

(SOLRC) on public lands north of Silverton, Colorado. The scope of the proposal includes lift-accessed skiing, snow boarding, and winter related educational courses; and hiking, mountain biking and lift-accessed scenic chairlift rides during the summer months. Seasonal foot bridges would be installed across Cement Creek for skier access. In addition, a toilet facility and two summer use trails (one would be a mountaineering trail, the other a hiking/biking trail) would be constructed. The proposed project area encompasses about 400 acres of private land, owned by Core Mountain Enterprises, LLC, and about 1,300 acres of Federal lands managed by the BLM, located within sections 20–21, 27–34 of protracted Township 42 N., R.7 W., and, also within sections 3–9 of protracted Township 41 N., R. 7 W., New Mexico Principal Meridian.

During the fall of 2001, while this proposal was being evaluated through the Environmental Assessment (EA) process, potentially significant impacts were identified that necessitate preparation of an EIS. Potential issues to be addressed in the EIS include, but are not limited to, avalanche safety, Canada lynx habitat, impacts on the local winter economy, impacts to neighboring private lands, and the need for temporary public access closures due to safety reasons related to avalanche control. As part of the earlier EA process, public meetings were held in Durango and Silverton to discuss the proposal and obtain public input. Written comments received during the previous public meetings held in Durango and Silverton, Colorado, in August of 2001, are being carried forward as part of the scoping for this EIS. It is not necessary to comment again if comments are the same as during the original EA scoping process. This notice initiates an additional formal 30-day public scoping period during which public comments related to the issues to be addressed, viable alternatives that should be considered, and potential impacts that may occur are requested. The San Juan County Commissioners and the Silverton City Council have been consulted concerning this proposal and are supportive. Consultation will continue as new issues or alternatives develop through the EIS process.

Detailed and supplementary information is available for review at the office of the Bureau of Land Management, San Juan Field Office, 15

Burnett Court, Durango, Colorado 81301.

Thurman H. Wilson,
Acting Center Manager, San Juan Public Lands Center.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AZ–910–0777–26–241A]

Notice of Public Meeting, Arizona Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Arizona Resource Advisory Council (RAC), will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The meeting will be held October 3, 2002 at the BLM National Training Center, 9828 North 31st Avenue in Phoenix, Arizona, beginning at 8 a.m. The public comment period will begin at approximately 11:30 a.m., and the meeting will adjourn at approximately 1 p.m.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 15-member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Arizona. At this meeting, topics to be discussed include: review of the August 1, 2002 meeting minutes; BLM State Director's Update on Statewide Issues; Presentations on Land Tenure Strategy and Land & Water Conservation Fund Acquisitions, and Noxious Weeds, Planning Updates; Update Proposed Field Office Rangeland Resource Teams; RAC Questions on Written Reports from BLM Field Office Managers; Reports by the Standards and Guidelines, Recreation and Public Relations, Wild Horse and Burro, and Planning Working Groups; Reports from RAC members; and Discussion of future meetings.

All meetings are open to the public. The public may present written comments to the Council. Each formal Council meeting will also have time allocated for hearing public comments. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. Individuals who plan to

attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation, tour transportation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact the BLM as provided below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Deborah Stevens, Bureau of Land Management, Arizona State Office, 222 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ, Telephone (602) 417–9215.

Dated: August 27, 2002.

Carl Rountree,

Arizona Associate State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY–100–1010–01]

Notice of Seasonal Closure for All Motorized Vehicles on Public Land in the Silver Creek Ridge Area, Sublette County, WY

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of seasonal vehicular closure.

SUMMARY: In response to a request from the Wyoming Game & Fish Department (WYG&F), a closure to all motorized vehicles, including over-the-snow vehicles will be in effect starting November 15th through January 31st of each year for the Silver Creek Ridge. A sign at the second irrigation ditch crossing 1.6 miles east of State Route 353 establishes the point beyond which the seasonal closure is in effect. The purpose of this closure is to allow elk to migrate free of motorized disturbance through this area. This will assist the WYG&F in decreasing elk depredation on stored agricultural crops and meet WYG&F management objectives.

EFFECTIVE DATES: This closure will be effective each year between November 15th through January 31st inclusive. This closure will remain in effect unless modified or rescinded by the Authorized Officer, (BLM Pinedale Field Manager).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bill Wadsworth, Realty Specialist or Priscilla Mecham, Field Manager, Pinedale Field Office, P.O. Box 768, Pinedale, Wyoming 82941. Telephone (307) 367–5300.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The objective for closure of the Silver Creek Ridge area is to improve the elk management objectives in the area and reduce depredation of stored agricultural crops on adjoining ranches. The WYG&F have been working with

adjoining land owners to allow controlled access onto private lands. The adjoining land owners have agreed to allow access onto their private land to hunters only if the seasonal closure is placed on the BLM lands. The seasonal closure will close most of the Silver Creek Ridge area to all motorized use, including over-the-snow vehicles from November 15th through January 31st each year. The WYG&F feels that motorized vehicle use can disrupt the daily activity patterns of the elk thus limiting the harvest. By restricting motorized vehicle use, the elk will move more freely in the Silver Creek Ridge area, and remain undisturbed by motorized vehicles. This closure will also help by reducing resource damage that is caused by motorized vehicle use off-road.

