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Dated: January 19, 1996.

Susan K. Feldman,

*Committee Management Officer, NIH.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

### Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing

[Docket No. FR-2992-N-03]

#### Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

**DATES:** Comments due: March 25, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Mildred M. Hamman, Reports Liaison Officer, Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Room 4240, Washington, D.C. 20410-5000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mildred M. Hamman, (202) 708-0846 (this is not a toll-free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

The Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of

information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

*Title of Proposal:* Public and Indian Housing Drug Elimination Program, Application and Reporting.

*OMB Control Number, if applicable:* 2577-0124.

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* This information is necessary so that eligible applicants can submit applications/plans to HUD for review and approval for grant funds for this Program. Grantees must provide HUD with a semi-annual program report which evaluates the grantee's progress against its plan.

*Agency forms numbers, if applicable:* Not applicable.

*Members of affected public:* State or local governments; Non-profit institutions.

*Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:* 800 respondents, annually, 45 average hours per response, 95,400 hours for a total reporting burden.

*Status of the proposed information collection:* Extension, without change.

Authority: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: December 18, 1995.

Kevin Emanuel Marchman,

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Distressed and Troubled Housing.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[NV-030-1430-00]

#### Emergency Closure of Public Lands; Churchill County, Nevada

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

**ACTION:** This notice amends the emergency closure notice published in the Federal Register on February 1, 1991, Vol. 56, No. 22, for the closure of approximately 24,246 acres of public lands located adjacent to Bravo-16, Bravo-17 and Bravo-19 Bombing Ranges respectively. The February 1 notice describes those lands that remained contaminated with ordnance following the final sweep and disposal effort by the U.S. Navy. The notice states that the 24,464 acres are closed to public access from the date of publication of the notice in the Federal Register until further notice. This notice opens approximately 32 acres of previously closed public lands near Bravo-19 Bombing Range.

**SUMMARY:** In order to facilitate public access through an existing roadway which traverses contaminated and closed lands east of Bravo-19, U.S. Navy experts cleared and fenced a swath of land 100 feet on either side of the existing roadway for a distance of 7,000 feet. The U.S. Navy has indicated in writing that the lands, containing 32 acres, have been rendered safe by the Explosive Ordnance Detachment (EOD). The fenced area will also be swept on a monthly basis by the Navy personnel to ensure continued public safety. The public lands affected by this amended notice are within the following described area:

Mt. Diablo Meridian

T. 15 N., R. 30 E.,  
Sec. 1, lots 3 and 4, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Mt. Diablo Meridian

T. 16 N., R. 30 E.,  
Sec. 35, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ .

**DATES:** This amendment goes into effect on February 7, 1996.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mike Phillips, Area Manager, Lahontan Resource Area, Carson City District, 1535 Hot Springs Road, Suite 300, Carson City, Nevada, telephone (702) 885-6000.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The opening of the above described lands to public access in no way affects the other public lands closed by the February 1, 1991 notice, issued pursuant to the regulations under 43 CFR 8364.1.

Dated January 18, 1996.

James M. Phillips,

*Area Manager, Lahontan Resource Area.*

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**Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement on an Amended Plan of Operations for Kennecott Rawhide Mining Company in Mineral County, Nevada; and Notice of Scoping Period and Public Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Carson City District Office.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and 43 CFR Part 3809, the Bureau of Land Management will be directing the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement to be produced by a third-party contractor on the impacts of a proposed amended Plan of Operations for expansion of the existing Denton-Rawhide Mine, an open-pit heap leach gold/silver mine operated by Kennecott Rawhide Mining Company, in Mineral County, Nevada. The Bureau invites comments on the scope of the analysis.

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** An open-house meeting will be held February 15, 1996, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., at the Bureau of Land Management, Carson City District Office, 1535 Hot Springs Road, Carson City, NV to allow the public an opportunity to identify issues and concerns to be addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement. Representatives of Kennecott Rawhide Mining Company will be available to answer questions about the amended Plan of Operations. Additional scoping meetings may be held as appropriate. Written comments on the Plan of Operations and the scope of the Environmental Impact Statement will be accepted until March 1, 1996.

