

ACTION: Notice of amendments to approved Tribal-State Compact.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988, Pub. L. 100-497, 25 U.S.C. 2710, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish, in the **Federal Register**, notice of approved Tribal-State Compacts for the purpose of engaging in Class III (casino) gambling on Indian reservations. The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through his delegated authority, has approved the Amendments to the Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians and the State of Wisconsin Gaming Compact of 1992, which was executed on December 18, 1998.

DATES: This action is effective March 26, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George T. Skibine, Director, Indian Gaming Management Staff, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, D.C. 20240, (202) 219-4066.

Dated: February 11, 1999.

Kevin Gover,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Seed Orchard Pest Management Programs at the Walter H. Horning, Charles A. Sprague, Travis Tyrrell, and Provolt Seed Orchards, on Lands Administered by the Bureau of Land Management, Clackamas, Josephine, Lane, and Jackson Counties, OR

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

ACTION: Notice; intent to prepare environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management, (BLM) will prepare a draft and final environmental impact statement (EIS) on a proposed action to develop a pest management program at all four of its Oregon Seed Orchards: the Horning Seed Orchard near Colton, the Sprague Seed Orchard near Merlin, the Tyrrell Seed Orchard near Lorane, and the Provolt Seed Orchard near Grants Pass.

The BLM invites written comments on the scope of the analysis. In addition, the BLM gives notice of the environmental analysis and decision making process that will occur on the proposed action so that interested and

affected people are aware of how they may participate and contribute to the final decision.

DATES: Comments concerning the scope of the analysis should be received in writing by May 10, 1999, to ensure timely consideration.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to: Dennis Weber, Project Leader, Horning Seed Orchard, 27004 S. Sheckly Road, Colton, OR 97017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Harvey Koester, Orchard Manager, Sprague and Provolt Seed Orchards (541) 770-2401; Glenn Miller, Orchard Manager, Tyrrell Seed Orchard, (541) 683-6445; or Jim Hallberg, Orchard Manager, Horning Seed Orchard, (503) 824-2151.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BLM Seed Orchards are managed primarily for the production of Douglas-fir, and sugar pine seed. Minor species managed for seed production include western hemlock, noble fir, western red cedar, western white pine, ponderosa pine, incense cedar, and Port-Orford cedar. The seed is used to produce seedlings for reforestation on BLM lands in Oregon and for use in cooperative orchard efforts. Some of the seed is used in the tree improvement program to produce genetically superior trees. The primary objective of the orchards is to produce seed of high quality and sufficient quantity to meet the needs of the BLM and of their cooperative partnerships. Use of pest management technology and products is necessary to achieve this goal.

The BLM will conduct an environmental analysis to determine what type of pest management program will be used at the Horning, Sprague, Tyrrell, and Provolt Seed Orchards in western Oregon to produce seed and seedlings for the BLM in Oregon. The pest management practices that will be analyzed include, but are not limited to, control of unwanted vegetation by mechanical and chemical methods; control of diseases using sanitation, biological control organisms, and fungicides; control of insect pests with biological and chemical insecticides and use of sanitation; and control of animal pests through mechanical and preventative measures. Fertilization practices will also be considered in this analysis.

In preparing the environmental impact statement, the BLM will identify and consider a range of alternative pest management programs. One alternative will be a no action (continuation of the present pest management program) alternative. Another alternative will be a pest management program without the

use of chemical pesticides. Other alternatives will be pest management programs comprised of various combinations of control methods.

Public participation will be especially important at several points during the analysis. The first point is during the scoping process (40 CFR 1501.7), which includes:

1. Defining the scope of the analysis and nature of the decision to be made.
2. Identifying the issues and determining the significant issues for consideration and analysis within the environmental impact statement.
3. Defining the proper make up of the interdisciplinary team.
4. Exploring possible alternatives.
5. Identifying potential environmental effects.
6. Determining potential cooperating agencies.
7. Identifying groups or individuals interested or affected by the decision.

The BLM will be seeking information, comments, and assistance from Federal, State, and local agencies and other individuals or organizations interested in or affected by the proposed action.

Public participation will be solicited by person-to-person contact and/or by mail to known interested and affected publics and key contacts regarding scope of the analysis. In addition, news releases will be used to give the public general notice. Input from interested people and organizations will be used in preparation of the draft environmental impact statement.

The draft environmental impact statement is expected to be filed with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and to be available for public review by October 1999. At that time, EPA will publish a notice of availability of the draft environmental impact statement in the **Federal Register**.

The comment period on the draft environmental impact statement will be 60 days from the date the EPA's notice of availability appears in the **Federal Register**. It is very important that those interested in the proposed action participate at that time. To be most helpful, comments on the draft environmental impact statement should be as specific as possible and may address the adequacy of the statement or the merits of the alternatives discussed (see Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act 40 CFR 1503.3).

Following the comment period on the draft environmental impact statement, substantive comments will be analyzed, considered, and responded to by the BLM in preparing the final

environmental impact statement. The final environmental impact statement is scheduled to be completed by September 2000.

