

60-day Governor's consistency review. The Governors of California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, and Wyoming raised concerns regarding the Proposed RMP Amendments, identified inconsistencies with State and local plans, and provided recommendations relating to the BLM's Proposed RMP Amendments. The BLM considered the information provided by the Governors but declined to revise the Approved RMP Amendments, finding that the Approved RMP Amendments appropriately integrate State and local plans to the maximum extent practical, consistent with Federal law. The Governors of California and Utah appealed the BLM's response to the Governors' consistency review to the BLM Director. The BLM Director determined that the Approved RMP Amendments provide for a reasonable balance between the national interest and the State's interest, and notified the Governors that no changes to the Approved RMP Amendments were necessary as a result of the Governor's consistency review.

(Authority: 40 CFR 1506.6 (2022), 43 CFR subpart 1610.)

**Nada Wolff Culver,**  
Principal Deputy Director.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[SDMT 106276277; SDM 112598]

#### Public Land Order No. 7956; Withdrawal of Pactola Reservoir— Rapid Creek Watershed; South Dakota

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

**ACTION:** Public land order.

**SUMMARY:** This Public Land Order (PLO) withdraws 20,510 acres of National Forest System (NFS) lands in the Black Hills National Forest, Pennington County, South Dakota, from settlement, sale, location, or entry under the public land laws; location and entry under the United States mining laws; and leasing under the mineral and geothermal leasing laws for 20 years, subject to valid existing rights, to protect the cultural and natural resources of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek Watershed, including municipal water for Rapid City and Ellsworth Air Force Base.

**DATES:** This PLO takes effect on December 27, 2024.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this withdrawal is to protect and preserve cultural and natural resources of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek Watershed, including municipal water for Rapid City and Ellsworth Air Force Base, from the known and potential adverse environmental impacts that may arise from exploration and development of federally owned minerals. A Notice of Application for Withdrawal and Notification of Public Meeting was published in the **Federal Register** on March 21, 2023 (88 FR 17006).

#### Order

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), 43 U.S.C. 1714, it is ordered as follows:

1. Subject to valid existing rights, the following described lands are hereby withdrawn from settlement, sale, location, or entry under the public land laws; location and entry under the United States mining laws; and leasing under the mineral and geothermal leasing laws for 20 years.

#### Black Hills Meridian, South Dakota

T. 1 N., R. 4 E.,

Sec. 1;

Sec. 2, that part lying easterly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 11, that part lying easterly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Secs. 12 and 13;

Sec. 14, that part lying easterly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 23, that part lying northeasterly of Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 24, that part lying northeasterly of Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 25, that part lying northeasterly of Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary.

T. 2 N., R. 4 E.,

Sec. 13, lots 1 thru 5, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , except Tract A of H.E.S. No. 241, that part lying southerly of Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 14, lot 2, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , that part lying southeasterly of Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 22, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , those portions lying southerly and easterly of Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 23, that part lying easterly of Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 24, except Tract A of H.E.S. No. 241; Sec. 25, except M.S. No. 1948 and M.S. No. 2016;

Sec. 26, that part lying easterly of Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 27, those portions lying easterly of Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 34, lots 1, 4, 6, and 9, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , that part lying easterly of Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 35, except M.S. No. 2047, that part lying northeasterly of Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 36, except M.S. No. 1948; M.S. No. 1019, that part lying southerly of Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

M.S. No. 2047.

T. 1 N., R. 5 E.,

Sec. 2, that part lying southwesterly of Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Secs. 3 thru 7;

Sec. 8, except M.S. No. 1918;

Secs. 9 and 10;

Sec. 11, that part lying northwesterly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 14, that part lying northwesterly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 15, N $\frac{1}{2}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , that part lying northerly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 16, that part lying northwesterly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 17, except M.S. Nos. 1916 and 1918 and M.S. No. 2092, Peggy Lode, Merrit No. 1 Lode, and Luckily Boy Lode;

Sec. 18, N $\frac{1}{2}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 19, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ , that part lying northwesterly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 20, except M.S. No. 1916, that part lying northerly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 21, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , that part lying northwesterly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 30, W $\frac{1}{2}$ , that part lying northwesterly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary.

H.E.S. No. 106;

H.E.S. No. 599;

M.S. No. 891.

