

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) of a Marine Geophysical Survey by the U.S. Geological Survey in the Arctic Ocean, August–September 2010 and by this notice is announcing the opening of the comment period.

**DATES:** To ensure comments will be considered, the USGS must receive written comments on the Draft EA of a Marine Geophysical Survey by the U.S. Geological Survey in the Arctic Ocean, August–September 2010 within 30 days following the date this Notice of Availability is published in the **Federal Register**.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments related to the Draft Environmental Assessment of a Marine Geophysical Survey by the U.S. Geological Survey in the Arctic Ocean, August–September 2010 by any of the following methods:

- Web site: [http://walrus.wr.usgs.gov/EA/ECS\\_EA](http://walrus.wr.usgs.gov/EA/ECS_EA)

- E-mail: [jchilds@usgs.gov](mailto:jchilds@usgs.gov).

- Fax: 650–329–5190.

- Mail: Jonathan R. Childs, U.S. Geological Survey, Mail Stop 999, 345 Middlefield Rd., Menlo Park, CA 94025.

Copies of the Draft EA are available in the USGS Menlo Park Earth Science Information Center, Building 3, Room 3128, 345 Middlefield Rd., Menlo Park, CA 94025, Telephone: (650) 329–4309; the USGS Anchorage Earth Science Information Center, Room 208, 4210 University Dr. Anchorage, AK 99508, Telephone: (907) 786–7011; and at the North Slope Borough Department of Wildlife Management, Barrow, Alaska, Telephone: (907) 852–0350.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information contact Jonathan R. Childs, geophysicist, at the above address.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The objective of the proposed Geophysical Survey is to provide information relevant to determining the outer limits of the U.S. Extended Continental Shelf under the provisions of Article 76 of the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea. Further information is available at: <http://www.continentalshef.gov>.

Prior public input included requests for comment and information early in the project from agencies with potential interest or jurisdiction, and from local North Slope organizations with a potential interest in the proposed project. Survey plans were presented at the Alaskan Eskimo Whaling Captain's meeting on February 11, 2010. A public meeting was held March 23, 2010 in Anchorage, Alaska. Minor issues and

concerns were addressed during the public meeting.

Please note that public comments and information submitted including names, street addresses, and email addresses of persons who submit comments will be available for public review and disclosure at the USGS Menlo Park address above during regular business hours (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays.

**Authority:** 40 CFR 1506.6, 40 CFR 1506.10.

**James F. Devine,**

*Senior Advisor for Science Applications.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey; Montana

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of filing of plats of survey.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will file the plat of survey of the lands described below in the BLM Montana State Office, Billings, Montana, thirty (30) days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Marvin Montoya, Cadastral Surveyor, Branch of Cadastral Survey, Bureau of Land Management, 5001 Southgate Drive, Billings, Montana 59101–4669, telephone (406) 896–5124 or (406) 896–5009.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This survey was executed at the request of the Program Manager, Bureau of Reclamation, Great Plains Region, Montana Area Office, Billings, Montana, and was necessary to determine the boundaries of Federal Interest lands.

The lands we surveyed are:

#### Principal Meridian, Montana

T. 36 N., R. 14 E.

The plat, in 3 sheets, representing the dependent resurvey of dependent resurvey of portions of the Ninth Standard Parallel North, through Range 14 West, the subdivisional lines, the subdivision of certain sections, and certain rights-of-way of the United States Reclamation Service (U.S.R.S.) Reserve, St. Mary Storage Unit (Canal), through sections 3, 16, and 27, Township 36 North, Range 14 West, Principal Meridian, Montana, was accepted June 3, 2010.

We will place a copy of the plat, in 3 sheets, and related field notes we

described in the open files. They will be available to the public as a matter of information. If the BLM receives a protest against this survey, as shown on this plat, in 3 sheets, prior to the date of the official filing, we will stay the filing pending our consideration of the protest. We will not officially file this plat, in 3 sheets, until the day after we have accepted or dismissed all protests and they have become final, including decisions or appeals.

**Authority:** 43 U.S.C. Chap 3.

Dated: June 4, 2010.

**James D. Claffin,**

*Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Division of Resources.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Intent To Establish and Call for Nominations for the Rio Grande Natural Area Commission, Colorado

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The BLM is publishing this notice in accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) gives notice that the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) is establishing the Rio Grande Natural Area Commission (Commission) in the State of Colorado. This notice is also to solicit public nominations for the Commission. The Commission will advise the Secretary with respect to the Rio Grande Natural Area (Natural Area) and prepare a management plan relating to non-Federal land in the Natural Area.