The responsible official will consider the comments and responses; environmental consequences discussed in the environmental impact statement; and applicable laws, regulations, and policies in making a decision regarding this proposal. The decision and rationale for the decision will be documented in the Record of Decision. A separate Record of Decision will be prepared for each orchard considered in the analysis. The responsible officials for each of these projects are as follows: Van Manning, Salem District Manager, (Horning Seed Orchard), Denis Williamson, Eugene District Manager, (Tyrrell Seed Orchard), and Ronald Wenker, Medford District Manager, (Sprague and Provolt Seed Orchards).

Dated: March 15, 1999.

Mark Lawrence,

Acting District Manager, Salem District.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Intent, and Notice of Scoping Meetings and Comment Period; Wyoming

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to conduct an environmental analysis and prepare either an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement, and notice of scoping meetings and public comment period.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, the Bureau of Land Management is directing the preparation of an environmental document for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a 24-inch diameter natural gas pipeline gathering system that would be approximately 127 miles in length. The proposed project is known as the Lost Creek Gathering System Project. The environmental document is being prepared as an environmental assessment, but may be advanced to the environmental impact statement level based on public scoping or if the environmental assessment concludes that significant issues or impacts are present. Public scoping meetings will be held for the proposed

project and will include a public comment period.

DATES: Public scoping meetings will be at the Jeffrey Center, 315 W. Pine, Rawlins, Wyoming from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on April 13, 1999 and at the Riverton School District #25 Public Meeting Room, 121 N. 5th Street West, Riverton, Wyoming on April 14, 1999. The agenda for both meetings will be to conduct an open-house to receive interested parties between 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., followed by a formal presentation starting at 7:00 p.m., and concluding with a public comment period. The meeting will conclude at 9:00 p.m. Written comments on the proposed project will be accepted until April 30, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Any comments should be sent to Bureau of Land Management, Lander Field Office, Attention: Bill Bartlett, P.O. Box 589, Lander, Wyoming 82520. E-mail comments may be sent to Bill_Bartlett@blm.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bill Bartlett, (307) 332-8402.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 28 of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C.) as amended by the Act of November 16, 1973 (37 Stat. 587), the Lost Creek Gathering Company has applied for a right-of-way, serial number WYW147148, for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a natural gas gathering system. The proposed project crosses Federal, State, and private land. The proposed Lost Creek Gathering System Project is comprised of (1) A 127 mile, 24-inch diameter natural gas pipeline that would start at the Burlington Resources' Lost Cabin gas treating plant near Lost Cabin in Fremont County, would go south passing near Jeffrey City and would end at the Interstate 80 corridor near Western Gas Resources' Red Desert plant in Sweetwater County; (2) a 36 mile 12-inch diameter lateral that connects Snyder's Beaver Creek gas plant to the proposed 24-inch header within Fremont County; (3) dew-point control facilities at the southern terminus of the 24-inch header; and (4) a compressor station located at the southern terminus of the gathering system. Current compressor design calls for approximately 5,000 horsepower of compression. The pipeline would be able to deliver approximately 120 million cubic feet per day into the Colorado Interstate Gas (CIG) and Wyoming Interstate Gas Company (WIC) interstate pipelines without compression, and approximately 275 million cubic feet per day with compression. Additional smaller-diameter laterals could be added to this

system after the right-of-way application for the Lost Creek project is filed with the BLM. Inclusion of additional laterals into the Lost Creek project will depend upon the progress of negotiations between Lost Creek and producers in these fields. Maps of the Lost Creek Gathering System Project, proposed and alternate routes, are available for viewing at the Bureau of Land Management, Lander Field Office, 1335 Main Street, Lander, Wyoming, and Rawlins Field Office, 1300 North Third Street, Rawlins, Wyoming.

Dated: March 19, 1999.

Ed Womack,

Acting Field Manager.

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Bureau of Land Management

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Northwest Colorado Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The next meeting of the Northwest Colorado Resource Advisory Council will be held on Tuesday May 4, 1999, at the U.S. Forest Service Office in Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

DATES: Tuesday, May 4, 1999.

ADDRESSES: For further information, contact David Atkins, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Grand Junction District Office, 2815 H Road, Grand Junction, Colorado 81506; Telephone (970) 244-3074.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Northwest Resource Advisory Council will meet on May 4, 1999, at the U.S. Forest Service Office, 925 Weiss Drive, Steamboat Springs, Colorado. The meeting will start at 9 a.m. and include discussions of the proposed statewide recreation guidelines, grazing permit renewals, fire planning, and the draft oil and gas regulations.

The meeting is open to the public. Interested persons may make oral statements at the meetings or submit written statements following the meeting. Per-person time limits for oral statements may be set to allow all interested persons an opportunity to speak.

Summary minutes of council meetings are maintained in both the Grand Junction and Craig District Offices. They are available for public inspection and reproduction during