

The Desolation Flats DEIS analyzes the impacts of the Proposed Action: economic field development of 385 natural gas wells at 361 well locations and associated access roads (approximately 542 miles of new or upgraded), pipelines (approximately 361 miles), and other ancillary facilities (one gas processing plant, four compressor stations, water disposal sites, etc.). The DEIS also analyzes Alternative A, which is similar to the Proposed Action but would expand well development into the economically marginal areas of the leases and increase the density of wells. Alternative A proposes to increase the number of wells to approximately 592 wells at 555 locations with a proportional increase of access roads (approximately 833 of new or upgraded), pipelines (555 miles) and other ancillary facilities (two gas processing plants, six compressor stations, water disposal sites etc.).

Alternative B is the No Action Alternative. This alternative would deny the proposal as submitted but would allow consideration of individual APDs on Federal lands on a case-by-case basis through individual project and site-specific environmental analysis. No Action would allow drilling and development of 23 additional wells in the Mulligan Draw project area, and drilling and development of 34 additional wells in the Dripping Rock/Cedar Breaks project area. Drilling outside the Mulligan Draw and Dripping Rock/Cedar Break project areas but within the DFPA project area could continue on a case-by-case basis until BLM made a determination that further drilling activity would result in field development.

Based upon issues and concerns identified during the scoping process, the DEIS focuses on the impacts to air quality, biological and physical resources, transportation, and socio-economic environment and their cumulative effects. In compliance with Section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act as amended, this DEIS includes the Biological Assessment that identifies endangered or threatened species that would potentially be affected by the Proposed Action.

The proposed Desolation Flats Natural Gas Field Development activities are in conformance with the Great Divide Resource Management Plan (USDI-BLM 1990), and Green River Resources Management Plan (USDI-BLM 1997).

Our practice is to make comments, including the names and street addresses of each respondent, available for public review at the BLM offices listed above during regular business

hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except for Federal holidays. Your comments may be published as part of the EIS process. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name and/or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. 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.

Dated: March 10, 2003.

Alan L. Kesterke,

Associate State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Public Meeting, Roseburg Resource Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Meeting notices for the Roseburg District Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Resource Advisory Committee under Section 205 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-393).

SUMMARY: This notice is published in accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Meeting notice is hereby given for the Roseburg District BLM Resource Advisory Committee pursuant to section 205 of the Secure Rural School and Community Self Determination Act of 2000, Public Law 106-393 (the Act). Topics to be discussed by the Roseburg District BLM Resource Advisory Committee include specific information of specific projects and/or decisions on specific projects.

DATES: The Roseburg Resource Advisory Committee will meet at the BLM Roseburg District Office, 777 NW., Gargen Valley Boulevard, Roseburg, Oregon 97470 on June 16, June 30, July 14, July 21, July 28, and August 4, 2003. The meeting on June 16 will be held from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., while the rest of

the meetings will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Act, five Resource Advisory Committees have been formed for western Oregon BLM district that contain Oregon & California (O&C) Grant Lands and Coos Bay Wagon Road lands. The Act establishes a six-year payment schedule to local counties in lieu of funds derived from the harvest of timber on federal lands, which have dropped dramatically over the past 10 years.

The Act creates a new mechanism for local community collaboration with federal land management activities in the selection of projects to be conducted on federal lands or that will benefit resources on federal lands using funds Title II of the Act. The Roseburg District BLM Resource Advisory Committee consists of 15 local citizens (plus 6 alternates) representing a wide array of interests.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Additional information concerning the Roseburg District BLM Resource Advisory Committee may be obtained from E. Lynn Burkett, Public Affairs Officer, Roseburg District Office, 777 NW., Garden Valley Blvd., Roseburg, Oregon 97470 or elynnburkett@blm.gov, or on the Web at <http://www.or.blm.gov>.

Dated: April 8, 2003.

Cary Osterhaus,

Roseburg District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AZ-956-02-1420-BJ]

Arizona State Office; Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey

April 16, 2003.

1. The plats of survey of the following described land were officially filed in the Arizona State Office, Phoenix, Arizona, on the dates indicated:

A plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the south boundary and a portion of the subdivisional lines and the subdivision of section 35, Township 9 1/2 North, Range 2 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted August 28, 2002 and officially filed September 5, 2002.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Phoenix Field Office, Bureau of Land Management.

A plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the

subdivisional lines and the subdivision of section 18 and 19, Township 9 North, Range 3 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted August 28, 2002 and officially filed September 5, 2002.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Phoenix Field Office, Bureau of Land Management.

A plat representing the dependent resurvey of the south and west boundaries and a portion of the subdivisional lines and the survey of a portion of the subdivisional lines, Township 28 North, Range 16 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted July 22, 2002 and officially filed July 25, 2002.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Western Regional Office.

A plat representing the dependent resurvey of the Fourth Guide Meridian East through Township 27 North, the South and East boundaries and the subdivisional lines, Township 27 North, Range 17 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted July 15, 2002 and officially filed July 18, 2002.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Western Regional Office.

A plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the south and east boundaries and a portion of the subdivisional lines and the survey of a portion of the subdivisional lines, Township 27 North, Range 18 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted October 28, 2002 and officially filed November 1, 2002.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Western Regional Office.

A plat representing the dependent resurvey of the east and north boundaries and subdivisional lines, Township 29 North, Range 18 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted July 22, 2002 and officially filed July 25, 2002.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Western Regional Office.

A plat representing the survey of the south, east, west, and north boundaries, and the subdivisional lines, Township 31 North, Range 22 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted January 27, 2003 and officially filed January 30, 2003.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Navajo Regional Office.

A plat representing the survey of the Eighth Standard Parallel North, (south boundary), Township 33 North, Range

23 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted January 14, 2003 and officially filed January 22, 2003.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Navajo Regional Office.

A plat representing the survey of the Sixth Guide Meridian East, (west boundary), the east and north boundaries, and the subdivisional lines, Township 37 North, Range 25 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted September 16, 2002 and officially filed September 25, 2002.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Navajo Regional Office.

A plat representing the survey of the Sixth Guide Meridian East, (west boundary), the east and north boundaries, and the subdivisional lines, Township 38 North, Range 25 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted September 16, 2002 and officially filed September 25, 2002.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Navajo Regional Office.

A plat representing the survey of the Tenth Standard Parallel North, (south boundary), Township 41 North, Range 26 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted February 26, 2003 and officially filed March 6, 2003.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Navajo Regional Office.

A plat representing the survey of the south, east and west boundaries, and the subdivisional lines, Township 40 North, Range 27 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted August 26, 2002 and officially filed August 30, 2002.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Navajo Regional Office.

A plat representing the dependent resurvey of the Tenth Standard Parallel North, (south boundary), Township 41 North, Range 27 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted August 26, 2002 and officially filed August 30, 2002.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Navajo Regional Office.

A plat representing the survey of the Seventh Guide Meridian East, (west boundary), a portion of the north boundary, and a portion of the subdivisional lines, Township 34 North, Range 29 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted September

9, 2002 and officially filed September 18, 2002.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Navajo Regional Office.

A plat representing the survey of the Seventh Guide Meridian East, (west boundary), a portion of the north boundary, and a portion of the subdivisional lines, Township 35 North, Range 29 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted January 9, 2003 and officially filed January 16, 2003.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Navajo Regional Office.

A plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the west boundary and a portion of the subdivisional lines, the subdivision of sections 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18 and the metes-and-bounds survey of the Arrastra Mountain Wilderness Area Boundary, Township 11 North, Range 11 West of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted July 24, 2002 and officially filed July 30, 2002.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Kingman Field Office, Bureau of Land Management.

A plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the south and west boundaries and a portion of the subdivisional lines and the subdivision of sections 20 and 29, Township 11 South, Range 10 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted October 21, 2002 and officially filed October 25, 2002.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Tucson Field Office, Bureau of Land Management.

A plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the south and west boundaries, and a portion of the subdivisional lines and the subdivision of section 18, Township 12 South, Range 10 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted October 21, 2002 and officially filed October 25, 2002.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Tucson Field Office, Bureau of Land Management.

A plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the east and north boundaries and a portion of the subdivisional lines, the subdivision of section 14 and the metes-and-bounds survey of the Aravaipa Canyon Wilderness Area Boundary, Township 7 South, Range 18 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted February 10, 2003 and officially filed February 13, 2003.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Safford Field Office, Bureau of Land Management.

A plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the south and west boundaries and a portion of the subdivisional lines, the subdivision of section 19 and the metes-and-bounds survey of the Aravaipa Canyon Wilderness Area Boundary, Township 6 South, Range 19 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted January 31, 2003 and officially filed February 6, 2003.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Safford Field Office, Bureau of Land Management.

