

land, 1,640 acres of private land, and 1,600 acres of private surface estate with Federal mineral estate patented under the Stock Raising Homestead Act. The mine area is located almost entirely in Three Rivers Resource Area of Burns District BLM with 35 acres in Vale District BLM.

An interdisciplinary approach will be used to develop the EIS in order to consider the variety of resource issues and concerns identified through the scoping process. Disciplines involved in the planning process will include (but not be limited to) those with expertise in air quality, American Indian traditional practices, biological soil crusts, cultural heritage, fire management, fisheries, grazing management, migratory birds, minerals, noxious weeds, recreation, soils, transportation/roads, vegetation, visual resources, water quality, riparian zones, wildlife, and wilderness characteristics.

Public Participation

Cooperating agencies having specific expertise or interests in the project are invited to participate. The public and interest groups will have every opportunity to participate during formal comment periods. In addition, public meetings will be held during the public comment period for the Draft EIS. Public meetings will be held in Burns, Oregon, and Vale, Oregon, plus other communities if the interest warrants. Early participation is encouraged and will help determine the future management of the Celatom Mine. Meetings and comment deadlines will be announced through the local news media and the Burns BLM Web site (<http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/burns>). Written comments will be accepted throughout the planning process at the address above. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Background Information

The Celatom Mine currently consists of three open pit mines located within four miles of each other in Harney and Malheur Counties, Oregon. One mine is on land managed by BLM's Burns District; another mine is on land managed by the State of Oregon, and the third mine is on private land. EP

Minerals excavates diatomaceous earth during the summer, stockpiles ore and waste rock in the vicinity of each mine, and hauls the ore approximately 60 miles year-round to their mill located on private land west of Vale, Oregon. Some ore is stockpiled at a site on land administered by BLM in the vicinity of the mill. Mill waste is backhauled to the mine site and used in backfilling the open pits as part of reclamation.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA-680-1430-ET; CACA 50194]

Notice of Proposed Legislative Withdrawal and Opportunity for Public Meeting; California

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of withdrawal application and segregation.

SUMMARY: The Act of February 28, 1958 (43 U.S.C. 155-158), sometimes referred to as the Engle Act, places on the Secretary of the Interior the responsibility to process Department of Defense applications for national defense withdrawals, reservations or restrictions aggregating 5,000 acres or more for any one project or facility. These withdrawals, reservations or restrictions may only be made by an act of Congress, except in time of war or national emergency declared by the President or the Congress and except as otherwise expressly provided in the Act of February 28, 1958.

The U.S. Department of the Navy, in accordance with the Engle Act, has filed an application requesting the Secretary of the Interior to process a proposed legislative withdrawal and reservation of public lands for military training exercises involving the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center at Twentynine Palms, San Bernardino County, California. The proposal seeks the transfer of jurisdiction and the withdrawal of approximately 365,906 acres of public lands and approximately 507 acres of Federal subsurface mineral estate from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including surface entry, mining, mineral leasing, and the Materials Act of 1947.

This notice temporarily segregates for two years the public lands and mineral estate described from settlement, sale,

location, or entry under the public land laws, including the mining laws, and the operation of the mineral leasing laws and the Materials Act of 1947. In addition, the surface estate of the 507 acres of mineral estate and the surface and mineral estate of an approximately 72,186 acres of other non-federally owned property in the proposed withdrawal area, if they should be acquired by or returned to the United States by any means, would also be included in the proposed withdrawal and subject to the temporary segregation authorized by this notice.

DATES: Comments should be received on or before December 15, 2008. In addition, at least one public meeting will be held during the comment period to help the public understand both the proposed action and the decision-making processes. The public meeting will be announced at least 30 days in advance through local news media, public notices, mailings, and agency Web sites.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to Roxie Trost, Field Manager, Barstow Field Office, 2601 Barstow Road, Barstow, California 92311.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roxie Trost, BLM Barstow Field Office, 760-252-6000; or Joseph Ross, USMC MCAGCC, 760-830-7683.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Acting on behalf of the U.S. Marine Corps (USMC), the Department of the Navy has filed an application with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) requesting the Secretary of the Interior to process a legislative withdrawal pursuant to the Engle Act (43 U.S.C. 155-158). The proposal would withdraw the following areas, as described below, and located adjacent to the exterior boundaries of the USMC's Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center (MCAGCC), located in Twentynine Palms, California:

1. *Federally owned surface and mineral estate:* Subject to valid existing rights, the following described federally owned surface and mineral estate are withdrawn from settlement, sale, location or entry under the public land laws, including the mining laws, and to the operation of the mineral leasing laws and the Materials Act of 1947:

All Are San Bernardino Meridian

Western Expansion Area

T. 4 N., R. 2 E.,

Sec. 1, all;

Sec. 2, lots 3 to 90, inclusive.

