

The revised proposal for the Emigrant Mine would include developing and operating an open pit mine, constructing a waste rock disposal facility, storing oxide waste in mined out areas of the pit, developing an oxide heap leach pad, constructing ancillary facilities, temporarily rerouting intermittent stream and flows in the pit area, and concurrent reclamation. Proposed mining operations would last approximately 10 years through 2017. Approximately 1,172 acres of public land and 260 acres of private land would be disturbed.

The issues analyzed in the DEIS include potential direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts to wildlife and cultural resources, the potential for waste rock, heap leach, and pit walls to produce acid rock drainage or heavy metals, and diversion of an unnamed drainage. In addition, the following resources are analyzed: geology and minerals, Native American religious concerns, air quality, paleontology, lands and realty, fisheries and aquatic resources, range management, vegetation, soils, visual resources, recreation and wilderness, weeds, social and economic values, environmental justice, and threatened, endangered, candidate, and sensitive species.

The DEIS analyzes the proposed action and no action alternatives. Other alternatives considered and reasons why they were eliminated from detailed analysis are discussed. Measures to avoid or minimize environmental impacts and to assure the proposed action does not result in undue or unnecessary degradation of public lands are included. This DEIS can be reviewed and/or downloaded from the BLM Elko Web page at http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/elko_field_office.html.

The BLM is asking the public to comment on the DEIS. Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the above address during regular business hours 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays, and may be published as part of the DEIS. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be advised 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 from public review your personal identifying information, 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 available for public inspection in their entirety.

Gene Seidlitz,
Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease, Louisiana

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of Public Law 97-451, the Bureau of Land Management-Eastern States (BLM-ES) received a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease LAES 51206 from Rhumba Operating, LLC for lands in Caldwell Parish, Louisiana. The petition was filed on time and was accompanied by all the rentals due since the date the lease terminated under the law.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robyn Shoop, Supervisory Land Law Examiner, BLM-ES, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia, at (703) 440-1512.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: No valid lease has been issued affecting these lands. The lessee has agreed to the new lease terms for rental and royalties at rates of \$10.00 per acre or fraction thereof, per year, and 16⅔ percent, respectively. The lessee has paid the required \$500.00 administrative fee and \$163.00 to reimburse the BLM for the cost of publishing this Notice in the **Federal Register**. The lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement as set out in Sections 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), and the BLM is proposing to reinstate the lease effective December 1, 2006, under the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

Dated: October 22, 2008.

Steven R. Wells,
Deputy State Director, Division of Natural Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Availability of Record of Decision for the Monticello Field Office Approved Resource Management Plan

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The BLM announces the availability of the Approved Resource Management Plan (RMP)/Record of Decision (ROD) for the Monticello Field Office located in Utah. The Department of the Interior Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management signed the ROD on November 17, 2008, which constitutes the final decision of the Department of the Interior and makes the Approved RMP effective immediately.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the Approved RMP/ROD are available upon request at the BLM Monticello Field Office, 365 North Main, Monticello, UT 84535, or via the Internet at <http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/monticello/planning/html>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: BLM Monticello Field Office, Nick Sandberg, Associate Field Office Manager, telephone (435) 587-1500; 365 N. Main, Monticello, Utah 84535.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This Approved RMP was developed with multiple opportunities for public participation through a multi-year collaborative planning process. The BLM sought participation from the public, tribes, and local, State, and Federal agencies in the development of this RMP and will continue to pursue partnerships in the management of public lands. No inconsistencies with State or local plans, policies, or programs were identified during the Governor's consistency review of the Proposed RMP/Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The Approved RMP is designed to achieve or maintain desired future conditions identified through the planning process.

The Monticello Field Office Approved RMP/ROD addresses management of approximately 1.8 million acres of BLM-administered surface lands and 2.5 million acres of federally owned mineral estate in San Juan County and a small portion of Grand County, Utah. The planning effort addressed a variety of management issues, including: Cultural resources; recreation and off-highway vehicle management; visual resources; woodlands products; special designations, including Areas of Critical