

addition, notice of this closure will be posted at the primary access points within the area to which the closure applies.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dave Lefevre, National Conservation Area Outdoor Recreation Planner, Bureau of Land Management, Winnemucca Field Office, 5100 E Winnemucca Blvd, Winnemucca, NV 89445, telephone: (775) 623-1500 or e-mail at Dave_Lefevre@blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 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.

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.

Authority: 43 CFR 8364.1.

Terry A. Reed,

Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-030-5700-BX; Closure Notice No. NV-030-04-002]

Notice of Temporary Closure of Public Lands: Washoe County, NV

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice to the public of temporary closure on public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management, Carson City Field Office, Nevada.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 43 CFR 8364.1 notice is hereby given that certain public lands will be temporarily closed to all public use located in Washoe County, Nevada. This action is being taken to provide for public safety during the 2004 Pylon Racing Seminar and 2004 Reno National Championship Air Races.

DATES: Closure to all public use from June 17 through June 20, 2004, and September 12 through September 19, 2004 (24 hrs. a day).

ADDRESSES: A map showing these temporary closures, restrictions, and prohibitions is available from the following BLM office:

Carson City Field Office, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, Nevada 89701.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Charles P. Pope, Assistant Manager, Nonrenewable Resources, Carson City Field Office, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, Nevada 89701. Telephone (775) 885-6000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This closure applies to all public use, including pedestrian use and vehicles.

The public lands affected by this closure are described as follows:

Mt. Diablo Meridian

T. 21 N., R. 19 E.,
Sec. 8, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 16, N $\frac{1}{2}$ and SW $\frac{1}{4}$.

Aggregating approximately 680 acres.

The above restrictions do not apply to emergency or law enforcement personnel or event officials. Persons who violate this closure order are subject to arrest and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than \$1,000 and/or imprisoned for not more than 12 months.

Authority: 43 CFR 8364.1.

Dated: April 6, 2004.

Bryant Smith,

Acting Assistant Manager, Nonrenewable Resources, Carson City Field Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-921-04-1320-EL; COC 67011]

Notice of Coal Lease Offering by Sealed Bid; COC 67011

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of competitive coal lease sale.

SUMMARY: Bureau of Land Management, Colorado State Office, Lakewood, Colorado, hereby gives notice that certain coal resources in the lands hereinafter described in Gunnison County, Colorado, will be offered for competitive lease by sealed bid in accordance with the provisions of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended (30 U.S.C. 181 *et seq.*).

DATES: The lease sale will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, July 1, 2004. Sealed bids must be submitted no later than 10 a.m., Thursday, July 1, 2004.

ADDRESSES: The lease sale will be held in the Conference Room, Fourth Floor, Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado. Sealed bids must be submitted to the Cashier, Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Karen Purvis at 303-239-3795.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The tract will be leased to the qualified bidder submitting the highest offer, provided that the high bid meets the fair market value determination of the coal resource. The minimum bid for this tract is \$100 per acre or fraction thereof. No bid less than \$100 per acre or fraction thereof will be considered. The minimum bid is not intended to represent fair market value.

Sealed bids received after the time specified above will not be considered.

In the event identical high sealed bids are received, the tying high bidders will be requested to submit follow-up bids until a high bid is received. All tie-breaking sealed bids must be submitted within 15 minutes following the Sale Official's announcement at the sale that identical high bids have been received.

Fair market value will be determined by the authorized officer after the sale.

Coal Offered: The coal resource offered is limited to coal recoverable by underground mining methods in the B seam in the following lands:

T. 13 S., R. 90 W., 6th P.M.
Sec. 12, lots 8 to 10, inclusive;
Sec. 13, lots 2 to 7, inclusive, and lots 10 to 15, inclusive.
Sec. 24, lots 4 and 5.

Contains approximately 690.95 acres.

Total recoverable reserves are estimated to be 2.3 million tons. The underground minable coal in the B seam is ranked as high volatile B bituminous coal. The estimated coal quality on an as-received basis is as follows:

Btu—12,136 Btu/lb.
Moisture—5.52%
Sulfur Content—0.60%
Ash Content—12.20%

Rental and Royalty: The lease issued as a result of this offering will provide for payment of an annual rental of \$3.00 per acre or fraction thereof and a royalty payable to the United States of 8 percent of the value of coal mined by underground methods. The value of the coal will be determined in accordance with 30 CFR 206.