This seasonal use closure applies to public lands in Sublette County, Wyoming, located approximately 8 miles east of Boulder, Wyoming. The designation affects all public lands starting at T. 32 N., R. 107 W., Section 24, E¹/₂, Sixth Principle Meridian on the Silver Creek Ridge area. Motorized vehicle use designations apply to all motorized vehicles with the exceptions of: (1) Any fire, military, emergency, or law enforcement vehicle when used for emergency purposes or any combat support vehicle when used for national defense purposes; (2) any vehicle whose use is expressly authorized by the BLM under permit, lease, license, or contract; and (3) any government vehicle on official business.

Authority for closure orders is provided under 43 CFR subpart 8364.1. Violations of this closure are punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months.

Dated: June 27, 2002.

Priscilla Mecham,

Pinedale Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NM-930-1310-02; NMNM 102020]

New Mexico: Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease NMNM 102020

Under the provisions of Public Law 97-451, a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease NMNM 102020 for lands in Eddy County, New Mexico, was timely filed and was accompanied by all required rentals and royalties accruing

from March 1, 2002, the date of termination.

No valid lease has been issued affecting the lands. The lessee has agreed to new lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$10.00 per acre or fraction thereof and 16²/₃ percent, respectively. The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee and has reimbursed the Bureau of Land Management for the cost of this **Federal Register** notice.

The Lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in sections 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), and the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate the lease effective March 1, 2002, subject to the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gloria S. Baca, BLM, New Mexico State Office, (505) 438-7566.

Dated: July 24, 2002.

Gloria S. Baca,

Land Law Examiner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-920-1430-EU, WYW149160, WYW155131]

Opening of National Forest System Lands; Wyoming

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice terminates the temporary segregative effect as to 1902.02 acres of Nations Forest System lands which were originally included in the applications for exchanges in the Shoshone and Medicine Bow National Forests.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 3, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jimi Metzger, BLM Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone Rd., P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003, 307-775-6250.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the regulations contained in 43 CFR 2091.3-2(b), at 9 a.m. on September 3, 2002, the following described lands will be relieved of the temporary segregative effect of exchange in applications WYW 149160 and WYW 155131.

WYW 149160

T. 46 N., R. 103 W., 6th Principal Meridian, Wyoming Sec. 21, NW¹/₄SE¹/₄, W¹/₂NE¹/₄SE¹/₄.

The area described contains 60.00 acres in Park County, Wyoming.

WYW 155131

T. 28 N., R. 75 W., 6th Principal Meridian, Wyoming

Sec. 1, lots 5, 6, 7, 8;

Sec. 2, lots, 5, 6, 7, 8, NW¹/₄SE¹/₄;

Sec. 3, NW¹/₄SW¹/₄;

Sec. 4, NW¹/₄SE¹/₄;

Sec. 10, W¹/₂NW¹/₄, N¹/₂SE¹/₄;

Sec. 11, S¹/₂NE¹/₄, NW¹/₄NW¹/₄, SE¹/₄NW¹/₄, N¹/₂SW¹/₄;

Sec. 12, S¹/₂N¹/₂, SW¹/₄;

Sec. 20, SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, W¹/₂, W¹/₂SE¹/₄;

Sec. 25, W¹/₂NW¹/₄;

Sec. 27, SW¹/₄SW¹/₄;

Sec. 28, S¹/₂NE¹/₄, NW¹/₄SW¹/₄.

The area described contains 1842.020 acres in Albany County, Wyoming.

At 9 a.m. on September 3, 2002, the lands shall be opened to such forms of disposition as may by law be made of National Forest System lands, including location and entry under the United States mining laws, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law. Appropriation of lands described in this order under the general mining laws prior to the date and time of restoration is unauthorized. Any such attempted appropriation, including attempted adverse possession, under 30 U.S.C. 38 (1994), shall vest no rights against the United States. Acts required to establish a location and to initiate a right of possession are governed by State law where not in conflict with Federal law. The BLM will not intervene in disputes between rival locators over possessory rights since Congress has provided for such determination in local courts.

Dated: May 31, 2002.

Mel Schlagel,

Realty Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CAAZRI06106]

Notice of Realty Action; Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act Classification for Conveyance

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of realty action.