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Gail Acheson,
Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-150-1430-ES; COC-23561-02]

Notice of Realty Action; Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act Classification; Colorado

AGENCY: Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The following public lands in Montrose County, Colorado have been examined and found suitable for classification for conveyance to Montrose County, Colorado under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 *et seq.*). Montrose County proposes to continue to use the lands as a sanitary landfill.

New Mexico Principal Meridian, Colorado

T. 49 N., R. 8 W.,
Sec. 7: lots 6, 8-10, 15 & 16
T. 49 N., R. 9 W.,
Sec. 12: lots 1, 4 & 5

Containing 178.95 acres more or less.

A portion of the lands described, approximately 125 acres, was previously classified as suitable for lease in 1976, and R&PP lease COC-23561-01 was issued to Montrose County for a sanitary landfill. The County proposes to continue using the lands for a sanitary landfill. The proposed conveyance area would allow for future landfill expansion. In the event of the sale, the mineral interest shall be conveyed simultaneously with the surface interest. The mineral interest being offered for conveyance has no known mineral value.

The lands are not needed for Federal purposes. Conveyance without reversionary interest is consistent with current BLM policy and land use planning and would be in the public interest. The patent would be subject to the following terms, conditions and reservations:

1. Provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and to all applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior.
2. A right-of-way thereon for ditches and canals constructed by the authority of the United States.
3. Those rights for road purposes as acknowledged under R.S. 2477 for the

Bostwick Park County Road, right-of-way COC-42672.

Upon publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the lands will be segregated from all other forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws, except for lease or conveyance under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act. For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, interested persons may submit comments to the Uncompahgre Field Office Manager regarding the proposed classification or the conveyance of the subject lands.

Classification Comments

Interested parties may submit comments involving the suitability of the land for sanitary landfill purposes. Comments on the classification are restricted to whether the land is physically suited for the proposal, whether the use will maximize the future use or uses of the land, whether the use is consistent with local planning and zoning, or if the use is consistent with State and Federal programs.

Application Comments

Interested parties may submit comments regarding the proposed conveyance, whether the BLM followed proper administrative procedures in reaching the decision, or any other factor not directly related to the suitability of the land for a sanitary landfill.

Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the State Director. In the absence of any adverse comments, the classification will become effective 60 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact the Bureau of Land Management, Uncompahgre Field Office, 2505 South Townsend, Montrose, Colorado 81401, attention: Teresa Pfifer.

Signed May 19, 2000.

Allan J. Belt,

Field Office Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR-958-6333-ET; GP0-0222; WAOR-55695]

Proposed Withdrawal and Opportunity for Public Meeting; Washington

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, proposes to withdraw approximately 765 acres of National Forest System lands, lying within the Wenatchee National Forest, to protect the investment of federal funds, and the lands being rehabilitated as part of the Holden Mine Rehabilitation Project. This notice closes the lands for up to 2 years from location and entry under the United States mining laws.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Comments and requests for a public meeting must be received by August 30, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments and meetings requests should be sent to the Forest Supervisor, Wenatchee National Forest, 215 Melody Lane, Wenatchee, Washington 98801.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Norman Day, Holden Mine Project Manager, Wenatchee National Forest, 509-662-4304, or Charles R. Roy, BLM Oregon/Washington State Office, 503-952-6189.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On April 17, 2000, the Forest Service filed an application to withdraw the following described National Forest System lands from location and entry under the United States mining laws (30 U.S.C. Ch. 2 (1994)), but not the mineral leasing laws, subject to valid existing rights:

Willamette Meridian

Wenatchee National Forest

T. 31 N., R. 17 E.,
Sec. 7, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$, excluding 195 acres of patented lands in Mineral Surveys numbered 713-A, 1208, 1213-B, 1221, 1232, and 1239;
Sec. 8, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$.

The areas described aggregate approximately 765 acres in Chelan County.

The purpose of the proposed withdrawal is to protect the investment of federal funds and the lands being rehabilitated as part of the Holden Mine Rehabilitation Project.

For a period of 90 days from the date of publication of this notice, all persons who wish to submit comments, suggestions, or objections in connection with the proposed withdrawal may present their views in writing to the Forest Supervisor at the address indicated above.

Notice is hereby given that an opportunity for a public meeting is afforded in connection with the proposed withdrawal. All interested parties who desire a public meeting for the purpose of being heard on the proposed withdrawal must submit a

written request to the Forest Supervisor at the address indicated above 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 withdrawal 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 unless the application is denied or canceled or the withdrawal is approved prior to that date. The temporary land uses which may be permitted during this segregative period include licenses, permits, rights-of-way, and disposal of vegetative resources other than under the mining laws.

Dated: May 24, 2000.

Sherrie L. Reid,

Acting Chief, Branch of Realty and Records Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Watershed Cooperative Agreement Program

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Interior.

ACTION: Extension of time to submit applications for the Watershed Cooperative Agreement Program.

