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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Public Land Order No. 7859; Withdrawal of National Forest System and Bureau of Land Management Public Lands in Southwestern Oregon; Oregon

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public Land Order.

SUMMARY: This order withdraws, subject to valid existing rights, approximately 5,216.18 acres of public domain and Revested Oregon and California Railroad lands and 95,805.53 acres of National Forest System lands from settlement, sale, location, and entry under the public land laws; location and entry under the United States mining laws; and operation of the mineral and geothermal leasing laws for a period of 20 years while Congress considers legislation to permanently withdraw those areas and to protect the Southwestern Oregon watershed from possible adverse effects of mineral development.

DATE: This Public Land Order is effective on December 30, 2016.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this order is to protect the

lands while Congress considers legislation to permanently withdraw those areas and to protect the Southwestern Oregon watershed from possible adverse effects of mineral development.

ORDER

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714, it is ordered as follows:

1. Subject to valid existing rights, the following described public domain, Revested Oregon and California Railroad lands, and National Forest System lands, are hereby withdrawn from settlement, sale, location, and entry under the public land laws, location and entry under the United States mining laws, and operation of the mineral and geothermal leasing laws while Congress considers legislation to permanently withdraw those areas and to protect the Southwestern Oregon watershed from possible adverse effects of mineral development.

Willamette Meridian

Public Lands

T. 36 S., R. 14 W.,

sec. 24, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 25, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

T. 37 S., R. 14 W.,

sec. 1, lots 1 thru 4, inclusive, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, and SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 2, lots 1 and 2, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, and E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 11, E $\frac{1}{2}$;

sec. 12, E $\frac{1}{2}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, and S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 13, N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ and SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 14, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 23, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 24, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, and S $\frac{1}{2}$.

T. 40 S., R. 8 W.,

sec. 18, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$, and W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 19, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 20, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.

T. 41 S., R. 9 W.,

sec. 3, lots 2, 3, and 4, and S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 9.

The areas described aggregate 4,235.61 acres in Josephine and Curry Counties.

Revested Oregon and California Railroad Lands

T. 39 S., R. 8 W.,

sec. 31, un-numbered lots in the W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ and W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.

T. 40 S., R. 8 W.,

sec. 7, lots 1 and 2, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 17, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$, and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

The areas described aggregate 980.57 acres in Josephine and Curry Counties.

National Forest System Lands

Siskiyou National Forest

T. 36 S., R. 13 W.,

sec. 19, lots 2 thru 6, lots 12, 13, 15, and 16;

sec. 20, SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, NW¹/₄, and SW¹/₄SE¹/₄;

sec. 21, E¹/₂ and SE¹/₄SW¹/₄;

sec. 29, NW¹/₄;

secs. 30 and 31;

Protraction Blocks 43 thru 46.

T. 37 S., R. 13 W.,

secs. 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, 20, 21, 28, and 29;

Protraction Blocks 39 thru 51.

T. 38 S., R. 13 W.,

sec. 5, SW¹/₄;

sec. 6, lots 1 thru 7, S¹/₂NE¹/₄, SE¹/₄NW¹/₄, E¹/₂SW¹/₄, and SE¹/₄;

sec. 7, lots 1, 2, 3, and 5, NE¹/₄, E¹/₂NW¹/₄, NE¹/₄SW¹/₄, NE¹/₄SW¹/₄SW¹/₄,
NE¹/₄SE¹/₄SW¹/₄, and SE¹/₄SE¹/₄SW¹/₄;

sec. 8, N¹/₂.

T. 39 S., R. 9 W.,

sec. 19;

sec. 20, SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, NW¹/₄, SW¹/₄, and W¹/₂SE¹/₄;

secs. 29 thru 32;

sec. 35, NE¹/₄NE¹/₄, S¹/₂NE¹/₄, SW¹/₄, and SE¹/₄.

T. 39 S., R. 10 W.,

Protraction Block 46.

