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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Public Land Order No. 7584; Revocation of Executive Order Dated October 19, 1866; Wisconsin

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public land order.

SUMMARY: This order revokes in its entirety, an 1866 Executive Order which reserved 8.8 acres of public land for the Eagle Bluff Light Station. The land is no longer needed by the United States Coast Guard for lighthouse purposes. This order will open 1.21 acres of the formally reserved land to surface entry

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 17, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ed Ruda, BLM Eastern States Office, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153, 703-440-1671.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: All of the land, except as described in Paragraph 2, has been conveyed out of Federal ownership. This is a record clearing action only for the land that is no longer in Federal ownership.

Order

By virtue of authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior, including section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (2000), it is ordered as follows:

1. The Executive Order dated October 19, 1866, which reserved public land for lighthouse purposes, is hereby revoked in its entirety.

2. At 10 a.m. on October 17, 2003, the land described below will be opened to the operation of the public land laws generally, subject to valid existing rights, the provision of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law. All valid applications received at or prior to 10 a.m. on October 17, 2003, shall be considered as simultaneously filed at that time. Those received thereafter shall be considered in the order of filing.

Fourth Principal Meridian

T. 31 N., R. 27 E.,

Eagle Bluff Light Station Reservation, located in Fractional NE¹/₄ of sec. 17, being more

particularly described as:

Beginning at the Triangulation Station "Eagle Bluff", 1874, 1934, 1953, T. 31 N., R. 27 E.,

Thence, N. 89°50' E, 0.227 chains to the WC MC, the place of beginning, S. 49°05' E., 3.135 chains, to Angle Point #1, N. 38°17' E., 2.502 chains, to Angle Point #2, N. 40°10' W., 4.001 chains, to MC on the present shoreline of Green Bay, Thence with meanders of Green Bay, S. 59°35' W., 1.14 chains, S. 37°38' W., 1.90 chains, S. 30°23' W., 0.15 chains to MC on the present shoreline of Green Bay, Thence, S. 49°05' E., 1.160 chains to WC MC, the place of beginning.

The area described contains 1.21 acres in Door County.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians

Tribal Consultation on Participation by the Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians in the Department of the Interior Consolidation of Agency Appraisal Functions

AGENCY: Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians.

ACTION: Notice of tribal consultation meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians (OST) will conduct consultation meetings to obtain oral and written comments concerning potential issues related to participation by OST in the Department of the Interior plan to consolidate agency appraisal functions.

On June 19, 2003, Secretary of the Interior Gale Norton announced that real estate appraisal functions currently performed by various agencies within the Department would be consolidated by September 30, 2003, in a single office. This action is taken in response to concerns about the objectivity and management of appraisal functions carried out by several agencies within the Department, and documented in reports issued by the Department's Inspector General, the General Accounting Office and other groups.

The goals of a consolidated appraisal organization include: to restore public and consumer confidence in land valuations; to ensure greater appraiser independence for unbiased valuation services that meet the highest professional standards; and a sharing of

skills and resources throughout the Department. In addition, the consolidation is expected to provide better coordination and consistency of appraisal guidance, enhanced professional development of appraisers, and greater efficiencies in contract monitoring and development.

Since July 2003, OST has participated in the Departmental action team composed of appraisal and realty specialists from affected offices within the Department. The action team has been meeting to determine the best way to accomplish the consolidation, with as minimal disruption to appraisal services as possible. Participation on this action team, and additional discussions with the Department, indicate that it would be in the best interest of the OST appraisal program to join this consolidation. Specific issues unique to the appraisal of Indian trust assets as conducted by the OST Office of Appraisal Services, and by self-governance and self-determination tribes, however, require special consideration. OST is planning tribal consultation meetings to discuss these issues.

DATES: All comments are due by November 7, 2003. The meeting dates are September 24, 2003 and October 28, 2003 at the times and locations listed below.

ADDRESSES: Send or hand-deliver written comments to: Carrie Moore, Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians, 1849 C Street, NW., Suite 5140, Washington, DC 20240. Submissions by facsimile should be sent to (202) 208-7545.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carrie Moore at (202) 208-4866 or Pat Gerard at (505) 816-1313.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the consultation is to provide Indian tribes and other interested parties with the opportunity to comment on issues relevant to OST participation in the the Department of the Interior consolidation of bureau and agency appraisal programs.

Two, three-hour blocks of time will be allotted at each meeting for Indian tribes and interested parties to comment on this issue. On September 24, 2003, the meetings will be held from 9 a.m.-12 p.m., and from 1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m., in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Hotel information: Hilton Garden Inn—Tulsa Airport, 7728 East Virgin Court, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74115, telephone (918) 838-1444.

Two additional meetings will occur on October 28, 2003 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m., and from 1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m., in Las Vegas, Nevada.