

lands for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act will be issued to NANA Regional Corporation, Inc. The lands are in the vicinity of Shungnak, Alaska, and are located in:

T. 18 N., R. 6 E.,

Secs. 16, 17, 20, and 21.

Containing approximately 160 acres.

Notice of the decision will also be published four times in the Tundra Drums.

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 April 9, 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.

Crystal Arroyo,

Land Law Examiner, Land Transfer Adjudication I.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-100-08-1310-NB-016K]

Notice of Meetings of the Pinedale Anticline Working Group

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (1976) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (1972), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Pinedale Anticline Working Group (PAWG) will

meet in Pinedale, Wyoming, for business meetings. Group meetings are open to the public.

DATES: The PAWG will meet on the following dates beginning at 1 p.m.: May 29, 2008; July 24, 2008; September 25, 2008; and October 23, 2008.

Further, the Annual Tour will be held on June 20th. The tour will start at the BLM Pinedale Field Office at 8:30 am.

ADDRESSES: The meeting of the PAWG will be held at the BLM Pinedale Field Office, 1625 West Pine Street, Pinedale, WY.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Caleb Hiner, BLM/PAWG Liaison, Bureau of Land Management, Pinedale Field Office, 1625 West Pine Street, PO Box 768, Pinedale, WY 82941; 307-367-5352.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Pinedale Anticline Working Group (PAWG) was authorized and established with release of the Record of Decision (ROD) for the Pinedale Anticline Oil and Gas Exploration and Development Project on July 27, 2000. The PAWG advises the BLM on the development and implementation of monitoring plans and adaptive management decisions as development of the Pinedale Anticline Natural Gas Field proceeds for the life of the field.

The agendas for these meetings will include discussions concerning any modifications task groups may wish to make to their monitoring recommendations and overall adaptive management implementation as it applies to the PAWG. At a minimum, public comments will be heard prior to adjournment of each meeting.

Dated: March 4, 2008.

Chuck Otto,

Field Office Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NMMN 117830]

Notice of Proposed Withdrawal and Opportunity for Public Meeting; New Mexico

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has filed an application requesting the Secretary of the Interior to withdraw 20 acres of public land from the mining laws for a period of 20 years to protect a Border Patrol Forward

Operating Base in Luna County, New Mexico, and to convey jurisdiction of the land to the DHS. This notice temporarily segregates the land for up to 2 years from location and entry under the mining laws while the 20-year withdrawal application is being processed.

DATES: Comments and requests for a public meeting must be received by June 9, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Comments and meeting requests should be sent to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Las Cruces District Manager, Las Cruces District Office, 1800 Marquess Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lori Allen, BLM Las Cruces District Office, 575-525-4454 or at the above address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The applicant for the above withdrawal is the DHS. The application asks the Secretary of the Interior to withdraw, for a period of 20 years, the following described public land from location and entry under the United States mining laws, subject to valid existing rights:

Deming Forward Operating Base

New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 29 S, R. 12 W.,

Section 3: E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.

The area described aggregates 20 acres in Luna County.

The application is a withdrawal proposal of the Secretary of the DHS (43 CFR 2310.1-2). The purpose of the withdrawal is to provide the agents at the Deming Station facilities that would improve response times, increase shift time, expedite illegal alien processing, and provide increased safety and protection of the agents and detainees. The withdrawal is needed to convey jurisdiction of the land to the DHS and to protect the Federal investment in the facilities.

A right-of-way or cooperative agreement would not adequately constrain nondiscretionary uses and would not provide sufficient protection of the Federal investment in the improvements.

The site proposed for withdrawal is strategically located and provides for the most direct access, via existing ranch roads, to the border in areas of high smuggling and illegal alien activity. The site is adjacent to a major roadway; and electric utilities are nearby. There are no better locations for the forward operating base.

Records relating to the proposed withdrawal can be examined by contacting Lori Allen at the above address or phone number.

All persons who wish to submit comments, suggestions, or objections in connection with the proposed withdrawal may present their views in writing to the BLM Las Cruces District Manager at the address listed above by June 9, 2008. Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the BLM Las Cruces District Office at the address listed during regular business hours, 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. 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.

