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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-100-1430-ES; WYW-23933, WYW-163849, WYW-163855]

Notice of Realty Action; Recreation and Public Purposes Act Classification; WY

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Realty Action.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has examined and found suitable for classification for lease or conveyance under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act three parcels of public lands located near Cora, Pinedale and Marbleton, all located in Sublette County, Wyoming. Sublette County intends to use the lands for the existing snowmobile track, a public golf course, and to expand the County road maintenance facilities.

DATES: Interested persons may submit written comments to the BLM at the address stated below. Comments must be received by not later than October 10, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Bureau of Land Management, Pinedale Field Office, 432 East Mill Street, P.O. Box 768, Pinedale, Wyoming 82941.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bill Wadsworth, Realty Specialist, at the address above or at 307-367-5341.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following described public land in Sublette County, Wyoming, has been examined and found suitable for classification for lease and/or conveyance under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 et seq.) and is hereby classified accordingly:

WYW-23933—Cora, WY—Snowmobile Track currently under lease to Sublette County to be classified for conveyance:

Sixth Principal Meridian, Sublette County, Wyoming.

T. 35 N., R. 110 W.,
Sec. 33, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.

The land described contains 80 acres.

WYW-163849—Pinedale, WY—Public Golf Course to be classified for lease/conveyance:

Sixth Principal Meridian, Sublette County, Wyoming.

T. 30 N., R. 109 W.,
Sec. 5, SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 6, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

The land described contains 280 acres.

WYW-163855—Marbleton, WY—County Road Maintenance Facility Expansion to be classified for lease/conveyance:

Sixth Principal Meridian, Sublette County, Wyoming.

T. 30 N., R. 111 W.,
Sec. 17, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

The land described contains 40 acres.

In accordance with the R&PP Act, Sublette County has filed R&PP petition(s)/application(s) and plans of development in which it proposes to use the above described public lands for a snowmobile track, a public golf course, and for the expansion of County road maintenance facilities. The lands are not needed for Federal purposes. Lease or conveyance pursuant to the R&PP Act is consistent with the Pinedale Resource Management Plan, dated December 12, 1988, and would be in the public interest.

The lease(s)/conveyance(s), when issued, will be subject to the following terms, conditions, and reservations:

1. Provisions of the R&PP Act and to all applicable regulations, including but not limited to the regulations stated in 43 CFR Part 2740, and policy and guidance of the Secretary of the Interior.

2. Reservation of a right-of-way to the United States for ditches and canals pursuant to the Act of August 30, 1890, 43 U.S.C. 945.

3. All minerals shall be reserved to the United States, together with the right to prospect for, mine and remove the minerals under applicable laws and regulations established by the Secretary of the Interior.

4. Provided, that the land conveyed shall revert to the United States upon a finding, and after notice and opportunity for a hearing, that the patentee has not substantially developed the lands in accordance with the approved plan of development on or before the date five years after the date of conveyance. No portion of the land shall under any circumstance revert to the United States if any such portion has been used for solid waste disposal or for any other purpose which may result in the disposal, placement, or release of any hazardous substance.

5. If, at any time, the patentee validly transfers to another party ownership of any portion of the land not used for the purpose(s) specified in the application and the plan of development, the

patentee shall pay the Bureau of Land Management the fair market value, as determined by the authorized officer, of the transferred portion as of the date of transfer, including the value of any improvements thereon.

6. All valid existing rights including but not limited to those documented on the official public land records at the time of lease/patent issuance. Detailed information concerning the proposed actions, including but not limited to documentation relating to compliance with applicable environmental and cultural resource laws, is available for review at the BLM, Pinedale Field Office, 432 East Mill Street, P.O. Box 768, Pinedale, WY 82941, telephone: 307-367-5341.

On August 23, 2006 the above described lands will be segregated from all other forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the general mining laws, except for lease or conveyance under the R&PP Act and leasing under the mineral leasing laws. Interested parties may submit written comments regarding the proposed lease(s)/conveyance(s) or classification(s) of the lands to the Field Manager, Pinedale Field Office, at the address stated above in this notice for that purpose. Comments must be received by not later than October 10, 2006.

Classification Comments: Interested parties may submit comments involving the suitability of the lands for conveyance for the snowmobile track, and for lease/conveyance for a public golf course and expanded County road maintenance facilities. Comments on the classification(s) are restricted to whether the land is physically suited for the proposal(s), whether the use will maximize the future use or uses of the land, whether the use is consistent with local planning and zoning, and if the use is consistent with State and Federal programs.

Application Comments: Interested parties may submit comments regarding the specific use proposed in the application(s) and plan(s) of development, whether the BLM followed proper administrative procedures in reaching the decision; or any other factor not directly related to the suitability of the lands for a snowmobile track, a public golf course, and expanded County road maintenance facilities.

