considered necessary for conservation of the species, establish criteria for recognizing the recovery levels for downlisting or delisting them, and estimate time and cost for implementing the recovery measures needed.

The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) (Act), requires the development of recovery plans for listed species unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species. Section 4(f) of the Act, as amended in 1988, requires that a public notice and an opportunity for public review and comment be provided during recovery plan development. The Service will consider all information presented during a public comment period prior to approval of each new or revised recovery plan. The Service and other Federal agencies will also take these comments into account in the course of implementing approved recovery plans.

Based upon available information concerning the range, biology, and threats to its continued survival, it is not yet possible to determine if or when full recovery of Eggert's sunflower is possible. Accordingly, this draft recovery plan outlines a mechanism that provides for the protection and maintenance of all known populations, with emphasis on determining the autecological factors necessary to manage the species. Eggert's sunflower was officially listed as an endangered species in 1996, primarily because of loss of habitat, competition from invasive exotic and other competitive plants, fire suppression, and other detrimental impacts that result from site disturbance. Comments and information provided during this review will be used in preparing the final recovery plan.

Public Comments Solicited

The Service solicits written comments on the recovery plan described. All comments received by the date specified above will be considered prior to approval of the plan.

Authority

The authority for this action is section 4(f) of the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1533(f).

Dated: June 2, 1998.

Brian P. Cole,

State Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Proposed Cabazon Resource Recovery Park, Cabazon Indian Reservation, Indio, CA

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of DEIS and public hearing and public comment dates.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for a proposed general plan and master lease of approximately 590 acres held in trust by the Federal Government for the Cabazon Band of Mission Indians in Riverside County, California is now available for public review and comment. The DEIS describes a proposed resource recovery park and industrial area for the recycling, reuse and transformation of waste streams of various types. This DEIS was prepared by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, in cooperation with the Cabazon Band of Mission Indians and their environmental consultants. A description of the proposed project location and of the environmental issues addressed in the DEIS are provided in the Supplementary Information. This notice also announces a public hearing to receive public comments on the DEIS.

This notice is published pursuant to Sec. 1503.1 of the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500 through 1508) implementing the procedural requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), and the Department of the Interior Manual (516 DM 1–6), and is in the exercise of authority delegated to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before August 14, 1998. All correspondence should show the following caption on the first page: ''DEIS Comments, Cabazon Resource Recovery Park, Cabazon Indian Reservation, Indio, California.'' The public hearing will be held on July 23, 1998 at the location shown below. We will consider all comments sent during this period, or submitted at the hearing, in preparing the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

ADDRESSES: Address comments to Ronald M. Jaeger, Area Director, Sacramento Area Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825–1846. The public hearing will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on July 23, 1998, at the Cabazon Band Council Chambers, 84245 Indio Springs Dr., Indio, CA 92203. This hearing will be co-hosted by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Cabazon Band of Mission Indians.

The DEIS is available for review at the Cabazon Band of Mission Indians Administrative Offices, 84245 Indio Springs Dr., Indio, CA 92203. To obtain a copy of the DEIS, please write or call William Allan, Environmental Protection Specialist, Sacramento Area Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825–1846, telephone (916) 979–2575, extension 254.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Allan, 916–979–2575.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed action would approve a general plan of development for the majority of Section 6 and a master lease of the land from the Cabazon Band of Mission Indians to a tribally owned corporation. The full development project is entitled the ''Cabazon Resource Recovery Park'' (CRRP). The industrial and commercial facilities planned for the CRRP are intended to be environmentally responsible industries which individually and collectively implement practical solutions to environmental and waste management problems of several types. The integrated nature of the various types of facilities planned is such that the output of some facilities would provide input to others, enhancing the overall efficiency and effectiveness of both the waste management and manufacturing projects. Existing projects and those in development or proposed include a biomass power plant, a biosolids recycling plant, a contaminated soil recycling plant, a tire recycling and remanufacturing plant, a nickel wire recycling and manufacturing plant, a waste food and green waste recycling facility, an aquaculture facility, a materials recovery facility, a gasification facility, a metals reclamation facility, a used oil recovery refinery, a catalytic converter platinum recovery facility, construction and demolition materials recovery facility, a fuels and chemicals storage and distribution facility, a plant making speciality glass products from reclaimed glass, a hazardous waste and hazardous commodity processing and transfer facility, and associated support infrastructure (railyards, sewage treatment, etc.). The project will meet all applicable environmental standards and regulations.

The project is located in the Coachella Valley approximately one mile northwest of the unincorporated town of

Mecca. Section 6 is characterized by smooth topography and ranges in elevation from 180 feet below to 146 feet below mean sea level. Section 6 is adjacent to, on its west and south sides, the Coachella Valley Enterprise Zone; a 27,000 acre area established by the California Legislature to create jobs and economic development.

The DEIS addresses the issues identified during scoping. Alternatives to the proposed project that are considered in the DEIS include the no action alternative. The environmental issues addressed in the DEIS include land and water resources, air quality, living resources, cultural and socioeconomic resources, land use, traffic, noise, public safety and health, and visual resources.

