

2. An access road and buried gas and produced water lines would be constructed to each well location. Infinity's Mesaverde Formation wells would require a water disposal line for transmission of produced water to a central disposal facility. The produced water line would be placed in a common trench with the gas line.

3. Up to four natural gas transmission pipelines would be constructed and would tie-in with an existing 4-inch diameter gas pipeline located east of the project area in Section 1, T29N, R114W. During the projected life of the project the existing 4-inch gas transmission line may need to be looped, or replaced, with a larger diameter line to accommodate the volume of gas produced from the area.

4. Infinity anticipates the installation of small reciprocating compressors at each of the individual Mesaverde Formation production pods within the well field for compression of methane produced from individual wells within the well field. Williams anticipates the need for one centralized compressor station for the compression of natural gas from the Frontier Formation.

5. A water disposal and injection well would be drilled at each of Infinity's centralized production pods for the subsurface disposal of water produced from the Mesaverde Formation. The produced water would be reinjected into a deep aquifer below the Mesaverde Formation.

The Companies propose to drill an average of approximately 30 wells/year over a 7-year period. After consultation with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regarding threatened and endangered species, BLM may authorize additional delineation wells while the EIS is being prepared. Results from additional delineation wells would assist the Companies in determining the actual level of development to achieve Federal regulatory mandates of ultimate maximum recovery of Federal mineral resources. Approval would be granted provided that, (1) the additional delineation wells would not result in potential significant impacts, and (2) that BLM's final decision would not be compromised.

The purpose of the natural gas development is to extract and recover natural gas from the South Piney Project area by allowing the Companies to provide more natural gas for distribution to consumers. The project would make additional supplies of clean-burning natural gas available to consumers. In addition, this project would meet the goals and objectives of the President's National Energy Plan, which includes diversifying domestic

energy supplies, improving and accelerating environmental protection and strengthening America's energy security.

BLM personnel, other agencies, and individuals have identified the preliminary issues and management concerns listed below. They represent the BLM's knowledge to date on the existing conditions and potential issues in the proposed project area.

- Air quality and potential impacts to downwind Wilderness Areas and other Class I air sheds;
- Potential impacts to federally listed Threatened, Endangered, Candidate and Sensitive species and their habitats;
- Potential impacts to native Colorado River cutthroat trout habitat;
- Potential impacts to the Finnegun elk winter feed ground protected by No Surface Occupancy stipulations;
- Potential impacts to surface and groundwater resources;
- Short-term revegetation and restoration of disturbed areas and their long-term stabilization, including control of noxious weeds;
- Potential impacts on prehistoric and historic cultural resources including the Lander Cutoff Historic Immigrant Trail;
- Potential social and economic effects to the local communities from projected increased Federal, State, and local revenues;
- Potential impacts to wildlife habitat and fisheries;
- Potential impacts to nesting raptors;
- Potential impacts on wetlands and riparian areas;
- Use of potentially hazardous substances associated with drilling and well completion;
- Potential impacts to the visual resources and landscape; and,
- Potential impacts to recreation activities and opportunities such as hunting and fishing.

The BLM has identified the following opportunities that may be derived from the natural gas development: increased royalties and tax revenues to local, State and Federal governments; additional opportunities for employment and economic benefits for communities near the project area; increases in Wyoming's share of new and existing natural gas markets; and development of natural gas resources to assist in attainment of clean air in conformance with Presidential and Congressional directives. The proposed natural gas development is in conformance with the Pinedale Resource Management Plan (RMP) (1988).

Dated: November 25, 2002.

Alan L. Kesterke,

Acting State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AK-933-1410-ET; AA-50617]

Public Land Order No. 7554; Revocation of Three Executive Orders; Alaska

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public land order.

SUMMARY: This order revokes, in their entirety, three Executive Orders as they affect 2,538 acres of public lands withdrawn for administrative purposes for use by the Department of the Treasury at Wrangell, Alaska. The lands are no longer needed for the purpose for which they were withdrawn.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 29, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Robbie J. Havens, Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 W. 7th Avenue, No. 13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599, 907-271-5477.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A portion of the lands have been eroded by the ocean and are now submerged and a portion of the lands have been placed under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Postal Service. The remaining lands will continue to be subject to the terms and conditions of Public Land Order No. 5180, as amended, and any other withdrawal or segregation of record.

