

2 years from location and entry under the United States mining laws. The public land will remain open to mineral leasing. This notice terminates R&PP Classification NMNM 0554544 in part.

DATES: Comments and requests for meeting should be received on or before March 16, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments and meeting requests should be sent to the Socorro Resource Area Manager, 198 Neel Avenue NW, Socorro, New Mexico 87801.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lois Bell, BLM, Socorro Resource Area Office, 198 Neel Ave, NW, Socorro, New Mexico 87801, or telephone (505) 835-0412.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the R&PP Act of June 14, 1925, as amended, (43 U.S.C. 869 *et seq.*), and the regulations contained in 43 CFR 2461.5 (c) (2), R&PP Classification NMNM 0554544 is hereby terminated in part for the land described below. This classification segregated the subject land among others, as not suitable for disposal except for recreation purposes. Termination of the classification from the subject land will insure the land and existing facilities remain in public ownership. Further, on November 26, 1997, a petition was approved allowing the BLM to file an application to withdraw the following described land from settlement, sale, location, or entry under the mining laws, subject to valid existing rights:

New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 2 S., R. 10 W.,
Sec. 10, all.
Sec. 11, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.

The area aggregates 680 acres in Catron County.

The purpose of the proposed withdrawal is to protect the land for management of recreational and scenic values. Until an application is filed, no further action will be taken on this proposal. The R&PP classification no longer serves a need on the land described above and is hereby terminated.

For a period of 90 days from the date of publication of this notice, all persons who wish to submit comments, suggestions, or objections in connection with the proposed withdrawal may present their views in writing to the BLM Socorro Resource Area Manager.

Notice is hereby given that an opportunity for a public meeting is afforded in connection with the proposed withdrawal. All interested persons who desire a public meeting for the purpose of being heard on the proposed withdrawal must submit a

written request to the BLM Socorro Resource Area Manager within 90 days from the date of publication of this notice. Upon determination by the authorized officer that a public meeting will be held, a notice of time and place will be published in the **Federal Register** at least 30 days before the scheduled date of the meeting. The application will be processed in accordance with the regulations set forth in 43 CFR 2300.

For a period of 2 years from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the public land will be segregated as specified above unless the application is denied or canceled or the withdrawal is approved prior to that date. The temporary uses which may be permitted during this segregative period are licenses, permits, cooperative agreements, leases, rights-of-way and other discretionary actions of a temporary nature.

Dated: December 9, 1997.

Linda S. C. Rundell,

District Manager, Las Cruces.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Availability of Director's Order Concerning Park Planning Activities

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service (NPS) is converting and updating its current system of internal instructions. When these documents contain new policy or procedural requirements that may affect parties outside the NPS, this information is being made available for public review and comment. Director's Order #2 establishes new policies and procedural guidance concerning planning activities for units of the National Park System.

DATES: Written comments will be accepted until January 14, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Send requests for copies to Warren Brown, National Park Service, Division of Park Planning and Special Studies, 1849 C Street NW, Room 3230, Washington, D.C. 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gail Slemmer at (303) 969-2686.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NPS is revising the policies and procedures that guide its park planning activities. To accomplish this, the planning policies included in National Park

Service Management Policies (1988) are being revised and the Park Planning Process Guideline (NPS-2, 1982) is being rescinded. The new process for park planning will be issued as Director's Order #2, in conformance with the NPS's new system of internal guidance documents. Director's Order #2 will contain new policy statements to replace those now contained in NPS Management Policies, and new planning procedures and standards that will be adhered to, with the following exception: The sections of the earlier policies and guidelines addressing new area studies (studies of potential additions to the National Park System, wild and scenic rivers system, and national trails system) will remain in effect until they are updated later in 1998.

The draft Director's Order establishes a general framework for park planning to promote coordination, streamline, and better document decision making processes. The order describes four closely related planning processes: General Management planning, park strategic planning, implementation planning and annual performance planning and reporting. The order is designed to help minimize duplication and potential inconsistency in park planning by explaining how various types of plans and planning processes relate to each other.

A notice that the NPS park planning guidelines were being updated was published in the June 8, 1996, **Federal Register**, with an invitation for interested parties to provide information that should be considered by the NPS. A draft Director's Order was released June 15, 1997, for review by the public and interested agencies, with comments due by August 15, 1997. During the 60-day public review period, the draft Director's Order was posted on the Internet and printed copies were mailed to national organizations known to have a major interest in NPS park planning.

Comments were received from 45 groups or individuals, including park managers and other reviewers within the NPS. National organizations that commented included the National Parks and Conservation Association, the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers, and the National Park Hospitality Association. Comments were also received from the Office of the Governor in the State of Alaska.

