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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Public Notice of Lands Previously Conveyed Into Trust and Proclaimed as Reservation For Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians by Act of Congress

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Indian Affairs is giving public notice of the act of Congress which has conveyed certain fee properties into trust and proclaimed reservation status for the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ben Burshia, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Division of Real Estate Services, Mail Stop 4639–MIB, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240, Telephone (202) 208–7737.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The original reservation proclamation establishing the Mississippi Choctaw Indian Reservation was issued December 23, 1944 (9 FR 14907), by virtue of the authority of the Act of June 21, 1939 (53 Stat. 573), and section 7 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 986). Pursuant to section 1(a)(2) of the Act of June 29, 2000, Public Law 106–228 (114 Stat. 228), certain lands then held in fee by the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians were placed into federal trust status. The Act provided:

"All land held in fee by the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians located within the boundaries of the State of Mississippi, as shown in the report entitled "Report of Fee Lands owned by the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians," dated September 28, 1999, on file in the Office of the Superintendent, Choctaw Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, is hereby declared to be held by the United States in trust for the benefit of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians; * * *."

Section 1(a)(1) of Public Law 106–228 also provided that "all lands taken in trust by the United States for the benefit of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians on or after December 23, 1944, shall be part of the Mississippi Choctaw Indian Reservation." This Act was amended by section 811 of the Act of December 27, 2000, Public Law 106–568 (114 Stat. 2868), which provided:

Section 1(a)(2) of Pub. L. 106–228 (an Act to make technical corrections to the status of certain land held in trust for the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, to take certain land into trust for that Band, and for other purposes) is amended by striking "September 28, 1999" and inserting "February 7, 2000."

The February 7, 2000, report referenced in section 811 of Public Law 106-568 added lands to those originally identified in the September 28, 1999, report referenced in section 1(a)(2) of Public Law 106-228. All of those lands were placed into trust and made a part of the reservation. Revised legal descriptions for some of those lands were approved by Congress by section 107 of the Act of March 2, 2004, Public Law 108–204 (118 Stat. 542), as reflected in a Report of May 17, 2002, on file at the Choctaw Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. Legal descriptions for all parcels initially placed into trust and reservation status for the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians by Public Law 106-228, as amended by Public Law 106-568, as amended by Public Law 108–204, are referenced in Appendix I to this Notice.

Additional lands have been taken into trust by the United States for the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 465 after December 23, 1944, and before June 29, 2000. All such lands were made part of the Mississippi Choctaw Indian Reservation by section 1(a)(1) of Public Law 106–228. The legal descriptions for those other tracts are not set out in this notice.

Pursuant to section 1(a)(1) of Public Law 106–228, if and when additional lands are taken into trust by the United States for the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 465 or by other authority, each such additional land parcel shall automatically become a part of the Mississippi Choctaw Indian Reservation without the need for any other formal declaration to that effect pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 467.

All of the Choctaw reservation lands referenced in this notice constitute Indian Country under 18 U.S.C. 1151(a).

Dated: March 24, 2007.

Carl J. Artman,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

APPENDIX I

Lands placed into trust and reservation status for the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians within the State of Mississippi by Public Law 106–228, 114 Stat. 462, Act of June 29, 2000, as amended by Title VIII, Sec. 811 of Public Law 106–568, Act of December 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2868 and Sec. 107 of Public Law 108–204, Act of March 2, 2004, 118 Stat 542. The reference numbers shown below are from Exhibit A to the report of May 17, 2002, on file at the Choctaw Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Philadelphia, Mississippi, as referenced in Sec. 107 of Public Law 108–204, Act of March 2, 2004, 118 Stat. 542.

