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BLM Issues Trust Patent to Chemehuevi Indians

The final trust patent for the Chemehuevi Tribe's existing 32,500-acre reservation along the Colorado River in eastern San Bernardino County was issued officially today by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM).

BLM Acting State Director Jim Abbott said the issuance of the patent, or land title, was requested by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) on behalf of the Tribe. The trust patent was authorized by the 1891 Mission Indians Relief Act, as amended.

The trust patent includes lands that were withdrawn for the Tribe's benefit in 1907, subject to exclusions of specific federal and privately-owned lands and other valid existing rights associated with the patented lands. A copy of the trust patent is posted on the BIA's webpage at www.bia.gov. Questions may be directed to Tribal Chairman Charles Wood at 760-858-4301, or Superintendent Janice Staudte, Colorado River Agency, at 928-669-7111.

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To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

WHEREAS, there has been deposited in the Bureau of Land Management an order of the Secretary of the Interior dated February 2, 1907, withdrawing from settlement and entry the following described land:

San Bernardino Meridian, California

Fractional townships T. 4 N., R. 25 E., T. 4 N., R. 26 E., T. 5 N., R. 25 E., T. 6 N., R. 25 E., the E/2 of T. 5 N., R. 24 E., and secs. 25, 26, 35, and 36 of T. 6 N., R. 24 E.

and

Whereas, an Order of the Authorized Officer of the Bureau of Indian Affairs is now deposited in the Bureau of Land Management, directing that, pursuant to the Act of January 12, 1891 (26 Stat. 712), as amended by the Act of March 1, 1907 (34 Stat. 1015), and other acts, a trust patent issue to the Chemehuevi Tribe of Mission Indians ("Tribe") for the above described lands excluding the following lands and subject to any existing valid rights associated therewith:

1. Those lands contained in Havasu National Wildlife Refuge, as depicted on the Bureau of Land Management Survey accepted November 12, 2002.
2. Those lands contained in Railroad Patent 543283, sec. 1, T. 5 N., R. 24 E.
3. Those lands granted to the State of California as school sections on July 10, 1895, located in sec. 36, T. 4 N., R. 25 E., and sec. 36, T. 5 N., R. 24 E.
4. Those lands taken by the United States, according to the Secretary of the Interior's designation (as amended) pursuant to P.L. 76-730, 54 Stat. 744.

This patent does not create access rights across any lands owned in trust for the Tribe described in this patent or alter or change in any way whatever access rights that may or may not exist.

The above described lands owned in trust are also described as:

San Bernardino Meridian, California

T. 5 N., R. 24 E.,
sec. 1, SE 1/4;
sec. 2, all;
sec. 3, all;
secs. 10 through 15, inclusive;
secs. 22 through 27, inclusive;
sec. 34, all;
sec. 35, all.

Containing 10,283.45 acres

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T. 6 N., R. 24 E.,

sec. 26, lots 4, 5, 6, 8, and 10, NW1/4NW1/4, S1/2NW1/4,
SW1/4, W1/2SE1/4;

sec. 35, all;

sec. 36, lots 5, 7, 8, 11, and 13, SW1/4NW1/4, SW1/4,
S1/2SE1/4;

Containing 1,539.13 acres

T. 4 N., R. 25 E., excluding all lands therein below the operating
pool level of Lake Havasu, elevation four hundred fifty (450) feet
mean sea level (m.s.l.),

sec. 6, lots 1-10 inclusive;

sec. 7, lots 1-17, inclusive;

sec. 8, lots 1-4, inclusive, and SW1/4SW1/4;

sec. 9, lots 1-6, inclusive;

sec. 10, lots 1-5, inclusive;

sec. 13, lot 1;

sec. 14, lots 1-5, inclusive;

sec. 15, lots 1-5, inclusive, NW1/4NW1/4, S1/2NW1/4,
SW1/4, and S1/2SE1/4;

sec. 16, lots 1-4, inclusive, S1/2NE1/4, S1/2NW1/4, and
S1/2 excepting 1/16 of all coal, oil, and gas, and
other mineral deposits as reserved by the State of
California in Lot 1 and SE1/4NE1/4;

sec. 17, all;

sec. 18, lots 1-12, inclusive, and E1/2;

sec. 19, lots 1-12, inclusive, and E1/2;

secs. 20-22, inclusive;

sec. 23, lots 1 and 2, NE1/4NE1/4, NW1/4NW1/4,
S1/2N1/2, and S1/2;

sec. 24, lots 1-5, inclusive, SW1/4NE1/4, NW1/4NW1/4,
S1/2NW1/4, and S1/2;

sec. 25, lots 1 and 2, W1/2NE1/4, NW1/4, and S1/2;

secs. 26-29, inclusive;

sec. 30, lots 1-12, inclusive, E1/2;

sec. 31, lots 1-8, inclusive, E1/2;

secs. 32-35, inclusive.

