

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Emergency Closure of Public Lands in San Benito and Fresno Counties, California

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of emergency closure and restrictions on use of public lands in the Clear Creek Management Area, located in San Benito and Fresno Counties, California.

SUMMARY: This notification serves to document an emergency closure order which went into effect on February 10, 1998 for all public lands (approximately 50,000 acres) within the Clear Creek Management Area. This notice supercedes and replaces a 1995 emergency closure order (S 5-00161-GP5-010-004) for this area. The authorized officer has determined that the flooding, slides and road washouts resulting from recent severe rainstorms, have made this area unsafe for recreational use, and that additionally, recreational use could result in serious damage to natural resources. Public lands in this area are therefore temporarily closed to public recreational use, although some exemptions apply, as described below. The closure will be lifted as soon as County Roads and internal access roads can be repaired and maintained to meet a minimum of public safety and access needs. Notice is also served that because of environmental sensitivity, the area known as "Upper Hillclimb Canyon", which is within the Clear Creek Management Area, will remain closed to vehicle use until such time as manageable routes through this area may be determined. Finally, notice is served that because of environmental hazards, several abandoned mine sites commonly known as the "Alpine", "Archer", "Aurora", "Larios Canyon", and "Molina" will also remain closed to all public entry, with the exception of access routes through these mined areas as demarcated by BLM signs. Additional abandoned mines may additionally be closed under subsequent **Federal Register** notices, pending review of water quality sampling results.

The purpose of this closure is to protect human life and safety, to protect sensitive resources, including threatened plants and their habitat, water quality and aquatic species, and wildlife habitat, and to prevent human contact with known hazardous substances.

A map of the areas affected by these closures is on file and may be viewed at the Hollister Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. The area known as "Upper Hillclimb Canyon" is further described as all areas encompassed by Clear Creek Canyon Road, East Clear Creek Ridge Route, South Clear Creek Road, and Reservoir Road except for the included portions of Sections 5 and 6 of T.18 S., R.12 E. A map showing the Hillclimb Canyon closure is also available for viewing at the Hollister Field Office. A map showing the mine site closures is also available at the Hollister Field Office.

The above closures and restrictions are temporary and are intended to prevent further resource damage, and/or adverse impacts to public health and safety. The following persons are exempt from this closure order:

(1) Federal, State, or Local Law Enforcement Officers, while engaged in the execution of their official duties.

(2) BLM personnel or their representatives while engaged in the execution of their official duties.

(3) Any member of an organized rescue, fire-fighting force, Emergency Medical Services organization while in the performance and execution of an official duty.

(4) Any member of a federal, state or local public works department while in the performance of an official duty.

(5) Any person in receipt of a written authorization of exemption obtained from the Hollister Field Office.

(6) Local landowners, persons with valid existing rights or lease operations, or representatives thereof, who have a responsibility or need to access their property or to continue their operations on public land.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The overall closure became effective on February 10, 1998, and shall remain in effect until rescinded or modified by the Authorized Officer after consideration of current weather conditions. Emergency closures of Upper Hillclimb Canyon and the above-listed mines will remain in effect until further notice.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: These closures and restrictions are under the authority of 43 CFR 8364.1 and 43 CFR 8341.2. Persons violating this closure shall be subject to the penalties provided in 43 CFR 8360.0-7 and 8340.0-7, including a fine not to exceed \$100,000 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Area Manager, Hollister Field Office, 20 Hamilton Court, Hollister, CA 95024, (408) 630-5000.

Dated: February 10, 1998.

Robert E. Beehler,

Hollister Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

REVISION—Notice of Inventory Completion for Native American Human Remains and Associated Funerary Objects in the Control of Tonto National Forest, United States Forest Service, Phoenix, AZ

AGENCY: National Park Service

ACTION: Notice

Notice is hereby given in accordance with provisions of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 43 CFR 10.9, of the completion of an inventory of human remains and associated funerary objects in the control of Tonto National Forest, United States Forest Service, Phoenix, AZ. **This notice was originally published September 26, 1996.**

A detailed assessment of the human remains was made by U.S. Forest Service professional staff, American Museum of Natural History professional staff, Arizona State Museum professional staff, Arizona State University professional staff, Museum of Northern Arizona professional staff, and the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology professional staff in consultation with representatives of the Ak-Chin Indian Community, the Gila River Indian Community, the Hopi Tribe, the Pueblo of Zuni, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, the Tohono O'odham Nation, and the Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe. **Since publication of the original notice, consultation has also been conducted with the San Carlos Apache Tribe, the Yavapai-Apache Tribe, and the White Mountain Apache Tribe. Copies of the original notice were also sent to these Indian tribes.**

Continuities of ethnographic materials, technology, and architecture indicate affiliation of the above mentioned sites with historic and present-day Piman and O'odham cultures. Oral traditions presented by representatives of the Ak-Chin Indian Community, the Gila River Indian Community, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, and the Tohono O'odham Nation support affiliation with the Salado and Hohokam sites in this area of central Arizona. **Based upon further oral**

tradition evidence provided by representatives of the Hopi Tribe and Pueblo of Zuni since publication of the original notice, the USDA Forest Service has revised its determinations of cultural affiliation for the Hohokam and Salado human remains and associated funerary objects. The USDA Forest Service has determined, based on the preponderance of the additional evidence presented, that the Hopi Tribe and the Pueblo of Zuni are culturally affiliated with the Hohokam and Salado human remains and associated funerary objects, although to a lesser extent than the Ak-Chin Indian Community, the Gila River Indian Community, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, and the Tohono O'odham Nation.