T. 40 S., R. 9 W.,

sec. 1, un-numbered lots in the N¹/₂NE¹/₄ and N¹/₂NW¹/₄, SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, S¹/₂NW¹/₄, SW¹/₄, and W¹/₂SE¹/₄;

sec. 2, lots 1 thru 7, SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, S¹/₂NW¹/₄, SW¹/₄, and W¹/₂SE¹/₄;

sec. 3, lots 1 and 2, S¹/₂NE¹/₄, S¹/₂NW¹/₄, and S¹/₂;

sec. 4, S¹/₂NE¹/₄, S¹/₂NW¹/₄, and S¹/₂;

sec. 5, lots 2, 3, and 4, S¹/₂NE¹/₄, S¹/₂NW¹/₄, and S¹/₂;

secs. 6 thru 11;

sec. 13, NE¹/₄, S¹/₂NE¹/₄NW¹/₄, S¹/₂NW¹/₄, and S¹/₂;

sec. 14, NE¹/₄, N¹/₂NW¹/₄, N¹/₂SW¹/₄NW¹/₄, SE¹/₄SW¹/₄NW¹/₄, SE¹/₄NW¹/₄, N¹/₂NE¹/₄SW¹/₄, SW¹/₄NW¹/₄SW¹/₄, SW¹/₄SW¹/₄, N¹/₂SE¹/₄, and SE¹/₄SE¹/₄;

secs. 15 thru 22;

sec. 23, W¹/₂NE¹/₄NW¹/₄, W¹/₂NW¹/₄, NW¹/₄SE¹/₄NW¹/₄, and W¹/₂SW¹/₄;

secs. 27 thru 33;

sec. 34, lots 1 thru 8, N¹/₂NE¹/₄, SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, and NW¹/₄SE¹/₄.

T. 40 S., R. 10 W.,

sec. 2, lot 1, SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, SE¹/₄SW¹/₄, E¹/₂SE¹/₄, and SW¹/₄SE¹/₄;

sec. 3, SW¹/₄SW¹/₄;

sec. 4, SE¹/₄SE¹/₄;

sec 8, SE¹/₄;

sec. 9, NE¹/₄, S¹/₂NW¹/₄, and S¹/₂;

sec. 10;

sec. 11, NE¹/₄, E¹/₂NW¹/₄, S¹/₂NW¹/₄NW¹/₄, S¹/₂NW¹/₄, SW¹/₄, and SE¹/₄;

secs. 14, 15, and 16;

sec. 17, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, and SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 19, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, and SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

secs. 20 thru 23, and 26 thru 30;

Protraction Blocks 37 thru 47.

T. 40 S., R. 11 W.,

sec. 4, lots 3 and 4, and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$;

secs. 5 and 8;

sec. 9, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 16;

sec. 17, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, and S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 20, E $\frac{1}{2}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, and SW $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 21;

sec. 27, W $\frac{1}{2}$;

sec. 28;

sec. 29, NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Protraction Blocks 39, 40, 41, and 43.

T. 41 S., R. 9 W.,

secs, 4 thru 8;

secs 17 and 18.

T. 41 S, R. 10 W.,

secs. 1 thru 18.

T. 41 S., R. 11 W.,

sec. 1;

sec. 2, E¹/₂NE¹/₄, SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, W¹/₂SW¹/₄NW¹/₄, W¹/₂NW¹/₄SW¹/₄, and SE¹/₄;
secs. 3 and 4;
sec. 5, NE¹/₄, E¹/₂SW¹/₄, E¹/₂SW¹/₄SW¹/₄, and SE¹/₄;
sec. 8, E¹/₂, E¹/₂NW¹/₄, E¹/₂NW¹/₄NW¹/₄, E¹/₂SW¹/₄NW¹/₄, E¹/₂NE¹/₄SW¹/₄, and
E¹/₂SE¹/₄SW¹/₄;
secs. 9 thru 15;
sec. 17, lots 1 thru 4, NE¹/₄, and N¹/₂S¹/₂;
sec. 18, lots, 9, 10, 11, NE¹/₄SW¹/₄, and N¹/₂SE¹/₄.

The areas described aggregate 95,805.53 acres in Josephine and Curry Counties.

2. The following described non-Federal lands are within the exterior boundaries of the Southwestern Oregon watershed. If title to these non-Federal lands is subsequently acquired by the United States, the lands will be subject to the terms and conditions of the withdrawal.

Willamette Meridian

T. 37 S., R. 14 W.,

sec. 1, SW¹/₄SW¹/₄;
sec. 12, W¹/₂NW¹/₄ and NW¹/₄SW¹/₄;
sec. 13, S¹/₂N¹/₂;
sec. 24, NW¹/₄NE¹/₄ and NE¹/₄NW¹/₄.

T. 39 S., R. 9 W.,

sec. 36.

T. 41 S., R. 11 W.,

sec. 16.

The areas described aggregate 1,680 acres in Josephine and Curry Counties.

3. This withdrawal will expire 20 years from the effective date of this order, unless as a result of a review conducted prior to the expiration date pursuant to Section 204(f) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714(f), the Secretary determines that the withdrawal shall be extended.

Dated: December 30, 2016

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