

We are seeking public input on the NEPA analysis in the Draft SEIS, including the associated impacts of the alternatives, as well as comments on the draft revised HCP submitted with the ITP application. We will respond to all substantive comments received during the comment period in the Final Supplemental EIS. No sooner than 30 days after the Final SEIS publication, we will issue a NEPA Record of Decision (ROD).

Public Availability of Comments

You may submit your comments and materials by one of the methods listed in **ADDRESSES**. Before including your address, phone number, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—might be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public disclosure in their entirety.

Comments and materials we receive, as well as supporting documentation we use in preparing the DEIS, will be available for public inspection online in Docket No. FWS-R6-ES-2014-0048, at <https://www.regulations.gov/>

Next Steps and Decision To Be Made

We will make a permit decision based on the statutory and regulatory criteria of the ESA. This decision will also be informed by the data, analyses, and findings in the EIS and public comments received on the Draft SEIS and HCP. We will document our determinations in an ESA section 10 findings document, ESA section 7 biological opinion, and NEPA ROD developed at the conclusion of the ESA and NEPA compliance processes. If we find that all requirements for issuance of the ITP are met, we will issue the requested permit, subject to terms and conditions deemed necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of ESA Section 10.

Authority

We provide this notice under section 10(c) of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 17.22 and 17.32) and NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and its

implementing regulations (40 CFR 1506.6 and 43 CFR 46.305).

Marjorie Nelson,

Acting Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Mountain-Prairie Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

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Notice of Deadline for Submitting Completed Applications To Begin Participation in the Tribal Self-Governance Program in Fiscal Year 2025 or Calendar Year 2025

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of application deadline.

SUMMARY: In this notice, the Office of Self-Governance (OSG) establishes a deadline for Indian tribes/consortia to submit completed applications to begin participation in the tribal self-governance program in fiscal year 2025 or calendar year 2025.

DATES: Completed application packages must be received by the Director, Office of Self-Governance, by March 1, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Application packages for inclusion in the applicant pool should be sent to Sharee M. Freeman, Director, Office of Self-Governance, Department of the Interior, Mail Stop 3624-MIB, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Vickie Hanvey, Office of Self-Governance, Vickie.Hanvey@bia.gov; Telephone (918) 931-0745. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Tribal Self-Governance Act of 1994 (Public Law 103-413), as amended by the Practical Reforms and Other Goals to Reinforce the Effectiveness of Self-Governance and Self-Determination Act of 2019-2020 and section 402(b)(1)(A) of the Practical Reforms and Other Goals To Reinforce the Effectiveness of Self-Governance and Self-Determination (PROGRESS Act), the Secretary, acting through the Director of the Office of Self-Governance, may select not more than 50 new Indian Tribes per year from those eligible tribes. The application deadline listed in the **DATES** section is predicated upon providing the parties

enough time to complete funding agreement negotiations in advance of the FY or CY start date of the 2025 funding agreement. The Act mandates that copies of the funding agreements be sent at least 90 days before the proposed effective date to each Tribe that is served by the Bureau of Indian Affairs' agency that is serving the Tribe that is a party to the funding agreement. Initial negotiations with a Tribe/consortium located in a region and/or agency which has not previously been involved with self-governance negotiations will take approximately 2 months from start to finish. Agreements for an October 1 to September 30 funding year need to be signed and submitted by July 1. Agreements for a January 1 to December 31 need to be signed and submitted by October 1.

Purpose of Notice

The regulations at 25 CFR 1000.10 through 1000.31 have been modified by section 201 of the newly enacted PROGRESS Act as follows:

Section 201. Definitions; reporting and audit requirements; application of programs.

To be eligible to participate in self-governance, an Indian Tribe shall:

(1) successfully complete the planning phase described in subsection (d);

(2) request participation in self-governance by resolution or other official

action by the Tribal governing body; and

(3) demonstrate for the 3 fiscal years preceding the date on which the Tribe requests participation, fiscal stability and financial management capability as evidenced by the Indian Tribe having no uncorrected significant and internal audit exceptions in the required annual audit of its self-determination or self-governance agreements with any Federal agency.

An Indian Tribe seeking to begin participation in self-governance shall complete the planning phase. The planning phase shall:

(A) be conducted to the satisfaction of the Indian Tribe; and

(B) include:

(i) legal and budgetary research; and

(ii) internal Tribal governing planning, training, and organizational preparation.

