

Land Management (BLM) and the U.S. Forest Service (USFS). The Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Act of 2000 affects only Federal lands and Federal interests located within the established boundaries. The BLM and the Forest Service will jointly manage Federal lands in the National Monument in coordination with the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, other Federal agencies, State agencies, and local governments.

Copies of the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Management Plan/FEIS have been sent to affected Federal, State, and Local Government agencies, interested parties and those who requested a copy of the Draft Management Plan/Draft EIS. Copies of the proposed Plan/Final EIS are available for public inspection at the BLM Palm Springs-South Coast Field Office, P.O. Box 581260, 690 W. Garnet Avenue, North Palm Springs, CA 92258. Interested persons may also review the Proposed Management Plan/FEIS on the Internet at <http://www.ca.blm.gov/palmsprings>. Electronic (on CD-ROM) and paper copies may also be obtained by contacting Greg Hill at the aforementioned addresses and phone number.

Comments on the Draft Management Plan/EIS received from the public and internal BLM and Forest Service review comments were incorporated into the proposed plan. Public comments resulted in the addition of clarifying text, but did not significantly change proposed land use decisions. The range of alternatives in this plan does not reevaluate planning decisions included in the BLM California Desert Conservation Area Plan (1980 as amended) or included in the Forest Service San Bernardino National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (1989 as amended). Records of Decision will be prepared by the BLM and FS for the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Management Plan in accordance with planning regulations at Title 43 CFR 1610 and NEPA. No decisions in the National Monument Management Plan are proposed amendments to the San Bernardino National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (1989). Those decisions within the National Monument Management Plan that are proposed amendments to the California Desert Conservation Area Plan are subject to protest according to BLM regulations.

Instructions for filing a protest with the Director of the BLM regarding the Proposed Plan/Final EIS may be found at 43 CFR 1610.5. A protest may only

raise those issues which were submitted for the record during the planning process. New issues raised in the protest period should be directed to Greg Hill, Palm Springs-South Coast Field Office, (address provided previously in this notice) for consideration in plan implementation, as potential plan amendments, or as otherwise appropriate. Protests must be in writing, and to be considered "timely," the protest must be postmarked no later than the last day of the 30-day protest period. Also, although not a requirement, it is recommended that the protest be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested. E-mail and faxed protests will not be accepted as valid protests unless the protesting party also provides the original letter by either regular or overnight mail postmarked by the close of the protest period. Under these conditions, BLM will consider the e-mail or faxed protest as an advance copy and it will receive full consideration. If you wish to provide BLM with such advance notification, please direct faxed protests to the attention of the BLM protest coordinator at 202-452-5112, and e-mails to Brenda.Hudgens.Williams@blm.gov. Please direct the follow-up letter to the appropriate address provided below.

The protest must contain:

- a. The name, mailing address, telephone number, and interest of the person filing the protest.
- b. A statement of the part or parts of the management plan and the issue or issues being protested. To the extent possible, this should be done by reference to specific pages, paragraphs, sections, tables, maps, etc., included in the proposed management plan;
- c. A copy of all documents addressing the issue(s) that the protesting party submitted during the planning process or a statement of the date they were discussed for the record.
- d. A concise statement explaining why the protestor believes the State Director's decision is wrong. This is a critical part of the protest. Take care to document all relevant facts. As much as possible, reference or cite the planning documents, environmental analysis documents, and/or available planning records (*i.e.*, meeting minutes or summaries, correspondence, etc.).

A protest which merely expresses disagreement with proposed decision without supporting data will not provide additional basis for the Director's review of the decision. Please note that comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, are available for public review and/or release under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Individual

respondents may request confidentiality. Respondents who wish to withhold name and/or street address from public review or from disclosure under FOIA, must state this prominently at the beginning of the written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials or organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

All protests must be in writing and mailed to the following address:

Regular Mail: Director (210), Attention: Brenda Williams, P.O. Box 66538, Washington, DC 20035.

Overnight Mail: Director (210), Attention: Brenda Williams, 1620 L Street, NW., Suite 1075, Washington, DC 20036.

The BLM Director will promptly render a decision on the protest. The decision will be in writing and will be sent to the protesting party by certified mail, return receipt requested. The decision of the BLM Director shall be the final decision of the Department of the Interior.

Dated: August 22, 2003.

Tracy Liegler,

Acting Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains, National Monument Manager.

Dated: August 20, 2003.

Laurie Rosenthal,

District Ranger, San Jacinto Ranger District, San Bernardino National Forest.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

[DES 03-56]

Lake Berryessa Visitor Services Plan, Napa County, CA

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability (NOA) of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) and notice of public hearings.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the Bureau of Reclamation has made available for public review and comment the DEIS for the Lake Berryessa Visitor Services Plan (VSP). The DEIS outlines the proposed project alternatives that seek to address issues related to the VSP, including the type