A plat representing the metes-and-bounds survey of the Aravaipa Canyon Wilderness Area Boundary, Township 7 South, Range 19 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted February 10, 2003 and officially filed February 13, 2003.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Safford Field Office, Bureau of Land Management.

A plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the east boundary and a portion of the subdivisional lines and the subdivision of section 24, Township 17 South, Range 23 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, accepted August 22, 2002 and officially filed August 27, 2002.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Coronado National Forest, United States Forest Service.

2. The corrective survey (field notes only) of the ¼ section corner of section 1 only, on the Seventh Standard Parallel North, Township 28 North, Range 30 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, were approved January 1, 2003.

These field notes were prepared at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Navajo Regional Office.

3. All inquiries relating to these lands should be sent to the Arizona State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 222 N. Central Avenue, P.O. Box 1552, Phoenix, Arizona 85001-1552.

Kenny D. Ravnikar,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor of Arizona.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Inventory Completion: U.S. Department of Defense, Army Corps of Engineers, Portland District, Portland, OR

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

Notice is here given in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3003, of the completion of an inventory of human remains and associated funerary objects in the possession of the U.S. Department of Defense, Army Corps of Engineers, Portland District, Portland, OR. The human remains and associated funerary objects were removed from the Old Town Umatilla site (35 UM 1/35 UM 35), Umatilla County, OR.

This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA, 25 U.S.C. 3003(d)(3). The determinations within this notice are the sole responsibility of the museum, institution, or Federal agency that has control of the Native American human remains and associated funerary objects. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations within this notice.

A detailed assessment of the human remains and associated funerary objects was made by the Army Corps of Engineers staff and the Cultural Resources Protection Program of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Oregon in consultation with representatives of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Oregon. The Old Town Umatilla site is located in Umatilla County, OR, on the south shoreline of the Columbia River, upstream from its confluence with the Umatilla River. The site is also in the project area of the John Day Dam, which is located in north-central Oregon and south-central Washington. John Day Dam project lands extend from the confluence of the Columbia River and the John Day River upstream to Umatilla, OR.

The Old Town Umatilla site (35 UM 1/35 UM 35) was first occupied in 470 B.C. and is considered to be a prehistoric and historic Umatilla village. The site served as a major winter village of the Umatilla Indians during late prehistoric times, and includes a cemetery that dates from approximately 500 B.C. to A.D. 1700. The site lies within the traditional lands of the

present-day Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Oregon. The Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Oregon was established by an 1855 treaty, and consists of three tribes: Cayuse, Umatilla, and Walla Walla. All three tribes belong to the Sahaptin language group, each tribe's speaking a separate dialect of Sahaptin. Historically, these tribes occupied over 6 million acres of land in southeastern Washington and northeastern Oregon. The Umatilla reservation and ceded lands roughly include the area bounded by the Columbia and Snake Rivers on the north to Willow Creek on the west to Tucannon River on the east.

The Old Town Umatilla site has a long excavation history. In 1948, the Smithsonian River Basin Surveys first recorded the late prehistoric cemetery and early historic site as 35 UM 1. The site was excavated in 1965 by the University of Oregon in conjunction with reservoir salvage for the John Day Dam, and was redesignated as 35 UM 35, the Old Town Umatilla site. The site was excavated by the Mid-Columbia Archaeological Society and the University of Idaho from 1970 through 1975, Wildesen and Associates in 1984, Heritage Research Associates in 1986, and the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Oregon in preparation for construction of a wastewater treatment facility in 1998.

The excavations removed over 230 human burials and approximately 38,000 associated funerary objects. In 1976, at the request of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Oregon, the Army Corps of Engineers, Portland District reinterred approximately 230 human burials and associated funerary objects in a cemetery near Mission, OR. The human remains and associated funerary objects were among those excavated by the Mid-Columbia Archaeological Society and University of Idaho in the 1970s. In June 2000, the remains of two individuals and two associated funerary objects removed during the 1965 University of Oregon excavation were repatriated to the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Oregon by the University of Oregon Museum of Natural History. Human remains from the 1998 Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Oregon investigation were reburied on-site when encountered.

In 1999, the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Oregon requested that the Mid-Columbia Archaeological Society collections from 35 UM 1/35 UM 35 excavated during the 1970s be placed in the tribe's facility