

DECISION RECORD AND
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Finding of No Significant Impact: Based on the analysis of the potential environmental impacts contained in the attached environmental assessment, I have determined that the impacts of the proposed action are not expected to be significant and an environmental impact statement is not required. Further, the analysis identified that there will be no adverse impacts to federally listed threatened or endangered plant or animal species or to cultural resources.



Field Office Manager

9/7/2007

Date

Decision: It is my decision to select the Proposed Action alternative, to issue a lease and/or conveyance under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act (R&PP) to the Town of Edgewood, for use as a recreation area located on public land. It is to be issued for a period of 5 years, with the potential to issue a patent at the end of the 5-year lease period and with completion of the development plan, on the following described land located in Edgewood, NM:

T. 10 N., R. 7 E., NMPM
sec. 34: lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and N1/2SE;

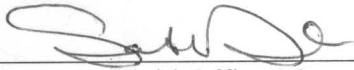
The area encompasses approximately 248.72 acres, more or less.

Details of the selected alternative are provided in the Environmental Assessment accompanying this decision. The mitigation measures as identified for the proposed action in the environmental assessment and attached stipulations will be applied to the project.

Rationale for the Decision: The decision to issue the lease and/or conveyance is allowed under the authority of the Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 et seq.), and subject to the terms and conditions in 43 CFR subpart 2912 and 2740, and is in conformance with the *Taos Resource Management Plan, 1988*. In addition:

- The lease and/or conveyance, when issued, would be subject to the 1) Provisions of the R&PP Act and to all applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior; 2) A right-of-way for ditches and canals constructed by the authority of the United States; 3) The United States will reserve all minerals together with the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the minerals.
- There are no adverse impacts to federally listed threatened or endangered plant or animal species or to cultural resources.

- The major resource issues identified through BLM interdisciplinary review have been addressed in the analysis and considered in the decision. Impacts of the activities to be authorized are not significant.
- This project will address the need for recreation opportunities for the Town of Edgewood and the surrounding communities.



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Attachments:
Town of Edgewood
NM-220-07-013