T. 5 N., R. 2 E.,

Secs. 1 to 2, all, inclusive;

Secs. 11 to 14, all, inclusive;

Secs. 23 to 26, all, inclusive;

Sec. 35, all.

T. 6 N., R. 2 E.,

- Sec. 1, SE¹/₄;
 Sec. 12, E¹/₂;
 Sec. 13, all;
 Secs. 23 to 26, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 35, all.
- T. 4 N., R. 3 E.,
 Sec. 1, lots 1 and 2 of NE¹/₄, lots 1 and 2 of NW¹/₄, NW¹/₄SW¹/₄, and SE¹/₄;
 Sec. 2, all;
 Sec. 3, E¹/₂ of lot 1 of NE¹/₄, lot 2 of NE¹/₄, lot 2 of NW¹/₄, and S¹/₂S¹/₂;
 Sec. 4, lots 1 and 2 of NE¹/₄, lots 1 and 2 of NW¹/₄, SW¹/₄, and S¹/₂SE¹/₄;
 Secs 5 to 6, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 7, E¹/₂;
 Secs. 8 to 9, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 10, N¹/₂N¹/₂;
 Sec. 11, N¹/₂ and SW¹/₄;
 Sec. 12, N¹/₂ and SE¹/₄;
 Sec. 13, S¹/₂;
 Sec. 14, SE¹/₄;
 Sec. 15, N¹/₂.
- T. 5 N., R. 3 E.,
 Secs. 2 to 6, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 8, E¹/₂;
 Secs. 9 to 15, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 16, N¹/₂ and SE¹/₄;
 Sec. 17, NE¹/₄;
 Sec. 21, E¹/₂;
 Secs. 22 to 28, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 29, NE¹/₄;
 Sec. 33, all;
 Sec. 34, W¹/₂;
 Sec. 35, NE¹/₄; and the following whole or partial sections which are all protracted
 Sec. 7, all;
 Sec. 8, W¹/₂;
 Sec. 16, SW¹/₄;
 Sec. 17, NW¹/₄ and S¹/₂;
 Secs. 18 to 20, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 21, W¹/₂;
 Sec. 29, NW¹/₄ and S¹/₂;
 Secs. 30 to 32, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 34, E¹/₂;
 Sec. 35, NW¹/₄ and S¹/₂;
 Sec. 36, SW¹/₄.
- T. 6 N., R. 3 E.,
 Sec. 1, all except for S¹/₂ of lot 4;
 Secs. 2 to 3, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 4, all except for Mineral Survey no. 6716;
 Secs. 5 to 9, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 10 to 11, all except for Mineral Survey no. 6717, inclusive;
 Secs. 12 to 15, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 17 to 24, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 26 to 30, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 31, all except for Mineral Survey no. 5878;
 Secs. 32 to 35, all, inclusive.
- T. 3 N., R. 4 E.,
 Sec. 1, all.
- T. 4 N., R. 4 E.,
 Secs. 1 to 15, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 17, all;
 Sec. 18, N¹/₂;
 Sec. 20, N¹/₂;
 Secs. 21 to 27, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 28, N¹/₂;
 Secs. 34 to 35, all, inclusive.
- T. 5 N., R. 4 E.,
 Secs. 2 to 11, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 12, all except for Mineral Survey no. 6336;
 Sec. 13, E¹/₂, E¹/₂E¹/₂NW¹/₄, E¹/₂SW¹/₄, and E¹/₂W¹/₂SW¹/₄;
 Secs. 14 to 16, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 17, NW¹/₄ and S¹/₂;
- Secs. 18 to 24, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 25, N¹/₂, SW¹/₄, and W¹/₂SE¹/₄;
 Sec. 26, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, NW¹/₄, and SE¹/₄;
 Sec. 27, N¹/₂ and SW¹/₄;
 Secs. 28 to 33, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 34, W¹/₂;
 Sec. 35, E¹/₂;
 Sec. 36, all; and the following partial sections which are all protracted
 Sec. 26, SW¹/₄;
 Sec. 27, SE¹/₄;
 Sec. 34, E¹/₂;
 Sec. 35, W¹/₂.
- T. 6 N., R. 4 E.,
 Secs. 1 to 15, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 17 to 24, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 26, all;
 Secs. 27 to 28, all except for Mineral Survey nos. 3000 and 3980, inclusive;
 Secs. 29 to 35, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 36, N¹/₂ and SW¹/₄.
- T. 3 N., R. 5 E.,
 Secs. 1 to 3, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 4, lots 1 to 12, inclusive;
 Secs. 5 to 6, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 9, lots 1 and 2, W¹/₂NE¹/₄, NE¹/₄NW¹/₄, E¹/₂NW¹/₄NW¹/₄, E¹/₂W¹/₂NW¹/₄NW¹/₄, W¹/₂SW¹/₄NW¹/₄NW¹/₄, NE¹/₄SW¹/₄NW¹/₄, W¹/₂SW¹/₄NW¹/₄, W¹/₂SE¹/₄SW¹/₄NW¹/₄, E¹/₂SE¹/₄NW¹/₄, W¹/₂NW¹/₄SE¹/₄NW¹/₄, and E¹/₂SW¹/₄SE¹/₄NW¹/₄;
 Sec. 10, lots 1 to 7, inclusive, SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, S¹/₂ NW¹/₄, and W¹/₂SW¹/₄.
 Sec. 11, all;
 Sec. 12, lots 1 to 12, inclusive, NE¹/₄NE¹/₄SE¹/₄, E¹/₂W¹/₂NE¹/₄SE¹/₄, E¹/₂NE¹/₄NW¹/₄SE¹/₄, E¹/₂W¹/₂NW¹/₄SE¹/₄, W¹/₂SE¹/₄NW¹/₄SE¹/₄, W¹/₂E¹/₂SW¹/₄SE¹/₄, NW¹/₄SW¹/₄SE¹/₄, SW¹/₄SE¹/₄SE¹/₄, and W¹/₂SE¹/₄SE¹/₄SE¹/₄.