Those commenting generally agreed with the overall approach to park planning outlined in the draft Director's Order. Several of their suggestions have been incorporated into the revised draft, including strengthening the explanation of need for public involvement in the

planning process, and the need for valid and reliable data as a basis for decision-making. Also, a description of planning as a tool for determining the appropriate relationship between resource preservation and public enjoyment has been added, with some general principles to highlight the role that planning plays in accomplishing the NPS mission. The document has been re-organized to clarify the relationship between required elements of various planning processes and standards for those elements. These revisions have involved clarifying and strengthening the discussions, with no major changes in policy direction.

The Director's Order will be considered for adoption by the NPS within the next 60 days. Anyone wishing to provide further comments may obtain a copy at the address and telephone number mentioned above, or by accessing a copy on the Internet at <http://www.nps.gov/planning>.

Dated: December 8, 1997.

Warren Brown,

Program Manager Park Planning and Special Studies.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places; Notification of Pending Nominations

Nominations for the following properties being considered for listing in the National Register were received by the National Park Service before December 6, 1997. Pursuant to section 60.13 of 36 CFR part 60 written comments concerning the significance of these properties under the National Register criteria for evaluation may be forwarded to the National Register, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, D.C. 20013-7127. Written comments should be submitted by December 30, 1997.

Carol D. Shull,

Keeper of the National Register.

ARIZONA

Coconino County

Williams Residential Historic District, Roughly bounded by Grant, and Fairview Aves., and Taber, and Sixth Sts., Williams, 97001603

Maricopa County

Pierce, N. Clyde, House, 4505 E. Osborn Rd., Phoenix, 97001602

CALIFORNIA

Monterey County

Sunset Center, San Carlos St., between 8th and 10th Sts., Carmel-by-the-Sea, 97001604

IDAHO

Ada County

Capitol Auto Courts, 1121 S. Capitol Blvd., Boise, 97001609

Payette County

Jacobsen, N.A., House, 1115 First Ave. N, Payette, 97001610

IOWA

Clinton County

Castle Terrace Historic District, (Clinton, Iowa MPS), Roughly along jct. of Terrace Dr. and Caroline Ave., Clinton, 97001607

Keokuk County

Singmaster, C.F. and Mary, House, 32263 190th St., Keota vicinity, 97001608

Wapello County

Court Hill Historic District, (Ottumwa MPS), 111 E. Court and 407-1004 N. Court Sts., Ottumwa, 97001605

Fifth Street Bluff Historic District, (Ottumwa MPS), Roughly bounded by Jefferson, E. Sixth, Washington, and Fourth Sts., Ottumwa, 97001606

MISSOURI

Warren County

Starke—Meinershagen—Boeke Rural Historic District, MO 94, 5 mi. W of Marthasville, Marthasville vicinity, 97001611

NEW YORK

Broome County

Maine Central School, Church St., Maine, 97001619

Columbia County

Claverack Free Library, (Claverack MPS), 629 NY 23B, Claverack, 97001624

First Columbia County Courthouse, (Claverack MPS), 549 NY 23B, Claverack, 97001623

Storm, Stephen, House, (Claverack MPS), 51 NY 217, Claverack, 97001616

Van Rensselaer Lower Manor House, (Claverack MPS), 103 NY 23B, Claverack, 97001615

Greene County

Van Gelder, David, Octagon House, 47 Division St., Catskill, 97001620

Orange County

First Presbyterian Church of Chester, 106-108 Main St., Chester, 97001622
Hopewell Presbyterian Church, NY 302, at jct. of NY 17, Crawford, 97001621

Otsego County

Twentieth Century Steam Riding Gallery No. 409, Race St., Schenevus, 97001618

Washington County

St. James Episcopal Church, 112 Broadway, Fort Edward, 97001617

NORTH CAROLINA

Stanly County

Pee Dee Avenue Historic District, Along Pee Dee Ave., roughly from Arey Ave. to Miller St., Albemarle, 97001612

TEXAS

Aransas County

Hoopes-Smith House (Boundary Increase), North Broadway, Rockport, 97001628

Harris County

Bethel Baptist Church, 801 Andrews, Houston, 97001626

Travis County

1918 State Office Building and 1933 State Highway Building, 1019 Brazos and 125 E. 11th Sts., Austin, 97001625

UTAH

Sanpete County

Anderson, Lewis and Clara, House, 542 S. Main, Manti, 97001629

Washington County

Flanigan Ditch, (Zion National Park MPS), Zion National Park, Springdale vicinity, 97001630

WISCONSIN

Jefferson County

Main Street Commercial Historic District, Roughly bounded by Dodge St., Center Ave., Mechanic St., and Rock R., Jefferson, 97001627

The 15 day Comment period has been waved for the following property:

Dutchess County

Top Cottage, 4 Potters Bend Rd., Hyde Park, 97001614

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Notice of Proposed Information Collection

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is announcing its intention to request approval for the collection of information on the Abandoned Mine Land Problem Area Description Form, OSM 76.

DATES: Comments on the proposed information collection must be received by February 13, 1998, to be assured of consideration.