

arrest and a fine up to \$1,000.00 or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months, or both. Such violations may also be subject to the enhanced fines provided for by Title 18 U.S.C. 3571.

**Edward Guerrero,**

*Field Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[NV-025-1232-EA; Special Recreation Permit # NV-023-02-25]

#### Notice of Temporary Closure of Public Lands: Pershing, Washoe & Humboldt Counties, NV

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Winnemucca Field Office, Nevada, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice to the public of temporary closures on public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management, Winnemucca Field Office, Nevada.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that certain lands will be temporarily closed to public use in and around the Civilian Space Exploration Team (CSXT) rocket launch site, located in Pershing, Washoe and Humboldt counties, Nevada, from 0700 to 0930 hours, September 17th–September 20th inclusive, and September 23rd, 2002. These closures are made in the interest of public safety at and around the location of an amateur high-altitude rocket launch site. This event is expected to attract approximately 50 participants. The lands involved are located northeast of Gerlach, Nevada in the Mount Diablo Meridian.

*The following Public Lands are closed to public use:* Public land areas north of the Union Pacific Railroad tracks, and east of State Highway 34 and County Road 200, and west of the Pahute Peak and Black Rock Desert wilderness boundaries within the following legally described areas are included in the closure:

T33.5N, R24E sec. 25–28, 32–36; T33N R24E secs., 1–5, 8–22, 23, 27–30; T33N, R25E sec. 2,3,4,9; T34N, R24E sec. 1–3, 10–15, 21–27, 34–36; T34N, R25E sec.1–4, 9–16, 21–28, 33–36; T34N, R26E sec. 1–24, 28–33; T34N, R27E sec. 1–18; T35.5N, R25E sec. 27–34; T35.5N, R26E sec. 25–36; T35N, R24E sec. 6,13, 22–27, 34–36; T35N, R25E sec. 1–4,9–16, 21–28, 33–36; All of T35N, R26E; All of T35N R27E; T36N R23.5E sec. 1; T36N, R24E sec. 5, 6, 8, 17, 30; T36N, R25E sec. 1–5, 8–18, 21–36; All of T36N, R26E; T36N, R27E sec. 4–9, 16–21, 28–33; T37N, R23.5E sec. 36;

T37N, R24E sec. 11, 14, 23, 24, 30; T37N, R25E sec. 7, 22–27, 34–36; T37N, R26E sec. 19–36; T37N, R27E sec. 19–21, 28–33; T38N, R23E sec. 22.

To ensure public safety these lands will be closed to public use from 0700 to 0930 hours during the CSXT permit period, with the exception of BLM personnel, law enforcement, emergency medical services, and CSXT staff as designated by the BLM authorized officer. A map showing these temporary closures, restrictions and prohibitions is available from the following BLM office: BLM–Winnemucca Field Office, 5100 East Winnemucca Blvd., Winnemucca, Nevada 89445–2921.

The map may also be viewed on the Winnemucca Field Office Web site at: [www.nv.blm.gov/winnemucca](http://www.nv.blm.gov/winnemucca).

**DATES:** Closure to public use from 0700 to 0930 hours, September 17th–20th inclusive and September 23rd, 2002.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dave Lefevre, National Conservation Area Outdoor Recreation Planner, Bureau of Land Management, Winnemucca Field Office, 5100 East Winnemucca Boulevard, Winnemucca, NV 89445, telephone: (775) 623–1770.

**Authority:** 43 CFR 8364.1.

*Penalty:* Any person failing to comply with the closure orders may be subject to imprisonment for not more than 12 months, or a fine in accordance with the applicable provisions of 18 U.S.C. 3571, or both.