- T. 4 N., R. 5 E.,
 Secs. 2 to 9, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 11 to 12, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 16, all; and the following sections which are all protracted
 Sec. 10, all;
 Secs. 13 to 35, all, inclusive.
- T. 5 N., R. 5 E.,
 Secs. 4 to 5, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 6, lots 1 to 10, inclusive, SE¹/₄NW¹/₄, E¹/₂SW¹/₄, N¹/₂SE¹/₄, and SW¹/₄SE¹/₄;
 Sec. 7, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, lots 6 to 7, inclusive, S¹/₂NE¹/₄, SE¹/₄NW¹/₄, E¹/₂SW¹/₄, and SE¹/₄;
 Sec. 8, all;
 Secs. 14 to 15, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 18 to 20, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 22 to 23, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 26 to 28, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 30 to 32, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 34 to 35, all, inclusive.
- T. 6 N., R. 5 E.,
 Secs. 17 to 20, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 29 to 32, all, inclusive.
- Southern Expansion Area*
- T. 2 N., R. 9 E.,
 Sec. 25, all;
 Sec. 26, all except for N¹/₂NW¹/₄SW¹/₄SW¹/₄;
 Sec. 27, E¹/₂ except for W¹/₂SE¹/₄SE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
 Sec. 34, S¹/₂NE¹/₄NE¹/₄NE¹/₄, SE¹/₄NE¹/₄NE¹/₄, W¹/₂NE¹/₄NE¹/₄, NW¹/₄NE¹/₄, N¹/₂SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, W¹/₂SE¹/₄SE¹/₄NE¹/₄, W¹/₂SW¹/₄SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, N¹/₂N¹/₂SE¹/₄NE¹/₄, E¹/₂NW¹/₄, E¹/₂NE¹/₄NE¹/₄SW¹/₄, W¹/₂W¹/₂NW¹/₄SE¹/₄, W¹/₂SE¹/₄NE¹/₄SW¹/₄, NE¹/₄NE¹/₄SW¹/₄, SW¹/₄NE¹/₄SW¹/₄, N¹/₂NE¹/₄SE¹/₄, SE¹/₄NE¹/₄SE¹/₄, E¹/₂SW¹/₄NE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
 Sec. 35, N¹/₂ except for N¹/₂NE¹/₄NE¹/₄NE¹/₄ and S¹/₂SW¹/₄NW¹/₄NE¹/₄.
- T. 2 N., R. 10 E.,
 Secs. 2 to 11, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 14, that portion lying north and west of the boundary of the Cleghorn Lakes Wilderness Area;
 Sec. 15, all;
 Secs. 17 to 22, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 23, that portion lying west of the boundary of the Cleghorn Lakes Wilderness Area;
 Sec. 26, that portion lying west and south of the boundary of the Cleghorn Lakes Wilderness Area;
 Secs. 27 to 35, all, inclusive.
- Eastern Expansion Area*
- T. 4 N., R. 11 E.,
 Secs. 1 to 2, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 11 to 12, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 14, all.
- T. 5 N., R. 11 E.,
 Secs. 1 to 2, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 11 to 14, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 23 to 26, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 35, all.
- T. 6 N., R. 11 E.,
 Sec. 35, that portion lying south of the Historic Route 66 Corridor.
- T. 3 N., R. 12 E.,
 Secs. 1 to 3, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 10 to 15, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 22 to 24, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 25, that portion lying west of the boundary of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area;
 Secs. 26 to 27, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 34, that portion lying north and east of the boundary of Cleghorn Lakes Wilderness Area;
 Sec. 35, all, inclusive.
- T. 4 N., R. 12 E.,
 Secs. 1 to 8, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 10 to 12, all, inclusive;
 Secs. 14 to 15, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 18, all except for Mineral Survey no. 5802;
 Sec. 19, N¹/₂ except for Mineral Survey nos. 5802 and 5805;
 Sec. 21, E¹/₂;
 Secs. 23 to 27, all, inclusive;
 Sec. 28, E¹/₂;
 Secs. 34 to 35, all, inclusive.
- T. 5 N., R. 12 E.,
 Sec. 2, that portion lying south of the Historic Route 66 Corridor;
 Secs. 3 to 4, those portions lying south of the Historic Route 66 Corridor except for the lands conveyed to U. S. Gypsum Company by patent number 1000677, inclusive;
 Sec. 5, lots 3 to 4, inclusive, lots 15 to 22, inclusive, and lots 31 to 38, inclusive;
 Sec. 6, that portion lying south of the Historic Route 66 Corridor;
 Sec. 7, all;
 Sec. 8, all except for the land conveyed to U. S. Gypsum Company by patent number 1000678;