**DATES:** All nominations must be received no later than July 12, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for the address of the BLM Colorado Office accepting nominations.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** James Sample, Public Information Officer, Colorado State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215, telephone (303) 239–3861; or e-mail [James\\_Sample@blm.gov](mailto:James_Sample@blm.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Commission is a statutory advisory committee established under Section 4 of the Rio Grande Natural Area Act (Act)

of 2006 (16 U.S.C. 460rrr–2). The Commission shall be composed of nine members appointed by the Secretary, of whom:

- One member shall represent the Colorado State Director of the BLM;
- One member shall be the manager of the Alamosa National Wildlife Refuge, ex officio;
- Three members shall be appointed based on the recommendation of the Governor of Colorado, among whom:
  - One member shall represent the Colorado Division of Wildlife;
  - One member shall represent the Colorado Division of Water Resources; and
- One member shall represent the Rio Grande Water Conservation District.
- Four members shall:
  - Represent the general public;
  - Be citizens of the local region in which the Natural Area is established; and
  - Have knowledge and experience in fields of interest relating to the preservation, restoration, and use of the Natural Area.

Individuals may nominate themselves or others. The BLM will evaluate nominees based on their education, training, experience, and knowledge of the geographical area the Commission serves. Nominees should demonstrate a commitment to collaborative resource decision-making. The Obama Administration prohibits individuals who are currently federally registered lobbyists to serve on all FACA and non-FACA boards, committees, or councils. The following must accompany all nominations:

- Letters of reference from represented interests or organizations;
- A completed background information nomination form; and
- Any other information that addresses the nominee's qualifications.

Simultaneous with this notice, the San Luis Valley Public Lands Center will issue press releases providing additional information for submitting nominations. Nominations for the Commission should be sent to: Harold Dyer, Environmental Coordinator, Public Lands Center, Rio Grande National Forest, 1803 West Highway 160, Monte Vista, Colorado 81140, (719) 852–6215.

**Certification Statement:** I hereby certify that the BLM Rio Grande Natural Area Commission is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the Secretary's responsibilities to manage the lands, resources, and facilities administered by the BLM.

Dated: June 4, 2010.

**Ken Salazar,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### Notice of Inventory Completion: New York University College of Dentistry, New York, NY

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

Notice is here given in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3003, of the completion of an inventory of human remains in the possession and control of the New York University College of Dentistry, New York, NY. The human remains were removed from the Allred Bluff and Salts Bluff Rockshelters, Benton County, AR.

This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA, 25 U.S.C. 3003(d)(3). The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the museum, institution, or Federal agency that has control of the Native American human remains. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

A detailed assessment of the human remains was made by the New York University College of Dentistry professional staff in consultation with representatives of the Caddo Nation of Oklahoma and Osage Nation, Oklahoma.

In 1923, human remains representing a minimum of two individuals were removed from the Allred Bluff Rockshelter, Benton County, AR, by M.R. Harrington. The remains were discovered during an expedition sponsored by the Museum of the American Indian, Heye Foundation. The remains were catalogued into the collections of the Museum of the American Indian in 1923. In 1956, the Museum of the American Indian transferred the remains to Dr. Theodore Kazamiroff, New York University College of Dentistry. No known individuals were identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

In 1922, human remains representing a minimum of one individual were removed from the Salts Bluff Rockshelter Shelter 1, Benton County, AR, by M.R. Harrington. The remains were discovered during an expedition sponsored by the Museum of the

American Indian, Heye Foundation. The remains were catalogued into the collections of the Museum of the American Indian in 1922. In 1956, the Museum of the American Indian transferred the remains to Dr. Theodore Kazamiroff, New York University College of Dentistry. No known individual was identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

Harrington identified all of the archeological material associated with the human remains at both rockshelters as part of the Bluff Dweller culture. The "Bluff Dweller" material dates to the Late Archaic and Early Woodland periods. The distinction between these two time periods is not well-defined. Both components are part of the James River complex, which lasted from approximately 2000 B.C. to A.D. 100. The James River complex was spread throughout the Ozarks, a broad geographic area that includes several subtraditions, although no subtradition has yet been defined for the region that includes the rockshelters. The shelters in the region were likely used by small groups of people from multiple adjacent, culturally discrete regions for specific subsistence or other resource procurement activities. The morphology of the remains is consistent with an individual of Native American ancestry.

At the time of European contact, the areas of the Allred Bluff Rockshelter and Salts Bluff Rockshelter were inhabited by the Osage people. Osage tradition identifies the area of Benton County as part of the ancestral territory of the Osage. The Osage ceded their land in Arkansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma between 1808 and 1825. For a while, they retained hunting rights in the region and their use of the Ozarks is documented in early 19th century records. The Osage were ultimately relocated to Oklahoma, where their reservation was established in 1872.

Officials of the New York University College of Dentistry have determined that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(9), the human remains described above represent the physical remains of three individuals of Native American ancestry. Officials of the New York University College of Dentistry also have determined that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001(2), a relationship of shared group identity cannot reasonably be traced between the Native American human remains and any present-day Indian tribe.

The Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Review Committee (Review Committee) is responsible for recommending specific actions for disposition of culturally unidentifiable human remains. In July