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TOOELE COUNTY CORPORATON
CONTRACT # 20-11-25

Tooele County Commisison
47 Main Street
Tooele, UT 84074

Dear Commissioners:

This letter is to inform you that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has reached a decision to complete a land exchange with the State of Utah, School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (State). The exchange is being completed pursuant to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017, Public Law 114-328, and involves 89,627 acres of Federal land and 83,609 acres of State land located throughout Millard, Juab, Tooele, Box Elder, Beaver and Washington Counties. Notice of this exchange was provided to your office in May of 2019.

The enclosed Notice of Decision (NOD) to complete the land exchange provides further information on the exchange, including a description of the Federal and State lands and interest in lands that are to be exchanged, and how to obtain additional information should you need it. Additional information regarding the exchange, including Public Law 114-328 and maps showing the location of the exchange parcels, has been posted to the Utah BLM website at <https://www.blm.gov/programs/lands-realty-and-cadastral-survey/state-lands-and-realty>.

The NOD is being provided to you in accordance with Section 210 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and 43 CFR 2201.0-6(m), which require an advance 60 day-notice to the Governor and political subdivisions of the State having zoning or other land use regulatory jurisdiction over the area where the federal lands to be conveyed are located. The 60-day notice coincides with a 45-day public protest period for the BLM's decision to complete the exchange. The BLM and the State desire to complete the exchange immediately following the 45-day protest period if possible, provided no protests are filed. If you do not intend to file a protest in connection with the BLM's decision to complete the exchange, we request that you waive the 60-day advance notification period either by signing and returning the attached statement to the attention of Russell Webb or by contacting him directly at 801-539-4114 or rwebb@blm.gov.

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Should you wish to file a protest in response to the BLM's decision to complete the exchange, your protest must be filed within 60 days from receipt of this notice, consistent with the instructions outlined in the NOD.

Sincerely,



Kent Hoffman
Deputy State Director,
Division of Lands and Minerals

Enclosure:
Notice of Decision

Utah Test and Training Range/West Desert Land Exchange

The Tooele County Commission has received notice of the Bureau of Land Management's decision to complete a land exchange with the State of Utah, School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration pursuant to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017. The Tooele County Commission waives the 60-day notice and consents to the BLM and the State completing the exchange upon the conclusion of the 45-day protest period.

Signature

Title

Date

Return signed form by:

Mail: Russell Webb
BLM Utah State Office
440 West 200 South, Suite 500
Salt Lake City, UT 84101-1345

Fax: 801-539-4120, Attn: Russell Webb

Email: rwebb@blm.gov

**NOTICE OF DECISION FOR THE UTAH TEST AND TRAINING RANGE/WEST DESERT
LAND EXCHANGE IN BOX ELDER, TOOELE, JUAB, MILLARD, BEAVER AND
WASHINGTON COUNTIES, UTAH**

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Land Management (BLM),
Utah State Office, 440 West 200 South, Suite 500, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101-1345.

Notice is hereby given that on November 23, 2020, Gregory Sheehan, BLM Utah State Director, issued a decision to approve a legislatively directed land exchange between the United States through the BLM and the Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (SITLA), pursuant to the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 2017, Public Law 114-328, Sections 3011-3014.

Under the exchange, the United States would convey to the SITLA approximately 89,627 acres of Federal lands or interests in land, including about 88,596 acres of surface and mineral estate, about 960 acres of surface only estate, about 71 acres of mineral only estate, and 21 water rights. The Federal lands and interests to be exchanged are described as follows:

Salt Lake Meridian, Utah

Box Elder County

- T. 7 N., R. 10 W.,
secs. 5 thru 8, 17, and 18.
- T. 8 N., R. 10 W.,
sec. 29, lots 2 and 3;
sec. 30;
sec. 31, lots 3 thru 6, and E1/2.
- T. 6 N., R. 11 W.,
secs. 10, 11, 14, 23, 26, and 35.
- T. 7 N., R. 11 W.,
sec. 1, lots 1 and 2, lots 5 thru 9, and NW1/4SW1/4;
sec. 10;
sec. 11, lots 1 thru 4, W1/2NE1/4, and SW1/4;
secs. 12, 14, 15, 21, 22, 27, 28, and 34.
- T. 9 N., R. 11 W.,
sec. 22.
- T. 10 N., R. 12 W.,
secs. 22 and 24.