- Sec. 9, all;
Secs. 10 to 11, all except the lands conveyed to U. S. Gypsum Company by patent number 1000677, inclusive;
Secs. 12 to 15, all, inclusive;
Sec. 17, all except the lands conveyed to U. S. Gypsum Company by patent number 1000678;
Sec. 18, all;
Secs. 19 to 20, all except the lands conveyed to U. S. Gypsum Company by patent number 1000678, inclusive;
Secs. 21 to 27, all, inclusive;
Sec. 28, N $\frac{1}{2}$ and SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
Secs. 29 to 30, all except the lands conveyed to U. S. Gypsum Company by patent number 1000678, inclusive;
Secs. 31 to 35, all, inclusive.
- T. 3 N., R. 13 E.,
Sec. 4, that portion lying west of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area;
Secs. 5 to 7, all, inclusive;
Sec. 8, that portion lying west of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area;
Secs. 17 to 19, those portions lying west of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area, inclusive.
- T. 4 N., R. 13 E.,
Secs. 1 to 4, all, inclusive;
Secs. 6 to 15, all, inclusive;
Secs. 17 to 22, all, inclusive;
Secs. 23 to 24, those portions lying northwesterly of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area, inclusive;
Sec. 27, that portion lying northwesterly of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area;
Secs. 28 to 32, all, inclusive;
Secs. 33 to 34, that portion lying northwesterly of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area, inclusive.
- T. 5 N., R. 13 E.,
Secs. 2 to 4, all, inclusive;
Secs. 6 to 8, all, inclusive;
Secs. 10 to 12, all, inclusive;
Secs. 13 to 14, all, inclusive;
Secs. 18 to 20, all, inclusive;
Sec. 22, W $\frac{1}{2}$;
Secs. 23 to 28, all, inclusive;
Secs. 30 to 32, all, inclusive;
Secs. 34 to 35, all, inclusive.
- T. 3 N., R. 14 E.,
Secs. 1 to 2, all, inclusive;
Secs. 3 to 4, those portions lying east of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area, inclusive;
Sec. 10, that portion lying east of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area;
Secs. 11 to 13, all, inclusive;
Secs. 14 to 15, those portions lying east of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area, inclusive;
Sec. 23, that portion lying east of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area;
Sec. 24, all;
Secs. 25 to 26, those portions lying east of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area, inclusive;
Sec. 36, that portion of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ lying east of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area.
- T. 4 N., R. 14 E.,
Secs. 6 to 8, all, inclusive;
Secs. 10 to 12, all, inclusive;
Secs. 14 to 15, all, inclusive;
Secs. 17 to 18, all, inclusive;
Sec. 20, that portion lying northeasterly of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area;
- Secs. 21 to 24, all, inclusive;
Sec. 25, that portion lying northwesterly of the Cadiz Dunes Wilderness Area;
Secs. 26 to 28, all, inclusive;
Sec. 29, that portion lying northeasterly of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area;
Secs. 33 to 35, all, inclusive.
- T. 5 N., R. 14 E.,
Secs. 1 to 4, all, inclusive;
Secs. 6 to 7, all, inclusive;
Sec. 10, all;
Sec. 11, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$, and S $\frac{1}{2}$;
Sec. 12, all;
Secs. 14 to 15, all, inclusive;
Secs. 30 to 31, all, inclusive.
- T. 2 N., R. 15 E.,
Secs. 4 to 5, all, inclusive;
Secs. 6 to 8, those portions lying northeasterly of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area, inclusive.
- T. 3 N., R. 15 E.,
Sec. 15, that portion lying west of the Cadiz Dunes Wilderness Area;
Secs. 18 to 20, all, inclusive;
Sec. 22, that portion lying west of the Cadiz Dunes Wilderness Area;
Secs. 25 to 28, all, inclusive;
Secs. 30 to 32, all, inclusive;
Sec. 34, N $\frac{1}{2}$;
Sec. 35, N $\frac{1}{2}$ and SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
- T. 4 E., R. 15 E.,