Notice of Availability: Bidding instructions for the offered tract are included in the Detailed Statement of Coal Lease Sale. Copies of the statement and the proposed coal lease are available upon request in person or by mail from the Colorado State Office at the address given above. The case file is available for inspection in the Public Room, Colorado State Office, during normal business hours at the address given above.

Dated: March 24, 2004.

Karen Purvis,

*Solid Minerals Staff, Division of Energy,
Lands and Minerals.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-921-04-1320-EL; COC 67664]

Notice of Invitation for Coal Exploration License Application, Colowyo Coal Company L.P. COC 67664; Colorado

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of invitation for coal exploration license application.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act of February 25, 1920, as amended, and to Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations, Subpart 3410, members of the public are hereby invited to participate with Colowyo Coal Company L.P. in a program for the exploration of unleased coal deposits owned by the United States of America containing approximately 4,509.89 acres in Moffat County, Colorado.

DATES: Written Notice of Intent to Participate should be addressed to the

attention of the following persons and must be received by June 24, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Karen Purvis, CO-921, Solid Minerals Staff, Division of Energy, Lands and Minerals, Colorado State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215; and Juan Garcia, Project Manager, Colowyo Coal Company L.P., 5731 State Highway 13, Meeker, Colorado 81641.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The application for coal exploration license is available for public inspection during normal business hours under serial number COC 67664 at the Bureau of Land Management, Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215, and at the Little Snake Field Office, 455 Emerson St., Craig, Colorado 81625. Any party electing to participate in this program must share all costs on a pro rata basis with Colowyo Coal Company L.P. and with any other party or parties who elect to participate.

Dated: April 14, 2004.

Karen Purvis,

*Solid Minerals Staff, Division of Energy,
Lands and Minerals.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-910-04-1990-EX]

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement on a Plan of Operations for the Newmont Mining Corporation Emigrant Mine Project in Elko County, NV; and Notice of Scoping Period and Public Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and 43 CFR part 3809, the Bureau of Land Management Elko Field Office will be directing the preparation of an EIS by a third-party contractor on the potential impacts of a proposed Plan of Operations for gold mining by Newmont Mining Corporation in Elko County, Nevada. The project encompasses approximately 1,172 acres of public land.

DATES: This Notice initiates the 30-day public scoping period. Within 30 days of the publication of this Notice, a public scoping meeting will be held at the BLM Elko Field Office, 3900 East Idaho Street, Elko, Nevada, to

familiarize interested publics with the project and to identify issues and concerns to be addressed in the EIS. The scoping meeting will be announced through the local news media, newsletters, and the BLM Web site at www.nv.blm.gov/Elko at least 15 days prior to the event. Any additional public meetings, if necessary, will be announced similarly. Comments on issues can also be submitted in writing to the address listed below and for 30 days after publication of this Notice in the **Federal Register**. In addition to the ongoing public participation process, formal opportunities for public participation will be provided upon publication of the BLM Draft EIS.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

—E-mail: tschmidt@nv.blm.gov.

—Fax: (775) 753-0255.

—Mail: Send to the attention of the Emigrant Mine Project Manager, BLM Elko Field Office, 3900 East Idaho Street, Elko, NV 89801.

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the above address during regular business hours 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays, and may be published as part of the EIS. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be available for public inspection in their entirety.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tom Schmidt, Project Manager at the Elko Field Office, 3900 E. Idaho Street, Elko, NV 89801. Telephone: (775) 753-0200. Email: tschmidt@nv.blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Newmont Mining Corporation has submitted a Plan of Operations to open the Emigrant Mine about ten miles south of Carlin, Nevada. The mine and associated facilities would be located in portions of Sections 24, 26, 34, 36 of T. 32 N., R. 53 E.; and Sections 1, 2, 3, 11, 12, T. 31 N., R. 53 E. The proposed Emigrant Mine would include developing and operating an open pit mine; constructing a waste rock disposal facility, storing oxide waste in mined