T. 2 N., R. 5 E.,

Sec. 18, that part lying southerly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 19, that part lying southwesterly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 20, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , that part lying southwesterly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 28, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , that part lying southerly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 29, that part lying westerly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 30, except M.S. No. 1948 and M.S. No. 2016;

Sec. 31, lots 5 and 6, lots 10 thru 19, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and those portions of M.S. No. 504 further described as Town of Silver City, Blocks A, B, C, D, and E, lots 3 thru 16 and lots 23 thru 32 of Block 9, lots 4 and 5, lots 12 thru 15, lots 27 thru 30 of Block 12, and Blocks 19 and 20;

Sec. 32, except M.S. No. 2040 and The Silver City Cemetery Tract, as shown on the survey plat of the Silver City Cemetery Tract recorded as Doc. # A201717833, in the Pennington County Register of Deeds, on 12/19/2017, at 2:15 p.m., that part lying southwesterly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary; Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 33, that part lying southerly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 34, that part lying southerly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

Sec. 35, those portions lying westerly of the Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary;

M.S. No 2040, except W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 31 and The Silver City Cemetery Tract, as shown on the survey plat of the Silver City Cemetery Tract recorded as Doc. #A201717833, in the Pennington County Register of Deeds, on 12/19/2017, at 2:15 p.m.

The Pactola Reservoir—Rapid Creek subwatershed boundary described within this land description was derived from Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and used for convenience in determining acreage. This subwatershed is also known as Hydrological Unit Code (HUC) 101201100110. This land description intends to include all Federal lands administered by the United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service within this subwatershed. The actual boundary is intended to be the location of said subwatershed as it exists on the ground.

The areas described aggregate 20,510 acres, more or less, according to the official plats of surveys of the said lands, on file with the Bureau of Land Management, Conveyance Documents, and GIS.

2. The withdrawal made by this order does not alter the applicability of laws governing the use of public lands or NFS lands other than the public land laws, the United States mining laws, mineral leasing, and geothermal leasing laws.

3. The withdrawal will expire 20 years from the effective date of this Order, unless, as a result of a review conducted prior to the expiration date pursuant to Section 204(f) of FLPMA, 43 U.S.C. 1714(f), the Secretary determines the withdrawal should be extended.

(Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1714)

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

[Docket No. BOEM–2024–0055]

#### Notice of Availability of a Joint Record of Decision for the Proposed SouthCoast Wind Project

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Interior; National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army.

**ACTION:** Record of decision; notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) announces the availability of the joint record of decision (ROD) on the final environmental impact statement (EIS) for the construction and operations plan (COP) submitted by SouthCoast Wind Energy LLC (SouthCoast Wind) for its proposed SouthCoast Wind Project (Project) offshore Massachusetts and Rhode Island. The joint ROD includes the Department of the Interior's (DOI) decision regarding the COP; National Marine Fisheries Service's (NMFS) decision, pending completion of all statutory processes, regarding SouthCoast Wind's requested Incidental Take Regulations (ITR) and an associated Letter of Authorization (LOA) under the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA); and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (USACE) decision regarding authorizations under section 10 of the

Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (RHA) and section 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA). NMFS has adopted the final EIS to support its decision about whether or not to promulgate the requested ITR and issue an LOA to SouthCoast Wind under the MMPA. USACE has adopted the final EIS to support its decision to issue a Department of the Army (DA) permit under section 10 of the RHA and section 404 of the CWA. The joint ROD concludes the National Environmental Policy Act process for each agency.

**ADDRESSES:** The joint ROD and associated information are available on BOEM's website at <https://www.boem.gov/renewable-energy/state-activities/southcoast-wind-formerly-mayflower-wind>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information related to BOEM's action, please contact Genevieve Brune, BOEM Office of Renewable Energy Programs, 45600 Woodland Road, VAM–OREP, Sterling, Virginia 20166, (703) 787–1553, or [genevieve.brune@boem.gov](mailto:genevieve.brune@boem.gov). For information related to NMFS' action, please contact Katherine Renshaw, National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Office of General Counsel, (302) 515–0324, [katherine.renshaw@noaa.gov](mailto:katherine.renshaw@noaa.gov). For information related to USACE's action, please contact Roberta Budnik, Regulatory Division, New England District, (978) 318–8766, [roberta.K.Budnik@usace.army.mil](mailto:roberta.K.Budnik@usace.army.mil).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

SouthCoast Wind seeks approval to construct, operate, and maintain the Project: a wind energy facility and the associated export cables on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) offshore Massachusetts and Rhode Island. The Project would be developed within the range of design parameters outlined in the COP, subject to applicable mitigation measures.

A notice of availability for the final EIS was published in the **Federal Register** on November 15, 2024 at 89 FR 90316. On December 16, 2024, BOEM published an errata on its website that included certain edits to the Executive Summary, Chapter 2, Chapter 3, Appendix F, Appendix G, Appendix I, Appendix N, and Appendix O. None of these edits are substantive or affect the analysis or conclusions in the final EIS.

The proposed Project would be located about 26 nautical miles (nm) (48 kilometers) south of Martha's Vineyard and 20 nm (37 kilometers) south of Nantucket in the area defined in BOEM's renewable energy lease number OCS–A 0521 (Lease Area). The Lease Area covers approximately 127,388 acres. The Project would consist of up