

Billings, Montana, thirty (30) days from the date of this publication.

Tps. 9, 10, and 12 N., Rs. 21 W. and Tps. 9 and 11 N., Rs. 22 W.

The plat, representing the Amended Protraction Diagram 20 Index of unsurveyed Townships 9, 10, and 12 North, Ranges 21 West and Townships 9 and 11 North, Ranges 22 West, Principal Meridian, Montana, was accepted October 13, 1999.

T. 9 N., R. 21 W.

The plat, representing Amended Protraction Diagram 20 of unsurveyed Township 9 North, Range 21 West, Principal Meridian, Montana, was accepted October 13, 1999.

T. 9 N., R. 22 W.

The plat, representing Amended Protraction Diagram 20 of unsurveyed Township 9 North, Range 22 West, Principal Meridian, Montana, was accepted October 13, 1999.

T. 10 N., R. 21 W.

The plat, representing Amended Protraction Diagram 20 of unsurveyed Township 10 North, Range 21 West, Principal Meridian, Montana, was accepted October 13, 1999.

T. 11 N., R. 22 W.

The plat, representing Amended Protraction Diagram 20 of unsurveyed Township 11 North, Range 22 West, Principal Meridian, Montana, was accepted October 13, 1999.

T. 12 N., R. 21 W.

The plat, representing Amended Protraction Diagram 20 of unsurveyed Township 12 North, Range 21 West, Principal Meridian, Montana, was accepted October 13, 1999.

The amended protraction diagrams were prepared at the request of the U.S. Forest Service to accommodate Revision of Primary Base Quadrangle Maps for the Geometrics Service Center.

A copy of the preceding described plats of the amended protraction diagrams, accepted October 13, 1999, will be immediately placed in the open files and will be available to the public as a matter of information.

If a protest against these amended protraction diagrams, accepted October 13, 1999, as shown on these plats, is received prior to the date of the official filings, the filings will be stayed pending consideration of the protests.

These particular plats of the amended protraction diagrams will not be officially filed until the day after all protests have been accepted or dismissed and become final or appeals from the dismissal affirmed.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bureau of Land Management, 5001 Southgate Drive (59101), P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana 59107-6800.

Dated: October 15, 1999.

Daniel T. Mates,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[MT-924-1430-ET; MTM 89384]

Notice of Proposed Withdrawal and Opportunity for Public Meeting; Montana

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management, proposes to withdraw approximately 2,244 acres of public land to protect resources in the Beaverhead River area acquired by the United States with Land and Water Conservation Fund and North American Wetlands Conservation Act funding. This notice segregates the land described below upon acquisition by the United States for up to 2 years from location and entry under the general land laws, including the mining laws, subject to valid existing rights.

DATES: Comments must be received by January 27, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments and meeting requests should be sent to the State Director, Bureau of Land Management, Montana State Office, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana 59107.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Russ Sorensen, Dillon Field Office, 100 Selway Drive, Dillon, Montana 59725, (406) 683-2337.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 5, 1999, a petition was approved allowing the Bureau of Land Management to file an application to withdraw the following described land from settlement, sale, location and entry under the general land laws, including location and entry under the mining laws, but not from leasing under the mineral leasing laws.

Tract 1—

Principal Meridian, Montana

T. 8 S., R. 10 W.,

Sec. 35, lots 3 and 4, and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

T. 9 S., R. 10 W.,

Sec. 1, lots 6 to 22, inclusive;

Sec. 2, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$, and S $\frac{1}{2}$;

Sec. 11, lot 1 and N $\frac{1}{2}$, Excepting

Therefrom that tract of land described in Deed dated June 22, 1946, recorded in Book 110 of Deeds, Page 263, records of Beaverhead County, Montana;

Sec. 12, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, and SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

Sec. 13, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Excepting Therefrom, Certificate of Survey 889, all those portions conveyed to the State of Montana for State Highway purposes, those portions conveyed for railroad purposes, and those portions taken by the Declaration of Taking dated September 13, 1960.

Tract 2—

Certificate of Survey 889 which is a parcel of land located in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of sec. 11,

Sec. 2, and lots 9 and 10 of sec. 1, T. 9 S., R. 10 W., PMM.

The above described land contains approximately 2,244.00 acres in Beaverhead County.

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 Montana State Director within 90 days from the date of publication of this notice. Upon determination by the authorized officer that a public meeting will be held, a notice of the time and place will be published in the **Federal Register** at least 30 days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The application will be processed in accordance with the regulations set forth in 43 CFR 2300.

For a period of 2 years from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the lands will be segregated as specified above, subject to valid existing rights, unless the proposal is denied or canceled or the withdrawal is finalized prior to the end of the segregation. Further, the segregation does not preclude the issuance of land use permits, rights-of-way, or other authorizations that are needed to accommodate valid existing rights and previously authorized actions. All previously authorized activities and permitted uses of the segregated lands may be continued in accordance with the terms of the authorization.

Dated: October 19, 1999.

John E. Moorhouse,

Acting Deputy State Director, Division of Resources.

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