

Gunnison sage-grouse in cooperation with the Service, and has applied to the Service for a permit under section 10(a) of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), which would authorize future incidental take of the Gunnison sage-grouse by the CDOW and cooperating landowners. The CDOW and the Service believe approval of the Agreement is necessary to promote implementation of conservation measures on non-Federal lands. The CDOW and the Service believe implementation of the Agreement will make a significant contribution to the long-term viability of the species, which may help defend that Federal listing is not warranted. Without the Agreement, the CDOW and the Service are concerned that the population of the Gunnison sage-grouse in Colorado may continue to decline. Further decline of the species could trigger listing under the ESA, which could provide a disincentive to private landowners for conservation of the species on private lands. The lack of conservation efforts on private lands could reduce the potential for successfully achieving long-term viability for the species.

Under the Agreement and permit, Participating Landowners would provide certain Gunnison sage-grouse habitat protection of enhancement measures on their lands. These measures would be primarily those identified in the 2005 Gunnison sage-grouse Rangewide Conservation Plan, but additional conservation practices could be determined throughout the 20-year period of the Agreement. Protection and enhancement measures will be directed towards Gunnison sage-grouse lek, nest, roost, and/or winter habitat. If the Gunnison sage-grouse is listed under the ESA, and after a Participating Landowner has provided the agreed-upon habitat conditions for the specified period of time, the permit would authorize incidental take of Gunnison sage-grouse as a result of the non-Federal landowner's agricultural or industrial related activities (*e.g.*, crop cultivation, crop harvesting livestock grazing, farm equipment operation, commercial/residential development).

We are providing this notice pursuant to section 10(c) of the ESA and implementing regulations for the National Environmental Policy Act (40 CFR 1506.6). We will evaluate the permit application, associated documents, and comments submitted thereon to determine whether the permit application meets the requirements of section 10(a) of the ESA and National Environmental Policy Act regulations. The Service also will evaluate whether the issuance of the

Agreement complies with section 7 of the ESA by conducting an intra-Service section 7 consultation on the issuance of the permit. If we determine that all requirements are met, we will sign the Agreement and issue an enhancement of survival permit under section 10(a)(1)(A) of ESA to the CDOW for take of Gunnison sage-grouse incidental to otherwise lawful activities in accordance with the terms of the Agreement. We will not make our final decision until after the end of the 60-day comment period and we will fully consider all comments received during the comment period.

**Authority:** The authority for this action is the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1521 *et seq.*) and the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*).

Dated: June 10, 2005.

**Ralph O. Morgenweck,**

*Regional Director, Denver Colorado.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

**[AK-964-1410-HY-P; AA-38080, F-21916, F-22864, F-21944, F-21978, F-21979, F-21973, F-21949, F-21954 (BSA-7); AK-964-1410-HY-P; F-22285, F-22290, F-22269, F-22214, F-22341 (NAA-8)]**

### Alaska Native Claims Selection

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

**ACTION:** Notice of decisions approving lands for conveyance.

**SUMMARY:** As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that fourteen appealable decisions approving lands for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act will be issued to Bering Straits Native Corporation and NANA Regional Corporation, Inc. for lands located in the vicinity of Norton and Kotzebue Sounds, Alaska. Notice of the decisions will also be published four times in the Nome Nugget.

**DATES:** The time limits for filing an appeal are:

1. Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decisions shall have until August 5, 2005 to file an appeal.

2. Parties receiving service of the decisions by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.

Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43

CFR part 4, subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the decisions may be obtained from: Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dina Torres by phone at 907-271-3248, or by e-mail at *Dina\_Torres@ak.blm.gov*.

**Dina L. Torres,**

*Land Law Examiner, Branch of Adjudication II (964).*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

**[AK963-1410-HY-P; F-14946-A, F-14946-B, F-14946-D; BSA-3]**

### Alaska Native Claims Selection

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

**ACTION:** Notice of decision approving lands for conveyance.

**SUMMARY:** As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that an appealable decision approving lands for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act will be issued to Teller Native Corporation. The lands are located in U.S. Survey No. 8892, T. 4 S., R. 36 W., T. 5 S. R. 37 W., and T. 5 S., R. 40 W., Kateel River Meridian, in the vicinity of Teller, Alaska, and contain 6,596.51 acres. Notice of the decision will also be published four times in the *Nome Nugget*.

**DATES:** The time limits for filing an appeal are:

1. Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision shall have until August 5, 2005 to file an appeal.

2. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.

Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR part 4, subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

**ADDRESSES:** A copy of the decision may be obtained from: Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:** Jennifer L. Noe, by phone at (907) 271-3169, or by e-mail at *jennifer\_noe@ak.blm.gov*. Persons who

use a telecommunication device (TTD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8330, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact Ms. Noe.