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the BLM Pinedale Field Office, (address above), during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, except holidays. Individual respondents may request

confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by the law. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the State Director, who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In the absence of any adverse comments, the classification will become effective 60 days after August 23, 2006.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Availability, Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Disposition of the Former Bureau of Mines Twin Cities Research Center Main Campus, Hennepin County, MN; and Request for Written Proposals

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to alert the public to two items. First, pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C), the National Park Service (NPS) announces the availability of the draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the disposition of the former Bureau of Mines Twin Cities Research Center (Center), located within the boundary of Mississippi National River and Recreation Area (MNRRA), a unit of the NPS, in Hennepin County, Minnesota. The draft EIS is now available for public review and comment, and everyone is invited to comment on the document.

Secondly, the notice is intended to alert any prospective Government or university entities that the NPS is soliciting proposals for use of the Center. In accordance with the legislation addressing the Center (Pub. L. 104-134), only Government and university entities qualify as possible recipients of the property. Additionally, Public Law 106-113 allows the Secretary to accept financial

remuneration for the Center and distribute the funds to MNRRA and the national wildlife refuge system for the benefit of their respective activities in Minnesota. The Center is Federal land located within the boundary of the MNRRA. Accordingly, through today's notice, the NPS invites written proposals from Government and university entities who may be interested in acquiring the former Bureau of Mines property. Verbal proposals will not be considered.

DATES: There will be a 60-day period for public review and submission of comments on the draft EIS following the publishing of the notice of availability in the **Federal Register** by the Environmental Protection Agency. Public meetings will be announced in the local media. Submission of written proposals from Government and university entities will be accepted during this 60-day period.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the draft EIS (compact disks and a limited number of paper copies) are available by request by writing to Superintendent, RE: Former Bureau of Mines Draft EIS, Mississippi National River and Recreation Area, 111 Kellogg Boulevard East, Suite no. 105, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101; by facsimile 651-290-3214; or by phone 651-290-4160. The document can be picked up in person at the address above. The document can also be found on the Web site in the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) at: <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/>; select the MNRRA from the drop-down list.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Project Manager, Kim Berns National Park Service, Mississippi National River and Recreation Area, 111 Kellogg Boulevard East, Suite no. 105, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101, or by calling 651-290-4160.

Discussion: Each written proposal from a university or Government entity must address the following criteria:

1. How do you qualify as a Government or university entity?
2. What is your capacity to manage the Center property? Describe any relevant property management experience or current property holdings that are comparable to the Center property or that demonstrate your capacity to manage the Center.
3. What are your proposed plans for future use of the Center?
4. What resources do you have, including but not limited to personnel, financing, programs, etc., that would enable you to manage the Center property?
5. What plans do you have to protect the cultural, historic, and environmental

aspects of the Center, including Camp Coldwater and the spring?

6. Are you willing and able to offer land or other reimbursement in exchange for the Center and if so, what would you offer?

Solicitation by the NPS of written proposals does not reflect any decision on the future use of the Center. The NPS purpose in requesting such proposals is to assist the Secretary of the Interior in evaluating all reasonable alternatives for the disposition of the Center property.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The MNRRA has been designated by Congress to lead a public planning process pursuant to NEPA to address the disposition of the Center. Congress closed the Center in 1995 and provided the Secretary of the Interior specific legislation to convey the Center to a university or government entity (Pub. L. 104-134). The Center is Federal land and is located within the boundary of the MNRRA.

The purpose of the draft EIS is to consider alternatives for, and potential impacts of, future uses of this Federal property on natural, historic, and cultural resources. The Center is located within three historic designations: the Fort Snelling National Historic Landmark, the Fort Snelling National Register Historic District, and the buildings have been determined eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places. The site includes the Camp Coldwater Spring, the springhouse, and reservoir.

The draft EIS describes and analyzes three action alternatives and a No-Action Alternative. The draft EIS does not identify a potential future owner but explores the impacts associated with three land-use scenarios that are likely to result from the transfer of the Center. The NPS does not have a preferred alternative at this time and intends to review any additional information, public comments, and written proposals received in response to this request to identify a preferred alternative in the final EIS.

Persons wishing to comment on the draft EIS may do so by any one of several methods. They may attend the public meeting that will be announced as noted above. Comments on the draft EIS can be made directly through the PEPC Web site listed above or provided directly to the NPS at the address above.

Written proposals from a university or Government entity relating to acquisition of the property must be submitted to the aforementioned address within the 60-day comment period.

It is the practice of the NPS to make all comments, including names and