

The Agency Preferred Alternative identified in the FEIS is the proposed action. The Agency Preferred Alternative in the DEIS was Alternative B, which included a proposed Key Raptor Area (KRA) intended to provide for secure long term nesting habitat adjacent to the project area and serve as a core or refuge area where long term reproduction opportunity for raptors of multiple species would be ensured.

Based on new information and comments on the DEIS, consultation with the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and further analysis of the range of alternatives and actions presented in the DEIS, the BLM concluded that (1) an adequate number of secure sites for the placement of Alternative Nesting Sites (ANSs) are likely to be available, and (2) that the use of ANSs to mitigate the expected displacement of four to seven raptor pairs from the project area would be adequate without the use of the proposed KRA. The USFWS's concurrence with the placement of ANSs outside of existing raptor territories and outside of, but proximal to, the designated Greater Raptor Area of analyses, and the offer to the BLM by Chevron and Barrett to provide long term secure ANSs sites on portions of their leaseholds within the Greater Cave Gulch Raptor Analysis Area, greatly expanded the area over which the BLM could select ANSs and substantially increased the likelihood that 14 suitable ANSs are available.

The FEIS also includes a detailed Cumulative Air Quality Impact Analysis-Technical Support Document and accompanying addendum that describes the cumulative impacts from the standpoint of assessing the potential impacts from all existing, reasonable foreseeable, and proposed sources of emissions.

Dated: June 6, 1997.

**Alan R. Pierson,**

*State Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[CA-930-1430-01; CACA 30534-01]

#### Public Land Order No. 7271; Extension of Withdrawal; Public Land Order No. 7069; California

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public Land Order.

**SUMMARY:** This order extends Public Land Order No. 7069, which withdrew 1,000 acres of public land from agricultural entry and mining to allow the State of California time to study their proposal to site a low-level radioactive waste facility in Ward Valley, for an additional 2-year period. The land has been and will remain open to mineral leasing.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** July 11, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Public Information Section, BLM California State Office, 2135 Butano Drive, Sacramento, California 95825, 916-979-2800.

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1994), it is ordered as follows:

1. Public Land Order No. 7069, which withdrew the following described public land from settlement or entry under the agricultural land laws and location under the United States mining laws (30 U.S.C. Ch. 2, (1994)), but not from leasing under the mineral leasing laws, to protect the land while the State of California conducts a study of the area to determine the feasibility of locating the proposed Ward Valley Low-Level Radioactive Waste Facility at the site, and for other purposes, is hereby extended for an additional 2-year period.

#### San Bernardino Meridian

T. 9 N., R. 19 E.,

Sec. 26, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 27, S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;

Sec. 34;

Sec. 35, W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ .

The area described contains 1,000 acres in San Bernardino County.

2. The withdrawal made by this order does not alter the applicability of those public land laws governing the use of the land under land lease, license, or permit, or governing the disposal of their vegetative resources.

3. This withdrawal will expire 2 years from the effective date of this order unless, as a result of a review conducted before the expiration date pursuant to Section 204(f) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714(f) (1994), the Secretary determines that the withdrawal shall be extended. If a patent is issued prior to the expiration date of this extension, this protective withdrawal will automatically terminate.

Dated: June 6, 1997.

**Bob Armstrong,**

*Assistant Secretary of the Interior.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[ID-933-1430-01; IDI-08932 03 and IDI-08932 04]

#### Public Land Order No. 7270; Partial Revocation of Public Land Order No. 2588; Idaho

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public Land Order.

**SUMMARY:** This order revokes a public land order insofar as it affects 130 acres of public lands withdrawn for the Bureau of Reclamation's Snake River Reclamation Project. The lands are no longer needed for the purpose for which they were withdrawn. This revocation is needed to transfer 10 acres of the lands by exchange. The revocation is also needed to allow the Bureau of Land Management to dispose of mineral materials from existing sites on the remaining 120 acres. All of the lands are located within the Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area Withdrawal and will remain closed to all other forms of disposition, including mining and mineral leasing.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** June 19, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Larry R. Lievsay, BLM Idaho State Office, 1387 S. Vinnell Way, Boise, Idaho 83709, 208-373-3864.

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1994), it is ordered as follows:

1. Public Land Order No. 2588, which withdrew public lands for the Snake River Reclamation Project, is hereby revoked insofar as it affects the following described land:

#### Boise Meridian

(a) T. 4 S., R. 2 E.,

Sec. 25, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ .

The area described contains 10 acres in Owyhee County.

(b) T. 5 S., R. 6 E.,

Sec. 19, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ .

The area described contains 120 acres in Elmore County.

The areas described in 1(a) and (b) aggregate 130 acres in Owyhee and Elmore Counties.

2. The land described in paragraph 1(a) are hereby made available for exchange.

3. The lands described in paragraphs 1(a) and (b) are within the Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area Withdrawal and will remain closed to all other forms of disposition, including mining and mineral leasing.