**Jennifer L. Noe,**

*Realty Specialist, Branch of Adjudication 964.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[AK-930-5420-EU-L029; AA-85442]

#### Notice of Application for Recordable Disclaimer of Interest for Lands Underlying Chilkoot River and Chilkoot Lake in Alaska

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The State of Alaska has filed an application for a recordable disclaimer of interest from the United States in certain lands underlying the Chilkoot River and Chilkoot Lake.

**DATES:** Comments on the State of Alaska's application will be accepted until October 4, 2005. Interested parties may submit comments on the BLM Draft Navigability Report on or before September 6, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to the Chief, Branch of Lands and Realty, BLM Alaska State Office, 222 West 7th Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jack Frost at (907) 271-5531, or the Public Information Center, (907) 271-5960, Alaska State Office, 222 West 7th Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599, for copies of the draft report, or you may visit the BLM recordable disclaimer of interest Web site at <http://www.ak.blm.gov/>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On May 12, 2004, the State of Alaska filed an application for a recordable disclaimer of interest pursuant to Section 315 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the regulations contained in 43 CFR subpart 1864 for lands underlying Chilkoot River and Chilkoot Lake (AA-85442). A recordable disclaimer of interest, if issued, will confirm the United States has no valid interest in the subject lands. The notice is intended to notify the public of the pending application and the State's grounds for supporting it. The State asserts that this river and lake is navigable; therefore, under the Equal Footing Doctrine and Submerged Lands

Act of 1953, ownership of these lands underlying the river and lake automatically passed from the United States to the State of Alaska (the State) at the time of statehood in 1959. The State also asserts, in those instances where it is the upland owner, and the water body is non-navigable, the State received title to the submerged lands under state law.

The State's application (AA-85442) is for the bed of the Chilkoot River and all interconnecting sloughs between the ordinary high water lines of the left and right banks from its origin at the Ferebee Glacier terminus within Section 8, T. 27 S., R. 57 E., Copper River Meridian (CRM), Alaska, through and including Chilkoot Lake, to all points of confluence with Lutak Inlet within T. 29 S., R. 59 E., CRM. The State did not identify any known adverse claimant or occupant of the affected lands.

A final decision on the merits of the application will not be made before October 4, 2005. During the 90-day period, interested parties may comment on the State's application (AA-85442) and supporting evidence. Interested parties may comment on the evidentiary evidence presented in the BLM's Draft Navigability Report on or before September 6, 2005.

Comments, including names and street addresses of commenters, will be available for public review at the BLM's Alaska State Office (see address above), during regular business hours 8 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to hold your name or address 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 law. All submissions from organizations or businesses will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

Dated: June 3, 2005.

**Carolyn Spoon,**

*Chief, Branch of Lands and Realty.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[Docket No. OR-010-1020-PK; HAG 05-0159]

#### Meeting: Resource Advisory Council—Southeast Oregon

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Lakeview District.

**ACTION:** Meeting notice for the Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council (SEORAC).

**SUMMARY:** The SEORAC will hold a conference call for all members on Monday August 8, 2005 at 10 a.m. Pacific standard time. The conference call is open to the public. Members of the public in the Lakeview area may attend the meeting in person in the Abert Rim Conference Room, Lakeview Interagency Office, 1301 South G Street, Lakeview, Oregon 97630.

The meeting topics to be discussed include: Approval of past meeting minutes, an update on off-highway vehicle regulations, new wild horse and burro information, and an update on grazing regulations. There may also be a report concerning stewardship, and an update on the Tri-RAC meeting planned for November 6 to 8, 2005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Additional information concerning the SEORAC conference call may be obtained from Pam Talbott, contact representative, Lakeview Interagency Office, 1301 South G Street, Lakeview, Oregon 97630 (541) 947-6107, or [ptalbott@or.blm.gov](mailto:ptalbott@or.blm.gov).

Dated: June 28, 2005.

**M. Joe Tague,**

*Associate District Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[ID-200-1120-PH]

#### Notice of August Resource Advisory Council Meeting To Be Held in Twin Falls District, Idaho

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the intent to hold a Resource Advisory Council (RAC) meeting in the Twin Falls District of Idaho on Tuesday, August 9, 2005. The meeting will be held in the Conference Room at the Burley BLM Fire Building, 3600 South Overland Avenue, in Burley, Idaho.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Twin Falls District Resource Advisory Council consists of the standard fifteen members residing throughout south central Idaho. Meeting agenda items will include updates on the Proposed Cotterel Mountain Wind Power Project, Blaine County Travel Plan, proposed seeding projects in the Burley Field Office Area, a recommendation regarding issuance of a weed free feed program on Idaho BLM lands, and a report from the Blaine County Airport