Tooele County

- T. 1 N., R. 8 W.,
secs. 21, 33, and 34.
- T. 1 N., R. 9 W.,
secs. 3 and 4;
sec. 8, lots 1, 4, 5, 6, and 10, E1/2NE1/4, SE1/4SW1/4, and SE1/4;
secs. 9, 10, and 15;
sec. 17, lots 1, 2, 7, 8, and 11, N1/2NE1/4, and SE1/4NE1/4;
sec. 18, lot 5;
sec. 21, lots 1, 4, and 9, and NE1/4NE1/4;

- sec. 22, lots 1, 3, 4, and 10, NE1/4, N1/2NW1/4, SE1/4NW1/4, N1/2SE1/4, and SE1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 23, SW1/4;
- secs. 24 and 25;
- sec. 26, lots 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, and 15, NE1/4, and NE1/4NW1/4;
- sec. 27, lot 1.
- T. 2 N., R. 9 W.,
 - secs. 33 and 34.
- T. 3 S., R. 4 W.,
 - sec. 11, lots 1 thru 7, and N1/2NE1/4.
- T. 4 S., R. 4 W.,
 - sec. 26, SW1/4;
 - sec. 27, lots 1 and 2, N1/2SW1/4, and SE1/4;
 - sec. 28, lot 5, N1/2SW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4, and SE1/4;
 - sec. 29, lots 7 and 8, SE1/4, and E1/2SW1/4;
 - sec. 34, lots 1 and 2, and NE1/4;
 - sec. 35, N1/2.
- T. 5 S., R. 4 W.,
 - sec. 5;
 - sec. 11, lots 5 thru 11, and E1/2SE1/4;
 - sec. 13, lots 1 thru 4, and NW1/4NE1/4;
 - sec. 13, lot 5 and NE1/4NE1/4; (Minerals Only)
 - sec. 14, lots 1 and 2.
- T. 4 S., R. 5 W.,
 - sec. 35, E1/2 and SE1/4SW1/4.
- T. 3 S., R. 6 W.,
 - sec. 10, E1/2NE1/4, E1/2SW1/4, and NW1/4SE1/4;
 - sec. 11, SE1/4;
 - sec. 14, NE1/4, N1/2NW1/4, SE1/4NW1/4, and S1/2;
 - sec. 15, N1/2NE1/4 and N1/2NW1/4;
 - sec. 21, S1/2SW1/4 and S1/2SE1/4;
 - sec. 23, N1/2NE1/4, SW1/4NE1/4, E1/2NW1/4, and E1/2SW1/4;
 - sec. 28.
- T. 1 S., R. 8 W.,
 - sec. 3, lots 1 thru 5, lots 8, 9, and 12, S1/2NE1/4, S1/2NW1/4, N1/2SW1/4, and N1/2SE1/4;
 - sec. 4, lots 1 thru 6, lots 10 and 11, S1/2NE1/4, S1/2NW1/4, and N1/2SE1/4.
- T. 1 S., R. 10 W.,
 - sec. 4, W1/2NE1/4SW1/4, W1/2SW1/4, W1/2NW1/4SE1/4SW1/4, and W1/2SW1/4SE1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 5, lots 3 and 4, S1/2NW1/4, and S1/2;
 - sec. 8, N1/2;
 - sec. 9, NW1/4NW1/4, W1/2NE1/4SW1/4NW1/4, W1/2SE1/4SW1/4NW1/4, and W1/2SW1/4NW1/4.
- T. 2 S., R. 11 W.,
 - sec. 2; (Surface Only)
 - sec. 3;
 - sec. 4, lots 1, 2, 3, and 5, S1/2NE1/4, S1/2NW1/4, and S1/2;
 - sec. 5, S1/2;

- secs. 10 and 11.
T. 8 S., R. 17 W.,
sec. 33, lots 1 thru 10, NE1/4, NE1/4NW1/4, and N1/2SE1/4;
sec. 34.
T. 9 S., R. 17 W.,
sec. 3.