Order

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1994), and by section 17(d)(1) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, 43 U.S.C. 1616(d)(1) (1994), it is ordered as follows:

1. Executive Order dated June 21, 1890, Executive Order No. 3077, dated April 16, 1919, and Executive Order No. 8054, dated February 23, 1939, which withdrew public lands for administrative purposes, are hereby revoked in their entirety as they affect the following described lands:

Copper River Meridian

Located within T. 62 S., R. 83 E., described as:

(a) U.S. Survey No. 125.

The area described contains 2,476 acres.

(b) U.S. Survey No. 1119, lots 12 and 13,

Block 9.

The area described contains .062 acre.
The areas described in (a) and (b) above aggregate 2.538 acres.

2. The lands described in paragraph 1(a) above have been placed under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Postal Service pursuant to section 2002(C) of the Postal Reorganization Act, 39 U.S.C. 101 (1994). The lands described in paragraph 1(b) will continue to be subject to the terms and conditions of Public Land Order No. 5180, as amended, and any other withdrawal or segregation of record.

Dated: January 9, 2003.

Rebecca W. Watson,

Assistant Secretary—Land and Minerals Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR–958–1430–ET; HAG 03–0013 WAOR–22193A, WAOR–22197]

Public Land Order No. 7551; Partial Revocation of Executive Orders Dated July 15, 1875, and June 6, 1891; Washington

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public land order.

SUMMARY: This order partially revokes two Executive Orders insofar as they affect approximately 209 acres of public lands reserved for use by the United States Coast Guard for Patos Light Station. The reservation is no longer needed.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 29, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Charles R. Roy, BLM Oregon/ Washington State Office, P.O. Box 2965, Portland, Oregon 97208–2965, 503–952–6189.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The reservation includes Patos and Little Patos Islands. The lands will remain closed to surface entry and mining due to an overlapping withdrawal. The lands have been and will remain open to mineral leasing.

Order

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and

Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1994), it is ordered as follows:

The Executive Orders dated July 15, 1875, and June 6, 1891, which reserved public lands for lighthouse purposes, are hereby revoked insofar as they affect the following described lands:

Willamette Meridian

T. 38 N., R. 2 W., unsurveyed,
Secs. 15, 16, and 17.

The areas described contain approximately 209 acres in San Juan County.

Dated: January 9, 2003.

Rebecca W. Watson,

Assistant Secretary—Land and Minerals Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY–957–02–9820–BJ–WY01]

Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey, Nebraska

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of filing of plats of survey, Nebraska.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has filed the plats of survey of the lands described below in the BLM Wyoming State Office, Cheyenne, Wyoming, on December 31, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bureau of Land Management, 5353 Yellowstone Road, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: These surveys were executed at the request of the U.S. Forest Service, and are necessary for the management of resources. The lands surveyed are:

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the east and south boundaries, and a portion of the subdivisional lines, Township 34 North, Range 54 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Nebraska, was accepted December 31, 2002.

Copies of the preceding described plats are available to the public.

Dated: January 22, 2003.

John P. Lee,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Division of Support Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY–957–02–1420–BJ]

Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey, Wyoming

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of filing of plats of survey, Wyoming.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has filed the plats of survey of the lands described below in the BLM Wyoming State Office, Cheyenne, Wyoming, on December 31, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bureau of Land Management, 5353 Yellowstone Road, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: These surveys were executed at the request of the Bureau of Land Management, and are necessary for the management of resources. The lands surveyed are:

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the south and east boundaries, and portions of the subdivisional lines, Township 56 North, Range 73 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Wyoming, was accepted December 31, 2002.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the west and north boundaries, and a portion of the subdivisional lines, and the subdivision of certain sections, Township 29 North, Range 85 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Wyoming, was accepted December 31, 2002.

The plat representing the corrective dependent resurvey of the metes and bounds survey of Tract 39, correcting the numbering sequence from 84 to 89, Township 50 North, Range 99 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Wyoming, was accepted December 31, 2002.

Copies of the preceding described plats are available to the public.

Dated: January 22, 2003.

John P. Lee,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Division of Support Services.

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