

**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND
URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-4644-N-27]

**Federal Property Suitable as Facilities
To Assist the Homeless**

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This Notice identifies unutilized, underutilized, excess, and surplus Federal property reviewed by HUD for suitability for possible use to assist the homeless.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 6, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Clifford Taffet, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 7262, 451 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20410; telephone (202) 708-1234; TTY number for the hearing- and speech-impaired (202) 708-2565, (these telephone numbers are not toll-free), or call the toll-free Title V information line at 1-800-927-7588.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the December 12, 1988 court order in *National Coalition for the Homeless v. Veterans Administration*, No. 88-2503-OG (D.D.C.), HUD publishes a Notice, on a weekly basis, identifying unutilized, underutilized, excess and surplus Federal buildings and real property that HUD has reviewed for suitability for use to assist the homeless.

Today's Notice is for the purpose of announcing that no additional properties have been determined suitable or unsuitable this week.

Dated: June 28, 2001.

John D. Garrity,

Director, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Fish and Wildlife Service
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Forest Service
**Availability of a Draft Environmental
Impact Statement Evaluating the
Environmental Effects of Providing
Fish Passage Through the
Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery
and Providing Riverine Habitat Within
the Hatchery Grounds**

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior (Lead Agency); Forest Service, Agriculture (Cooperating Agency).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: When the Bureau of Reclamation (Interior) built the Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery along the west bank of the Icicle Creek, a tributary to the Wenatchee and Columbia Rivers, in 1939, it modified the original Icicle Creek channel into a series of adult salmon and steelhead holding and juvenile rearing ponds. The main flow of Icicle Creek was diverted into a dammed manmade canal. Fish passage to creek areas above the hatchery was deliberately blocked. Holding and rearing fish in the modified channel worked poorly and was abandoned in 1979 when the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) built a conventional fish ladder and two holding ponds immediately downstream of the dam at the tail end of the manmade canal. Use of the ponds in the original creek bed was abandoned.

The Service, in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service, has completed the preparation of a draft Environmental Impact Statement addressing the potential effects on the human environment that may result from removing the obstacles in Icicle Creek to provide fish passage to areas above the hatchery and to provide riverine habitat within the hatchery grounds.

The draft Environmental Impact Statement is available for public review and comment. All comments received, including names and addresses, will become part of the administrative record and may be made available to the public.

DATES: The comment period will end on August 20, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Ms. Corky Broadus, Supervisory Information and Education Specialist, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery Complex, 12790 Hatchery Road, Leavenworth, Washington 98826.

Written comments may also be sent via facsimile to (509) 548-6263.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Greg Pratschner, Project Leader, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery Complex, Leavenworth, Washington 98826, at (509)548-7641.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Document Availability

Copies of the draft Environmental Impact Statement are available for review at the following government offices and libraries:

Government Offices: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery, 12790 Hatchery Road, Leavenworth, Washington 98826, (509) 548-7641; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Mid-Columbia River Fisheries Resource Office, 12790 Hatchery Road, Leavenworth, Washington 98826, (509) 548-7573; U.S. Forest Service, Leavenworth Ranger District, 600 Sherbourne, Leavenworth, Washington 98826, (509) 548-6977; U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Supervisor's Office, 215 Melody Lane, Wenatchee, Washington 98801, (509) 662-4335.

Libraries: Leavenworth Public Library, 700 Highway 2, Leavenworth, Washington 98826, (509) 548-7923; Wenatchee Public Library, 310 Douglas, Wenatchee, Washington 98801, (509) 662-5021; East Wenatchee Public Library, 271 Ninth Street Northeast, East Wenatchee, Washington 98802, (509) 886-7404; Cashmere Public Library, 101 Woodring, Cashmere, Washington 98815, (509) 782-3314.

Background

Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act, the Service prepared a draft Environmental Impact Statement evaluating the consequences of a proposed action to remove instream structures in Icicle Creek, a tributary of the Wenatchee River, near Leavenworth, Washington. When the Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery (Hatchery) was built in 1939, the original Icicle Creek channel was modified into a series of salmon and steelhead holding ponds with the instream placement of weirs, dams, and a headgate which controlled flow through the ponds. Fish passage to areas above the Hatchery was deliberately blocked. Flow in Icicle Creek was diverted downstream via a manmade canal bounded on the downstream end by a velocity barrier dam and spillway. The use of the instream ponds to hold returning salmon and steelhead was abandoned in 1979 due to recurrent water temperature

and water quality problems. Instead, the Hatchery constructed a conventional fish ladder and holding ponds adjacent to the spillway dam. The ladder and holding ponds are currently in use.

