DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

Notice of Realty Action: Proposed Direct Sale of Public Lands in Riverside County, CA

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of realty action.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Palm Springs—South Coast Field Office, proposes to sell an 80-acre parcel of public land in Riverside County, California to Cocopah Nurseries, Inc. for the appraised fair market value of $77,000.

Riverside County, California to Cocopah Nurseries, Inc. for the appraised fair market value: that the public land is completely surrounded by private lands owned by Cocopah Nurseries, Inc. A competitive sale is therefore not appropriate and the public interest would be best served by a direct sale. The land identified for sale is considered to have no known mineral value. The BLM proposes that conveyance of the Federal mineral interests would occur simultaneously with the sale of the land. Cocopah Nurseries, Inc. would be required to pay a $50 nonrefundable filing fee for conveyance of the Federal mineral interests.

On May 21, 2010, the above described land will be segregated from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws, except the sale provisions of the FLPMA. Until completion of the sale, the BLM will no longer accept land use applications affecting the identified public lands, except application for the amendment of previously filed right-of-way applications or existing authorizations to increase the term of the grants in accordance with 43 CFR 2802.15 and 2886.15. The temporary segregation will terminate upon issuance of a patent, in accordance with 43 CFR 2711.1–2(d) prior to the termination date. The land will not be sold until at least 60 days after the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register. Any patent issued would contain the following terms, conditions, and reservations:

- a. A reservation of a right-of-way to the United States for ditches and canals constructed by authority of the United States under the Act of August 30, 1890 (43 U.S.C. 943);
- b. A condition that the conveyance be subject to all valid existing rights of record;
- c. A notice and indemnification statement under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9620(W)), indemnifying and holding the United States harmless from any release of hazardous materials that may have occurred; and
- d. Additional terms and conditions that the authorized officer deems appropriate. Detailed information concerning the proposed land sale including the appraisal, planning and environmental documents, and a mineral report are available for review at the location identified in the “ADDRESSES” section above.

Public comments regarding the proposed sale may be submitted in writing to the attention of the BLM Palm Springs Field Manager (see ADDRESSES section above) on or before July 6, 2010. Comments received in electronic form, such as e-mail or facsimile, will not be considered. Any adverse comments regarding the proposed sale will be reviewed by the BLM State Director or other authorized official of the Department of the Interior, who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action in whole or in part. In the absence of timely filed objections, this realty action will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be advised 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 personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

(Authority: 43 CFR 2711.1–2(a) and (c))

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Della Asuagbor, Realty Specialist, BLM, Palm Springs Field Office, 1201 Bird Center Drive, Palm Springs, California 92262, by phone: (760) 833–7148, or by e-mail Della_Asuagbor@blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following described public land is being proposed for direct sale to Cocopah Nurseries, Inc., in accordance with Sections 203 and 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), as amended (43 U.S.C. 1713), at not less than the appraised fair market value:

San Bernardino Meridian

T. 5 S., R. 17 E., Sec. 30, S\2\4NE\4.

The area described contains 80 acres in Riverside County.

The appraised fair market value is $77,000. The public land is identified as suitable for disposal in the BLM’s 1980 California Desert Conservation Area Plan, as amended, and is not needed for any other Federal purpose.

The BLM considers the public land suitable for sale because it is a small isolated parcel of land which lacks legal access. The BLM is proposing a direct sale to Cocopah Nurseries, Inc. because the public land is completely surrounded by private lands owned by Cocopah Nurseries, Inc. A competitive sale is therefore not appropriate and the public interest would be best served by a direct sale. The land identified for sale is considered to have no known mineral value. The BLM proposes that conveyance of the Federal mineral interests would occur simultaneously with the sale of the land. Cocopah Nurseries, Inc. would be required to pay a $50 nonrefundable filing fee for conveyance of the Federal mineral interests.

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The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are: (1) Those supported by quantitative information or studies; and (2) Those that include citations to, and analyses of, the applicable laws and regulations. We will not consider or include in our administrative record comments we receive after the close of the comment period (see DATES) or comments delivered to an address other than those listed above (see ADDRESSES).

B. May I Review Comments Submitted by Others?

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the address listed under ADDRESSES. The public may review documents and other information applicants have sent in support of the application unless our allowing viewing would violate the Privacy Act or Freedom of Information Act. 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.

II. Background

To help us carry out our conservation responsibilities for affected species, the Endangered Species Act of 1973, section 10(a)(1)(A), as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), and our regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17, and the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 et seq.), and our regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 18, require that we invite public comment before final action on these permit applications. Under the MMPA, you may request a hearing on any MMPA application received. If you request a hearing, give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Service Director.

III. Permit Applications

A. Endangered Species

Applicant: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, George Jordan, Pallid Sturgeon Recovery Coordinator, Billings, MT; PRT-03492A

The applicant requests a permit to export 50 otoliths (structures of the inner ear system in fishes) from 25 Pallid sturgeon (Scaphirhynchus albus), obtained from the pallid sturgeon repository, for the purpose of enhancement of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Georgia Carden Circus Intl., Inc., Springfield, MO; PRT-128999 and 12311A

The applicant requests permits to re-export (12311A) and re-import (128999) one male captive-born Asian elephant (Elephas maximus) to worldwide locations for the purpose of enhancement of the species through conservation education. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 3-year period.

Applicant: Brooks Puckett, Plano, TX; PRT-11231A

The following applicants each request a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (Damaliscus pygargus pygargus) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

B. Endangered Marine Mammals and Marine Mammals

Applicant: U.S. Geological Survey, Alaska Science Center, Anchorage, AK; PRT-067925

The applicant requests an amendment to the permit to increase in the number of takes of northern sea otter (Enhydra lutris kenyoni) in Alaska, to allow takes of northern sea otter (Enhydra lutris lutris) in Washington, and to increase the number of samples of northern sea otter (Enhydra lutris lutris) to be imported from for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over the remainder of the 5-year period for which the permit would be valid.

Concurrent with publishing this notice in the Federal Register, we are forwarding copies of the above applications to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.


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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Inv. No. 337–TA–718]

In the Matter of Certain Electronic Paper Towel Dispensing Devices and Components Thereof; Notice of Investigation

AGENCY: International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Institution of investigation pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1337.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a complaint was filed with the U.S. International Trade Commission on April 19, 2010, under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, on behalf of Georgia-Pacific Consumer Products LP of Atlanta, Georgia. On May 10, 2010, the