

NOTICE OF EXCHANGE PROPOSAL
Proposed Exchange of Lands in Ferry and Okanogan Counties, Washington
(WAOR 56094)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Land Management, Spokane District, Wenatchee Resource Area, 915 Walla Walla Avenue, Wenatchee, Washington 98801.

Notice is hereby given that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is considering a proposal to exchange land pursuant to Section 206 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1716), as amended. The exchange has been proposed by Wilber Hallauer, 406 Eastlake Road, Oroville, WA 98844.

The following described public land is being considered for disposal by the United States:

T.40N., R.33E., Willamette Meridian, Ferry County, Washington
Section 1: Lots 9-12
Section 2: Lots 1, 10, 14-27, 29, 30
T.40N., R.34E., Willamette Meridian, Ferry County, Washington
Section 5: Lots 3 and 4
Section 6: Lots 8-11

Subject to valid existing rights, the 368.3405 acres of public lands identified above have been segregated from appropriation under the public land laws and mineral laws for a period of five years beginning on November 7, 2000.

IN EXCHANGE for all or a portion of the above described public land, the United States would acquire all or a portion of the following described private land, comprising \pm 471.99 acres, located in Okanogan County, Washington:

Parcel A: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 20, T.39N., R.26E., W.M.
Parcel B: The Copper World Mining Claim and the Copper King Mining Claim, designated as Mineral Entry Survey No. 789 by the Surveyor General, embracing a portion of Sections 19, 20, 29 and 30, in T.39N., R.26E., W.M.
Parcel C: All of the Patented Mining Claims designated as Mineral Entry Survey No. 835 by the Surveyor General, embracing portions of Sections 20, 28 and 29 in T.39N., R.26E., W.M.
Parcel D: The Patented Mining Claim designated as Mineral Entry Survey No. 213 by the Surveyor General, embracing a portion of Section 36 in T.39N., R.25E., W.M.
Parcel E: The Patented Mining Claim designated as Mineral Entry Survey No. 214 by the Surveyor General, embracing a portion of Section 36 in T.39N., R.25E., W.M.

This exchange is being considered because of expected benefits to BLM programs and improvement in general public land management. Through the exchange, BLM would acquire a large private inholding in the center of about 7,700 acres of consolidated public land at Palmer Mountain. Acquisition of this tract would eliminate about 4 miles of public/private boundary line in the federal ownership block, significantly reducing potential for future conflicts in use. Through the exchange, BLM would dispose of one tract of public land. Because of the tract's shape, remoteness, and general lack of legal access, it is virtually unuseable by the public, and presents unique and difficult management challenges. The public interest would benefit from the completion of this exchange.

More detailed information concerning the proposed exchange may be obtained from William Schurger, Realty Specialist, at the address given above. Interested parties may submit comments concerning the proposed exchange to the Field Manager, Wenatchee Resource Area, at the same address. Comments should address a specific concern about the proposal. In order to be considered in the environmental analysis of the proposed exchange, comments must be in writing to the Field Manager and be postmarked or delivered by **October 15, 2002**.

/s/ William Schurger
William Schurger, Realty Specialist

August 20, 2002
Date