Juab County

- T. 13 S., R. 4 W.,
sec. 24, SE1/4.
T. 13 S., R. 10 W.,
sec. 33;
sec. 34, W1/2.
T. 14 S., R. 10 W.,
sec. 3, lots 3 and 4, S1/2NW1/4, and S1/2;
sec. 4;
sec. 5, lots 1 and 2, S1/2NE1/4, and SE1/4;
sec. 8, E1/2;
secs. 9, 10, and 15;
sec. 17, E1/2;
secs. 19 thru 22, 30, and 31.
T. 14 S., R. 11 W.,
sec. 25, lots 1 and 2, NE1/4, N1/2NW1/4, N1/2SE1/4, and SE1/4SE1/4;
sec. 26, lots 1 thru 8, N1/2NE1/4, SE1/4NE1/4, N1/2NW1/4, SW1/4NW1/4, and
W1/2SW1/4;
sec. 27;
sec. 34, lot 1, N1/2, SW1/4, N1/2SE1/4, and SW1/4SE1/4;
sec. 35, lots 1 thru 14, NW1/4NW1/4, and SE1/4SE1/4.

Millard County

- T. 15 S., R. 6 W.,
secs. 6, 7, and 17;
sec. 18, E1/2, N1/2NW1/4, and SE1/4NW1/4.
T. 16 S., R. 6 W.,
sec. 6, lots 1 and 2, S1/2NE1/4, and SE1/4;
sec. 7, E1/2 and SE1/4SW1/4.
T. 15 S., R. 7 W.,
secs. 1, 3, and 4;
sec. 8, NE1/4NE1/4 and S1/2NE1/4;
sec. 9;
sec. 12, N1/2, N1/2SW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4, and SE1/4;
sec. 13, NE1/4NE1/4.
T. 21 S., R. 9 W.,
sec. 25, lots 2 and 3, N1/2, SW1/4, and W1/2SE1/4;
secs. 26 and 27;
sec. 28, S1/2SW1/4 and SE1/4;
sec. 29, S1/2SW1/4 and S1/2SE1/4;
sec. 31, lots 1 thru 4, E1/2NE1/4NE1/4, SE1/4NE1/4, E1/2SW1/4, and SE1/4;

- secs. 33 and 34;
- sec. 35, N1/2, SW1/4, N1/2NE1/4SE1/4, SW1/4NE1/4SE1/4, and W1/2SE1/4.
- T. 22 S., R. 9 W.,
 - sec. 1, lots 5, 8, and 9, S1/2NW1/4, and SW1/4;
 - sec. 3, lots 1 thru 4, S1/2NE1/4, and S1/2NW1/4;
 - sec. 4, lots 1 thru 4, S1/2NE1/4, and S1/2NW1/4;
 - sec. 5, lots 1 thru 4, S1/2NE1/4, S1/2NW1/4, and SW1/4;
 - secs. 6 and 7;
 - sec. 8, W1/2;
 - secs. 17 and 18;
 - sec. 20, N1/2;
 - sec. 21;
 - sec. 22, N1/2 and SW1/4;
 - sec. 23, lots 2, and 3, and NW1/4;
 - sec. 27, NW1/4 and N1/2SW1/4;
 - sec. 28, N1/2, NE1/4SW1/4, and N1/2SE1/4.
- T. 15 S., R. 10 W.,
 - sec. 6, lots 1 thru 7, S1/2NE1/4, SE1/4NW1/4, W1/2SW1/4, and SE1/4;
 - sec. 7, lots 1 and 2, NE1/4, and E1/2NW1/4.
- T. 21 S., R. 10 W.,
 - sec. 23, lot 1 and NE1/4SE1/4.
- T. 22 S., R. 10 W.,
 - sec. 1;
 - sec. 3, lots 1 thru 4, S1/2NE1/4, S1/2NW1/4, N1/2SW1/4, and SW1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 4, S1/2NE1/4, S1/2NW1/4, and S1/2;
 - sec. 8, SE1/4NE1/4 and E1/2SE1/4;
 - sec. 9;
 - sec. 11, E1/2NE1/4, E1/2NW1/4NE1/4, E1/2SW1/4NE1/4, S1/2SW1/4, and SE1/4;
 - secs. 12 thru 15;
 - sec. 17, E1/2NE1/4 and E1/2SE1/4;
 - sec. 20, E1/2NE1/4 and E1/2SE1/4;
 - sec. 21, N1/2NE1/4, SW1/4NE1/4, and W1/2;
 - sec. 22, NW1/4NW1/4;
 - sec. 28, W1/2NW1/4 and W1/2SW1/4;
 - sec. 29, E1/2;
 - sec. 33, lots 1 thru 4.
- T. 23 S., R. 10 W.,
 - sec. 4, lot 4, SW1/4NW1/4, and W1/2SW1/4;
 - secs. 5 and 8;
 - sec. 9, W1/2NW1/4 and W1/2SW1/4;
 - secs. 17 and 20;
 - sec. 21, W1/2NW1/4 and W1/2SW1/4;
 - sec. 28, W1/2NW1/4 and W1/2SW1/4;
 - sec. 29;
 - sec. 33, W1/2NW1/4 and W1/2SW1/4.
- T. 24 S., R. 10 W.,
 - secs. 3 and 4;

