

proposed settlement in *Ramah Navajo Chapter v. Babbitt*, No. CIV 90-0957 LH/WWD." All objections must state the objector's full name, address, and the name and number of this case, and must state in detail the factual basis and legal grounds for the objection. If you wish, you may retain your own counsel, at your expense, to represent you in connection with your objection to the settlement. If you wish to appear at the hearing to approve the settlement and application for fees and expenses, you must also file a written statement of intention to appear with the clerk of court with copies to counsel no later than twenty days prior to the date scheduled for the hearing. All timely written objections will be considered by the Court with or without appearance by the objector at the hearing.

IX. Examination of Papers

You may inspect the proposed Partial Settlement Agreement and the other papers in the record during regular business hours at the office of the Clerk of the Court, U.S. District Court for the District of New Mexico, 5th and Gold, SW, Albuquerque, New Mexico. The settlement agreement with appendices, application for attorney's fees and costs, and other papers in connection with this settlement will be posted on a website for this case: <http://www.RNCclassaction.santa-fe.net>.

X. Additional Information

Please, except as otherwise expressly provided in this notice, do not contact the Court concerning this notice or the lawsuit. If you have any questions, contact either your own attorney or Lead Counsel for the Plaintiffs. If you wish to obtain copies of the Partial Settlement Agreement or the application for attorney's fees and costs you may write or call Class Counsel.

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Dated the 5th day of October 1998.

Approved as to form by John W. Zavitz, Assistant U. S. Attorney, Defendant's

Counsel, and Michael P. Gross, Plaintiff's Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Announcement of Minerals Management Service Meeting on Natural Gas Royalty-in-Kind Pilot Program in the Federal Gulf of Mexico Region

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Minerals Management Service (MMS) will hold a public meeting with lessees, operators, and payors on royalty-in-kind (RIK) gas produced from a number of Federal leases in the 8(g) zone offshore Texas in MMS's Gulf of Mexico Region (GOMR). The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the operational issues involved in implementing sales of Federal gas production to be taken as royalty-in-kind.

DATES: The meeting will be held on November 10, 1998, from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Central time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at MMS's Houston Compliance Division Office, in Room 104, at 4141 N. Sam Houston Parkway, Houston, Texas.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Bonn J. Macy, Minerals Management Service, 1849 C Street, NW, MS 4230, Washington, D.C. 20240; telephone number (202) 208-3827; fax (202) 208-3918; e-mail Bonn.Macy@mms.gov.

COMMENTS: Written comments on the meetings or the topics for discussion listed below should be addressed to Mr. Bonn J. Macy at the address given in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION** section.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject of this Notice is the continuation of MMS's planning process for the Texas 8(g) gas RIK pilot in MMS's GOMR. This is one of three RIK pilot programs MMS is developing based on the recommendations in our 1997 RIK Feasibility Study. The 8(g) zone is a 3-mile wide band of Federal waters that lies directly adjacent to the State's jurisdiction. In the case of Texas, the band begins at 10.35 miles and extends out 3 miles. The objective of the Texas 8(g) GOMR pilot program for Federal gas is, as with all three pilots, to test the effectiveness of RIK for collecting Federal oil and gas royalties. Operators of affected Federal leases and associated

communication/unit agreements have been directed to deliver royalty volumes in-kind to the Federal Government beginning December 1, 1998. For all other leases or agreements, payors will continue paying royalties based on current requirements.

Topics to be discussed at the meeting are:

1. Overall framework and phases of the Texas 8(g) GOMR pilot.
2. Intent of the pilot.
3. Point of delivery for Federal RIK gas volumes and transportation arrangements.
4. Operator responsibilities:
 - Reporting;
 - Imbalance procedures;
 - Communication with purchaser or agent;
 - Verification of royalty volumes; and
 - Project termination and next phase of the pilot.
5. Federal Government or its agent/purchaser's responsibilities:
 - 100% take of all royalty volumes delivered;
 - Communication with operator;
 - Imbalance procedures; and
 - Reporting.
6. Question and Answer Period.

The operators and payors of affected properties have been notified by MMS of this meeting. If you are the operator or lessee of an affected property, you are urged to attend or send representative(s) to the November 10, 1998, meeting to discuss these issues at the location provided under **ADDRESSES** in this Notice.

Dated: October 23, 1998.

Walter D. Cruickshank,

Associate Director for Policy and Management Improvement.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Zion National Park, Utah; Order Adjusting the Boundary of Zion National Park to Include and Exclude Certain Lands

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authority contained in Public Law 104-333, November 12, 1996, (110 Stat. 4105), and as certain lands authorized to be acquired and conveyed by exchange by the Secretary of the Interior have now been so exchanged, the boundaries of Zion National Park are being revised accordingly.