On March 10, 1999, the Service published in the **Federal Register** a Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement. The stated Purpose and Need was: to provide long term, year-round, sustainable passage of native fish to habitat above the Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery; to provide riverine fish habitat through the Hatchery grounds.

The Service invites the public to comment on the draft Environmental Impact Statement. All comments received will become part of the public record and may be released. The public will have 45 days to review and comment on the draft Environmental Impact Statement. This notice is provided pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (40 CFR 1506.6).

Date: June 27, 2001.

Rowan W. Gould,

Acting Regional Director, Region 1, Portland, Oregon.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA670-1150DK]

Closure of Lands to Vehicular Camping, Imperial County, CA

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, California Desert District, Interior.

ACTION: Temporary camping closure order for a portion of lands within and adjacent to the East Mesa area of critical environmental concern (California Desert Conservation Area ACEC #70), Imperial County, CA.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management will implement a Temporary Camping Closure in accordance with 43 CFR 8364.1. This closure to camping will include the following portion of land known as "East Mesa," west of the Old Coachella Canal: *T16S., R. 20 E., SBM Sec. 31* (portion west of canal and north of old Interstate 80). These lands are located on BLM managed lands west of the old Coachella Canal and extending north of old Highway 80 just west of the Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area. This closure will be in effect for a period of 1 year. Posting of closure boundaries and approved routes of travel will be accomplished in this area. Vehicular

traffic in this area is restricted to approved routes of travel.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this closure is to implement the conference opinion (U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service #1-6-97-F-8), for the use of Herman Schneider Memorial Bridge, also known as Gray's Well Bridge, located on the All American Canal just west of the Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area.

The purpose for constructing Herman Schneider Memorial Bridge was to connect the Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area south of Interstate 8 to the Recreation Area north of Interstate 8. In consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, BLM is implementing reasonable and prudent measure number 2, which requires this area be identified as closed to vehicular camping.

Since 1989, the area north of Interstate 8 and west of the old Coachella Canal has sustained an increase in vehicular camping due to overflow from the Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area. Closure of the lands to camping will eliminate intensive riding activities normally found in and around campsites, which adversely impacts Flat Tailed Horned Lizard habitat. Flat Tailed Horned Lizard habitat which is closed to camping is expected to recover from impacts resulting from intensive use.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This closure will be effective on April 06, 2001 and will remain in effect for a period of one year.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roxie C. Trost, BLM Resources Branch Chief, Bureau of Land Management, El Centro Resource Area, 1661 4th St, El Centro California 92243, (760) 337-4420.

Dated: March 30, 2001.

Roxie C. Trost,

Acting Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ID-074-1220-PA-241A]

Final Notice of Closure of Certain Lands

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Final notice of closure of certain lands to off-highway vehicle use to implement the Medicine Lodge Resource Management Plan, and Big

Desert Management Framework Plan, Upper Snake River District, Idaho.

SUMMARY: With the publication of this Notice, the Bureau of Land Management announces the closure of seasonal restriction of certain BLM-administered lands within the Idaho Falls Field Office. A complete description of these lands and the off-highway vehicle restrictions was previously published in the **Federal Register** [66 FR 6653-6655].

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: No public comments were received within the 30 day deadline following publication, which ended February 21, 2001. The closures include small parcels of land in the following areas: Tex Creek/Willow Creek, Stinking Springs, Big Bend Ridge, and lands adjacent to the South Fork of the Snake and Main Snake Rivers. More information on these closures is available in the **Federal Register** Notice cited above, or at the BLM office listed below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Gardetto, Wildlife Management Biologist, BLM Idaho Falls Field Office, 1405 Hollipark Dr., Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401. Telephone (208) 524-7500.

Dated: April 6, 2001.

Joe Kraayenbrink,

Idaho Falls Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NM-090-01-9922-EK]

Proposal of a Supplemental Rule Restricting Recreational and Sport Shooting To Protect Human Health and Safety in the Vicinity of the BLM Lands in Potter County, Texas

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, Amarillo Field Office, Amarillo, Texas.

ACTION: This notice proposes that on those public lands administered by the BLM in Potter County, Texas, (Sections 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 45, and 48 in Block 5 of G.M. Survey; Sections 1, 3 and 4 in Block 4 of G.M. Survey; Sections 19, 21, 27, 29 and 35 of Block 21-W of G.C.&S.F.R.R. Survey) firing any handgun, shotgun or rifle is prohibited. Archery hunting with bow and arrow would be allowed pursuant to State of Texas, Parks and Wildlife regulations.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations § 8365.1-6, the State Director may establish