

corporations against whom judgments have been filed by DOJ.

PERIOD OF THE MATCH: Matching will begin at least 40 days from the date copies of the signed (by both Data Integrity Boards) computer matching agreement are sent to both Houses of Congress or at least 40 days from the date this notice is published in the **Federal Register**, whichever is later, providing no comments are received which would result in a contrary determination. The matching program will be in effect and continue for 18 months with an option to renew for 12 additional months unless one of the parties to the agreement advises the other in writing to terminate or modify the agreement.

Dated: November 23, 1998.

Leslie H. Graham, Jr.

Deputy Director, Office of Information Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

Notice of Deadline for Submitting Completed Applications to Begin Participation in the Tribal Self-Governance Program in Fiscal Year 2000 or Calendar Year 2000

AGENCY: Office of Self-Governance, Office of the Secretary, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of application deadline.

SUMMARY: In this notice, the Office of Self-Governance (OSG) establishes a March 1, 1999, deadline for tribes/consortia to submit completed applications to begin participation in the tribal self-governance program in fiscal year 2000 or calendar year 2000.

DATES: Completed application packages must be received by the Director, Office of Self-Governance by March 1, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Application packages for inclusion in the applicant pool should be sent to the Director, Office of Self-Governance, U.S. Department of the Interior, Mail Stop 2548, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Kenneth D. Reinfeld, U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Self-Governance, 1849 C Street NW, Mail Stop 2548, Washington, DC 20240, 202-219-0240.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Tribal Self-Governance Act of 1994 (Pub. L. 103-413), as amended by the Fiscal Year 1997 Omnibus Appropriations Bill (Pub. L. 104-208), the Director, Office of Self-Governance

may select up to 50 additional participating tribes/consortia per year for the tribal self-governance program, and negotiate and enter into an annual written funding agreement with each participating tribe. The Act mandates that the Secretary submit copies of the funding agreements at least 90 days before the proposed effective date to the appropriate committees of the Congress and to each tribe that is served by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) agency that is serving the tribe that is a party to the funding agreement. Initial negotiations with a tribe/consortium located in an area and/or agency which has not previously been involved with self-governance negotiations, will take approximately two months from start to finish. Agreements for an October 1 to September 30, fiscal year need to be signed and submitted by July 1. Agreements for a January 1 to December 31 fiscal year need to be signed and submitted by October 1.

Background

On February 15, 1995, an interim rule was published in the **Federal Register** announcing the criteria for tribes to be included in an applicant pool and the establishment of the selection process for tribes/consortia to negotiate agreements pursuant to the Tribal Self-Governance Act of 1994. This interim rule was added to Title 25 of the Code of Federal Regulations at part 1001 of Chapter VI. While it may be changed by later rulemaking, the Act stipulates that the lack of promulgated regulations will not limit its effect. It should be noted that a proposed rulemaking was negotiated between tribal and Federal members of a self-governance negotiated rulemaking committee and published in the **Federal Register** on February 12, 1998, for review and comment. Comments on the proposed rulemaking have been received. Final rules are being negotiated by the self-governance negotiated rulemaking committee and are not expected to be promulgated before spring 1999.

Purpose of Notice

The interim rules established at 25 CFR 1001.1 to 1001.5 will be used to govern the application and selection process for tribes/consortia to begin their participation in the tribal self-governance program in fiscal year 2000 and calendar year 2000. Applicants should be guided by the requirements in 25 CFR 1001.1 to 1001.5 in preparing their applications. Copies of the interim rules published in the **Federal Register** on February 15, 1995, may be obtained from the information contact person identified in this notice.

Tribes/consortia wishing to be considered for participation in the tribal self-governance program in fiscal year 2000 or calendar year 2000 must respond to this notice, except for those which are (1) currently involved with negotiations with the Department; (2) one of the 66 tribal entities with signed agreements; or (3) one of the tribal entities already included in the applicant pool as of the date of this notice.

The Director's decision on the actual number of tribes that will enter negotiations will be made at a later date. Tribes already in the applicant pool will retain their existing ranking with tribes entering the applicant pool under these rules receiving a lower ranking. Being in the applicant pool will not guarantee that a tribe will actually be provided the opportunity to negotiate in any given year. However, it does mean that a tribe will not be passed over by a tribe with a lower ranking in the applicant pool or by a tribe not in the applicant pool, with the exception of a tribe already in the negotiation process.

For example, if the Department determines that five tribes will be afforded the opportunity to negotiate self-governance agreements for fiscal year 2000 and calendar year 2000, the five tribes with the highest rankings would be notified and negotiations would be scheduled. The tribe ranked sixth on the list would then have the highest ranking to negotiate a self-governance agreement for 2001 or might enter negotiations for 2000 if one of the first five tribes discontinued negotiations. In such a case, the tribe that discontinued negotiations would remain in the applicant pool with its original ranking and would be the first to be selected in 2000 for negotiating agreements commencing in 2001.

