

RESOLUTION NO. 2271

WHEREAS, the Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management is charged with the management of federal lands and minerals in New Mexico, and

WHEREAS, the Roswell District office of the Bureau of Land Management has written a draft Resource Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement for the Roswell Resource Area and a draft Amendment to the Carlsbad Resource Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement, and

WHEREAS, the draft Resource Management Plan affects uses of lands located within Lea, Eddy, Chaves, Lincoln, DeBaca, Roosevelt, Curry, Quay and Guadalupe Counties, and

WHEREAS, the draft Resource Management Plan restricts access to federal lands within these counties of the State of New Mexico, and

WHEREAS, the Resource Management Plan will affect the management of federal lands for at least the next ten years, and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Land Management has not made a good faith effort to propose alternatives which are economically viable and beneficial to the area served by the Resource Management Plan and therefore to the State of New Mexico, and

WHEREAS, the citizens affected by the Resource Management Plan feel that an insufficient amount of time has been allowed for appropriate analysis and comment, thereby not properly following the spirit of the regulatory process, and

WHEREAS, the Resource Management Plan, as proposed, is economically detrimental to the State of New Mexico because it reduces the return of federal royalty revenue to the state, and reduces the viability of livestock grazing in the area;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROSWELL NEW MEXICO that the Council calls upon the Bureau of Land Management to withdraw the proposed draft Resource Management Plan and to make revisions which represent more reasonable alternatives which fully consider the economics of beneficial use of the federal lands under their jurisdiction in the southeastern New Mexico area, and

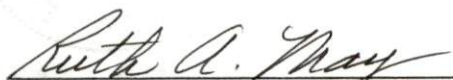
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Roswell District office of the Bureau of Land Management.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED the 9th day of March, 1995.

CITY SEAL


THOMAS E. JENNINGS, Mayor

ATTEST:


Ruth A. May, City Clerk