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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

National Satellite Land Remote Sensing Data Archive (NSLRSDA) Advisory Committee; Notice of Reestablishment

This notice is published in accordance with section 9 (a) (2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92–463), 5 U.S.C. App. (1988). Following consultation with the General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of the Interior is reestablishing the National Satellite Land Remote Sensing Data Archive (NSLRSDA) Advisory Committee. NSLRSDA was established by Congress in the Land Remote Sensing Policy Act of 1992 (Public Law 102–555), 15 U.S.C. 5601.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), Earth Resources Observation Systems (EROS) Data Center (EDC) on guidelines or rules relating to NSLRSDA archival data deposit, maintenance, and preservation as well as access management policies and procedures. The Committee will be responsible for providing advice and consultation on a broad range of technical and policy topics in guiding development of NSLRSDA.

In order for the Secretary to be advised by a broad spectrum of remote sensing data users and producers, committee membership will be composed of 15 members, as follows: two from academia, with one being a laboratory researcher-data user and one a classroom educator; four from government, with one being a Federal

data user, one a State data user, one a local data user, and one a science archivist; four from industry, with one being a data management technologist, one a licensed data provider, one a value-added or other data provider, and one an end user; five others, with one being a nonaffiliated individual, one representing a nongovernmental organization, one an international representative, and two at-large, from any data user or producer sector. Expertise in information science, natural science, social science, and policy/law must be represented within the sectors listed above.

The Committee will function solely as an advisory body, and in compliance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The Charter will be filed under the Act, 15 days from the date of publication of this notice.

Further information regarding the NSLRSDA Advisory Committee may be obtained from the Director, USGS, Department of the Interior, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia 20192. Certification of reestablishment is published below.

Certification

I hereby certify that the reestablishment of the National Satellite Land Remote Sensing Data Archive Advisory Committee is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties by the Department of Interior mandated pursuant to the Land Remote Sensing Policy Act of 1992 (Public Law 102–555), 15 U.S.C. 5601.

Dated: November 16, 2000.

Bruce Babbitt,

Secretary of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Intent To Prepare a Comprehensive Conservation Plan for the Proposed Grand Kankakee Marsh National Wildlife Refuge in Northwestern Indiana and Northeastern Illinois

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to prepare a comprehensive conservation plan for the proposed Grand Kankakee Marsh National Wildlife Refuge in northwestern Indiana and northeastern Illinois.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) intends to prepare a comprehensive conservation plan and an associated environmental document for the proposed Grand Kankakee Marsh National Wildlife Refuge. The Service is furnishing this notice in compliance with Service comprehensive conservation plan policy and the National Environmental Policy Act and implementing regulations to achieve the following:

(1) Advise other agencies and the public of our intentions, and

(2) Obtain suggestions and information on the scope of issues, opportunities, and concerns for inclusion in the environmental assessment.

DATES: Beginning in November 2000, the Service will solicit information from the public via open houses, workshops, focus groups, and written comments. Special mailings, newspaper articles and radio announcements will inform people of the times and places of public scoping meetings. The dates, times, and places of future scoping meetings will also be posted on the Service's web site at: <http://www.fws.gov/r3pao/planning/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Address comments and requests for more information to: Project Leader, Grand Kankakee Marsh National Wildlife Refuge, P.O. Box 189, Plymouth, Indiana 46563; telephone: 219–935–3411.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: It is Service policy to have all lands within the National Wildlife Refuge System managed in accordance with an approved comprehensive conservation plan. The plan guides management decisions and identifies refuge goals, objectives, and strategies for achieving refuge purposes. Public input into this planning process is encouraged. The plan will provide other agencies and the public with a clear understanding of the desired future conditions of the refuge and how the Service will implement management strategies.

The purpose(s) of the Grand Kankakee Marsh National Wildlife Refuge (Refuge) is “for the development, advancement, management, conservation, and protection of fish and wildlife resources” (Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956) and for “the conservation of the wetlands of the Nation in order to maintain the public benefits they provide and to help fulfill international obligations contained in various migratory bird treaties and conventions * * *” (Emergency Wetlands Resources Act of 1986).

