

*council.htm*, or from the SDNM, BLM (see address listed above).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the SDNMAC is to advise the BLM on the management of the Sonoran Desert National Monument as described in the Secretary of the Interior's January 19, 2001, Memorandum. Each member will be a person qualified through education, training, knowledge, or experience to give informed and objective advice regarding the purposes for which the Monument was established, have demonstrated experience or knowledge of the geographical area under the purview of the Council, and have demonstrated a commitment to collaborate in seeking solutions to a wide spectrum of resource management issues. The authority to establish this Council is found in Section 309 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, Public Law 94-579 and in Section 14(b) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. Appendix.

To make a nomination, submit a completed nomination form, letters of reference from the represented interests or organizations, as well as any other information that speaks to the nominee's qualifications, to the SDNM, Bureau of Land Management (see address above). Nominees must reside in Arizona or those portions of adjoining states which the BLM in Arizona administers (including St. George, Utah). The Secretary will appoint 15 members to the Council. The Council shall consist of the following:

- Four persons, one from each tribe, who are selected from nominees submitted by the governing bodies of the following tribes: Tohono O'odham Nation, AK Chin Indian Community, Gila River Indian Community, and Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, and who represent interests of the nominating tribe;
- A person who represents and participates in what is commonly called dispersed recreation, such as hiking, camping, hunting, nature viewing, nature photography, bird watching, horseback riding, or trail walking;
- A person who represents and participates in what is commonly called mechanized recreation or off-highway driving;
- A person who is a recognized environmental representative from Arizona;
- A person who is an elected official from a city or community in the vicinity of the Monument;
- A person who is a livestock grazing permittee or who represents the permittees on the allotments within the Monument;

- A person who represents the rural communities around the Monument and who is selected at-large from these communities;

- Two persons who represent sciences such as wildlife biology, archaeology, ecology, botany, history, social sciences, or other applicable disciplines;

- A person who represents Maricopa County's interests, to be appointed from nominees submitted by the Supervisors of Maricopa County;

- A person who represents Pinal County's interests, to be appointed from nominees submitted by the Supervisors of Pinal County; and

- A person who represents the State of Arizona, to be appointed from nominees submitted by the Governor of Arizona.

You should identify the specific category that the nominee will represent in your letter of nomination. The SDNM, BLM will collect the nomination forms and letters of reference and distribute them to the officials responsible for recommending nominees. BLM will then forward recommended nominations to the Secretary of the Interior, who has responsibility for making the appointments.

Members of the SDNMAC serve for 3-year terms. For the initial Council, five members will be appointed to 2-year terms, five members will be appointed for 3 years, and five members will be appointed for 4 years. Thereafter, members of the SDNMAC will be appointed to 3-year terms. One Native American position, the elected official from a local community, the State of Arizona position, the livestock permittee position, and one science position will be 2-year terms that will expire 2 years from the date of appointment to the Council by the Secretary. The mechanized recreation position, the Arizona environmental organization position, the Pinal County representative, and two of the Native American positions will be 3-year terms and will expire 3 years from the date of appointment to the Council by the Secretary. The non-mechanized recreation position, the fourth Native American position, the second science position, the rural at-large position, and the Maricopa County representative will be 4-year terms and will expire 4 years from the date of appointment to the Council by the Secretary. Members will serve without monetary compensation, but will be reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses at current rates for Government employees. The SDNMAC will meet only at the call of the Monument Manager, who is the

Designated Federal Official with respect to the Council. The charter requires the SDNMAC to meet no less than 2 times per year.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[AK-932-1410-FQ; F-012027, F-013539]

#### Public Land Order No. 7673; Partial Revocation of Public Land Order No. 1396, and Revocation of Public Land Order No. 1996; Alaska

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

**ACTION:** Public Land Order.

**SUMMARY:** This order revokes two public land orders insofar as they affect 118.60 acres of public lands withdrawn from surface entry, mining, and mineral leasing and reserved for use by the Department of the Air Force for military purposes at Fort Yukon. The lands are no longer needed for the purpose for which they were withdrawn.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** December 18, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Alaska State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 222 W. Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska, 99513-7599.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Terrie D. Evarts, Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 W. Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599, 907-271-5630.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The lands have been conveyed out of Federal ownership pursuant to Public Law 107-117 (115 Stat. 2277). This revocation is for record-clearing purposes only.

#### Order

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 (2000), it is ordered as follows:

Public Land Order No. 1396 (22 FR 1637, March 14, 1957), and Public Land Order No. 1996 (24 FR 7956, October 2, 1959), which withdrew public lands and reserved them for use of the Department of the Air Force for military purposes, are hereby revoked insofar as they affect the following described lands:

**Fairbanks Meridian**

U.S. Survey No. 7008, Lot 1, and U.S. Survey No. 7161, Lots 26 and 27, located within

T. 20 N., R. 12 E.

The areas described aggregate 118.60 acres.

Dated: November 21, 2006.