sec. 5, lots 1, 2, and 5;
sec. 9, E1/2 and NE1/4NW1/4;
sec. 10.

T. 15 S., R. 11 W.,

sec. 1, lots 1 thru 14, and SE1/4SE1/4;
sec. 3, lots 1 thru 4, S1/2NE1/4, S1/2NW1/4, and SE1/4;
sec. 4, lots 1 and 2, and S1/2NE1/4;
sec. 11, lot 1, NW1/4NE1/4, S1/2NE1/4, W1/2, and SE1/4;
sec. 12, lot 1, NE1/4, NE1/4NW1/4, S1/2NW1/4, and S1/2;
sec. 13;
sec. 14, E1/2.

T. 19 S., R. 19 W.,

sec. 26, NE1/4NE1/4;
sec. 35, NE1/4NE1/4.

Beaver County

T. 30 S., R. 12 W.,

sec. 17, S1/2; (Surface Only)
sec. 20, lots 3 and 4, SW1/4, and W1/2SE1/4;
sec. 27;
sec. 28, N1/2SW1/4 and N1/2SE1/4;
sec. 29, N1/2, NE1/4SW1/4, and SE1/4;
sec. 30, SE1/4NE1/4, E1/2SW1/4, and S1/2SE1/4.

T. 27 S., R. 14 W.,

sec. 4, lot 2;
secs. 9, 21, 28, and 33.

T. 28 S., R. 14 W.,

secs. 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, and 15.

In exchange for the above Federal lands or interests in lands, the SITLA would convey to the United States up to approximately 83,609 acres of non-federal lands or interests therein, including about 70,109 acres of surface and mineral estate, about 13,500 acres of mineral only estate, and 4 water rights. Additionally, approximately 349 acres of surface and mineral estate in Washington County are included in the exchange for value equalization purposes. The non-federal lands or interests to be exchanged are described as follows:

Salt Lake Meridian, Utah

Box Elder County

T. 3 N., R. 10 W.,

sec. 2.

T. 3 N., R. 11 W.,

sec. 2, 16, and 32.

T. 4 N., R. 13 W.,

sec. 32.

T. 5 N., R. 13 W.,

sec. 2, lots 3 thru 6, S1/2NW1/4, and SW1/4;
secs. 16 and 32.

T. 4 N., R. 14 W.,

- secs. 32 and 36.
- T. 5 N., R. 14 W.,
 - sec. 2;
 - secs. 16 and 32; (Minerals Only)
 - sec. 36.
- T. 4 N., R. 14.5 W.,
 - sec. 36.
- T. 4 N., R. 15 W.,
 - secs. 16, 32, and 36.
- T. 5 N., R. 15 W.,
 - secs. 32 and 36.