A Draft Environmental Impact Statement is expected to be completed by late spring 1996 and made available for public review and comment. At that time a Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be published in the Federal Register. The comment period on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be 60 days from the date the Notice of Availability is published.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Scoping comments may be sent to: District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, 1535 Hot Springs Road, Carson City, NV 89706. ATTN: Rawhide Environmental Impact Statement Project Manager.

For additional information, write to the above address or call Terri Knutson at (702) 885-6156.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Kennecott Rawhide Mining Company of Fallon, Nevada has submitted an amended Plan of Operations for expansion of the

existing Denton-Rawhide Mine located approximately 55 miles southeast of Fallon, Nevada. The proposed operation would include: Development and condemnation drilling necessary for development of future operations; expansion of the open-pit and waste rock disposal area; construction of an additional leach pad and solution ponds to accommodate processing of Run-of-Mine ore; and the relocation of the stormwater diversion channel beyond the limits of the active mine workings. Existing permitted surface disturbance within the project area is 1,086 acres. The proposal would disturb an additional 426 acres for a total of 1,512 acres disturbance of public and private land within the project area.

The Environmental Impact Statement will address: surface and groundwater quantity and quality; geology and minerals; air quality; vegetation resources; soils; wildlife; threatened, endangered, or candidate animal and plant species; range resources; land uses and access; recreation; social and economic values; cultural resources; reclamation; hazardous materials; and cumulative impacts. These topics will be evaluated by an interdisciplinary team and will include review of the proposed amended Plan of Operations as well as other pertinent environmental documents and studies. A range of alternatives (including but not limited to alternative reclamation measures and the no-action alternative), as well as mitigating measures, will be considered to evaluate and minimize environmental impacts and to assure that the proposed action does not result in undue or unnecessary degradation of public lands.

Federal, state, and local agencies and other individuals or organizations who may be interested in or affected by the Bureau's decision on the amended Plan of Operations are invited to participate in the scoping process with respect to this environmental analysis. These entities and individuals are also invited to submit comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

It is important that those interested in the proposal participate in the scoping and commenting processes. Comments should be as specific as possible.

The tentative project schedule is as follows:

Begin Public Comment Period—January 1996

Issuance of Draft Environmental Impact Statement—May 1996

File Final Environmental Impact Statement—August 1996

Record of Decision—October 1996

Begin Expansion of Operation—Spring of 1997

The Bureau of Land Management's scoping process for the Environmental Impact Statement will include: (1) Identification of issues to be addressed; (2) Identification of viable alternatives; (3) Notification of interested groups, individuals, and agencies so that additional information concerning these issues, or other additional issues, can be obtained.

Dated: January 11, 1996.

John O. Singlaub,

*Carson City District Manager.*

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**Temporary Access Restriction Order for Caliente Resource Area**

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

**ACTION:** Establishment of temporary access restriction to the Washburn Administrative Site in the Carrizo Plain Natural Area located in San Luis Obispo County in the Caliente Resource Area, Bakersfield District, California.

**SUMMARY:** This emergency action restricts public access to the Washburn Administrative Site on BLM-administered land in the Carrizo Plain Natural Area in order to protect persons, property, and public lands and resources. This restriction is effective for non-operational hours, or as otherwise described in this order, from the date of publication in the Federal Register until adoption of the Management Plan and its amendments for the Carrizo Plain Natural Area. The public lands within the restricted area are located in a portion of E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  Section 25, Township 32 South, Range 20 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, in the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, and include that area within fences and gates which enclose the fire station, residential area, offices, and out buildings.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This emergency restriction is intended to prevent unauthorized persons from accessing an administrative site and potentially causing harm to personnel, property, or resources. Hours of operation will be posted and/or available from the BLM Bakersfield office. During non-operational hours, access gates to the administrative site will be closed and locked. Additionally, any person present at the site without lawful purposes is in violation of this order if, after being asked to leave by any employee of the Bureau of Land Management or a Carrizo Plain