

PRT-004520

*Applicant:* Hawthorn Corporation, Grayslake, IL

The applicant requests a permit to purchase in interstate commerce one female captive-held Asian elephant (*Elephas maximus*) from the Clyde Beatty-Cole Bros. Circus in Deland, Florida, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through conservation education and propagation.

PRT-004521

*Applicant:* Hawthorn Corporation, Grayslake, IL

The applicant requests a permit to purchase in interstate commerce one female captive-held Asian elephant (*Elephas maximus*) from the American Circus Corporation in Deland, Florida, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through conservation education and propagation.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director within 30 days of the date of this publication.

The public is invited to comment on the following applications for a permit to conduct certain activities with marine mammals. The applications were submitted to satisfy requirements of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing marine mammals (50 CFR 18).

PRT-007280

*Applicant:* Michael Carpinito, Kent, WA

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Southern Beaufort Sea polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Written data or comments, requests for copies of the complete application, or requests for a public hearing on this application should be sent to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203, telephone 703/358-2104 or fax 703/358-2281 and must be received within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice. Anyone requesting a hearing should give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Director.

Documents and other information submitted with the application are available for review, *subject to the*

*requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act*, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the above address within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: January 29, 1999.

**MaryEllen Amtower,**

*Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[NV-020-1430-00]

#### Notice of Availability of Approved Plan Amendment and Decision Record; Nevada

January 25, 1999.

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability, Decision Record for the Approved Paradise-Denio and Sonoma-Gerlach Management Framework Plans Lands Amendment.

**DATES:** The Approved Paradise-Denio and Sonoma-Gerlach Management Framework Plans Lands Amendment and Decision Record will be distributed and made available to the public on or around February 16, 1999.

**ADDRESS:** A copy of the Approved Plan Amendment and Decision Record can be obtained from: Bureau of Land Management, Winnemucca Field Office, 5100 East Winnemucca Boulevard, Winnemucca, Nevada 89445.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mary Figarelle, Realty Specialist, Winnemucca Field Office, 5100 E. Winnemucca Boulevard, Winnemucca, Nevada 89445, (775) 623-1500.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Approved Lands Amendment and Decision Record complete the land use planning process, and document the changes to various decisions as they pertain to the retention, acquisition, and disposal of public lands managed by the Winnemucca Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management.

**Terry A. Reed,**

*Field Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[MT-924-1430-01; MTM 88993]

#### Notice of Proposed Withdrawal and Opportunity for Public Meeting; Montana

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, has filed an application to withdraw 429,000 acres of National Forest System lands to preserve the area for traditional cultural purposes by Native Americans, protection of threatened and endangered species, and preservation of outstanding scenic values and roadless character. This notice closes the lands for up to 2 years from location and entry under the United States mining laws. The lands will remain open to all activities consistent with applicable Forest plans and those related to exercise of valid existing rights.

**DATES:** Comments and requests for a public meeting must be received by May 4, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments and meeting requests should be sent to the Forest Supervisor, Lewis and Clark National Forest, 1101 15th Street North, Box 869, Great Falls, Montana 59403.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Forest Supervisor, Lewis and Clark National Forest, 1101 15th Street North, Box 869, Great Falls, Montana 59403.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Forest Service has filed an application to withdraw the following-described National Forest System lands from location and entry under the United States mining laws, subject to valid existing rights:

All National Forest System lands in the Rocky Mountain Division of the Lewis and Clark National Forest outside of existing wilderness east of the Rocky Mountain Continental Divide. This includes Federal lands in part or all of the following townships:

#### Principal Meridian, Montana

Tps. 16 N., Rs. 7 and 8 W.  
Tps. 17 N., Rs. 7 and 8 W.  
Tps. 18 N., Rs. 8 and 9 W.  
Tps. 19 N., Rs. 9 and 10 W.  
Tps. 20 N., Rs. 9, 10, and 11 W.  
Tps. 21 N., Rs. 9 and 10 W.  
Tps. 22 N., Rs. 9 and 10 W.  
T. 23 N., R. 9 W.  
Tps. 24 N., Rs. 9 and 10 W.  
Tps. 25 N., Rs. 9 and 10 W.  
Tps. 26 N., Rs. 9 and 10 W.  
Tps. 27 N., Rs. 9 and 11 W.  
Tps. 28 N., Rs. 10 to 13 W.