| Reference Nos. | Choctaw reserva- tion community | Township | Range | Section | County | Book & page from county records |
|----------------|------------------------------------|----------|-------|---------|---------|---------------------------------------|
| 1 | Bogue Chitto | 14N | 15E | 16 | NOXUBEE | 553/503 |
| 2 | Bogue Chitto | 11N | 14E | 7 | KEMPER | 268/220 |
| 3 | Bogue Chitto | 11N | 14E | 18 | KEMPER | 280/193 |
| 4 | Bogue Chitto | 12N | 14E | 32 | KEMPER | A222/845 |
| 5 | Bogue Chitto | 12N | 13E | 2 | NESHOBA | A223/6 |
| 6 | Bogue Chitto | 11N | 14E | 17 | KEMPER | 280/193 |
| 7 | Bogue Chitto | 11N | 14E | 7 | KEMPER | 270/71 |
| 8 | Boque Chitto | 11N | 14E | 5 | KEMPER | A222/845 |
| 9 | Boque Chitto | 11N | 14E | 7 | KEMPER | 274/14 |
| 10 | Boque Chitto | 11N | 13E | 10 | NESHOBA | A221/258 |
| 11 | Boque Chitto | 12N | 13E | 36 | NESHOBA | A217/346 |
| 12 | Bogue Chitto | 12N | 14E | 30 | KEMPER | A222/845 |
| 13 | Boque Chitto | 11N | 13E | 1 | NESHOBA | A217/343 |
| 14 | Boque Chitto | 11N | 13E | 2 | NESHOBA | A219/269 |
| 15 | Bogue Chitto | 11N | 13E | 13 | NESHOBA | A221/258 |
| 16 | Bogue Chitto | 11N | 13E | 12 | NESHOBA | A217/343 |
| 17 | Bogue Chitto | 11N | 13E | 1 | NESHOBA | A217/346 |
| 18 | Bogue Chitto | 12N | 13E | 25 | NESHOBA | A222/845 |
| 19 | Bogue Chitto | 11N | 14E | 27 | KEMPER | 228/47 |
| 22 | Bogue Chitto | 11N | 14E | 28 | KEMPER | 228/47 |

