This program is a component of the National Geologic Mapping Program, which is designed to produce information on areas of scientific, social, or economic welfare in the United States. Funding is to support masters and doctoral students during geologic field mapping. Cooperative agreement awards will be on an equal cost-sharing basis; matched with funds from non-Federal sources.

Applications may be submitted by colleges and universities with accredited masters and doctoral programs in Geoscience or related departments only.

ADDRESSES: The program announcement is expected to be available on or about August 26, 2002. You may obtain a copy of Announcement No. 03HQPA0004 from the USGS Acquisition and Grants Information Site at <a href="http://www.usgs.gov/contracts/EDMAP/index.html">http://www.usgs.gov/contracts/EDMAP/index.html</a> or by writing to Kimberly Dove, U.S. Geological Survey, Office of Acquisition and Grants, Mail Stop 205G, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia 20192, or by fax (703) 648–7901.

**DATES:** The closing date for receipt of applications will be on or about November 13, 2002. The actual closing date will be specified in Announcement No. 03HQPA0004.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Randy Orndorf, Educational Component of the National Cooperative Geologic Mapping Program, Geological Survey, Mail Stop 908, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia 20192. Telephone (703) 648–4316.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Authority for this program is contained in the National Geologic Mapping Reauthorization Act of 1999, Public Law 106–148. The Office of Management and Budget Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number is 15.810.

Dated: August 20, 2002.

### Carol F. Aten,

Chief, Office of Administrative Policy and Services.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

### **Bureau of Indian Affairs**

### Advisory Board for Exceptional Children

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the

Bureau of Indian Affairs announces that the Advisory Board for Exceptional Children will hold its next meeting in Choctaw, Mississippi. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the impact of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Amendments of 1997 on Indian children with disabilities.

**DATES:** The Board will meet Thursday, September 26, 2002 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Friday, September 27, 2002 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday, September 28, 2002 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (EST).

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Golden Moon Hotel and Casino at Pearl River Resort, Highway 16 West, Choctaw, Mississippi 39350, Telephone (601) 650–1234; Fax (601) 650–1350.

Written statements may be submitted to Mr. William A. Mehojah, Director, Office of Indian Education Programs, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1849 C Street, NW., MS–3512, Washington, DC 20240; Telephone (202) 208–6123; Fax (202) 208–3312.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Sherry Allison, Education Specialist—Special Education, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Indian Education Programs, Center for School Improvement, P.O. Box 1088, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103; Telephone (505) 248–7529.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Advisory Board was established to advise the Secretary of the Interior, through the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, on the needs of Indian children with disabilities, as mandated by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Amendments of 1997 (Pub. L. 105–17, June 4, 1997).

The agenda for this meeting will cover public comments, approval of minutes, new business: annual report, comprehensive system of personnel development, new organizational information, procedures for complaint investigations, Elementary and Secondary Education Act Reauthorization and Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Reauthorization. Meetings are open to the public.

The next Board meeting will be held on or about January 7–9, 2003. Location, date and time may be obtained from the Center for School Improvement, telephone (505) 248–7529 or 7544; Fax (505) 248–7545.

Dated: August 23, 2002.

### Neal A. McCaleb,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs. [FR Doc. 02–22227 Filed 8–29–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4310–6W–P

### **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

# Bureau of Land Management [CO-SJFO-01-001EIS]

## Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Impact Statement

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement for oil and gas development on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, in La Plata and Archuleta Counties, Colorado.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and implementing regulations and other applicable statutes, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the availability of a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for Oil and Gas Development on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, in La Plata and Archuleta Counties, Colorado. The BLM, in cooperation with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Southern Ute Tribe, has prepared the FEIS to provide Tribal leaders and agency decision makers with comprehensive environmental impact information on which to base oil and gas leasing and development decisions.

The BLM also involved the local community in the collaborative process through the scoping effort; outreach efforts in conjunction with the Tribal Energy and Natural Resources Departments; meetings with the San Juan Citizen's Alliance, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission and the Colorado Division of Wildlife.

**DATES:** Written comments on the FEIS will be accepted for 30 days following the date that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) publishes their notice of availability of the FEIS in the **Federal Register**. The BLM will notify all parties on this project's mailing list of the dates when comments will be accepted.

ADDRESSES: Please address questions, comments or requests for copies of the FEIS to the San Juan Public Lands Center, Attn: Walt Brown, 15 Burnett Court, Durango, CO 81301.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Walt Brown at the above address, or phone: 970–247–4874.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This Programmatic DEIS analyzes the potential impacts of future oil and gas development on approximately 200,000 acres of Tribal land within a 421,000-acre Study Area. Individual authorizations with appropriate NEPA