**Terry A. Reed,**

*Field Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[UT-030-02-1220-DE-241A]

#### Notice of Temporary Closure of Public Lands

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

**ACTION:** Notice of temporary closure of public lands.

**SUMMARY:** Certain lands in the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument are being temporarily closed to rock climbing activities to protect active peregrine falcon nesting sites. Closures may occur annually during nesting season.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the provisions of 43 CFR part 8364 and the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Management Plan, Decisions

CLMB–1 and CLMB 2, notice is hereby given of a temporary closure of portions of public lands to rock climbing activities within Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. The present closure area includes: the Long Canyon portion of the Burr Trail, and the Escalante River upstream from the Highway 12 bridge; all lands within a one mile radius of any active peregrine falcon nest(s). The closure shall be in effect from March 1 to August 31, 2002 and each subsequent year that active nest sites are identified. The closure includes all forms of rock climbing including free climbing, bouldering and climbing using ropes and hardware. Closure notices identifying the area(s) closed and dates of closure will be posted at the identified locations when active nests are identified. Should additional active peregrine falcon or other birds of prey nest sites be identified, similar temporary closures would be implemented.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bill Falvey, Wildlife Biologist, GSENM, at 435–826–5613 or [bill\\_falvey@blm.gov](mailto:bill_falvey@blm.gov).

Dated: July 29, 2002.

**David B. Hunsaker,**

*Acting Monument Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[NM-080-1430-EU; Serial No. NMNM 106766]

#### Notice of Intent To Prepare a Plan Amendment/Environmental Assessment to the Carlsbad Resource Management Plan for Possible Disposal of Public Land

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

**ACTION:** Resource Management Plan Amendment (RMPA) and Environmental Assessment (EA) for possible disposal of public land in Eddy & Lea County, NM.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Carlsbad Field Office, is initiating the preparation of an RMPA, which will include an EA for the possible exchange of up to 6,215.22 acres of BLM-administered public land in Eddy and Lea Counties in southeastern New Mexico for up to 2,389.78 acres of privately owned land in Eddy County. The exchange will be for like values as determined by appraisal. The offered land is located in:

|  | Acres           |
|--|-----------------|
| T. 23 S., R. 28 E., NMPM               |                 |
| Sec. 11: S2NE, S2SW, SE ...            | 320.00          |
| Sec. 12: S2N2, N2S2, S2SW              | 400.00          |
| Sec. 13: NW, N2SW, SESW, SE            | 440.00          |
| Sec. 14: N2N2                          | 160.00          |
| Sec. 24: E2NE                          | 80.00           |
| T. 23 S., R. 29 E., NPMP               |                 |
| Sec. 18: Lots 3, 4, SESW               | 116.12          |
| Sec. 19: Lots 1-4 inc., SWNE, E2W2, SE | 513.66          |
| Sec. 30: E2, NENW                      | 360.00          |
| <b>Total</b>                           | <b>2,389.78</b> |

The selected land is located in:

|  | Acres           |
|--|-----------------|
| T. 21 S., R. 29 E., NMPM                       |                 |
| Sec. 01: S2                                    | 320.00          |
| Sec. 11: N2NE, SWNE, SE                        | 280.00          |
| Sec. 12: All                                   | 640.00          |
| Sec. 13: NE                                    | 160.00          |
| Sec. 14: SWNE                                  | 40.00           |
| T. 20 S., R. 30 E., NMPM                       |                 |
| Sec. 04: S2N2, W2SW, NESE                      | 280.00          |
| Sec. 05: Lots 1-4 inc., S2N2, N2S2, SESW, S2SE | 599.68          |
| Sec. 08: ALL                                   | 640.00          |
| Sec. 09: N2N2                                  | 160.00          |
| T. 21 S., R. 31 E., NMPM                       |                 |
| Sec. 03: Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 14, SW   | 484.68          |
| Sec. 04: Lots 1-16                             | 648.96          |
| Sec. 05: Lots 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, SE    | 484.47          |
| Sec. 09: N2                                    | 320.00          |
| Sec. 10: NW                                    | 160.00          |
| T. 20 S., R. 32 E., NMPM                       |                 |
| Sec. 07: Lot 4, SESW, S2SE                     | 159.43          |
| Sec. 08: S2SW                                  | 80.00           |
| Sec. 17: W2                                    | 320.00          |
| Sec. 18: W2NW, NWSW, S2S2                      | 837.43          |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | <b>6,215.22</b> |

The RMPA will allow for exchange of the land if that is the alternative chosen by the BLM New Mexico State Director. The public is invited to participate in the scoping process to identify issues and planning criteria to be considered in the development of the RMPA/EA. The BLM will maintain a mailing list of parties and persons interested in being kept informed about the RMPA/EA.