Tooele County

- T. 1 N., R. 9 W.,
 - sec. 32; (Minerals Only).
- T. 1 N., R. 10 W.,
 - sec. 36; (Minerals Only).
- T. 1 N., R. 12 W.,
 - secs. 2, 32, and 36.
- T. 1 N., R. 13 W.,
 - secs. 2, 16, 32, and 36.
- T. 1 N., R. 14 W.,
 - secs. 2, 16, 32, and 36.
- T. 1 N., R. 14.5 W.,
 - sec. 36.
- T. 1 N., R. 15 W.,
 - sec. 16, S1/2NE1/4, NW1/4, and S1/2;
 - sec. 32, S1/2;
 - sec. 36.
- T. 7 S., R. 8 W.,
 - sec. 16. (Minerals Only)
- T. 1 S., R. 9 W.,
 - sec. 16; (Minerals Only)
 - sec. 32, W1/2. (Minerals Only)
- T. 2 S., R. 9 W.,
 - sec. 16, W1/2. (Minerals Only)
- T. 3 S., R. 9 W.,
 - sec. 32, W1/2. (Minerals Only)
- T. 9 S., R. 9 W.,
 - sec. 32. (Minerals Only)
- T. 1 S., R. 10 W.,
 - sec. 2, lots 1 and 2, S1/2NE1/4, and SE1/4.
- T. 4 S., R. 10 W.,
 - sec. 31, SE1/4NW1/4; (Minerals Only)
 - sec. 32. (Minerals Only)
- T. 5 S., R. 10 W.,
 - secs. 16 and 36.
- T. 6 S., R. 10 W.,

sec. 2.
T. 9 S., R. 10 W.,
sec. 32;
sec. 36. (Minerals Only)
T. 10 S., R. 10 W.,
sec. 2; (Minerals Only)
sec. 16.
T. 3 S., R. 11 W.,
secs. 2, 16, 32, and 36.
T. 4 S., R. 11 W.,
secs. 2, 16, and 32.
sec. 36, N1/2, N1/2SW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4, and SE1/4.
T. 9 S., R. 11 W.,
secs. 32 and 36.
T. 10 S., R. 11 W.,
sec. 2.
T. 1 S., R. 12 W.,
sec. 2;
sec. 16, reserving the surface estate within the right-of-way of Interstate 80;
sec. 32.
T. 2 S., R. 12 W.,
secs. 2 and 16.
T. 7 S., R. 12 W.,
secs. 16, 32, and 36. (Minerals Only)
T. 8 S., R. 12 W.,
secs. 16 and 32. (Minerals Only)
T. 1 S., R. 13 W.,
sec. 2;
sec. 16, reserving the surface estate within the right-of-way of Interstate 80;
secs. 32 and 36.
T. 2 S., R. 13 W.,
secs. 2 and 16.
T. 7 S., R. 13 W.,
secs. 2, 16, 32, and 36. (Minerals Only)
T. 1 S., R. 14 W.,
sec. 2;
sec. 16, reserving the surface estate within the right-of-way of Interstate 80;
secs. 32 and 36.
T. 2 S., R. 14 W.,
secs. 2 and 16.
T. 1 S., R. 15 W.,
sec. 2;
sec. 16, reserving the surface estate within SE1/4SW1/4;
secs. 32 and 36.
T. 1.5 S., R. 15 W.,
secs. 32 and 36.
T. 2 S., R. 15 W.,

sec. 2, lots 1 and 2, S1/2NE1/4, and SE1/4;
sec. 16, E1/2.
T. 6 S., R. 17 W.,
secs. 2, 16, 32, and 36.
T. 7 S., R. 17 W.,
secs. 2, 16, and 36.
T. 8 S., R. 17 W.,
secs. 2 and 36.
T. 9 S., R. 17 W.,
sec. 2.
T. 5 S., R. 18 W.,
secs. 2, 16, 32, and 36.
T. 6 S., R. 18 W.,
secs. 2 and 36.
T. 5 S., R. 19 W.,
sec. 2.

