

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management****[UT-020-03-2821-HU-Q133]****Emergency Restriction of Public Lands: Tooele County, UT****AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Salt Lake Field Office, Utah.**ACTION:** Emergency restriction of public land in Tooele County, Utah.

SUMMARY: The Salt Lake Field Office, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is giving notice that we are temporarily restricting a portion of public land to all motorized vehicle use, from August 6, 2003 to August 6, 2005. The restricted area is within the Fivemile Pass proposed Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA) in Alma Young Canyon and Mitchell Canyon.

The affected public lands include:

T. 6 S., R. 3 W., SLM,
 Section 17, SW¹/₂,
 Section 19, E¹/₂,
 Section 20, W¹/₂,
 Section 29, all public lands in the
 W¹/₂NW¹/₄ north of the Sunshine Canyon
 Road,

Section 30, all public lands in section
 north and west of the Sunshine Canyon
 Road;

T. 6 S., R. 4 W.,

Section 25, all public lands east of that
 certain bench road running from northwest to
 southeast in the E¹/₂NE¹/₄.

The restricted area contains 1,280
 acres, more or less.

Motorized vehicle use on the above
 described area will not be allowed
 during this temporary restriction in
 order to protect the watershed, allow for
 successful rehabilitation activities,
 reestablish native vegetation and
 prevent the spread of noxious and
 invasive weed species. BLM will post
 vehicle restriction signs at main entry
 points to this area and will fence the
 mouths of both canyons. You may
 obtain maps of the restriction area and
 information from the Salt Lake Field
 Office.

DATES: This restriction will be in effect
 from August 6, 2003 until to August 6,
 2005. At the end of this period of time,
 BLM will evaluate the success of the
 rehabilitation efforts and determine if
 the restriction should be extended.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Britta Laub, Outdoor Recreation
 Planner, or Michael Nelson, Realty
 Specialist, 2370 S. 2300 W. Salt Lake
 City, Utah 84119, (801) 977-4300.

Discussion of the Rules: This
 restriction to public access and use will
 serve to protect watershed and

rehabilitation efforts as a result of the
 Sunshine Canyon Fire incident #Q133,
 a lightning caused wildfire that began
 on July 18, 2003 and was controlled on
 July 21, 2003. The area where the
 wildfire occurred is within a heavily
 used OHV (Off Highway Vehicle) area
 known as the Fivemile Pass proposed
 Special Recreation Management Area. In
 order to protect recently burned steep
 slopes and planned rehabilitation
 projects until the natural vegetation is
 able to reestablish, the area must be
 temporarily restricted to motorized
 vehicle use.

A map depicting the restricted area is
 available for public inspection at the
 Bureau of Land Management, Salt Lake
 Field Office.

Therefore, we find good cause to
 make this restriction effective
 immediately, notwithstanding the
 notice and comment requirements of the
 Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C.
 553.

Under the authority of 43 CFR
 9268.3(d)(1)(I), 43 CFR 8364.1(a), and 43
 CFR 4190.1, BLM will enforce the
 following rule on public lands within
 the closed area:

You must not enter the restricted area.

Exemptions: Persons who are exempt
 from these rules include:

(1) Any Federal, State, or local officer
 or employee in the scope of their duties;

(2) Members of any organized rescue
 or fire-fighting force in performance of
 an official duty; and

(3) Any person authorized in writing
 by the Bureau of Land Management.

Penalties: The authorities for this
 restriction are section 303(a) of the
 Federal Land Policy and Management
 Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1733(a)) and 43
 CFR 8360.0-7. Any person who violates
 this restriction may be tried before a
 United States Magistrate and fined no
 more than \$1,000 or imprisoned for no
 more than 12 months, or both. Such
 violations may also be subject to the
 enhanced fines provided for by 18
 U.S.C. 3571.

Dated: August 6, 2003.

Glenn A. Carpenter,

Field Office Manager, Salt Lake Field Office.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management****[CO-921-03-1320-EL; COC 67112]****Notice of Invitation for Coal Exploration License Application, Oxbow Mining, LLC., COC 67112; Colorado****AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of Invitation for Coal Exploration License Application, Oxbow Mining, LLC.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act of February 25, 1920, as amended, and to Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations, subpart 3410, members of the public are hereby invited to participate with Oxbow Mining, LLC, in a program for the exploration of unleased coal deposits owned by the United States of America containing approximately 1,039.52 acres in Gunnison County, Colorado.

DATES: Written Notice of Intent to Participate should be addressed to the attention of the following persons and must be received by them October 15, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Karen Purvis, CO-921, Solid Minerals Staff, Division of Energy, Lands and Minerals, Colorado State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215; and, Kenneth Ball, Oxbow Mining, LLC, PO Box 535, 3737 Highway 133, Somerset, Colorado 81434.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The application for coal exploration license is available for public inspection during normal business hours under serial number COC 67112 at the Bureau of Land Management, Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215, and at the Uncompahgre Field Office, 2505 South Townsend Avenue, Montrose, Colorado 81401. Any party electing to participate in this program must share all costs on a pro rata basis with Oxbow Mining, LLC, and with any other party or parties who elect to participate.

Dated: August 18, 2003.

Karen Purvis,

Solid Minerals Staff, Division of Energy, Lands and Minerals.

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