Secs. 1 to 4, all, inclusive;
Sec. 5, all except for railroad rights-of-way;
Secs. 6 to 8, all, inclusive;
Sec. 9, all except for railroad rights-of-way;
Secs. 10 to 15, all, inclusive;
Secs. 18 to 21, all, inclusive;
Secs. 22 to 25, those portions lying northwesterly or northeasterly of the Cadiz Dunes Wilderness Area, inclusive;
Secs. 28 to 30, those portions lying northwesterly or northeasterly of the Cadiz Dunes Wilderness Area, inclusive;
Sec. 32, that portion lying northeasterly of the Cadiz Dunes Wilderness Area.
- T. 5 N., R. 15 E.,
Secs. 1 to 4, all, inclusive;
Secs. 6 to 7, all, inclusive;
Sec. 9, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Secs. 10 to 15, all, inclusive;
Secs. 19 to 35, all, inclusive.
- T. 3 N., R. 16 E.,
Sec. 3, that portion lying northeasterly of the pipeline authorized by CACA 14013 and lying northwesterly of the Old Woman Mountains Wilderness Area.
- T. 4 N., R. 16 E.,
Secs. 4 to 5, those portions lying southwesterly of the Old Woman Mountains Wilderness Area, inclusive;
Secs. 6 to 8, all, inclusive;
Sec. 9, that portion lying southwesterly of the Old Woman Mountains Wilderness Area;
Sec. 16, that portion lying southwesterly of the Old Woman Mountains Wilderness Area;
Secs. 17 to 20, all, inclusive;
Secs. 21 to 22, those portions lying southwesterly of the Old Woman Mountains Wilderness Area, inclusive;
Secs. 27, that portion lying southwesterly of the Old Woman Mountains Wilderness Area;
Sec. 28, all;
- Sec. 29, all except for that portion contained in railroad right-of-way containing 17 acres;
Secs. 30 to 32, those portions lying northeasterly of the Cadiz Dunes Wilderness Area, inclusive;
Sec. 33, that portion lying northeasterly of the Cadiz Dunes Wilderness Area except for that portion contained in railroad right-of-way containing 14.55 acres;
Sec. 34, that portion lying southwesterly of the Old Woman Mountains Wilderness Area.
- T. 5 N., R. 16 E.,
Secs. 6 to 7, those portions lying westerly of the Old Woman Mountains Wilderness Area, inclusive;
Secs. 18 to 20, those portions lying westerly of the Old Woman Mountains Wilderness Area, inclusive;
Sec. 29, that portion lying westerly of the Old Woman Mountains Wilderness Area;
Secs. 30 to 31, all, inclusive;
Sec. 32, that portion lying westerly of the Old Woman Mountains Wilderness Area.
- Northern Expansion Area*
- T. 6 N., R. 7 E.,
Sec. 12, all.
- T. 7 N., R. 7 E.,
Sec. 24, all.
- The areas described aggregate 365,906 acres, more or less.
- 2. Federally owned mineral estate and non-federally owned surface estate.*
Subject to valid existing rights, the following described federally owned mineral estate is hereby withdrawn from settlement, sale, location or entry under the public land laws, including the mining laws, and to the operations of the mineral leasing laws and the Materials Act of 1947:
- All Are San Bernardino Meridian**
- Southern Expansion Area*
- T. 2 N., R. 9 E.,
Sec. 26, N $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 27, W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 35, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.
- Eastern Expansion Area*
- T. 5 N., R. 12 E.,
Sec. 5, lot 1 of NE $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ of lot 1 of NW $\frac{1}{4}$, lots 5 and 6 inclusive, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, and S $\frac{1}{2}$.
- The areas described aggregate 507 acres, more or less.
- In the event, the non-federally owned surface estate, of the approximately 507 acres described above, returns to public ownership, those lands would be subject to the terms and conditions of this withdrawal as described above.
- 3. Non-federally owned surface and mineral estate.*
The following described non-federally owned lands are located within the proposed boundaries of the proposed withdrawal areas:
- (a) Privately owned surface and mineral estate:

