

Dated: January 29, 1997.
 Michael P. Coffeen,
Team Leader.
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[AK-050-1620-00]

Sourdough Creek Campground Fees, Alaska

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of campground fee.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that campground fees will be charged at Sourdough Creek Campground at Mile 147 Richardson Highway in the Glennallen District, Alaska. This is in accordance with 36 CFR 71.3 (as modified by Pub. L. 103-66).

DATES: This action is effective as of May 1, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Inquires about this action should be sent to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Glennallen District Office, Mile 186.5 Glenn Highway, Post Office Box 147, Glennallen, Alaska 99588; Telephone (907) 822-3217.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathy Liska (907) 822-3217.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Sourdough Creek Campground meets the fee requirement established under 36 CFR 71.3 as modified by PL. 103-66. A daily fee will be charged for each campsite occupied. The fee amount will vary depending on the services provided and will be posted at the fee collection station.

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[UT-020-07-5440-00-J255]

Notice

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to Amend the Pony Express Resource Management Plan.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA), to consider a proposed amendment to the Pony Express Resource Management Plan (RMP). The proposed amendment would allow a direct sale under Section 203 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act. The proposed sale of 1.25 acres is needed to resolve an occupancy trespass.

DATES: The comment period for identification of issues for the proposed plan amendment will commence with the date of publication of this notice. Comments must be submitted on or before March 10, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharon Knowlton, Realty Specialist, Bureau of Land Management, Salt Lake District, 2370 South 2300 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84119, telephone (801) 977-4373. Existing planning documents and information are available at the above address or telephone number.

Comments on the proposed plan amendment should be sent to the above address.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: The Salt Lake District, BLM, is proposing to amend the Pony Express RMP, to analyze and identify land tenure adjustments for T. 4 S., R. 2 W., Section 6, E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$. An environmental assessment (EA) will be prepared to analyze the impacts of this proposal and alternatives. Public participation is being sought at this initial stage in the planning process to ensure the RMP amendment addresses all issues, problems and concerns from those interested in the management of lands within the Salt Lake District.

Dated: January 30, 1997.
 Joseph L. Jewkes,
Acting State Director, Utah.
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Proposed Continuation of Withdrawal; Nevada

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, proposes that 113,260 acres of the Hawthorne Army Depot (HWAD) withdrawal at Hawthorne, Nevada, be continued for 75 years. The Bureau of Land Management proposes that 69,037 acres of the HWAD withdrawal be continued for 20 years.
DATE: Comments should be received by May 8, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments and meeting requests should be sent to the Nevada State Director, BLM, 850 Harvard Way, P.O. Box 12000, Reno, Nevada 89520.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dennis J. Samuelson, BLM Nevada State Office, 702-785-6532.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, proposes that a portion

(113,260 acres) of the existing withdrawal made by Executive Order No(s). 4531 of October 27, 1926; 5664 of July 2, 1931; 5828 of March 30, 1932, and 6958 of February 4, 1935, be continued for a period of 75 years. The Bureau of Land Management proposes that 69,037 acres of the same withdrawal be continued for a period of 20 years. The continuation will be made pursuant to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1988).

The area the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers proposes for continuation is described as follows (excluding any non-Federal land):

Mount Diablo Meridian

T. 7 N., R. 28 E.,
 Sec. 1.
 T. 8 N., R. 28 E.,
 Secs. 1 to 3;
 Sec. 10, E $\frac{1}{2}$;
 Secs. 11 to 14;
 Sec. 15, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Secs. 23 to 25;
 Sec. 36.
 T. 9 N., R. 28 E.,
 Sec. 10, S $\frac{1}{2}$;
 Secs. 11 to 15;
 Secs. 22 to 27;
 Secs. 34 to 36, inclusive.
 T. 7 N., R. 29 E.,
 Secs. 5 and 6.
 T. 8 N., R. 29 E.,
 Secs. 1 to 33.
 T. 9 N., R. 29 E.,
 Secs. 1 to 4;
 Secs. 7 to 36, inclusive.
 T. 7 N., R. 30 E.,
 Secs. 1 to 3;
 Sec. 4, lot 1, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$
 east of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Sec. 9, E $\frac{1}{2}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ east of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Secs. 10 to 15;
 Sec. 16, east of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Sec. 21, E $\frac{1}{2}$ east of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Secs. 22 to 26;
 Sec. 27, east of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Sec. 34, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ east of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Sec. 35, east of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Sec. 36.
 T. 8 N., R. 30 E.,
 Sec. 1;
 Sec. 2;
 Sec. 3, lots 4 to 18, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$,
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Secs. 4 to 7;
 Sec. 8, lots 1, 2, 5, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 9, lots 4 to 10, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 10, lots 6 to 12;
 Secs. 11 to 14;
 Sec. 15, lots 1 to 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, subdivisions
 undescribed;
 Sec. 16, lots 4 to 6, subdivisions
 undescribed;
 Sec. 17, lots 6 to 14, NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 18;
 Sec. 19, lots 5 to 7, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ E $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$,
 W $\frac{1}{2}$;
 Sec. 20, lots 3 to 11, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 21, lots 4–8, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, subdivisions undescibed;
 Sec. 22, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, subdivision undescibed;
 Secs. 23 to 25;
 Sec. 26, lot 2, E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 33, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ west of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Sec. 34, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ and W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ west of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Sec. 35;
 Sec. 36.
 T. 9 N., R. 30 E.,
 Secs. 25 to 36.
 T. 7 N., R. 31 E.,
 Secs. 2 to 11;
 Secs. 14 to 23;
 Secs. 26 to 35.
 T. 8 N., R. 31 E.,
 Secs. 1 to 23;
 Secs. 26 to 35.
 T. 9 N., R. 31 E.,
 Sec. 31.