Containing 14,787.20 acres

T. 5 N., R. 25 E., excluding all lands therein below the operating
pool level of Lake Havasu, elevation four hundred fifty (450) feet
m.s.l.,

sec. 6, lots 7, 8, 9, and 12;

sec. 7, lots 5, 7, 9, 10, 12, and 13, SW1/4NW1/4; SW1/4,
SW1/4SE1/4;

sec. 17, excluding those lands withdrawn for Havasu
National Wildlife Refuge;

sec. 18, excluding those lands withdrawn for Havasu National Wildlife Refuge;
sec. 19, all;
sec. 20, all;
sec. 29, all;
sec. 30, all;
sec. 31, all;
sec. 32, all.

Containing approximately 4,289 acres

T. 4 N., R. 26 E., excluding all lands therein below the operating pool level of Lake Havasu, elevation four hundred fifty (450) feet m.s.l.,

sec. 19, lots 1-3, inclusive;
sec. 29, lots 1 and 2;
sec. 30, lots 1-20, inclusive;
sec. 31, lots 1-10, inclusive, S1/2NE1/4, and SE1/4;
sec. 32, lots 1-9, inclusive, SW1/4NE1/4, and S1/2;
sec. 33, lots 1-8, inclusive, and SW1/4SW1/4.

Containing 1,588.23 acres.

Aggregating approximately 32,487 acres altogether.

NOW KNOW YE that the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in consideration of the premises, hereby declares that it does and will hold the said tracts of land in trust for the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe of California.

EXCEPTING AND RESERVING TO THE UNITED STATES

1. As to the lands designated in the Determination of August 15, 1974, and the Secretarial Order of November 1, 1974 (herein referred to as "said lands"), all such exceptions, reservations, conditions, and rights as set forth, verbatim, in paragraphs (a) through (e) of the Secretarial Order of November 1, 1974, which is attached to this patent.
2. A right-of-way for road purposes as granted in BIA Document 695-2-980 as to secs. 12 and 13, T. 5 N., R. 24 E.
3. A right-of-way for road purposes as granted in BIA Document 695-3-980 as to secs. 13 and 24, T. 5 N., R. 24 E., 18 and 19, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
4. A right-of-way for road purposes as granted in BIA Document 695-1-987 as to sec. 19, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
5. A right-of-way for sewer main purposes as granted in BIA Document 695-3-989 as to S1/2 sec. 19, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.

6. A right-of-way for road purposes as granted in BIA Document 695-1-980 as to sec. 19, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
7. A right-of-way for road purposes as granted in BIA Document 695-4-980 as to sec. 19, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
8. A right-of-way for road purposes as granted in BIA Document 695-1-982 as to secs. 19 and 30, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
9. A right-of-way for road purposes as granted in R-O-W # 00-09-27-01, in BIA document 695-006-00 dated September 28, 2000, as to secs. 19 and 20, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
10. A "Memorandum of Agreement" entered into on December 17, 2001 by and between the Bureau of Reclamation, Lower Colorado District, and the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe providing for the cooperative management of those lands and interests therein reserved by the November 1, 1974 Secretarial Order.

SUBJECT TO:

1. The rights of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California under that District's contract with the United States, captioned "Cooperative Contract for Construction and Operation of Parker Dam," dated February 10, 1933 (Designated 11r-712), as supplemented and amended by contracts between the same parties dated September 29, 1936, April 7, 1939 and December 16, 1952.
2. A right-of-way for electrical line and water pump purposes granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-1-75 as to SE1/4 sec. 1, T. 5 N., R. 24 E., and sec. 6, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
3. A right-of-way for a 16 KV electric distribution line, granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Documents 603-188-388 and 603-188-488, as to W1/2, SE1/4 sec. 12, E1/2 sec. 13, T. 5 N., R. 24 E.; SW1/4 sec. 18, W 1/2, N1/2SE1/4 sec. 19, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
4. A right-of-way for electrical supply systems, granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-2-75 as to SE1/4 sec. 1, T. 5 N., R. 24 E.
5. A homesite lease issued to Patricia Smith Gardner in Lease B-941-CH-A, BIA Document 3998 as to sec. 19, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
6. A right-of-way for electrical line purposes granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-21, dated May 20, 1974, as to SW1/4SW1/4 sec. 31, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
7. A business lease issued to the Needles Unified School District, its successors and assigns, in Lease B-566-CR, BIA Document 695-180-988 and modified in BIA Documents 695-181-988 and 695-182-988, as to sec. 19, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.

