

requirements for potential officers. The BIA OLES conditions officer commissions on meeting these requirements. The Chief of Police of a tribe must perform an FBI criminal history check on each officer and certify the officers are both full-time employees with a law enforcement program and certified through either the State or the BIA. If an officer is not yet certified by one of the two entities, the BIA provides training before commissioning an officer. These officers must also meet other requirements such as firearms certification and maintaining a record free of any felonies. The SLECs expire after 3 years, when the Chief of Police must recertify the qualifications of the officers, and the officers must reapply for SLECs.

For SLEC officers to be used effectively to fill this void, it is important that all parties involved in Indian country law enforcement have a clear understanding of each of their roles and expectations. The BIA expects that, first, liability coverage under the Federal Tort Claims Settlement Act (FTCA) may be available to officers carrying Federal SLECs, but the Department of Justice makes all determinations on FTCA coverage on a case-by-case, factual basis, and their decisions are final. Second, because coordination is the foundation on which effective Indian country law enforcement is based, the BIA encourages full and open coordination between and among relevant tribal, local, and Federal law enforcement, and any relevant task forces or other similar organizations. Whenever possible the BIA encourages the relevant parties to enter agreements governing these cooperative relationships. The BIA will work with any parties to help accomplish this goal. There must also be coordination and communication among law enforcement entities, including local United States Attorney's offices, on Federal policing and prosecutorial practices and on particular cases and prosecutions where appropriate. Finally, the BIA expects that tribes and local law enforcement will maintain appropriate training and policies to ensure that their officers will be able to maintain the appropriate level of training and are otherwise prepared to perform their duties as SLEC officers. The BIA will also assist law enforcement organizations in developing these policies and training standards.

By clarifying the BIA's understandings and expectations of agencies participating in Indian country law enforcement, it is the AS-IA's intent to provide a strong basis on which to

build and strengthen these essential relationships. With strong relationships and communication, the BIA and tribal, local, and other Federal law enforcement can better meet the law enforcement, public health, and safety needs of people in Indian country.

Dated: January 22, 2004.

Aurene M. Martin,

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR-090-5882-PH-EE01; HAG 04-0081]

Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Meeting notice for the Eugene District, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Resources Advisory Committees under Section 205 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. 106-393).

SUMMARY: This notice is published in accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Meeting notice is hereby given for the Eugene District BLM Resources Advisory Committee pursuant to Section 205 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act of 2000, Public Law 106-393 (the Act). Topics to be discussed by the BLM Resource Advisory Committee include selection of a chairperson, public forum and proposed projects for funding in "Round 4, FY 05" under Title II of the Act.

DATES: The BLM Resource Advisory Committees will meet on the following dates: The Eugene Resource Advisory Committee will meet at the BLM Eugene District Office, 2890 Chad Drive, Eugene, Oregon 97440, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on May 20, 2004 and 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., on June 10, 2004. The public forum will be held from 12:30-1 pm on both days.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Act, five Resource Advisory Committees have been formed for western Oregon BLM districts that contain Oregon & California (U&C) Grant Lands and Coos Bay Wagon Road lands. The Act establishes a six year payment schedule to local counties in lieu of funds derived from the harvest of timber on Federal lands, which have

dropped dramatically over the past 10 years.

The Act creates a new mechanism for local community collaboration with Federal land management activities in the selection of projects to be conducted on federal lands or that will benefit resources on federal lands using funds under Title II of the Act. The BLM Resource Advisory Committees consist of 15 local citizens (plus 6 alternates) representing a wide array of interests.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Additional information concerning the BLM Resource Advisory Committees may be obtained from Wayne Elliott, Designated Federal Official, Eugene District Office, P.O. Box 10226, Eugene, Oregon 97440, (541) 683-6600, or wayne_elliott@or.blm.gov.

Dated: February 3, 2004.

Julia Dougan,

Eugene District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AK-932-1410-ET; F-14838]

Public Land Order No. 7595; Withdrawal of Public Lands for Bethel Village Selection; Alaska

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public land order.

SUMMARY: This order withdraws approximately 61,139 acres of public lands located within and outside of the Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining and mineral leasing laws, pursuant to section 22(j)(2) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. This action also reserves the lands for selection by the Bethel Native Corporation, the village corporation for Bethel. This withdrawal is for a period of 120 days; however, any lands selected shall remain withdrawn by the order until they are conveyed. Any lands described herein that are not selected by the corporation will remain withdrawn as part of the Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge, pursuant to the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, and will be subject to the terms and conditions of any other withdrawal or segregation of record.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 10, 2004.

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.

