

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information contact Rick Julian at Rydell National Wildlife Refuge, Route 3, Box 105, Erskine, MN 56535; or call Mr. Julian at 218/687-2229; or direct e-mail to rick_julian@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Rydell National Wildlife Refuge includes wetlands, hardwood stands, conifer plantations, grass meadows and cropland. The Refuge was established in 1992 and today includes 2,120 acres. The diverse habitat is used by diving and dabbling ducks, geese, swans, white-tailed deer, moose, ruffed grouse, cormorants, herons, black bear, hawks and owls, among other species. The Refuge was established to protect wildlife habitat diversity, to encourage waterfowl and other migratory bird production, and to promote environmental education and recreation. In addition, the Refuge was established to demonstrate sound fish and wildlife management and wise land and water stewardship.

The Draft Comprehensive Conservation Plan emphasizes the habitat needs of fish and wildlife and expanded opportunities for wildlife-dependent recreation.

Dated: June 15, 2001.

Barbara A. Milne,

Acting Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Geological Survey

Technology Transfer Act of 1986

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of proposed Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) negotiation.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) is contemplating entering into a cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) with the National Stone, Sand & Gravel Association to develop a CD-ROM database of U.S. aggregates operations, based on the information included in the USGS National Atlas. The interactive CD-ROM will allow users to search and correlate aggregates operations with a broad array of geographical, geologic, environmental, infrastructure, and political features.

Inquiries: If any other parties are interested in similar activities with the USGS, please contact: Valentin V. Tepordei, USGS National Center, MS

983, 12201 Sunrise Valley Dr., Reston, VA 20192, Tel. 703-648-7728.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is submitted to meet the USGS requirements stipulated in the Survey Manual Chapter 500.20.

P. Patrick Leahy,

Associate Director for Geology, U.S.

Geological Survey, Reston, VA.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Indian Gaming

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of amendment to an approved Tribal-State Compact.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988, Public Law 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 gaming activities on Indian lands. The Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs (Management), Department of the Interior, through his delegated authority, has approved Amendment IX to the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon and the State of Oregon Gaming Compact, which was executed on May 4, 2001.

DATES: This action is effective June 28, 2001.

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

Dated: June 20, 2001.

James H. McDivitt,

Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs (Management).

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-920-00-1320-EL, WYW151133]

Belle Ayr 2000 Coal Lease Application, WY

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability (NOA) of Decision Record.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the availability of the Decision Record for the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Belle Ayr 2000 Coal Lease Application. That EA analyzes the potential impacts of leasing and mining Federal coal on lands in Campbell County, WY. BLM's decisions was to approve the Selected Alternative, which analyzed the impacts of offering for competitive lease sale approximately 243.61 acres containing an estimated 29 million tons of in-place Federal coal.

BLM received six written comments during the two scoping periods on the Belle Ayr 2000 lease application. These comments are on file in the Casper and Cheyenne offices of the BLM. Three written comments were received on the draft EA, and these were included, with written responses, in the final EA. The transcript of the formal hearing is on file in the Casper and Cheyenne Offices of the BLM. Three written comments were received on the final EA. All comments that were received during the process were considered in the preparation of the draft and final EA's, and in the Decision Record.

BLM Notices of Availability for the draft EA and for the final EA for this project were published in the **Federal Register** on December 29, 2000 (65 FR 83076), and on April 24, 2001 (66 FR 20681), respectively.

DATES: The Decision Record was signed by the Acting BLM WY State Director on June 6, 2001. Parties in interest have the right to appeal that decision pursuant to 43 CFR part 4, within thirty days from the date of publication of this NOA in the **Federal Register**. The Decision Record contains instructions on taking appeals to the Interior Board of Land Appeals.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melvin Schlagel, phone: (307) 775-6257. Copies of the Decision Record may be obtained from the following BLM offices: Casper Field Office, 2987 Prospector Drive, Casper, Wyoming 82604, 307-261-7600; and Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone Road, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82009, 307-775-6256.

Dated: June 25, 2001.

Phillip C. Perlewitz,

Chief, Branch of Solid Minerals.

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