SUMMARY: The Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) of the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) published a **Federal Register** notice on December 27, 1999 (64 FR 72360), soliciting applications for funding under the Watershed Cooperative Agreement Program. This notice extends the time for submitting applications until September 15, 2000, or until all available funds have been awarded.

DATES: Applications for the cooperative agreements will be accepted until September 15, 2000, or until all available funds have been awarded. Applications should be submitted to the appropriate individual listed under **ADDRESSES AND FURTHER INFORMATION.**

ADDRESSES AND FURTHER INFORMATION: Requests for an application package, which includes additional information on the program, the application forms

and evaluation criteria, should be directed to the appropriate Appalachian Clean Streams Coordinator: *Alabama:* Jeannie O'Dell, Birmingham Field Office, 135 Gemini Circle, Suite 215, Homewood, AL 35209, Telephone 205-290-7282, ext. 21; *Illinois:* Ken Foit, Indianapolis Field Office, Minton-Capehart Federal Building, 575 N. Pennsylvania Street, Room 392, Indianapolis, IN 46204, Telephone 317-226-6166 ext 230; *Indiana:* Michael Kalagian, Indianapolis Field Office, Minton-Capehart Federal Building, 575 N. Pennsylvania Street, Room 392, Indianapolis, IN 46204, Telephone 317-226-6166 ext 234; *Iowa:* Stephen Preston, Mid-Continent Regional Coordinating Center, Alton Federal Center, 501 Belle Street, Room 216, Alton, IL 62002, Telephone 618-463-6463 ext 120; *Kentucky:* Dave Beam, Lexington Field Office, 2675 Regency Road, Lexington, KY 40503, Telephone 859-260-8407; *Maryland:* Peter Hartman, Appalachian Regional Coordinating Center, 3 Parkway Center, Pittsburgh, PA 15220, Telephone 412-937-2905; *Missouri:* Jeff Gillespie, Mid-Continent Regional Coordinating Center, Alton Federal Center, 501 Belle Street, Room 216, Alton, IL 62002, Telephone 618-463-6463 ext 128; *Ohio:* Max Luehrs, Columbus Area Office, 4480 Refugee Road, Suite 201, Columbus, OH 43232, Telephone 614-866-0578 ext. 110; *Oklahoma:* Daniel Trout, Tulsa Field Office, 5100 East Skelly Drive S-550, Tulsa, OK 74135, Telephone 918-581-6430 ext 25; *Pennsylvania:* David Hamilton, Harrisburg Field Office, 415 Market Street, Suite 3, Harrisburg, PA 17101, Telephone 717-782-2285, ext 15; *Tennessee:* Danny Ellis, Knoxville Field Office, 530 Gay Street, Suite 500, Knoxville, TN 37902, Telephone 423-545-4193 ext 147; *Virginia:* Ronnie Vicars, Big Stone Gap Field Office, 1941 Neeley Road, Suite 201, Compartment 116, Big Stone Gap, VA 24219, Telephone 540-523-0024, ext 33; *West Virginia:* Rick Buckley, Charleston Field Office, 1027 Virginia Street East, Charleston, WV 25301, Telephone 304-347-7162 ext 3024.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For Fiscal Year 2000, OSM expects to award up to 1.75 million dollars to eligible not-for-profit groups to undertake actual construction projects to clean up streams impacted by acid mine drainage. The cooperative agreements normally will be in the \$5,000-\$80,000 range in order to assist as many groups as possible. The cooperative agreements will have a performance period of two years. Eligible applicants are not-for-profit, established organizations with

IRS 501(c)(3) status. Applicants must have partners, contributing either funding or in-kind services; the partners must provide a substantial portion of the total resources needed to complete the project.

Projects in the following States are eligible: Alabama, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia. Projects must meet eligibility criteria for coal projects outlined in Section 404 of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977:

Lands and water eligible for reclamation or drainage abatement expenditures under this title are those which were mined for coal or which were affected by such mining, wastebanks, coal processing, or other coal mining processes * * * and abandoned or left in an adequate reclamation status prior to the date of enactment of this Act [August 3, 1977], and for which there is no continuing reclamation responsibility under State or other Federal laws.

There must be demonstrated public support for the project. The project should propose to use proven or innovative technology that has a high probability of success. The project must produce tangible results, e.g., fishery restored, stream miles improved, educational and community benefits, pollutants removed from the streams. The funds must be used primarily for the construction phase of a project; reimbursement of administrative costs will be carefully scrutinized. There must be a plan to address any ongoing operation/maintenance considerations.

Two copies of a complete application should be submitted to the appropriate Appalachian Clean Streams Coordinator identified under **ADDRESSES AND FURTHER INFORMATION.** Awards are subject to the availability of funds. Applications will receive technical and financial management reviews.

The application deadline was June 1, 2000. However, because there are funds remaining, OSM is extending the application period. Applications will now be accepted through September 15, 2000, or until all available funds have been awarded.

Dated: May 23, 2000.

Kathrine Henry,

Acting Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

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