to mineral leasing.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** October 20, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Doris E. Chelius, BLM Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield, Lakewood, Colorado 80215-7076, (303) 239-3706.

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1994), it is ordered as follows:

1. Executive Order No. 5327 and Public Land Order No. 4522, which withdrew public land for the protection of oil shale and associated values, are hereby revoked insofar as they affect the following described land:

**Sixth Principal Meridian**

- T. 6 S., R. 94 E.,  
 Sec. 17, lots 18, 20, 22, and 24;  
 Sec. 20, lots 1, 5, 8, and 11.

The area described contains 164.86 acres in Garfield County.

2. At 9 a.m. on October 20, 1997, the land will be opened to the operation of the public land laws generally, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law. All valid applications received at or prior to 9 a.m. October 20, 1997, shall be considered as simultaneously filed at that time. Those received thereafter shall be considered in the order of filing.

Dated: September 4, 1997.

**Bob Armstrong,**

*Assistant Secretary of the Interior.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

[AZ-050-97-1430-01; AZA 25991]

**Arizona: Notice of Realty Action; Bureau Motion Recreation and Public Purposes Classification; La Paz County, AZ**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The following public land in the Town of Quartzsite, Arizona, has been examined and found suitable for