Dated: November 25, 1998.

William A. Sinclair,

Director, Office of Self-Governance.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA-350-1020-00]

Notice of Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Northeast California Resource Advisory Council, Susanville, California.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committees Act

(Public Law 92-463) and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (Public Law 94-579), the U. S. Bureau of Land Management's Northeast California Resource Advisory Council will meet Thursday and Friday, Jan. 7 and 8, 1999, at the Bureau of Land Management's Eagle Lake Field Office, 2950 Riverside Drive, Susanville, CA.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On Thursday, Jan. 7, the council will convene at 10 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Eagle Lake Field Office. Agenda items include orientation matters, discussion of healthy rangeland standards and guidelines, an update on grazing permit renewal, a status report on development of the BLM-California strategic plan, a status report on geothermal development at Medicine Lake and reports from the BLM's Alturas, Eagle Lake and Surprise field offices. The council will also elect new officers. Time has been set aside at 3:45 p.m. for public comments. Depending on the number of persons wishing to speak, a time limit may be imposed.

On Friday, Jan. 8, the council will convene at 8 a.m. at the Eagle Lake Field Office and depart immediately for a field tour of the BLM Wild Horse and Burro Corrals at Litchfield, California. Discussion of wild horse and burro management will be the topic during the tour. Members of the public are welcome on the tour, but they must provide their own transportation.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Contact Jeff Fontana, public affairs officer, at (530) 257-5381.

Linda D. Hansen,
Eagle Lake Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-921-1430-00; WYW 82535]

Notice Providing for Opening of Public Land; Wyoming; Correction

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: This notice will correct an error in the land description published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 63, No. 219, page 63491, on November 13, 1998.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 1, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tamara Gertsch, BLM Wyoming State Office, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003-1828, 307-775-6115.

Correction

The land description published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 63, No. 219, page 63491, on November 13, 1998, is hereby corrected as follows:

In the opening order notice, on page 63491, column 1, line 34, the legal description which reads T. 36 N., R. 108 W., is changed to read T. 34 N., R. 108 W.

Dated: November 24, 1998.

Tamara Gertsch,

Realty Specialist.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Public Notice

AGENCY: National Park Service.

ACTION: Public notice.

SUMMARY: On November 13, 1998, the National Park Service Concessions Management Improvement Act of 1998 was signed into law, repealing the National Park Service Concessions Policy Act (16 U.S.C. 20 *et seq.*). The new legislation requires substantive changes in the manner in which the National Park Service awards concession contracts and permits, as well as changed in the terms and conditions of future concession contracts and permits. As a result of the new legislation, the National Park Service is cancelling all outstanding solicitations for concession contracts and permits. The only statutory exception to this cancellation is the prospectus issued February 19, 1998, under which concession permits will be open for competition for the operation of cruise ship services within Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve. The cancellation applies to all concession contracting or permitting actions that have not been executed on behalf of the National Park Service prior to November 13, 1998, except as provided above.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 13, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information on this action, contact Robert Yearout, Concession Program Manager, National Park Service (202) 565-1212, or Wendelin Mann, Senior Concession Contract Analyst, National Park Service (202) 565-1219.

Dated: November 23, 1998.

Robert K. Yearout,

Concession Program Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Draft Environmental Impact Statement/General Management Plan, Death Valley National Park, California; Notice of Extension of Public Comment Period

SUMMARY: Pursuant to § 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190 as amended), the National Park Service, Department of the Interior, has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) assessing three alternatives for, and potential impacts of, a proposed General Management Plan for Death Valley National Park, California. In deference to public interest expressed by local governmental agencies, organizations, and other interested parties, the original 90-day public comment period has been extended an additional five weeks through January 15, 1999.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Copies of the DEIS can be reviewed at local libraries, and internet access is available at www.nps.gov/deva. A limited number of copies may still be available upon phone request at (760) 786-2331. All written comments must be postmarked *not later than January 15, 1999*, and should be sent to the Superintendent, Death Valley National Park, Furnace Creek, CA 92328.

Dated: November 20, 1998.

Cynthia L. Ip,

Acting Regional Director, Pacific West.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Draft Environmental Impact Statement/General Management Plan, Mojave National Preserve, California; Notice of Extension of Public Comment Period

SUMMARY: Pursuant to § 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190 as amended), the National Park Service, Department of the Interior, has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) assessing three alternatives for, and potential impacts of, a proposed General Management Plan for Mojave National Preserve, California. In deference to public interest expressed by local governmental agencies, organizations, and other interested parties, the original 90-day public comment period has been extended an additional five weeks through January 15, 1999.