All Are San Bernardino Meridian*Western Expansion Area*

- T. 5 N., R. 2 E.,
Sec. 36, all.
- T. 6 N., R. 2 E.,
Sec. 36, all.
- T. 4 N., R. 3 E.,
Sec. 10, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ and S $\frac{1}{2}$;
Sec. 11, SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 12, SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 13, N $\frac{1}{2}$.
- T. 5 N., R. 3 E.,
Sec. 1, all;
Sec. 36, N $\frac{1}{2}$ and SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
- T. 6 N., R. 3 E.,
Sec. 1, S $\frac{1}{2}$ of lot 4;
Sec. 4, that land described by metes and bounds in patent number 04-67-0117 and containing 180.445 acres, more or less;
Secs. 10 to 11, that land described by metes and bounds in patent number 04-68-0173 and containing 20.104 acres, more or less, inclusive;
Sec. 25, all;
Sec. 31, that land described by metes and bounds in patent number 994392 and containing 41.322 acres, more or less;
Sec. 36, all.
- T. 4 N., R. 4 E.,
Sec. 16, N $\frac{1}{2}$ and SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 18, S $\frac{1}{2}$;
Sec. 36, all.
- T. 5 N., R. 4 E.,
Sec. 1, all;
Sec. 12, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 13, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, west 20 rods of the E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, and W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 17, NE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 25, lots 1 to 8, inclusive, and E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
- T. 6 N., R. 4 E.,
Sec. 16, all;
Sec. 25, all;
Secs. 27 to 28, that land described by metes and bounds in patent numbers 24783, 38438, and 38980, and containing 151.250 acres, more or less, inclusive;
Sec. 36, SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
- T. 3 N., R. 5 E.,
Sec. 4, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, and W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 9, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, and W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 12, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, and E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
- T. 4 N., R. 5 E.,
Sec. 1, all;
Sec. 36, all.
- T. 5 N., R. 5 E.,
Sec. 6, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 7, lot 5;
Sec. 9, all;
Sec. 17, all;

- Sec. 21, all;
Sec. 29, all;
Sec. 33, all.

Southern Expansion Area

- T. 2 N., R. 9 E.,
Sec. 26, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 27, W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 34, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, and W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 35, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, and S $\frac{1}{2}$;
Sec. 36, all.
- T. 2 N., R. 10 E.,
Sec. 36, all.