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| 23 | | Bogue Chitto | 12N | 13E | 1 | NESHOBA | A223/6 |
| | | Bogue Chitto | 11N | 14E | 21 | KEMPER | 228/47 |
| - | | Bogue Chitto Conehatta | 12N 07N | 14E 10E | 31 28 | KEMPER NEWTON | A222/845 262/692 |
| - | | Conehatta | 07N | 10E | 3 | NEWTON | 267/474 |
| | | Conehatta | 07N | 10E | 9 | NEWTON | 266/167 |
| | | Conehatta | 07N | 10E | 9 | NEWTON | 252/33 |
| | | Conehatta | 07N | 10E | 10 | NEWTON | 252/33 |
| | | Conehatta | 07N 14N | 10E 13E | 21 35 | WINSTON | 262/692 218/220 |
| | | Boque Chitto | 12N | 13E | 3 | WINSTON | 238/375 |
| | | Bogue Chitto | 12N | 13E | 2 | WINSTON | 230/206 |
| | | Bogue Chitto | 11N | 12E | 30 | NESHOBA | A228/897 |
| | | Bogue Chitto | 11N 11N | 12E 10E | 30 28 | NESHOBA | A93/144 A217/90 |
| | | Pearl River Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 20 | NESHOBA | A217/90 A239/448 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 10E | 33 | NESHOBA | A239/779 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 29 | NESHOBA | A239/270 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 2 | NESHOBA | A227/100 |
| - | | Pearl River Pearl River | 11N 11N | 10E 10E | 34 33 | NESHOBA | A226/879 A239/777 |
| - | | Pearl River | 11N | 10E | 28 | NESHOBA | A239/779 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 29 | NESHOBA | A230/823 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 1 | NESHOBA | A227/100 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 9 | NESHOBA | A227/100 |
| | | Pearl River Pearl River | 11N 11N | 11E 11E | 3 | NESHOBA | A227/100 A227/100 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 10 | NESHOBA | A227/100 A227/100 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 28 | NESHOBA | A230/823 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 10E | 14 | NESHOBA | A223//650 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E 11E | 30 | NESHOBA | A146/501 |
| | | Pearl River Pearl River | 11N 11N | 10E | 29 18 | NESHOBA | A238/406 A228/465 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 09E | 13 | LEAKE | A228/465 |
| 64 | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 29 | NESHOBA | A151/704 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 29 | NESHOBA | A150/577 |
| | | Pearl River Pearl River | 11N 11N | 11E 11E | 6 29 | NESHOBA | A235/124 A151/22 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 29 | NESHOBA | A151/24 |
| 69 | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 20 | NESHOBA | A220/842 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 10E | 28 | NESHOBA | A217/255 |
| | | Pearl River Pearl River | 11N 11N | 11E 11E | 30 30 | NESHOBA | A216/716 A239/270 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 10E | 36 | NESHOBA | A239/270 A161/528 |
| 71 | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 29 | NESHOBA | A150/581 |
| 75 | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 29 | NESHOBA | A232/764 |
| - | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 30 | NESHOBA | A201/138 |
| | | Pearl River Pearl River | 11N 11N | 11E 11E | 18 19 | NESHOBA | A140/142 A140/142 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 31 | NESHOBA | A239/270 |
| - | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 29 | NESHOBA | A231/15 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 29 | NESHOBA | A238/408 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 10E | 11 | NESHOBA | A223/650 |
| | | Pearl River Pearl River | 11N 11N | 11E 11E | 20 30 | NESHOBA | A219/550 A146/221 |
| | | Pearl River | 11N | 11E | 32 | NESHOBA | A239/270 |
| | | Red Water | 10N | 07E | 2 | LEAKE | 228/627 |
| | | Red Water | 10N | 07E | 2 | LEAKE | 228/630 |
| | | Red Water | 11N | 07E | 36 | LEAKE | 235/549 |
| | | Red Water Red Water | 11N 11N | 07E 07E | 35 36 | LEAKE LEAKE | 235/696 163/440 |
| | | Red Water | 11N | 07E | 26 | LEAKE | 233/424 |
| | | Red Water | 10N | 08E | 6 | LEAKE | 235/483 |
| | | Standing Pine | 10N | 08E | 34 | LEAKE | 154/624 |
| | | Standing Pine | 10N 09N | 09E 08E | 29 2 | LEAKELEAKE | 221/614 143/726 |
| | | Standing Pine | 10N | 09E | 30 | LEAKE | 221/614 |
| | | Standing Pine | 09N | 08E | 3 | LEAKE | 221/633 |
| 101 | | Standing Pine | 10N | 09E | 9 | LEAKE | 221/616 |
| 102 103 | | Tucker | 10N | 12E | 28 | NESHOBA | A229/665 |
| | | Red Water | 10N 13N | 12E 7E | 21 36 | NESHOBA | A229/665 607/612 |
| . 50 | | | | , _ ' | | | 557,512 |

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| 107 108 | Red Water | 13N 12N 12N 13N 11N | 7E 7E 7E 7E 14E | 1 2 35 | ATTALALEAKE LEAKE ATTALAKEMPER | |

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Amendment to the Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation Liquor Ordinance

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs,

Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice publishes an amendment to the Liquor Ordinance of the Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation of Montana (Tribe). This amendment brings the existing Liquor Ordinance of the Tribe which regulates and controls the possession, sale and consumption of liquor within the Tribe's reservation into conformance with state law. The Liquor Ordinance allows for possession and sale of alcoholic beverages within the Tribe's Indian reservation, and increases the ability of the tribal government to control the Tribe's liquor distribution and possession. At the same time it will provide an important source of revenue for the continued operation and strengthening of the tribal government and the delivery of tribal services.