The mission for the Refuge is to protect, restore, and manage ecological processes within the Kankakee River Basin that benefit threatened and endangered species, migratory birds, native fish, and diverse flora and fauna populations, while providing, to the extent possible, high quality wildlife-dependent environmental interpretation, education, and recreation experiences that build an understanding and appreciation for these resources, and the role humankind plays in their stewardship.

Dated: November 30, 2000.

Marvin E. Moriarty,

Acting Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Indian Gaming

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of approved extension to tribal-state gaming compact.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA), Pub. L. 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 Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through his delegated authority, has approved the Extension of the Tribal-State Compact for the conduct of Class III Gaming between the Coushatta Tribe and the State of Louisiana executed on November 16, 2000.

DATES: This action is effective on December 8, 2000.

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

Dated: December 1, 2000.

Kevin Gover,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[MT-073-00-1990-AC]

Resource Advisory Council Meeting, Butte, Montana

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Western Montana Resource Advisory Council will convene on January 9, 2001, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the BLM Butte Field Office, 106 North Parkmont, Butte, Montana, 59701.

The topic for the meeting will be a discussion on future issues to be addressed by the Western Montana Resource Advisory Council.

The meeting is open to the public and written comments can be given to the Council. Oral comments may be presented to the Council at 11:30 a.m. The time allotted for oral comment may be limited, depending on the number of persons wishing to be heard.

Individuals who plan to attend and need further information about the meeting, or who need special assistance, such as sign language or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Jean Nelson-Dean, Resource Advisory Coordinator, at the Butte Field Office, 106 North Parkmont, P.O. Box 3388, Butte, Montana 59702-3388, telephone 406-533-7617.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Richard Hotaling, Butte Field Manager, 406-494-5059, or Jean Nelson-Dean at the above address and telephone number.

Dated: December 1, 2000.

Richard Hotaling,

Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[MT-924-1430-ET; MTM 89384; Public Land Order No. 7472]

Withdrawal of Public Land on the Beaverhead River; Montana

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public land order.

SUMMARY: This order withdraws approximately 2,244 acres of public land from surface entry and mining for a period of 50 years for the Bureau of Land Management to protect critical

resource values along the Beaverhead River. The land has been and will remain open to mineral leasing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 8, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sandra Ward, BLM Montana State Office, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana 59107-6800, 406-896-5052, or Russ Sorensen, BLM Dillon Field Office, 1005 Selway Drive, Dillon, Montana 59725, 406-683-2337.

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, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1994), it is ordered as follows:

1. Subject to valid existing rights, the following described public land is hereby withdrawn from settlement, sale, location, or entry under the general land laws, including the United States mining laws (30 U.S.C. Ch. 2 (1994)), but not from leasing under the mineral leasing laws, to protect critical resource values along the Beaverhead River:

Principal Meridian, Montana

Tract 1

T. 8 S., R. 10 W.,

Sec. 35, lots 3 and 4, and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

T. 9 S., R. 10 W.,

Sec. 1, lots 6 to 22, inclusive;

Sec. 2, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$, and S $\frac{1}{2}$;

Sec. 11, lot 1 and N $\frac{1}{2}$, EXCEPTING

THEREFROM that tract of land described in the Deed dated June 22, 1946, recorded in Book 110 of Deeds, Page 263, Records of Beaverhead County, Montana;

Sec. 12, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, and SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 13, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, EXCEPTING THEREFROM, Certificate of Survey 889, all those portions conveyed to the State of Montana for State Highway purposes, those portions conveyed for railroad purposes, and those portions taken by the Declaration of Taking dated September 13, 1960.

Tract 2

Certificate of Survey 889, which is a parcel of land located in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of sec. 11, sec. 2, and lots 9 and 10 of sec. 1, T. 9 S., R. 10 W.

The area described contains approximately 2,244 acres in Beaverhead County.

2. The withdrawal made by this order does not alter the applicability of those public land laws governing the use of the lands under lease, license, or permit, or governing the disposal of their mineral or vegetative resources other than under the mining laws.

3. This withdrawal will expire 50 years from the effective date of this order unless, as a result of a review conducted before the expiration date pursuant to Section 204(f) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714(f) (1994), the