The area described contains approximately 113,260 acres in Mineral County. The area the Bureau of Land Management proposes for continuation is described as follows (excluding any non-Federal land):

Mount Diablo Meridian

T. 8 N., R. 29 E.,
 Sec. 1;
 Sec. 12;
 Sec. 13, N $\frac{1}{2}$.
 T. 9 N., R. 29 E.,
 Sec. 25;
 Sec. 36.
 T. 7 N., R. 30 E.,
 Secs. 1 to 3;
 Sec. 4, lot 1, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ east of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Sec. 9, E $\frac{1}{2}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ east of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Secs. 10 to 15;
 Sec. 16, east of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Sec. 21, E $\frac{1}{2}$ east of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Secs. 22 to 26;
 Sec. 27, east of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Sec. 34, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ east of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Sec. 35, east of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Sec. 36.
 T. 8 N., R. 30 E.,
 Sec. 1;
 Sec. 2;
 Sec. 3, lots 4 to 18, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Secs. 4 to 7, inclusive;
 Sec. 8, lots 1, 2, 5, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 9, lots 4 to 10, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 10, lots 6 to 12;
 Secs. 11 to 14;
 Sec. 15, lots 1 to 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, subdivisions undescibed;
 Sec. 16, lots 4 to 6, subdivisions undescibed;
 Sec. 17, lots 6 to 14, NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 18;
 Sec. 19, lots 5 to 7, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$;
 Sec. 20, lots 3 to 11, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 21, lots 4 to 8, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, subdivisions undescibed;

Sec. 22, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, subdivision undescibed;
 Secs. 23 to 25, inclusive;
 Sec. 26, lot 2, E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 33, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ east of Hwy 359 right-of-way;
 Sec. 34, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ east of Hwy 359;
 Sec. 35;
 Sec. 36.
 T. 9 N., R. 30 E.,
 Secs. 25 to 36.
 T. 7 N., R. 31 E.,
 Secs. 2 to 11;
 Secs. 14 to 23;
 Secs. 26 to 35.
 T. 8 N., R. 31 E.,
 Secs. 1 to 23;
 Secs. 26 to 35.
 T. 9 N., R. 31 E.,
 Sec. 31.

The area described contains approximately 60,037 acres in Mineral County.

The HWAD was originally established as a naval ammunition depot. The facility was subsequently transferred from the Department of the Navy to the Department of the Army. The HWAD serves as the primary ammunition depot and plant on the west coast, with service provided to the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

The difference between the portion of the withdrawal proposed for continuation by the Army and the portion proposed for continuation by the Bureau of Land Management is the Mt. Grant area.

The Army states that the Mt. Grant watershed is the source of water required to support the missions at the HWAD. The Mt. Grant area is undeveloped except for a water delivery system maintained by the Army. The Army states that full control of the area is needed to monitor and control access by the public. The Army is concerned that uncontrolled access could lead to degradation of the watershed. The Army has acquired non-Federal land in the Mt. Grant area in order to protect the watershed. Degradation of the watershed would require the Army to install an expensive water filtration system. The Army contends that Mt. Grant is being used for the purpose for which it was withdrawn, which is to provide water in support of the depot. At one time, a small portion of the Mt. Grant area was used as a live fire area and is contaminated by munitions. The Army has been making periodic sweeps of this area for clean up purposes.

The Bureau of Land Management's finding is that the Mt. Grant area is not being used for the purpose for which it was withdrawn, which is "development and use as an ammunition depot." Although there is a water delivery

system that supports the depot, that system can be authorized by a right-of-way reservation to the Army. The BLM has mechanisms, such land use planning decisions, to protect the watershed. Mt. Grant is generally undeveloped and pristine and the area has outstanding scenic, natural, and recreation values. Currently, access by the public is allowed, but controlled by the Army. The Bureau of Land Management can manage the Mt. Grant area for recreation while protecting the watershed values for the Army.

For a period of 90 days from the date of publication of this notice, all persons who wish to submit comments in connection with the proposed continuation of the withdrawals may present their views in writing to the Lands Team Lead in the Nevada State Office. The authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management will undertake such investigations as are necessary to determine the existing and potential demand for the land and its resources. A report will also be prepared for consideration by the Secretary of the Interior, the President, and Congress, who will determine whether or not the withdrawals will be continued and if so, for how long. The final determination on the continuation of the withdrawals will be published in the Federal Register. The existing withdrawals will continue until such final determination is made. The withdrawals segregate the land from operation of the public land laws generally, including the mining laws, but not the mineral leasing laws.

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William K. Stowers,
Lands Team Lead.

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National Park Service

Niobrara National Scenic River; Notice of Record of Decision, General Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement

Introduction: Pursuant to regulations promulgated by the Council on Environmental Quality (40 CFR Section 1505.2) and the implementing procedures of the National Park Service (NPS) for the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (40 USC 1501 *et seq.*), the NPS has prepared a Record of Decision with respect to the general management plan and final environmental impact statement, Niobrara National Scenic River, Nebraska.

The Record of Decision describes the scenic river management and boundary