Order

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 22(j)(2) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, 43 U.S.C. 1621 (j)(2) (2000), it is ordered as follows:

1. Subject to valid existing rights, the following described public lands located within and outside of the Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge are hereby withdrawn from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining and mineral leasing laws, and are hereby reserved for selection under Section 12 of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, 43 U.S.C. 1611 (2000), by the Bethel Native Corporation, the village corporation for Bethel:

Seward Meridian

- T. 10 N., R. 61 W., (unsurveyed)
Secs. 5 to 8, inclusive;
Secs. 16, 17, and 18.
- T. 11 N., R. 61 W., (unsurveyed)
Secs. 3 to 8, inclusive;
Secs. 17 to 20, inclusive;
Secs. 30 and 31.
- T. 12 N., R. 61 W., (unsurveyed)
Secs. 27 to 34, inclusive.
- T. 10 N., R. 62 W., (unsurveyed)
Secs. 1 and 2;
Secs. 7 to 18, inclusive, excepting
therefrom Native Allotment application
F-17230.
- T. 11 N., R. 62 W., (unsurveyed)
Secs. 1 and 2;
Secs. 11 to 14, inclusive;
Secs. 23 to 26, inclusive;
Secs. 35 and 36.
- T. 10 N., R. 63 W., (unsurveyed)
Secs. 9 to 16, inclusive.
- T. 5 N., R. 68 W., (unsurveyed)
Secs. 1 to 36, inclusive, excepting
therefrom Native Allotment Certificates
50-2000-0148, 50-2000-0045, 50-2000-
0015, and 50-2000-0078.

The areas described aggregate a total of approximately 61,139 acres.

2. Prior to conveyance of any of the lands withdrawn by this order, the lands shall be subject to administration by the Secretary of the Interior under applicable laws and regulations, and his authority to make contracts and to grant leases, permits, rights-of-way, or easements shall not be impaired by this withdrawal.

3. This order constitutes final withdrawal action by the Secretary of the Interior under section 22(j)(2) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, 43 U.S.C. 1621(j)(2)(2000), to make lands available for selection by the Bethel Native Corporation, to fulfill the entitlement of the village for Bethel, under section 12 and section 14(a) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, 43 U.S.C. 1611 and 1613 (2000).

4. This withdrawal will terminate 120 days from the effective date of this order, provided, any lands selected shall remain withdrawn pursuant to this order until conveyed. Any lands described in this order not selected by the corporation shall remain withdrawn as part of the Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge, pursuant to section 303 (7) of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, 16 U.S.C. 668(dd) (2000); and will be subject to the terms and conditions of any other withdrawal or segregation of record.

5. It has been determined that this action is not expected to have any significant effect on subsistence uses and needs pursuant to section 810(c) of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, 16 U.S.C. 3120(c) (2000) and this action is exempted from the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4321 note (2000), by section 910 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, 43 U.S.C. 1638 (2000).

Dated: January 9, 2004.

Rebecca W. Watson,

Assistant Secretary—Land and Minerals Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA-180-1430-ES; CACA 27456]

Notice of Realty; Recreation and Public Purposes Classification for Lease and/or Conveyance; El Dorado County, CA

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of realty action.

SUMMARY: It is proposed to classify 190 acres of land for lease and/or conveyance to the Georgetown Divide Recreation District (GDRD) under the Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act, such land to be added by amendment to an existing R&PP Act lease of 35 acres, CACA 27456-01. As explained below, it is further proposed to change the use of the existing lease from a local park to a regional recreational facility.

DATES: The land will be segregated from all other forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the general mining laws and leasing under the mineral leasing laws, except for leasing or conveyance under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act on February 10, 2004.

ADDRESSES: For a period until March 26, 2004, interested persons may submit comments regarding the proposed classification, leasing or conveyance of the land to the Field Manager, Folsom Field Office Bureau of Land Management, 63 Natoma Street, Folsom, California.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You may contact Karen Montgomery at (916) 985-4474.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The GDRD proposes an amendment to R&PP Lease CACA 27456-01 to add 190 acres to an existing lease of 35 acres and to change the use of the lease from a local park to a regional recreational facility with playing fields, a skate park, a disc golf course, a swimming pool, a recreation center/gymnasium, and an equestrian staging area. The following public land, located in El Dorado County, near the community of Greenwood has been examined and found suitable for lease and/or conveyance for recreational or public purposes under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, as amended [43 U.S.C. 869 *et seq.*].

- T. 12 N., R. 10 E., M.D.M.,
Sec. 6, lots 8 and 13;
Sec. 7, lots 1, 11, 20, 23, 25, 26, 31, 33, and
portions of lots 28, 32, and MS 6418.

Containing 225 acres, more or less.

The land is not required for any federal purpose. The lease and/or conveyance is consistent with current Bureau planning for this area and would be in the public interest. The lease and/or patent, when issued, will be subject to the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior and will contain the following reservations to the United States:

1. A right-of-way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by the authority of the United States, Act of August 30, 1890 (43 U.S.C. 945).
2. All minerals shall be reserved to the United States.
3. Any other valid and existing rights of record not yet identified.

Classification Comments

Interested parties may submit comments involving the suitability of the land for a regional park facility. Comments on the classification are restricted to whether the land is physically suited for the proposal, whether the use will maximize the future use or uses of the land, whether the use is consistent with local planning and zoning, or if the use is consistent with State and Federal programs.