

applications should be submitted to the Director (address above). Anyone requesting a hearing should give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Director.

The following applicants request permits to import polar bears (*Ursus maritimus*) taken from the Gulf of Boothia polar bear population in Canada as sport hunted trophies for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species under section 104(c)(4)(A) of the MMPA because these specimens would not be eligible for importation under 104(c)(5)(A). These specimens were taken prior to the date when the Endangered Species Act prohibitions would apply.

Applicant: Dennis H. Dunn, Kirkland, WA, PRT-189427.

Applicant: Keith C. Halstead, Greenville, SC, PRT-189429.

Applicant: Keith J. Atcheson, Butte, MT, PRT-189430.

Applicant: Kevin J. Wiczorek, Chesterfield, MI, PRT-189431.

Applicant: Marcus C. Hansen, Chester Springs, PA, PRT-189432.

Applicant: Ben A. Hamel, Petoskey, MI, PRT-189434.

Applicant: Aaron R. Neilson, Royse City, TX, PRT-191814.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Division of Management Authority is forwarding copies of the above applications to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

Dated: September 5, 2008.

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Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Alaska Native Claims Selection

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of decision approving lands for conveyance.

SUMMARY: As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that an appealable decision approving lands for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska

Native Claims Settlement Act will be issued to Calista Corporation for lands located in the vicinity of Newtok and Chefnak, Alaska. Notice of the decision will also be published four times in the Anchorage Daily News.

DATES: The time limits for filing an appeal are:

1. Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision shall have until November 14, 2008 to file an appeal.

2. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.

Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR Part 4, Subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the decision may be obtained from: Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7504.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Bureau of Land Management by phone at 907-271-5960, or by e-mail at ak.blm.conveyance@ak.blm.gov. Persons who use a telecommunication device (TTD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8330, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact the Bureau of Land Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Notice of Intent To Prepare a Resource Management Plan (RMP) and Associated Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Initiate the Public Scoping Process

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Grand Junction Field Office (GJFO), Colorado, is initiating a planning effort to prepare the Grand Junction RMP and associated EIS. The RMP will replace the existing 1987 Resource Management Plan.

DATES: The scoping comment period will commence with the publication of this notice and will end on January 9, 2009. However, collaboration with the

public will continue throughout the planning process. Public meetings will be announced through the local news media, newsletters, and a BLM Web site at least 15 days prior to the event. Comments on issues and planning criteria should be received on or before the end of the scoping period at the address listed below.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to the Grand Junction Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, 2815 H Road, Grand Junction, CO 81506 or via fax at (970) 244-3083. E-mail comments may be set to GJFO_mail@blm.gov. Comments, including names and addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the BLM GJFO, during regular business hours 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, except holidays. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. All submissions from organizations and businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be available for public inspection in their entirety.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information and/or to have your name added to our mailing list; contact Matt Anderson, Project Manager, Telephone (970) 244-3027. Project documents may be reviewed on BLM's Grand Junction's Field Office Web site at <http://www.blm.gov> (select Grand Junction on the interactive map).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the public scoping process is to identify issues that should be considered in the RMP/EIS and to initiate public participation in the planning process. BLM personnel will also be present at scoping meetings to explain the planning process and other requirements for preparing the RMP/EIS. The planning area includes lands within the BLM GJFO administrative boundary. The GJFO RMP decision area encompasses about 1.2 million acres of public lands, which are located within Mesa, Garfield, Montrose, and Delta Counties, Colorado. The decision area includes public lands administered by the BLM GJFO, and does not include