Dated: June 4, 1998.

Kevin Gover,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Proposed Southpoint Power Plant Project on the Fort Mojave Indian Reservation, Mohave County, AZ

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of DEIS and public hearing dates.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that a Draft Environmental Statement (DEIS) is available for public review and that public hearings will be held on this document. A lease between the Fort Mojave Indian Tribe (FMIT) and Calpine Corporation was executed on April 28, 1998. Approval of the pending lease by the Bureau of Indian Affairs is a major federal action. Calpine Corporation proposes to construct and operate a natural gas fired, 500 megawatt combined cycle power plant and associated ancillary facilities on leased tribal trust land. The proposed lease is for a term of 50 years, with an option to renew for an additional 15 years. The proposed power plant would provide electrical power for distribution through the Western Area Power Administration grid to meet existing demand. By entering into the proposed lease the FMIT will enhance its tribal sovereignty and self-determination.

This notice is published pursuant to Section 1503.1 of the Council of Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR, parts 1500 through 1508) implementing the procedural requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C 4321 *et seq.*), and the Department of the Interior Manual (516 DM 1–6), and is in the exercise of authority delegated to the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.

DATES: Public hearings on the DEIS will be held on July 15, 1998 at 10:00 AM MST and 7:00 PM MST at the FMIT tribal headquarters, 500 Merriman Street, Needles, California, and on July 16, 1998 at 7:00 PM MST at Mohave High School auditorium, 2251 Highway 95, Bullhead City, Arizona. Written comments must be received on or before August 15, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments and participation at the public hearings are solicited. Please direct written comments to Mr. Allen J. Anspach, Superintendent, Colorado River Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Rt. 1, Box 9–C, Parker, Arizona 85344, or to Mr. Wayne Nordwall, Phoenix Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Phoenix Area Office, P.O. Box 10, Phoenix, AZ 85001.

Persons wishing copies of this DEIS should immediately contact Ms. Goldie Stroup, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Colorado River Agency, Rt. 1, Box 9–C, Parker, Arizona 85344, Telephone (520) 669–7121 or Ms. Amy Heuslein, Area Environmental Protection Officer, Phoenix Area Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 400 North 5th Street, 2 Arizona Center—14th Floor, Phoenix, Arizona 85004. Telephone (602) 379–6750. Copies of the DEIS have been sent to all agencies and individuals who participated in the scoping process from December 1994 through January 1995, and to all others who have already requested copies of the document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Amy L. Heuslein, 602–379–6750.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, in cooperation with the FMIT, has prepared a DEIS on the proposed construction and operation of a natural gas fired 500 megawatt combined cycle power plant on leased land of approximately 320 acres on the Fort Mojave Indian Reservation in Mohave County, Arizona. In addition to the power plant, there is a proposal for an administrative building and parking areas on a 15 acre compound, a 30 acre evaporation pond, and a storm water retention area of approximately 30 acres. A buffer area would be provided around the development. The power plant would use consumptively approximately 4,000 acre feet of water per year from the FMIT's allocation of Colorado River water. Natural gas would be supplied to the site in buried lines on new right-of-way across Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land. The power generated by the proposed plant could potentially be wheeled and distributed by facilities of the multi-state federal Western Area Power Administration, and by local distribution facilities such those of Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Needles Electric Company, Aha Macav Power Services, and others.

The purpose and need for this action is to support tribal economic development on the reservation and augment current power supply sources in the region. By entering into the proposed lease, the FMIT would enhance its tribal sovereignty and self-determination and obtain revenues from this activity.

Under the Preferred Alternative, the proposed natural gas combined cycle 500 megawatt power plant with ancillary facilities would be constructed and operated on 320 acres in the east half Section 8, T17N R21W, Gila and Salt River Base and Meridian, Mohave County, Arizona, on the north side of the Davis Dam-Topock Highway. The power plant buildings and equipment, and the retention basins, would be located on the valley floor. The evaporation pond would be located on top of the bluffs. Natural gas would be supplied by new lines in rights-of-way across BLM land.

Under Alternative Two, the proposed power plant would be constructed and operated on 160 acres in the west half of Section 30, T18N, R21W, Gila and Salt River Base and Meridian, Mohave County Arizona. This site is approximately two and one-half miles northwest of the Preferred Alternative site. The power plant proposed to be built on the Alternative Two site would be identical in size to that proposed for the Preferred Alternative. All plant facilities, except paved access roads, would be located on top of the bluffs. Natural gas would be available to the plant from the same sources as for the Preferred Alternative and would require construction of two branch lines across BLM land to the reservation boundary.

Under Alternative Three, the proposed power plant would be built on 160 acres in the west half of Section 16, T17N, R21W, Gila and Salt River Base and Meridian, Mohave County, Arizona. This site is immediately to the south of the Preferred Alternative site, on the south side of the Davis Dam-Topock Highway. The power plant proposed to be built on the Alternative Three site would be identical in size to that proposed for the Preferred Alternative.