DATES: The effective date of this Order shall be the date of the **Federal Register** publication in which this Order appears.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The above-cited Act authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain lands adjacent to Zion National Park and, in exchange, convey all right, title, and interest of the United States in certain other lands within Zion National Park and, upon completion of such exchange, to revise the park boundary to include within the park such lands acquired in the exchange, and to exclude such conveyed lands from the park. The total acreage of Zion National Park will be increased by 0.07 acres by this boundary adjustment.

Subject to valid existing rights, the following described lands are hereby added to Zion National Park to be administered in accordance with the laws and regulations applicable thereto:

A parcel of land situated in the County of Washington, State of Utah, being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point North 0°14'52" East, along the Quarter (1/4) Section Line, 882.51 feet from the Southeast Corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NE1/4SW1/4) of Section 28, Township 41 South, Range 10 West, Salt Lake Base and Meridian, and running thence North 0°14'52" East, along the Quarter (1/4) Section line, 370.92 feet; thence South 61°35'25" West 341.11 feet; thence South 7°18'04" East 35.38 feet; thence South 35°14'19" West 98.75 feet; thence South 30°06'05" West 437.48 feet; thence South 51°35'40" West 82.93 feet; thence South 31°00'50" West 143.23 feet; thence South 52°08'52" East 149.84 feet; thence North 40°13'07" East 487.83 feet; thence South 89°17'32" East 142.17 feet; thence North 36°25'36" East 225.05 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 5.40 acres, more or less.

The following described lands are hereby excluded from Zion National Park: Township 41 South, Range 11 West, Salt Lake Base and Meridian, Washington County, Utah, Section 5: All of Lot 6. Containing 5.33 acres, more or less.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Chief, Land Resources Program Center, Intermountain Region, P.O. Box 728, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-0728, (505) 988-6810.

Dated: October 14, 1998.

John H. King,

Acting Regional Director, Intermountain Region, National Park Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Missouri National Recreational River (59-mile District)

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and General Management Plan.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the National Park Service (NPS) announces the availability of the draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) and general management plan for the Missouri National Recreational River 59-mile district located in portions of Clay, Union, and Yankton counties, South Dakota; and Cedar, Dixon, and Knox counties in Nebraska. The DEIS responds to Public Law 95-625 (1978), which amended the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act by adding a 59-mile reach of the Missouri River below the Gavins Point Dam to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. The NPS prepared this DEIS to update a previous management plan written in 1980 by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service and only partially implemented. Cooperating agencies included the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; Nebraska Game and Parks Commission; South Dakota Game, Fish, and Parks Department; South Dakota Region Three Planning; and Nebraska Lewis and Clark Planning District.

Two management Alternatives and a "Continuing Existing Conditions" (no action) alternative are described. Boundary descriptions are included with each management alternative. Alternative 1, the no action alternative calls for continued management under the 1980 plan. The boundary under this alternative would remain the same as determined in the 1978 legislation and the 1980 plan. Alternative 2, Resource Protection (the preferred alternative) gives relative equal weight to biologic resource protection, habitat restoration, and recreational development. This alternative calls for low impact recreational activities. Alternative 3, the Recreational Alternative would provide greater recreational opportunity and increased visitor facilities while protecting existing resources. Less priority would be placed on habitat restoration efforts. The boundary for alternatives 2 and 3 is the same and would be similar to the 1980 boundary with the addition of land containing archeological sites and some areas of active erosion. A portion of Clay County

Park is removed from the boundary so as not to exceed legislative acreage limits.

All management action alternatives are expected to provide a mechanism for long-term resource protection and to accommodate recreational use of the river without impacting private property values.

DATES: Comments on the DEIS should be received no later than December 18, 1998. Public meetings will be held in various Nebraska and South Dakota River communities during November 1998, and will be announced in local news media when schedules are final.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the DEIS should be submitted to the Superintendent, Missouri National Recreational River, P.O. Box 591, O'Neill, Nebraska 68763, or by e-mail to MNRR_Superintendent@nps.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Hedren, Superintendent, Missouri National Recreational River at the above address, or call 402-336-3970.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public reading copies of the DEIS will be available for review at the Department of Interior Natural Resources Library, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240, and at public libraries and county courthouses in Yankton and Vermillion, South Dakota; Sioux City, Iowa; and Center, Hartington, and Ponca, Nebraska.

Dated: October 5, 1998.

William W. Schenk,

Regional Director, Midwest Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Intent to Repatriate a Cultural Item in the Possession of the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture/Laboratory of Anthropology, Museum of New Mexico, Santa Fe, NM

AGENCY: National Park Service, DOI.

ACTION: Notice.

Notice is hereby given under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 43 CFR 10.10 (a)(3), of the intent to repatriate a cultural item in the possession of the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture/Laboratory of Anthropology, Museum of New Mexico, Santa Fe, NM which meets the definition of "object of cultural patrimony" under Section 2 of the Act.

The cultural item is a leather cap constructed of buckskin, brass, silver, glass, and a feather.