

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Issuance of Permit for Marine Mammals

On December 11, 1997, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 62, No. 238, Page 65281, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by George Kalb for a permit (PRT-837107) to import a sport-hunted polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy taken from the Southern Beaufort Sea population, Northwest Territories, Canada.

Notice is hereby given that on January 29, 1998, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On August 28, 1997, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 62, No. 167, Page 45674, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Collins Kellogg, Sr. for a permit (PRT-833625) to import a sport-hunted polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy taken from the Lancaster Sound population, Northwest Territories, Canada, prior to April 30, 1994.

Notice is hereby given that on January 16, 1998, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On November 14, 1997, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 62, No. 220, Page 61139, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Curtis H. Springer for a permit (PRT 835829) to import a sport-hunted polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy, taken from the South Beaufort Sea population, Northwest Territories, Canada, for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on January 9, 1998, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

Documents and other information submitted for these applications are available for review by any party who submits a written request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Rm 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Phone (703) 358-2104 or Fax (703) 358-2281.

Dated: February 6, 1998.

Mary Ellen Amtower,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Establishment of Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge.

SUMMARY: The Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge Act requires that when sufficient property is acquired, public notices be published. The Connecticut River Watershed Council donated Third Island, Deerfield, Massachusetts, to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for inclusion in the Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge. This notice is to inform the public that sufficient property has been acquired to be managed as a refuge.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 12, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge, at the Great Falls Discovery Center; 38 Avenue A, Turners Falls, Massachusetts, 01376.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lawrence Bandolin, Project Leader, at (413) 863-0209, FAX (413) 863-3070, E-mail: r5w_socnwr@mail.fws.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge Act, Public Law 102-212, Section 106(b) Establishment, requires that when sufficient property is acquired public notices be published. The Connecticut River Watershed Council donated Third Island, Deerfield, Massachusetts, to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for inclusion in the Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge. With this donation sufficient property has been acquired for the Secretary of the Interior to establish the Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge.

Ronald Lambertson,

Regional Director, Region 5, Hadley, Massachusetts.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AZ-040-1040-00]

Availability of the Gila Box Riparian National Conservation Area Management Plan, Safford Field Office, AZ.

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability.

SUMMARY: The Safford Field Office, United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management has completed the Gila Box Riparian National Conservation Area Management Plan, Environmental Assessment, and Record of Decision. The Arizona Desert Wilderness Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-628) designated the Gila Box Riparian National Conservation Area (RNCA) in order to conserve, protect, and enhance its riparian areas and associated resources, and the aquatic, wildlife, archaeological, paleontological, scientific, cultural, recreational, educational, scenic, and other resources and values of such areas. The law also required the BLM to develop a comprehensive management plan. The Gila Box Management Plan, sets the management direction for the RNCA for the next 15 years. For a period of 30 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, interested parties have the right of appeal pursuant to 43 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 4. Please submit any appeal to William T. Civish, Safford Field Office Manager, 711 14th Avenue, Safford, Arizona 85546. For further assistance contact Elmer Walls, Gila Box Team Leader, Safford Field Office, 711 14th Avenue, Safford, Arizona 85546; telephone number (520) 348-4400.

Dated: January 30, 1998.

William T. Civish,

Field Office Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AK-932-1410-00; AA-6678]

Public Land Order No. 7314; Withdrawal of Public Lands for Levelock Village Selection; Alaska

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public Land Order.

SUMMARY: This order withdraws approximately 7,493 acres of public lands from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining and mineral leasing laws, pursuant to Section 22(j)(2) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. This action also reserves the lands for selection by the Levelock Natives, Limited, the village corporation for Levelock. This withdrawal is for a period of 120 days; however, any lands selected shall remain withdrawn by the order until they are conveyed. Any lands described herein that are not selected by the corporation will remain subject to the terms and conditions of any withdrawal or segregation of record.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 12, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robbie J. Havens, Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 W. 7th Avenue, No. 13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599, 907-271-5049.