**DATES:** Comments related to this action will be accepted on or before October 28, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be sent to Bobbe Young, Lead Realty Specialist, 620 E. Greene, Carlsbad, NM 88220.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mary Jo Rugwell, Assistant Field Manager at (505) 234-5907 or Bobbe Young at (505) 234-5963.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Mississippi Potash, Inc., has requested

to exchange lands they own around the Pecos River for BLM managed public lands surrounding mine sites. The public lands adjacent to the mine sites have mine tailings and other industrial waste located on them and the land near the Pecos River is riparian habitat and native rangeland. The public land was identified for retention in Federal ownership in the Carlsbad RMP completed in 1988. In order to consider this exchange of the land, the RMP must be amended. An interdisciplinary team of BLM resource specialists including realty, recreation, cultural, minerals, and hazardous materials specialists will prepare the RMPA/EA. Other specialists will provide additional technical support as needed.

Dated: July 15, 2002.

**Richard A. Whitley,**

*Acting State Director.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

[CA-180-5700-EU; CACA-42966]

**Notice of Realty Action**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of realty action; Non-competitive sale of public lands, Tuolumne County, California.

**SUMMARY:** The public lands identified below have been examined and found suitable for disposal pursuant to sections 203 and 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of October 21, 1976 (90 Stat. 2750-51; 43 U.S.C. 1713, and 90 Stat. 2757-58, 43 U.S.C. 1719), and the Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act of July 25, 2000 (Pub. L. 106-248), at not less than appraised market value. The potential buyer of the parcel will make application under section 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of October 21, 1976, to purchase the mineral estate along with the surface.

**Mount Diablo Meridian**

T. 1 South, R. 16 East, Section 30, Lots 24, 25 Mount Diablo Meridian, Tuolumne, California Containing 1.86 acres more or less.

The purpose of the proposed sale is to dispose of a parcel of public land that is difficult and uneconomic to manage as part of the public lands of the United States. It is also proposed for sale in order to resolve a trespass of the Big Oak

Flat Baptist Church. The proposed sale is consistent with the Folsom Field Office Sierra Planning Area Management Framework Plan (July 1988), and the public interest will be served by offering the parcel for sale. The parcel will be offered for non-competitive sale to Big Oak Flat Baptist Church, the adjacent landowner.

Pursuant to the Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act of July 25, 2000 (Pub. L. 106-248), the proceeds from the sale will be deposited into a Federal Land Disposal Account and used to acquire non-federal land within the State of California. The money will be used to purchase lands for the BLM, National Park Service, Forest Service, or Fish and Wildlife Service.

Conveyance of the available mineral interests would occur simultaneously with the sale of the land. The mineral interests being offered for conveyance have no known mineral value. Acceptance of a direct sale offer will constitute an application for conveyance of those mineral interests. The applicant will be required to pay a \$50.00 nonreturnable filing fee for conveyance of the available mineral interests.

The patent, when issued, will reserve the following: Reservation for ditches and canals.

**DATES:** For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, interested parties may submit comments pertaining to this action. The lands will not be offered for sale until at least 60 days after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

**ADDRESS:** Written comments concerning the proposed sale should be sent to the Bureau of Land Management, Folsom Field Office, 63 Natoma Street, Folsom, California 95630.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Additional information concerning the land sale, including relevant planning and environmental documentation, may be obtained from the Folsom Field Office at the above address. Telephone calls may be directed to Jodi Swaggerty at (916) 985-4474.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Objections to the sale will be reviewed by the State Director, who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In the absence of any objections, this proposal will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior.

Publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** will segregate the public lands from appropriations under the public land laws, including the mining laws, pending disposition of this action, or 270 days from the date of publication of this notice, whichever