(2) describe the cumulative impacts of development on the Reservation; and (3) identify and propose mitigation measures that would minimize or prevent significant adverse impacts. Consistent with these objectives, the EIS will analyze the proposed Project and appurtenant features, viable alternatives, and the No Action alternative.

The EIS will provide a framework for BIA and BLM to make determinations and to decide whether to take the aforementioned Federal actions. In addition, BIA and BLM will use and coordinate the NEPA commenting process to satisfy its obligations under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) (54 U.S.C. 306108), as provided for in 36 CFR 800.2(d)(3). Native American Tribal consultations will be conducted in accordance with Departmental policy, and Tribal concerns, including potential impacts on Indian trust assets, will be given due consideration. Other Federal agencies may rely on the EIS to make decisions under their authority and the Tribe may also use the EIS to support any of their decisions. USFWS will review the EIS for consistency with the Endangered Species Act, as amended, and other implementing acts, and may rely on the EIS to support its decisions and opinions regarding the Project.

Issues to be covered during the scoping process may include, but would not be limited to, Project impacts on: Air quality, geology and soils, surface and groundwater resources, biological resources, threatened and endangered species, cultural resources, socioeconomic conditions, land use, aesthetics, environmental justice, climate change, greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and Indian trust resources. In addition to those already identified above, additional Federal, State, and local agencies, along with other stakeholders that may be interested in or affected by the BIA’s decision on the proposed Project, are invited to participate in the scoping process.

Submission of Public Comments

Please include your name, return address, and the caption “EIS, Fort Mojave Solar Project,” on the first page of any written comments. You may also submit comments at the public scoping meetings or via the EIS Web site at FortMojaveSolarProjectEIS.com.

The public scoping meetings will be held to further describe the Project and identify potential issues and alternatives to be considered in the EIS. One public scoping meeting will be held on the Reservation and another public scoping meeting will be held in Laughlin, Nevada. The dates of the public scoping meetings will be included in notices to be posted in local papers (Mohave Valley Daily News, Needles Desert Star, and Laughlin Nevada Times) 15 days before the meetings and will also be available on the EIS Web site (FortMojaveSolarProjectEIS.com).

Public Comment Availability

Comments, including names and addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the mailing address shown in the ADDRESSES section during regular business hours, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Before including your address, phone number, email 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.

Authority

This notice is published in accordance with 40 CFR 1501.7 of the Council of Environmental Quality regulations and 43 CFR 46.235 of the Department of the Interior Regulations implementing the procedural requirements of the NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), and in accordance with the exercise of authority delegated to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by part 209 of the Department Manual.

Dated: March 31, 2016.

Lawrence S. Roberts,
Acting Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management
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Notice of Public Meeting, North Slope Science Initiative—Science Technical Advisory Panel

AGENCY: North Slope Science Initiative, Bureau of Land Management Alaska, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the U.S. Department of the Interior, North Slope Science Initiative (NSSI)—Science Technical Advisory Panel (STAP) will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The meeting will be held May 9–10, 2016, in Barrow, Alaska. The meeting will be held in the Inupiat Heritage Center, 5421 Northstar St., Barrow, AK 99723. The meeting will begin on Monday, May 9, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. and again on Tuesday, May 10, at 8:30 a.m. There will be an opportunity for public comment from 4:30 to 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 9. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Denny Lassuy, Acting Director, North Slope Science Initiative, Bureau of Land Management, 222 W. Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, AK 99513, (907) 271–3212 or email dlassuy@BLM.gov. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTS INFORMATION: The NSSI STAP provides advice and recommendations to the NSSI Oversight Group regarding priority information needs for management decisions across the North Slope of Alaska. These priority information needs may include recommendations on inventory, monitoring, and research activities that contribute to informed resource management decisions. This meeting will include interagency coordination on planned 2016 and 2017 research and monitoring projects, plus discussions and updates on the ongoing North Slope Development Scenarios Project, the Arctic Waterway Safety Committee’s effort to develop a communications protocol to reduce potential conflicts between research vessels and subsistence users, and a Barrow Area Information Database presentation on their Decision Support Tools Development project. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation, transportation, or other reasonable accommodations, should contact the NSSI Director. The public may present written comments to the STAP through the NSSI Acting Director. Before including your address, phone number, email 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. 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.