Eastern Expansion Area

- T. 4 N., R. 11 E.,
Sec. 13, all.
- T. 5 N., R. 11 E.,
Sec. 36, all.
- T. 6 N., R. 11 E.,
Sec. 35, that portion lying south of the Historic Route 66 Corridor.
- T. 3 N., R. 12 E.,
Sec. 36, that portion lying west of the boundary of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area.
- T. 4 N., R. 12 E.,
Sec. 9, all;
Sec. 13, all;
Secs. 16 to 17, all, inclusive;
Secs. 18 to 19, that land described by metes and bounds in patent numbers 973412 and 968382, and containing 82.310 acres, more or less, inclusive;
Sec. 22, all;
Sec. 36, all.
- T. 5 N., R. 12 E.,
Sec. 1, all;
Secs. 3, 4, 10, and 11, all the lands conveyed to U. S. Gypsum Company by patent number 1000677, containing 480 acres, inclusive;
Sec. 5, lot 1 of NE $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ of lot 1 of NW $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ of lot 2 of NE $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ of lot 2 of NW $\frac{1}{4}$, and S $\frac{1}{2}$;
Secs. 8, 17, 19, 20, 29, and 30, all the lands conveyed to U. S. Gypsum Company by patent number 1000678, containing 1,342.40 acres, inclusive;
Sec. 16, all;
Sec. 28, SE $\frac{1}{2}$;
Sec. 36, all.
- T. 4 N., R. 13 E.,
Sec. 5, all;
Sec. 16, all.
- T. 5 N., R. 13 E.,
Sec. 1, all;
Sec. 5, all;
Sec. 9, all;
Sec. 13, all;
Secs. 16 to 17, all, inclusive;
Sec. 21, all;
Sec. 22, E $\frac{1}{2}$;
Sec. 29, all;
Sec. 33, all;
Sec. 36, SW $\frac{1}{2}$.
- T. 3 N., R. 14 E.,
Sec. 36, that portion lying east of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area.

- T. 4 N., R. 14 E.,
Secs. 1 to 5, all, inclusive;
Sec. 9, all;
Sec. 13, all;
Sec. 16, all;
Sec. 36, that portion lying east of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area.
- T. 5 N., R. 14 E.,
Sec. 5, all;
Secs. 8 to 9, all, inclusive;
Sec. 11, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 13, all;
Secs. 16 to 29, all, inclusive;
Secs. 32 to 36, all, inclusive.
- T. 3 N., R. 15 E.,
Sec. 17, all;
Sec. 21, all;
Sec. 29, all;
Sec. 33, all;
Sec. 34, S $\frac{1}{2}$.
- T. 4 N., R. 15 E.,
Secs. 16 to 17, all, inclusive;
Sec. 33, that portion lying northwesterly of the Sheephole Valley Wilderness Area.
- T. 5 N., R. 15 E.,
Sec. 5, all;
Sec. 8, all;
Sec. 9, N $\frac{1}{2}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Secs. 17 to 18, all, inclusive.
- T. 4 N., R. 16 E.
Sec. 29, that portion contained in railroad right-of-way containing 17 acres;
Sec. 33, that portion contained in railroad right-of-way containing 14.55 acres.
- T. 5 N., R. 16 E.,
Sec. 29, that portion lying southwesterly of the Old Woman Mountains Wilderness Area.
- Northern Expansion Area*
- T. 6 N., R. 7 E.,
Sec. 1, all;
Sec. 13, all.
The areas described aggregate 64,407 acres, more or less.

(b) State of California owned surface and mineral estate:

All Are San Bernardino Meridian*Western Expansion Area*

- T. 4 N., R. 3 E.,
Sec. 1, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 3, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, and N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$;
Sec. 4, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 14, N $\frac{1}{2}$;
Sec. 15, S $\frac{1}{2}$.
- T. 6 N., R. 3 E.,
Sec. 16, all.
- T. 4 N., R. 4 E.,
Sec. 16, SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 19, E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$;
Sec. 20, S $\frac{1}{2}$;
Sec. 28, S $\frac{1}{2}$;
Sec. 29, E $\frac{1}{2}$.
- T. 5 N., R. 5 E.,
Sec. 16, all.

Southern Expansion Area

- T. 2 N., R. 10 E.,
Sec. 16, all.

Eastern Expansion Area

- T. 5 N., R. 13 E.,
Sec. 36, N $\frac{1}{2}$ and SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

T. 3 N., R. 15 E.,
Sec. 16, that portion lying southwesterly of
the Cadiz Dunes Wilderness Area.

T. 5 N., R. 15 E.,
Sec. 16, all;
Sec. 36, all.

Northern Expansion Area

T. 7 N., R. 7 E.,
Sec. 36, all.

The areas described aggregate 7,779 acres,
more or less.

In the event that these non-federally
owned lands return to public ownership
in the future, they would be subject to
the terms and conditions described
above in "1. Federally owned surface
and mineral estate."