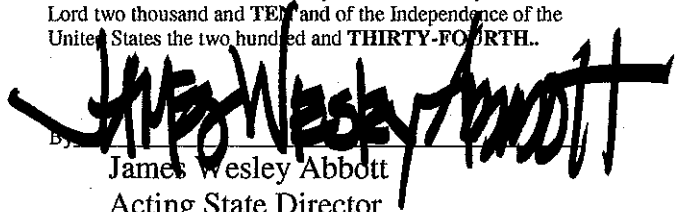
8. A homesite lease issued to Edward D. Smith, Frank G. Smith, and Donald L. Smith for domestic livestock use in Lease B-941-CH, BIA Document 695-3-987 as to secs. 19, 20, 29, and 30, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
9. A perpetual highway right-of-way issued to San Bernardino County, its successors and assigns, by BIA Document 1425-1957 and described in Document 695-4-8981 and Map IND-260 as to W1/2, NE1/4 sec. 30 and W1/2 sec. 31, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
10. A right-of-way for an electrical distribution line granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-007-02 and approved in R-O-W # CHEM R 02-24-04, as modified on May 29, 2002, as to secs. 31, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
11. A right-of-way for electrical line purposes granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-2-86 as to sec. 31, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
12. A right-of-way for electrical line purposes granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-4-87 as to sec. 31, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
13. A perpetual highway right-of-way issued to San Bernardino County in BIA Document 16604-1941 as to secs. 31, T. 5 N., R. 25 E and 36, T. 5 N., R. 24 E.
14. A perpetual right-of-way for overhead and underground electrical supply system purposes granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-1-88 as to sec. 19, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
15. A right-of-way for electrical supply purposes granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-11-77 as to sec. 31, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
16. A right-of-way for electrical supply systems, granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-5-80 as to sec. 6, T. 4 N., R. 25 E., and SW1/4SW1/4, sec. 31, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
17. A right-of-way for electrical supply systems, granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-1-81 as to sec. 31, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
18. right-of-way for electrical supply systems, granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-2-81 as to sec. 31, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
19. A right-of-way for electrical supply systems, granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-3-81 as to secs. 17, 19, and 20, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
20. A right-of-way for electrical supply systems, granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-4-81 as to sec. 31, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
21. A right-of-way for electrical supply systems, granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-2-82 as to SW1/4, secs. 30 and NW1/4, sec. 31 T. 5 N., R. 25 E, and sec. 36, T. 5 N., R. 24 E.

22. A right-of-way for electrical supply systems, granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-3-85 as to NW1/4, sec. 31, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
23. A right-of-way for electrical supply systems, granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-4-85 as to sec. 19, T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
24. A right-of-way for electrical supply systems, granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-3-75 as to SW1/4 sec. 31 T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
25. A right-of-way for electrical supply systems, granted to Southern California Edison Co., its successors and assigns, in BIA Document 695-4-75 as to SW1/4 sec. 31 T. 5 N., R. 25 E.
26. A perpetual right-of-way issued to Metropolitan Water District of Southern California for transmission line and road purposes in BIA Document 37063-31 as to SW1/4, S1/2SE1/4, sec. 19; SW1/4SW1/4, sec. 28; SW1/4NW1/4, N1/2SW1/4, NW1/4SE1/4, S1/2SE1/4, sec. 29; N1/2NE1/4, SE1/4NE1/4, NE1/4NE1/4NW1/4, sec. 30; NE1/4NE1/4, sec. 32; SW1/4NE1/4, NW1/4, NE1/4SW1/4, SE1/4, sec. 33; SW1/4NW1/4SW1/4, S1/2SW1/4, S1/2SE1/4, sec. 34; S1/2SW1/4, sec. 35, T. 4 N., R. 25 E.
27. A master lease from the Chemehuevi Tribe as lessor, designated as "Lease to the Chemehuevi Housing Department for Purpose of Subletting Land for Residential Housing for Tribal Members and Essential Governmental Employees," authorizing the issuance of tribal revocable permits and approved by the Bureau of Indian Affairs February 19, 2008.
28. A master lease from the Chemehuevi Tribe as lessor, designated as "Lease to the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe Doing Business as the Havasu Landing Resort," authorizing the operation of a resort by the Tribe's economic enterprise and approved by the Bureau of Indian Affairs February 19, 2008.
29. All interest in real and personal property, including valid homesite leases, represented under the Master Lease Agreement of the Chemehuevi Department of Housing, as transferred from the Chemehuevi Housing Authority in the Absolute Assignment of Leases, Assets, and Debts dated February 27, 2002, and approved by CHA Resolution 02-01-10-01, dated January 10, 2002 (incorporating by reference Ordinance 1-10-27-01).
30. A right-of-way for a 16 kV underground electric distribution line, granted to Southern California Edison Company, its successors and assigns, in BLM Document CAS-5675 as to SWNE1/4 and NWSE1/4, sec. 32, T. 4 N., R. 26 E.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of June 17, 1948 (62 Stat. 476), has, in the name of the United States, caused these letters to be made Patent, and the Seal of the Bureau to be hereunto affixed.

[SEAL]

GIVEN under my hand, in **Sacramento, California** the **TWENTY-EIGHTH** day of **JUNE** in the year of our Lord two thousand and **TEN** and of the Independence of the United States the two hundred and **THIRTY-FOURTH**.

A large, bold, handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Wesley Abbott". The signature is written over a horizontal line that serves as a separator between the signature and the printed name below.

By _____
James Wesley Abbott
Acting State Director
California State Office