Bud C. Cribley,  
State Director.

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Notice of Realty Action: Segregation and Classification for Conveyance for Recreation and Public Purposes Patent, in Humboldt County, NV

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Winnemucca District, Nevada, has found suitable for segregation and conveyance a 1,220 acres of public land in Humboldt County, Nevada, under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act, as amended, and provisions of the Taylor Grazing Act. The City of Winnemucca proposes to use the land for a new wastewater treatment and effluent disposal facility to serve Winnemucca, Nevada.

DATES: Submit written comments regarding this conveyance, classification, segregation, or on before May 26, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to Stephen Sappington, Field Manager, BLM Humboldt River Field Office, 5100 E. Winnemucca Blvd., Winnemucca, Nevada 89445.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kurt Miers, Project Lead, by telephone at 775–623–1569 or email at wfo@web@blm.gov with City of Winnemucca R&PP (Miers) in the subject line. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The City of Winnemucca proposes to construct a new wastewater treatment and effluent disposal facility in order to facilitate expansion/growth in the area. The current facility has been deemed by the USEPA and NDEP to be located in a floodplain, creating a potential contamination source for the Humboldt River. Accordingly, a new facility must be constructed at a different location. The sale parcel is described as:

Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada  
T. 36 N., R. 37 E.,  
Sec. 28;  
Sec. 32, NE1/4, NW1/4, SW1/4, N1/2, SE1/4, and W1/2, SW1/4, SE1/4.  

The areas described aggregate 1,220 acres.  

640 acres located in T. 36 N., R. 37 E., sec. 28, will be patented in year one, with 580 acres of T. 36 N., R. 37 E., sec. 32, to be patented in subsequent years in compliance with R&PP regulations.

The new plan of development will consist of a new wastewater treatment and effluent disposal plant, and effluent disposal facilities that include an effluent pipeline, rapid infiltration basins; a storage basin, an influent pumping station; and irrigation pivots.

The land is not required for any Federal purpose. The conveyance is consistent with the BLM Winnemucca District Office Resource Management Plan and the Record of Decision, dated May 2015, and is in the public interest. This proposal was analyzed as Environmental Assessment DOI–BLM–NV–W010–2014–0031. The conveyance will be subject to the provisions of the R&PP Act and applicable regulations and will be subject to the following terms, conditions, and reservations of the United States:

1. A right-of-way is reserved for ditches and canals constructed by the authority of the United States, Act of August 30, 1890 (43 U.S.C. 945).

2. All mineral deposits in the lands so patented, and to it, or persons authorized by it, the right to prospect for, mine and remove such deposits from the same under applicable law and such regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may deem necessary are reserved to the United States, together with all necessary access and exit rights;

3. The parcel is subject to valid existing rights;

4. An appropriate indemnification clause protecting the United States from claims arising out of the patentee’s use, occupancy, or occupation on the leased/patented lands;

5. No portion of the land patented shall revert back to the United States under any circumstance.

6. Additional terms and conditions that the authorized officer deems appropriate. Upon publication of this Notice in the Federal Register, the parcel will be segregated from all other forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws, except for conveyance under the R&PP Act, but not leasing under the mineral leasing laws and the mineral material disposal laws.

Written comments may be submitted concerning the suitability of the land for development for a new wastewater treatment and effluent disposal facility. Comments on the classification are restricted to whether the land is physically suitable for the proposed use, whether the use will maximize the future use or uses of the land, whether the use is consistent with local planning and zoning, or whether the use is consistent with state and Federal programs. Written comments can be submitted by postal service or overnight mail to the Field Manager, BLM Humboldt River Field Office. The land will be offered for conveyance until after the classification becomes effective.

Before including your address, phone number, email 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 we 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.

Any comments regarding this sale will be reviewed by the BLM Nevada State Director who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In the absence of any adverse comments, this realty action will become the final determination of the Department of Interior.

Authority: 43 CFR 2741.5

David Kampwerth,  
Field Manager, Humboldt River Field Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service (NPS) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Fisheries