Based on the above mentioned information, officials of the USDA National Forest Service have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(1), the human remains listed above represent the physical remains of 1,376 individuals of Native American ancestry. Officials of the USDA Forest Service have also determined that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001 (3)(A), the 5,326 objects listed above are reasonably believed to have been placed with or near individual human remains at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony.

Officials of the USDA National Forest Service have determined that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3003 (d)(2)(B), there is a relationship of shared group identity which can be reasonably traced between these 1,376 Native American human remains and 5,326 associated funerary objects and the Ak-Chin Indian Community, the Gila River Indian Community, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, the Tohono O'odham Nation. **While not clearly culturally affiliated, officials of the USDA National Forest Service have further determined that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3003 (d)(2)(C), there is a reasonable belief of shared group identity given the totality of the circumstances surrounding the acquisition of these 1,376 Native American human remains and 5,326 associated funerary objects with the Hopi Tribe and Pueblo of Zuni.**

This notice has been sent to officials of the Ak-Chin Indian Community, the Gila River Indian Community, the Hopi Tribe, the Pueblo of Zuni, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, the Tohono O'odham Nation, the Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe, the **San Carlos Apache Tribe, the Yavapai-Apache Tribe, and the White Mountain Apache Tribe.** Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be

culturally affiliated with these human remains and associated funerary objects should contact Dr. Frank E. Wozniak, NAGPRA Coordinator, Southwestern Region, USDA Forest Service, 517 Gold Ave. SW, Albuquerque, NM 87102; telephone: (505) 842-3238, fax (505) 842-3800, before *[thirty days after publication in the Federal Register]*. Repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects to the Ak-Chin Indian Community, the Gila River Indian Community, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, the Tohono O'odham Nation, the Hopi Tribe and the Pueblo of Zuni, as indicated above, may begin after that date if no additional claimants come forward.

Dated: February 10, 1998.

Francis P. McManamon,

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Manager, Archeology and Ethnography
Program.*

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

**Bureau of International Labor Affairs;
U.S. National Administrative Office;
National Advisory Committee for the
North American Agreement on Labor
Cooperation; Notice of Two Open
Meetings by Teleconference**

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Labor.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting by teleconference on March 5, 1998 and notice of open meeting by teleconference on April 9, 1998.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 94-463), the U.S. National Administrative Office (NAO) gives notice of two meetings of the National Advisory Committee for the North American Agreement on Labor Cooperation (NAALC), which was established by the Secretary of Labor. The meetings will take place on March 5, 1998 and April 9, 1998. Due to scheduling difficulties and the need for immediate action, we are unable to give the full 15 days advance notice for the March 5, 1998 meeting.

The Committee was established to provide advice to the U.S. Department of Labor on matters pertaining to the implementation and further elaboration of the NAALC, the labor side accord to the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). The Committee is authorized under Article 17 of the NAALC. The Committee consists of 12 independent representatives drawn from among labor organizations,

business and industry, and educational institutions.

DATES: The Committee will meet on March 5, 1998 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on April 9, 1998 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The meetings will be by teleconference.

ADDRESSES: U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue N.W., Room C-5515 (Executive Conference Room), Washington, D.C. 20210. The meetings are open to the public on a first-come, first served basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Irasema Garza, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. NAO, U.S. Bureau of International Labor Affairs, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room C-4327, Washington, D.C. 20210. Telephone 202-501-6653 (this is not a toll free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Please refer to the notice published in the **Federal Register** on December 15, 1994 (59 FR 64713) for supplementary information.

Signed at Washington, DC, on February 13, 1998.

Irasema T. Garza,

*Secretary, U.S. National Administrative
Office.*

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Notice of Determinations Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance and NAFTA Transitional Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, the Department of Labor herein presents summaries of determinations regarding eligibility to apply for trade adjustment assistance for workers (TA-W) issued during the period of January, 1998.

In order for an affirmative determination to be made and a certification of eligibility to apply for worker adjustment assistance to be issued, each of the group eligibility requirements of Section 222 of the Act must be met.

(1) that a significant number or proportion of the workers in the workers' firm, or an appropriate subdivision thereof, have become totally or partially separated,

(2) that sales or production, or both, of the firm or sub-division have decreased absolutely, and