Juab County

T. 11 S., R. 15 W.,
secs. 2, 16, 32, and 36.
T. 12 S., R. 15 W.,
secs. 2, 16, and 32.
T. 13 S., R. 15 W.,
secs. 16, 32, and 36.
T. 11 S., R. 16 W.,
secs. 2, 16, 32, and 36.
T. 12 S., R. 16 W.,
secs. 2, 16, 32, and 36.
T. 13 S., R. 16 W.,
secs. 2, 16, 32, and 36.

Additional non-federal lands or portions thereof that are included in the exchange to equalize values are as follows:

Salt Lake Meridian, Utah

Washington County

T. 43 S., R. 16 W., [EQUALIZATION PARCEL 1]

BEGINNING at a point S. 01°12'50" W., 1658.88 feet from the northwest corner of section 26, Township 43 South, Range 16 West, Salt Lake Base and Meridian and running

THENCE, S. 49°22'10" E., 645.04 feet;

THENCE, N. 76°47'00" E., 526.38 feet;

THENCE, East, 1986.92 feet to a point on the westerly line of Interstate 15;

THENCE, along the westerly line of Interstate 15 for the following 20 courses

1. S. 28°31'48" W., 401.38 feet;
2. S. 47°04'14" W., 316.37 feet;
3. S. 75°44'37" W., 147.17 feet;
4. S. 63°04'31" W., 242.66 feet;
5. S. 36°42'56" W., 707.19 feet;
6. S. 59°30'54" W., 233.14 feet;
7. S. 34°17'32" W., 603.03 feet;
8. S. 13°26'13" E., 269.08 feet;
9. S. 01°40'22" E., 694.61 feet;
10. S. 21°15'51" W., 526.36 feet;
11. S. 21°15'51" W., 229.73 feet;
12. S. 32°58'09" W., 543.05 feet;
13. S. 33°08'10" W., 49.38 feet;
14. S. 35°29'44" W., 240.50 feet;
15. S. 35°53'36" W., 48.88 feet;
16. S. 29°14'36" W., 147.83 feet;
17. S. 18°38'44" W., 196.19 feet;
18. S. 42°57'42" W., 388.76 feet;
19. S. 44°49'40" W., 192.28 feet;
20. S. 43°55'01" W., 207.33 feet;

THENCE, leaving said westerly line of Interstate 15 and running N. 1°16'18" E., 1857.99 feet along the section line to the southwest corner of section 26, township 43 south, range 16 west, Salt Lake Base and Meridian;

THENCE, N. 01°13'27" E., 2638.91 feet along the section line to the true position of the west 1/4 corner section 26, township 43 south, range 16 west, Salt Lake Base and Meridian;

THENCE, N. 01°12'50" E., 26.40 feet along the section line to a witness corner monument (1971 BLM brass cap) as a witness for the true position of said west 1/4 section corner of section 26;

THENCE, N. 01°12'50" E., 953.39 feet to the **POINT OF BEGINNING**. Containing 7,231,864 sq. ft. or 166.02 acres.

T. 41 S., R. 15 W., [EQUALIZATION PARCEL 4A]

sec. 27, W1/2SE1/4;

sec. 34, NW1/4NE1/4, N1/2SW1/4NE1/4, N1/2SW1/4SW1/4NE1/4,
SW1/4SW1/4SW1/4NE1/4, N1/2SE1/4SW1/4NE1/4, N1/2SE1/4NE1/4,
N1/2SW1/4SE1/4NE1/4, and N1/2SE1/4SE1/4NE1/4.

The exchange would be completed on an equal value basis. Any difference in the appraised values resulted in the inclusion of some or all of the non-federal Washington County lands, the elimination of some non-federal acreage, and/or a cash equalization payment. Subject to valid existing rights, the above described Federal lands were segregated from mineral location, entry, and patent under the

mining laws effective December 23, 2016. All other Federal and non-federal lands initially considered for exchange and identified in the NOEP, published on May 7, 2019, have been deleted from the proposal and will not be conveyed in this exchange.

The NDAA directs that:

- 1) the exchange shall be subject to Section 206 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, as amended (FLPMA) and other applicable law; and
- 2) the BLM shall not be required to undertake additional land use planning under Section 202 of the FLPMA.