**C. Stephen Allred.**

*Assistant Secretary—Land and Minerals Management.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Land Management**

[NV-056-5853-EU; N-78219, 7-08807]

**Notice of Realty Action: Direct Sale of Public Lands in Clark County, NV**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of realty action.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) proposes to sell by direct sale, two parcels of public land aggregating approximately 10.0 acres, more or less, in the Las Vegas Valley, Nevada, within the City of Henderson in Clark County, to M Holdings, LLC. The sale will be under the authority of the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-263, 112 Stat. 2343), as amended, ("SNPLMA"). The land will be offered noncompetitively as a direct sale in accordance with the applicable provisions of Sections 203 and 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA) (43 U.S.C. 1713 and 1719), and the BLM's land sale and mineral conveyance regulations at 43 CFR parts 2710 and 2720 at not less than the appraised Fair Market Value (FMV) of the parcels.

**DATES:** Comments regarding the proposed sale, including comments regarding the environmental assessment (EA), must be received by BLM on or before February 1, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments regarding the proposed sale should be addressed to: Field Manager, Las Vegas Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada 89130.

More detailed information regarding the proposed sale and the land involved, including the environmental studies and reports, may be reviewed during normal business hours (7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) at the BLM's Las Vegas Field Office (LVFO).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** You may contact Anna Wharton,

Supervisory Realty Specialist at (702) 515-5082. You may also call (702) 515-5000 and ask to have your call directed to a member of the Sales Team.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The land is located in the City of Henderson, Nevada, and there is no physical and legal access to the parcels.

**Land Proposed for Sale:**

Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada

T. 23 S., R. 61 E.,

Section 9, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> and N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>.

The lands described above contain 10.0 acres, more or less.

The City of Henderson wishes to address critical transportation needs and further enhance the gateway to the City by eliminating a truck stop and fuel refilling facility adjacent to the St. Rose Parkway/Las Vegas Boulevard/Haven road interchange. The City of Henderson, by letters dated March 21, 2006 and April 17, 2006, has proposed that 10.0 acres of public lands be sold to M Holdings, LLC (MHLLC). Consistent with these goals and the City of Henderson's approved development and design standards, MHLLC has acquired, and is the owner of record for most of the remaining lands surrounding the subject Federal parcels, including the truck stop and related facilities. As such, MHLLC controls physical and legal access to both parcels, and MHLLC has worked cooperatively with the City of Henderson, including entering into appropriate transportation and access agreements as part of an overall redevelopment plan for the surrounding land. The City of Henderson has applied for a lease and/or patent pursuant to the authority of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act of 1926, as amended, for other public lands adjacent to the subject Federal parcels, in furtherance of this planned project.

The project, known as the M Resort, will be built at the southeast corner of Las Vegas Boulevard and St. Rose Parkway. The master planned M. Resort is to include the development of an Urban Village with 1,900 condominium units, retail space, a 5,000-seat amphitheater, a fire station and a public park. The subject Federal parcels consist of two 5-acre parcels. One of the parcels will be incorporated into a public parking garage that will support overall development. The second 5-acre parcel will be included as a portion of the proposed convention center adjacent to the planned hotel. Collectively, these parcels are integral components of the overall 72-acre development approved by the City of Henderson. Through

extensive collaboration and partnership with the City of Henderson, MHLLC has agreed to provide extensive off-site utility and roadway improvements in excess of \$30 million. MHLLC will be responsible for financing and constructing all infrastructure improvements including major roadway improvements and a new fire station, public parking garage and convention center, and a public park.

Federal regulations governing sales of lands at 43 CFR 2711.3-3 state that (a) "Direct sales (without competition) may be utilized, when in the opinion of the authorized officer, a competitive sale is not appropriate and the public interest would best be served by direct sale." Examples include, but are not limited to a tract identified for sale that is an integral part of a project of public importance and speculative bidding would jeopardize a timely completion and economic viability of the project, and circumstances where the adjoining ownership pattern and access indicate a direct sale is appropriate."

Because MHLLC owns the adjacent private parcels, controls access to the Federal parcels, and is involved with a larger master-planned project involving the City of Henderson, the authorized officer has concluded that a direct sale is warranted.

The proposed sale is consistent with the BLM's Las Vegas Resource Management Plan and would serve important public objectives which cannot be achieved prudently or feasibly elsewhere. The subject parcels lack physical or legal access other than that owned and controlled by MHLLC and they contain no other known public values. The subject parcels have not been identified for transfer to the State or any other local government or non-profit organization and this action is strongly supported by the City of Henderson. The environmental assessment, map, and approved appraisal report covering the proposed sale are available for review at the BLM Las Vegas Field Office, Las Vegas, Nevada (LVFO).

Minerals from this parcel will be reserved in accordance with the BLM's approved Mineral Potential Report dated January 22, 1999. Minerals to be reserved to the United States are oil and gas and all saleable minerals. Acceptance of the offer to purchase will constitute an application for conveyance of the unreserved "no known value" mineral interests. In conjunction with the final payment, the applicant for unreserved "no known value" mineral interests will be required to pay a \$50.00 non-refundable filing fee for processing the conveyance of the