DATES: Effective Date: This Ordinance is effective on April 9, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Louise Reyes, Indian Services Officer, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Rocky Mountain Regional Office, 316 North 26th St., Billings, MT 59101, Telephone: (406) 247–7988, Telefax: (406) 247– 7566; or Ralph Gonzales, Office of Indian Services, 1849 C Street, NW., Mail Stop 4513–MIB, Washington, DC 20240; Telephone No. (202) 513–7629.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Act of August 15, 1953, Public Law 83–277, 67 Stat. 586, 18 U.S.C. 1161, as interpreted by the Supreme Court in *Rice* v. *Rehner*, 463 U.S. 713 (1983), the Secretary of the Interior shall certify and publish in the **Federal Register** notice of adopted liquor ordinances for the purpose of regulating

liquor transactions in Indian country. The Chippewa Cree Business Committee adopted this amendment to their Liquor Ordinance by Resolution No. 27–06 on March 9, 2006. The purpose of this amendment is to bring their current Liquor Control Ordinance into conformance with State law.

This notice is published in accordance with the authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs. I certify that this Amendment to the Liquor Ordinance of the Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation was duly adopted by the Chippewa Cree Business Committee on March 9, 2006.

Dated: March 28, 2007.

Michael D. Olsen,

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

The Amendment to the Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation Liquor Ordinance reads as follows:

Chippewa Cree Law and Order Code Alcoholic Beverage Control Ordinance

Chapter 1 General Provisions

Section 1.1 *Title*—This Ordinance shall be known as the "Alcoholic Beverage Control Ordinance." The Tribe previously passed Ordinance I–70 which was certified by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs on June 16, 1970, and published in the **Federal Register** on June 25, 1970, authorizing the introduction, sale or possession of intoxicating beverages on the Rocky Boy's Reservation (35 FR 10384, 1970). This Ordinance replaces Ordinance I–70 to include the following provisions as adopted by the Chippewa Cree Tribal Business Committee.

Section 1.2 Purpose—This
Ordinance regulates the consumption,
delivery and sale of alcoholic beverages
within the exterior boundaries of the
Rocky Boy's Reservation and other
lands subject to Tribal jurisdiction for
the purpose of protecting the health,
safety and welfare of the Chippewa Cree
Tribe and its members as well as the
general public.

Section 1.3 Authority—This Alcoholic Beverage Control Ordinance

is enacted pursuant to Article VI, Section 1(p) of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Chippewa Cree Tribe. Federal law currently prohibits the introduction of alcoholic beverage into Indian Country (18 U.S.C. 1154), and expressly delegates to tribes the decision regarding when and to what extent alcoholic beverage transactions shall be permitted (18 U.S.C. 1161). Unless otherwise provided in this Ordinance, standards for the sale and transaction of alcoholic beverages shall be in conformity with the laws of the State of Montana, as required by, and in accordance with 18 U.S.C. 1161.

Section 1.4 Declaration of Public Policy

(a) The introduction, possession, and sale of alcoholic beverage on the Rocky Boy's Reservation are a matter of special concern to the Chippewa Cree Tribe.

(b) Compliance with this ordinance shall be in addition to, and not a substitute for, compliance with the laws of the State of Montana.

(c) In 1970, the Chippewa Cree Tribe passed Ordinance I-70, authorizing the introduction, sale or possession of alcoholic beverages on the Rocky Boy's Reservation. This Ordinance replaces Ordinance I-70 recognizing that a need still exists for strict regulation and control over alcoholic beverages transactions within the Rocky Boy's Reservation because of the many potential problems associated with the unregulated or inadequately regulated sale, possession, distribution, and consumption of alcoholic beverages. The Chippewa Cree Tribal Business Committee finds that Tribal control and regulation of alcoholic beverages necessary to achieve maximum economic benefit to the Tribe, to protect the health and welfare of Tribal members, and to address specific concerns relating to alcohol use on the Rocky Boy's Reservation.

(d) It is in the best interests of the Chippewa Cree Tribe to enact a Tribal ordinance governing alcoholic beverage sales on the Rocky Boy's Reservation, which provides for purchase, distribution, and sale of alcoholic beverages only on specific Tribal lands within the exterior boundaries of the Rocky Boy's Reservation, as designated