

**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Indian Affairs****Indian Gaming**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Tribal-State Gaming Compact Amendments between the Forest County Potawatomi and the State of Wisconsin taking effect.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA), Public Law 100-497, 25 U.S.C. 2710, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish, in the **Federal Register**, notice of approved Tribal-State Compacts for the purpose of engaging in Class III gaming activities on Indian lands. The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through her delegated authority, is publishing notice that the 2003 Amendments to the Tribal-State Compact for Class III gaming between the Forest County Potawatomi Community and the State of Wisconsin executed on February 19, 2003 are considered approved. By the terms of IGRA, the 2003 Amendments to the Compact are considered approved, but only to the extent the 2003 Amendments are consistent with the provisions of IGRA.

The 2003 Amendments expand the scope of gaming activities authorized under the Compact, remove limitations on wager limits, remove limitations on the number of permitted gaming devices, extend the term of the compact to an indefinite term, subject to re-opener clauses, institute an entirely new dispute resolution provision, replaces the sovereign immunity provision, and substantially modifies the revenue-sharing provision of the Compact.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** May 8, 2003.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** George T. Skibine, Director, Office of Indian Gaming Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219-4066.

Dated: April 30, 2003.

**Aurene M. Martin,**

*Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Land Management**

[AK-932-1410-EU; FF-93920]

**Notice of Application for a Recordable Disclaimer of Interest for Lands Underlying a Portion of the Black River, the Black River Slough, the Salmon Fork, the Grayling Fork, and Bull Creek Located in Northeastern Alaska**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The State of Alaska has submitted an application for a recordable disclaimer of interest from the United States pursuant to Section 315 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1745 (1994) and the regulations contained in 43 CFR part 1864. A recordable disclaimer of interest for these lands, if issued, will confirm the United States has no valid interest in the subject lands. This Notice is intended to notify the public of the pending application and the State's grounds for supporting it.

**DATES:** For a period of 90 days from the date of publication of this Notice, all interested parties may submit comments on the State's application, BLM Casefile FF-93920. A final decision on the merits of the application will not be made until 90 days has elapsed from the date of publication of this Notice.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be sent to the Chief, Branch of Lands and Realty, BLM Alaska State Office, 222 West 7th Avenue, No. 13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mike Haskins, Branch of Lands and Realty, BLM Alaska State Office, 907-271-3351.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On February 14, 2003, the State of Alaska filed an application for a recordable disclaimer of interest affecting five water bodies described below. The State asserts these water bodies are navigable and, under the Equal Footing Doctrine, the State of Alaska gained title to lands underlying navigable waters upon statehood. The State's evidence of navigability of the Black River, the Salmon Fork, the Grayling Fork, and Bull Creek include administrative determinations made by the BLM, dated March 28, 1980, and July 22, 1983. A decision of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, *Alaska v. United States*, 201 F.3d 1154 (9th Cir. 1997), which discusses the historic uses

of the Black River, was also submitted as evidence with the application.

The water bodies included in the application are that portion of the bed of the Black River and Black River Slough, between the ordinary high water marks on its banks from its confluence with the Porcupine River, within T. 21 N., R. 13 E., Fairbanks Meridian, Alaska, to its confluence with the Wood River within T. 13 N., R. 27 E., Fairbanks Meridian; the Salmon Fork to the International Boundary; the Grayling Fork to the International Boundary; Bull Creek to Section 5, T. 13 N., R. 31 E., Fairbanks Meridian. Also included within the State's application are all interconnecting sloughs associated with these water bodies.

The State of Alaska did not identify any known adverse claimant or occupant of the affected lands.

Dated: May 1, 2003.

**Mike Haskins,**

*Chief, Branch of Lands and Realty, Division of Resources, Lands, and Planning.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Reclamation**

**Central Valley Project Improvement Act, Criteria for Evaluating Water Conservation Plans**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** To meet the requirements of the Central Valley Project Improvement Act of 1992 (CVPIA) and the Reclamation Reform Act of 1982 (RRA), the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) developed and published the Criteria for Evaluating Water Management Plans (Criteria). Note: For the purpose of this announcement, Water Management Plans are considered the same as Water Conservation Plans (Plans).

**DATES:** The final version is now available.

**ADDRESSES:** For copies contact Leslie Barbre, Bureau of Reclamation, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, California 95825, 916-978-5232 (TDD 978-5608), or e-mail at [lbarbre@mp.usbr.gov](mailto:lbarbre@mp.usbr.gov). Bryce White, Bureau of Reclamation, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, California 95825, 916-978-5208 (TDD 978-5608), or e-mail at [bwhite@mp.usbr.gov](mailto:bwhite@mp.usbr.gov).

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