The FLPMA Section 206 provides for the exchange of land where the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) determines that the public interest would be well served by the exchange. The public interest factors under Section 206 and 43 CFR 2200.0-6 do not include consistency with land use plan decisions.

The Notice of Exchange Proposal (NOEP) (BLM 2019a) was posted on May 7, 2019, within the respective county newspapers for a four-week period per 43 CFR § 2201.2. The NOEP invited interested parties to submit comments concerning the exchange, including notification of any liens, encumbrances, or other claims relating to the lands. The public comment period for the NOEP formally closed on June 22, 2019; however, the BLM did consider a letter received on June 24, 2019 during the development of the Environmental Assessment (EA). The BLM received two letters specifically related to the NOEP. The information provided by both entities (Environmental Protection Agency and Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance et. al) were considered during the development of the EA. The NOEP can be found online and in the project record (BLM 2019a).

Identification of issues requiring analysis was accomplished through internal review/discussion, coordination with cooperating agencies, and through the posting of the NOEP (BLM 2019a). Notification letters were mailed on May 7, 2019, to potentially affiliated Tribes regarding the Utah Test and Training Range (UTTR) Land Exchange and information on P.L. 114-328 and inviting the Tribes to comment and/or consult on the project. Only the Hopi Tribe responded with a request for additional information.

Notification letters were also mailed on May 7, 2019, to affected grazing permit holders, mining claim and mineral materials lease holders, and right-of-way (ROW) holders regarding information on P.L. 114-328 and the affected permits, claims, or leases. The notifications also provided information, and if applicable, options for renewal or continuation of the permits or leases. The letters also provided information on how to comment on the UTTR Land Exchange. The BLM reviewed the three responses received from the notification letters to ensure that any information that would be pertinent to the analysis of environmental impacts was properly considered in the context of National Environmental Policy Act documentation.

Additional public participation with a 30-day public comment period was planned in coordination of the release of the EA for this land exchange. The EA was posted on the BLM ePlanning website on August 6, 2019, offering a 30-day comment period ending on September 6, 2019. No comments were received during this comment period, although there were two substantive comments received pertaining specifically to the NOEP after the formal comment period, as stated above.

The Federal and non-federal lands and interests would be conveyed subject to valid and existing rights and encumbrances of record. Subject to limitations prescribed by law and regulation, a holder of any ROW on the Federal lands may be given the opportunity to amend the ROW for conversion to a new term, including perpetuity, if applicable, or to an easement prior to the issuance of a Federal patent.

In accordance with Section 2(a)(2)(ii) of Executive Order 11988, notice is hereby given that portions of the Federal lands may be located within floodplains or to contain wetlands. The effects of conveyance of these parcels, including the potential need for restrictions of future uses under Federal, State, or local regulations, was evaluated in the EA for the exchange.

The exchange parcels are depicted on the map titled "Utah Test and Training Range Enhancement/West Desert Land Exchange," dated July 21, 2016. This map and additional information concerning the exchange are available on the Utah BLM website (<https://www.blm.gov/utah>) or may be obtained by contacting the following BLM Offices:

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For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this Notice, interested parties may submit written protests to the State Director at the above address. Protests may be mailed, or hand delivered to the above address, or faxed to 801-539-4237. The BLM will not accept telephone calls or electronic mail. Protests via facsimile will only be considered if the full name and mailing address of the protester are included. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your protest, you should be aware that your entire protest – including your personal identifying information – may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask the BLM in your protest to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, the BLM cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. Please include in your protest the following: (1) Contact information of the person filing the protest; (2) A statement of the issue or issues being protested; (3) A statement of the part or parts of the decision being protested; (4) All relevant facts supporting your protest and reference to or citing the associated documents; and (5) A concise statement explaining why you believe the authorized officer's decision is wrong.

If the BLM receives any protests during the 45-day protest period, the authorized officer will consider and make appropriate decisions on such protests. In accordance with 43 CFR §2201.7-1(c), a right of appeal from a protest decision of the authorized officer may be pursued in accordance with the applicable appeal procedures of 43 CFR 4.



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