Applicants should be guided by the referenced requirements in preparing their applications to begin participation in the tribal self-governance program in fiscal year 2025 and calendar year 2025. Copies of these requirements may be obtained from the information contact person identified in this notice.

Tribes/consortia wishing to be considered for participation in the tribal self-governance program in fiscal year 2025 or calendar year 2025 must respond to this notice, except for those tribes/consortia which are one of the 142 tribal entities with signed self-governance agreements.

Information Collection

This information collection is authorized by OMB Control Number 1076-0143, Tribal Self-Governance Program, which expires February 28, 2026.

Bryan Newland,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Realty Action: Application by Randall L. Christian and Lynn L. Christian for Conveyance of Federally Owned Mineral Interests in Lake County, OR

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of realty action.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is processing an application for the conveyance of federally owned mineral interests in a 640-acre parcel of land located in Lake County, Oregon, to the surface owners, Randall L. Christian and Lynn L. Christian.

DATES: Interested persons may submit written comments to the BLM on or before March 25, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to the BLM Lakeview Field Office, 1301 S. G Street, Lakeview, OR 97630.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jami Ludwig, Field Manager, BLM Lakeview, at the address listed earlier, by telephone at (541) 947-6102, or email at jludwig@blm.gov. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BLM is processing an application under section 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) to convey federally owned mineral interests that total 640 acres situated in Lake County, Oregon. The location of

the federally owned mineral interests proposed for conveyance is identical in location to the privately owned surface interest of the applicant, and is described as follows:

Willamette Meridian, Oregon

T. 25 S., R. 14 E., sec. 25.

The area described contains 640 acres, according to the official plat of the survey of the said land, on file with the BLM.

Under certain conditions, section 209(b) of FLPMA authorizes the conveyance of the federally owned mineral interests in land when the surface estate is not federally owned. The objective is to allow consolidation of the surface and mineral interests when either one of the following conditions exist: (1) There are no known mineral values in the land; or (2) The reservation of the mineral rights in the United States is interfering with or precluding appropriate nonmineral development of the land and such development is a more beneficial use of the land than mineral development.

The applicant has deposited a sufficient sum of funding to cover the administrative costs of processing the application, including, but not limited to, the cost of the mineral potential report.

Subject to valid existing rights, on February 9, 2024 the federally owned mineral interests in the land described above is hereby segregated from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws. The segregative effect will terminate upon: (1) Issuance of a patent or other document of conveyance of the mineral interests; (2) Final rejection of the application; or (3) February 9, 2026, whichever occurs first.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

(Authority: 43 CFR 2720.1-1(b))

James Forbes,

Lakeview District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey, Colorado

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of official filing.

SUMMARY: The plats of survey of the following described lands are scheduled

to be officially filed in the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Colorado State Office, Lakewood, Colorado, 30 calendar days from the date of this publication. The surveys, which were executed at the request of the U.S. Forest Service and the National Park Service, are necessary for the management of these lands.

DATES: Unless there are protests of this action, the plats described in this notice will be filed on March 11, 2024.

ADDRESSES: You may submit written protests to the BLM Colorado State Office, Cadastral Survey, P.O. Box 151029, Lakewood, CO 80215.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David W. Ginther, Chief Cadastral Surveyor for Colorado, telephone: (970) 826-5064; email: dginther@blm.gov. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The plat, in two sheets, incorporating the field notes of the dependent resurvey in Township 6 North, Range 75 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado, was accepted on November 27, 2023.

The plat and field notes of the dependent resurvey and survey in partially surveyed Township 5 North, Range 73 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado, were accepted on December 27, 2023.

The plat, in two sheets, incorporating the field notes of the dependent resurvey in Township 11 North, Range 85 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado, was accepted on January 11, 2024.

The plat incorporating the field notes of the dependent resurvey in Township 2 North, Range 84 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado, was accepted on January 19, 2024.

A person or party who wishes to protest any of the above surveys must file a written notice of protest within 30 calendar days from the date of this publication at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice. A statement of reasons for the protest may be filed with the notice of protest and must be filed within 30 calendar days after the protest is filed. If a protest against the survey is received prior to the date of official filing, the filing will be stayed pending consideration of the protest. A plat will not be officially filed until the day after all protests have