

eastern San Bernardino, Riverside and Imperial Counties.

The Draft Northern and Eastern Mojave (NEMO) Plan Amendments and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) was released for public review and comment April 13, 2001, and also will amend BLM's 1980 California Desert Conservation Area Plan. The Draft NEMO Plan EIS will provide for strategic, comprehensive management, including a programmatic biological opinion for the desert tortoise, and streamline the processing of land-use permits. The NEMO study area encompasses approximately 7.8 million acres, which includes Death Valley National Park, the Mojave National Preserve, and the planning area includes 2.4 million acres of BLM-managed public lands between the two park units.

**Background Information:** The Draft NECO and NEMO Plans are available online at <http://www.ca.blm.gov/cdd/landuseplanning.html>. For a bound/CDRom copy of the Draft NECO Plan contact Dick Crowe at (909) 697-5200. For a bound/CDRom copy of the Draft NEMO Plan contact Edy Seehafer at (760) 525-6000.

**DATES:** Written statements on the Draft Northern and Eastern Colorado Desert Coordinated Management Plan Environmental Impact Statement and the Draft Northern and Eastern Mojave Plan Amendments and Environmental Impact Statement must be submitted or postmarked no later than November 1, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments regarding the Draft NECO Plan should be mailed to the Bureau of Land Management, Attn: Dick Crowe, 6221 Box Springs Blvd., Riverside, CA 92507. Comments regarding the Draft NEMO Plan should be mailed to the Bureau of Land Management, Attn: Edy Seehafer, 2601 Barstow Road, Barstow, California 92507.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dick Crowe at (909) 697-5216 or Edy Seehafer at (760) 252-6021.

Dated: July 6, 2001.

**Tim Salt,**

*District Manager, California Desert District.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[NV-930-1430-ER]

#### Notice of Intent; NV

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

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Toquop Energy Project/Lincoln County well field, water pipeline and access road rights-of-way in southeastern Lincoln County, Nevada.

**SUMMARY:** The action to be evaluated by this EIS is the granting of rights-of-way across public land administered by the Bureau of Land Management in southeastern Lincoln County, Nevada. The rights-of-way have been requested by Toquop Energy, Inc. and Lincoln County, Nevada for use in developing a water well field, water pipelines and improving an existing access road to the site of a proposed 1100 megawatt electrical generating plant. The power plant will be located on private land.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to: Bureau of Land Management, Gene A. Kolkman, Field Manager, Ely, HC 33, Box 33500, Ely, NV 89301-9408.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Daniel R. Netcher, Team Leader for Lands and Minerals, at the above address or telephone (775) 289-1872.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Toquop Energy has proposed a 1100 Megawatt electrical facility fueled by natural gas from the Kern River pipeline. The project will be located at T. 11 S., R. 69 E., Section 36 Mount Diablo Meridian. The power plant will be located on private lands and Toquop Energy has requested a Federal Land Policy and Management Act rights-of-way for road access and water pipeline access to the facility. This EIS will evaluate the proposed right of way Action (granting of requested rights-of-way) and a No Action alternative. In addition, the EIS may consider alternative locations/alignment of the well field, water pipelines and access road. Key issues likely to be considered in analyzing each alternative include groundwater hydrology; impacts to surface flows of the Virgin River; threatened and endangered species; cultural resources; air quality; and socioeconomic effects of the project.

#### Public Involvement

The public will be invited to participate in the scoping process, review of the draft Environmental

Impact Statement, and a public meeting. The location and time of the scoping meeting to be scheduled during the month of Aug. 2001, will be announced in the local news media. Release of the draft EIS for public comment and the public meeting will also be announced in the local news media, as these dates are established.

Dated: June 20, 2001.

**Gene A. Kolkman,**  
*Field Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[WY-920-1310-01; WYW134944]

#### Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

Pursuant to the provisions of 30 U.S.C. 188(d) and (e), and 43 CFR 3108.2-3(a) and (b)(1), a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease WYW134944 for lands in Natrona County, Wyoming, was timely filed and was accompanied by all the required rentals accruing from the date of termination. The lessee has agreed to the amended lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$5.00 per acre, or fraction thereof, per year and 16 $\frac{2}{3}$  percent, respectively.

The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee and \$158 to reimburse the Department for the cost of this **Federal Register** notice. The lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in Section 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), and the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate lease WYW134944 effective February 1, 2001, subject to the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

**Theresa M. Stevens,**  
*Acting Chief, Fluid Minerals Adjudication.*  
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### Bureau of Land Management

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