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 22(j)(2) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, 43 U.S.C. 1621(j)(2) (1994), it is ordered as follows:

1. Subject to valid existing rights, the following described public lands are hereby withdrawn from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining and mineral leasing laws, and are hereby reserved for selection under Section 12 of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, 43 U.S.C. 1611 (1994), by the Levelock Natives, Limited, the village corporation for Levelock:

Seward Meridian

T. 10 S., R. 44 W.,
Secs. 14, 23, 26, and 27.
T. 11 S., R. 44 W.,
Sec. 20.
T. 13 S., R. 44 W.,
Secs. 3, 22, 23, and 24.
T. 13 S., R. 45 W.,
Secs. 25, 35, and 36.

The areas described aggregate a total of approximately 7,493 acres.

2. Prior to conveyance of any of the lands withdrawn by this order, the lands shall be subject to administration by the Secretary of the Interior under applicable laws and regulations, and his authority to make contracts and to grant leases, permits, rights-of-way, or easements shall not be impaired by this withdrawal.

3. This order constitutes final withdrawal action by the Secretary of the Interior under Section 22(j)(2) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, 43 U.S.C. 1621(j)(2) (1994), to make lands available for selection by the Levelock Natives, Limited, to fulfill the entitlement of the village for Levelock

under Section 12 and Section 14(a) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, 43 U.S.C. 1611 and 1613 (1994).

4. This withdrawal will terminate 120 days from the effective date of this order; provided, any lands selected shall remain withdrawn pursuant to this order until conveyed. Any lands described in this order not selected by the corporation will be subject to the terms and conditions of any other withdrawal or segregation of record.

5. It has been determined that this action is not expected to have any significant effect on subsistence uses and needs pursuant to Section 810(c) of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, 16 U.S.C. 3120(c) (1994) and this action is exempted from the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4321 note (1994), by Section 910 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, 43 U.S.C. 1638 (1994).

Dated: February 4, 1998.

Bob Armstrong,

Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-921-1430-01; WYW 83356-03]

Public Land Order No. 7315; Partial Revocation of Secretarial Orders Dated October 20, 1917, and February 5, 1924; Wyoming

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public land order.

SUMMARY: This order partially revokes two Secretarial orders insofar as they affect 178.31 acres of public land withdrawn for stock driveway purposes. The land is no longer needed for the purpose for which it was withdrawn. The revocation is needed to permit disposal of land under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, as well as other disposals by sale and exchange. This action will open the land to surface entry, unless closed by overlapping withdrawals or temporary segregations of record. The land has been and will remain open to mining and mineral leasing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 16, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janet Booth, BLM Wyoming State Office, PO Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003, 307-775-6124.

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section

204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1994), it is ordered as follows:

1. The Secretarial Orders dated October 20, 1917, and February 5, 1924, which withdrew public land for Stock Driveway No. 3 (Wyoming 1), are hereby revoked insofar as they affect the following described land:

Sixth Principal Meridian

T. 47 N., R. 88 W.,

Sec. 21, lots 2 and 3, lots 5 to 8, inclusive, and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 22, lots 10, 11, and 14.

The area described contains 178.31 acres in Washakie County.

2. At 9 a.m. on March 16, 1998, the land will be opened to the operation of the public land laws generally, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law. All valid applications received at or prior to 9 a.m. on March 16, 1998, shall be considered as simultaneously filed at that time. Those received thereafter shall be considered in the order of filing.

Dated: February 4, 1998.

Bob Armstrong,

Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Information Collection Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for Review Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

AGENCY: International Trade Commission.

ACTION: The U.S. International Trade Commission (USITC) has submitted the following information collection requirements to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) requesting emergency processing for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, (44 U.S.C. Chap. 35). The Commission has requested OMB approval of this submission by COB February 17, 1998.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 6, 1998.

Purpose of Information Collection

This information collection is for use by the Commission in connection with investigation No. 332-390, *Advice Concerning the Proposed Expansion of the Information Technology Agreement*, instituted under the authority of section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332(g)). This investigation was