Notice is hereby given that an opportunity for a public meeting is afforded in connection with the proposed withdrawal. All interested persons who desire a public meeting for the purpose of being heard on the proposed withdrawal must submit a written request to the BLM Las Cruces District Manager at the address listed above by June 9, 2008. If the authorized officer determines a public meeting will be held, a notice of the time and place will be published in the **Federal Register** and a local newspaper at least 30 days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

Licenses, permits, cooperative agreements, and other discretionary land use authorizations may be allowed during the segregative period, but only with the approval of a BLM official and with the concurrence of an authorized officer of the DHS, Border Patrol.

This withdrawal proposal will be processed in accordance with the regulations set forth in 43 CFR part 2300.

For a period of 2 years from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the land will be segregated as specified above unless the application is denied or cancelled or the withdrawal is approved prior to that date.

(Authority: 43 CFR 2310.3–1)

Bill Childress,

District Manager, Las Cruces.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice To Establish Special Recreation Permit Application, Renewal and Transfer Fees for Commercial, Competitive, or Organized Group Activities and Events; Colorado

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Colorado State Office.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Colorado State Office of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) plans to implement Special Recreation Permit (SRP) fees. The fees will establish standard statewide application, transfer, and renewal fees for SRPs. The fees apply to commercial, competitive, or organized group activities and events on BLM lands, and revenues will be used to help offset the cost of processing SRPs. Field offices will also be allowed to keep more revenues that would benefit on-the-ground work, including an increased law enforcement presence, hiring seasonal employees, and site improvements. Currently, there is no statewide SRP fee. This new fee will not affect cost recovery charges when the 50-hour cost recovery threshold is anticipated to be exceeded. The fees are:

- New SRP—\$100
- SRP Renewal (re-issuance of expired permits)—\$50
- SRP Transfer from one person to another person—\$100

These fees do not apply to individual SRPs authorizing use of designated Special Use Areas. Also, no fees are charged for annual operating authorizations.

Future adjustments in the fee amount will be made based on inflation and local market trends. Consultation will be made with Colorado's three Resource Advisory Committees and appropriate public notices will be posted prior to a fee increase.

DATES: The SRP Application Fee Proposal was published in the **Federal Register** on September 11, 2007, as a proposed supplementary rule. The comment period was open through November 13, 2007. The new fees will go into effect on March 10, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jack Placchi, Outdoor Recreation Planner, Bureau of Land Management, Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield, Lakewood, Colorado 80215, (303) 239–3832.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

All commercial, competitive or organized group activities, special events, and special area use on BLM public lands require a Special Recreation Permit (SRP). The BLM Colorado manages over 800 commercial, competitive, and organized group activity and event SRPs annually.

BLM Colorado is implementing a new SRP application fee for the issuance of new permits, and for the transfer and renewal of existing permits. The new administrative fees are \$100 for a new permit, \$50 for a permit renewal, and \$100 for a permit transfer. The average cost to existing permit holders will be \$10 per year, as most permits are renewed every 5 years. This fee does not apply to individual SRPs issued for special area use.

A statewide application fee will make the cost of applying for and receiving a commercial, competitive, or organized group activity and event SRP consistent at all the BLM Colorado field offices..

The fees collected under statewide application will be kept at the site to augment recreation opportunities for the public. Both public and private outfitters will benefit from the fee through the BLM's increased law enforcement capabilities, additional funds for signing and interpretive education, and a greater BLM field presence to control illegal operations on BLM-managed public lands.

Pursuant to 43 CFR 2932.31(d)(1)–(4), and BLM Manual, H–2930–1 Recreation Permit Administration Page 27 paragraph f. (1), the State Director has the authority to set and adjust fees for SRPs. Direction from the BLM's "Priorities for Recreation and Visitor Services (Purple Book), Goal 3: Provide for and Receive Fair Value in Recreation" also encourages the implementation of such fees.

Comments Received on Proposed Supplementary Rule

Only one comment was received regarding the proposed fee. The commenter had two concerns:

1. That the fee should be \$250.00

To determine an appropriate fee structure, the BLM interviewed BLM SRP managers across Colorado. Those interviewed included recreation permit and license managers of local and regional recreational programs including Arkansas Headwaters State Recreation Area, Colorado Department of Regulatory Affairs, and Colorado State Parks River Outfitter Licensing Program. The BLM also interviewed the Executive Director of the Colorado