

have developed a Plan, which Reclamation has evaluated and preliminarily determined to meet the requirements of these Criteria. Reclamation is publishing this notice in order to allow the public to review the plans and comment on the preliminary determinations. Public comment on Reclamation's preliminary (*i.e.*, draft) determination is invited at this time.

**DATES:** All public comments must be received by August 2, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Please mail comments to Ms. Laurie Sharp, Bureau of Reclamation, 2800 Cottage Way, MP-410, Sacramento, California 95825, or contact at 916-978-5232 (TDD 978-5608), or e-mail at [Lsharp@usbr.gov](mailto:Lsharp@usbr.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To be placed on a mailing list for any subsequent information, please contact Ms. Laurie Sharp at the e-mail address or telephone number above.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** We are inviting the public to comment on our preliminary (*i.e.*, draft) determination of Plan adequacy. Section 3405(e) of the CVPIA (Title 34 Pub. L. 102-575), requires the Secretary of the Interior to establish and administer an office on Central Valley Project water conservation best management practices that shall “ \* \* \* develop criteria for evaluating the adequacy of all water conservation plans developed by project contractors, including those plans required by section 210 of the Reclamation Reform Act of 1982.” Also, according to Section 3405(e)(1), these criteria must be developed “ \* \* \* with the purpose of promoting the highest level of water use efficiency reasonably achievable by project contractors using best available cost-effective technology and best management practices.” These criteria state that all parties (Contractors) that contract with Reclamation for water supplies (municipal and industrial contracts over 2,000 acre-feet and agricultural contracts over 2,000 irrigable acres) must prepare Plans that contain the following information:

1. Description of the District.
2. Inventory of Water Resources.
3. Best Management Practices (BMPs) for Agricultural Contractors.
4. BMPs for Urban Contractors.
5. Plan Implementation.
6. Exemption Process.
7. Regional Criteria.
8. Five-Year Revisions.

Reclamation will evaluate Plans based on these criteria. A copy of these Plans will be available for review at Reclamation's Mid-Pacific (MP) Regional Office located in Sacramento, California, and the local area office. Our

practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review.

#### Public Disclosure

Before including your name, 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.

If you wish to review a copy of these Plans, please contact Ms. Laurie Sharp to find the office nearest you.

Dated: June 15, 2010.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Availability of Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement Updating Cumulative Effects Analysis for the Newmont Mining Corporation Leeville Project, Nevada

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Elko District Office prepared a Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to update the cumulative effects analysis for Newmont Mining Corporation's Leeville Project gold mine in Eureka and Elko counties, Nevada, and by this notice is announcing its availability. The project was authorized in 2002.

**DATES:** The BLM will not issue a final decision on the proposal for a minimum of 30 days after the date that the Environmental Protection Agency publishes its notice in the **Federal Register**.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the Final Supplemental EIS are available for inspection at the BLM, Elko District Office, 3900 Idaho Street, Elko, Nevada 89801. Interested persons may also review the Final Supplemental EIS on the following Elko District Office Web site: [http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/elko\\_field\\_office.html](http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/elko_field_office.html).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information contact Deb McFarlane, (775) 753-0200, or e-mail: [Deb\\_McFarlane@blm.gov](mailto:Deb_McFarlane@blm.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The BLM signed a Record of Decision (ROD) for Newmont Mining Corporation's Leeville Project, an underground gold mine located on the Carlin Trend in northeastern Nevada, on September 25, 2002. Four years of legal review resulted in the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit partially reversing the ROD. The Final Supplemental EIS updates analysis of some cumulative impacts including potential impacts to air quality, minerals, Native American and cultural resources, water, vegetation, grazing, recreation, noise, visual resources, wilderness resources, threatened and endangered species, and socioeconomics.

The Leeville Project includes three main ore bodies located approximately 2,500 feet below ground's surface. Newmont Mining Corporation is authorized to construct ancillary mine facilities, including construction of five shafts to access the ore bodies, shaft hoists, a waste rock disposal facility, refractory ore stockpiles, facilities to support mine dewatering, and facilities to support backfill operations. Surface disturbance totals 486 acres.

A Notice of Intent to Prepare a Supplemental EIS Updating Cumulative Effects Analysis for the Newmont Mining Corporation Leeville Project, Nevada, was published in the **Federal Register** on March 7, 2007 [72 FR 10241]. The Notice of Availability for the Draft Supplemental EIS for the Leeville Project was published in the **Federal Register** on September 6, 2007 [72 FR 51248].

**Authority:** 40 CFR 1506.6 and 1506.10.

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