The purpose of the proposed
legislative withdrawal is to withdraw
and reserve the lands for use as a
military training range, involving live-
fire exercises, necessary for national
security. The legislative withdrawal
would provide sufficient area for
realistic integrated training to a Marine
Expeditionary Brigade (MEB) sized
Marine Air Ground Task Force, the
USMC's premier force for responding to
smaller scale contingencies. Effective
training of MEBs is critical to ensuring
the full spectrum of military operations.
The withdrawal would be established
by an Act of Congress, and approved by
the President. The duration of the
legislative withdrawal would be
determined by Congress. The
Department of the Navy has indicated
that the use of a right-of-way or
cooperative agreement would not
provide adequate authorization for
safety and control of access for the
use of these lands due to the broad scope
of military training exercises.

The USMC analyzed alternative sites
in three regions of the United States
(i.e., Middle Atlantic Coast—North
Carolina and Virginia; Gulf of Mexico—
Florida and Louisiana; and Southwest—
California and Arizona). The USMC
concluded that expanding the USMC's
MCAGCC, located in Twentynine
Palms, California was the only
reasonable and feasible option. The
lands hereinabove described, have been
selected by the USMC for the proposed
legislative withdrawal, because they are
located adjacent to the existing exterior
boundaries of the USMC's MCAGCC,
located in Twentynine Palms,
California. The application and the
records relating to the application can
be examined by interested persons at
the BLM Barstow Field Office, 2601
Barstow Road, Barstow, California
92311.

On or before December 15, 2008, all
persons who wish to submit comments,
suggestions, or objections in connection

with the proposed legislative
withdrawal may present their views in
writing to the BLM, Field Manager,
Barstow Field Office, 2601 Barstow
Road, Barstow, California 92311.

Comments, including names and
street addresses of respondents, will be
available for public review at the BLM
Barstow Field Office at the address
above during regular business hours.

Before including your address,
telephone number, e-mail address, or
other personal identifying information
in your comment, you should be aware
that your entire comment—including
your personal identifying information—
may be made publicly available at any
time. While you can ask us in your
comment to withhold from public
review your personal identifying
information from public review, we
cannot guarantee that we will be able to
do so.

This withdrawal proposal will be
processed in accordance with the
regulations set forth in 43 CFR part
2300.

Until September 15, 2010, the lands
will be segregated as specified above
unless the withdrawal application is
denied or canceled or the withdrawal is
approved prior to that date. Land uses
currently authorized or permitted may
continue during the segregation period.
If the proposed legislative withdrawal
has been submitted to Congress but not
enacted into law by the end of the 2-
year segregation period, consideration
will be given to entertaining an
application for a temporary withdrawal
in aid of pending legislation.

During the segregation period, BLM
may, after consulting with the USMC,
allow uses of a temporary nature that
are compatible with the military
purposes for which the land is being
withdrawn.

(Authority: 43 CFR 2310.3-1(b)(1))

Dated: September 9, 2008.

Thomas Pogacnik,

*Acting Deputy State Director, Natural
Resources (CA-930), Bureau of Land
Management.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NM-920-1310-08; TXNM 118200]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease TXNM 118200

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management,
Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Reinstatement of
Terminated Oil and Gas Lease.

SUMMARY: Under the Class II provisions
of Title IV, Public Law 97-451, the
Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
received a petition for reinstatement of
oil and gas lease TXNM 118200 from the
lessee, Woodward Development LLC,
for lands in Houston County, Texas. The
petition was filed on time and was
accompanied by all the rentals due
since the date the lease terminated
under the law.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Lourdes B. Ortiz, BLM, New Mexico
State Office, at (505) 438-7586.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: No valid
lease has been issued that affect the
lands. The lessee agrees to new lease
terms for rentals and royalties of \$10.00
per acre or fraction thereof, per year,
and 16⅔ percent, respectively. The
lessee paid the required \$500.00
administrative fee for the reinstatement
of the lease and \$166.00 cost for
publishing this Notice in the **Federal
Register**. The lessee met all the
requirements for reinstatement of the
lease as set out in Sections 31(d) and (e)
of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30
U.S.C. 188). We are proposing to
reinstatement lease TXNM 118200, effective
the date of termination, June 1, 2008,
under the original terms and conditions
of the lease and the increased rental and
royalty rates cited above.

Before including your address, phone
number, e-mail address, or other
personal identifying information in your
comment, you should be aware that
your entire comment—including your
personal identifying information—may
be made publicly available at any time.
While you can ask us in your comment
to withhold your personal identifying
information from public review, we
cannot guarantee that we will be able to
do so.

Dated: September 9, 2008.

Lourdes B. Ortiz,

*Land Law Examiner, Fluids Adjudication
Team.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NM-920-1310-08; TXNM 118211]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease TXNM 118211

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management,
Interior.