

District Office, 111 Garryowen Road, Miles City, MT.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brad Brown, Acting Big Dry Area Manager, Miles City District Office, 111 Garryowen Road, Miles City, MT 59301, 406-232-4333.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Record of Decision approves the decisions made in the Calypso Trail Supplement to the Big Dry Resource Management Plan. The Supplement was issued in June of 1996. Three letters protesting the plan were received by the Director. The protests did not result in any changes to the plan.

Dated: May 28, 1997.

**Janet L. Edmonds,**

*Acting District Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[UT-040-1020]

#### Notice of Availability; Utah

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management, Richfield District, has completed an Environmental Analysis (EA) Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) of the Proposed Plan Amendments to the Henry Mountain, Parker Mountain, and Mountain Valley Management Framework Plans. The Proposed Amendments involve the addition of five new land tenure adjustment criteria.

**DATES:** The protest period for these Proposed Plan Amendments will commence with the date of publication of this notice and last for 30 days. Protests must be received on or before July 7, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Protests must be addressed to the Director (WO-210), Bureau of Land Management, Attn: Brenda Williams, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240 within 30 days after the date of publication of this Notice of Availability.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rod Lee, Resource Advisor, Richfield District, at 150 East 900 North, Richfield, Utah 84701, (801) 896-1524. Copies of the proposed Plan Amendments are available for review at the Richfield District Office.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This action is announced pursuant to Section 202(a) of the Federal Land Management Act (1976) and 43 CFR part 1610. These Proposed Amendments are subject to protests by any party who has

participated in the planning process. Protests must be specific and contain the following information:

- The name, mailing address, phone number, and interest of the person filing the protest.
- A statement of the issue(s) being protested.
- A statement of the part(s) of the proposed amendment being protested and citing pages, paragraphs, maps etc., of the Proposed Plan Amendment.
- A copy of all documents addressing the issue(s) submitted by the protester during the planning process or a reference to the date when the protester discussed the issue(s) for the record.
- A concise statement as to why the protester believes the BLM State Director is incorrect.

Dated: May 30, 1997.

**G. William Lamb,**

*State Director, Utah.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[UT-080-100-1150-00]

#### Notice of Intent To Amend the Book Cliffs Resource Management Plan and Prepare an Associated Environmental Assessment (EA); Utah

**SUMMARY:** This notice is to advise the public that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is proposing to amend the Book Cliffs Resource Management Plan (RMP) for the re-introduction of black-footed ferrets into the Book Cliffs Resource Area (BCRA). The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) is proposing to reintroduce black-footed ferrets as a non-essential experimental population, into the Book Cliffs Resource Area. The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources (UDWR), in conjunction with affected stakeholders, has prepared a reintroduction and management plan to determine what measures would be necessary for the reintroduction and what impacts and mitigation may result. As a part of the amendment process, the BLM will determine if the management plan will result in a change in the scope of the resource uses or a change in the terms, conditions, or decisions of the Book Cliffs RMP. The BLM is seeking public input on this RMP amendment.

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** The public scoping period is initiated with publication of this notice of intent and ends June 27,

1997. Scoping meetings will be held on Monday, June 9, 1997, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., in the auditorium of the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources Building, 1594 West North Temple Street, Salt Lake City, Utah, and Tuesday, June 10, 1997, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., in Room 2 of the Western Park Conference Center, 300 East 200 South, Vernal, Utah. The purpose of the meetings are to (1) identify issues and concerns regarding potential reintroduction of black-footed ferrets into Uintah and Duchesne Counties and (2) to provide the general public an opportunity to participate in the amendment process. Representatives from the UDWR, BLM, and the Service will be available to answer questions about the project and amendment. Written comments on the scope of the amendment must be postmarked by June 27, 1997.

The EA for the amendment is scheduled to be completed in the summer of 1997, and made available for public review and comment. Notice of availability of the EA will be published in local newspapers and parties who have requested to be on the mailing list for this amendment will be notified by mail.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bill Stroh, Wildlife Biologist, Bureau of Land Management, 170 South 500 East, Vernal, Utah, 84078, or telephone (801) 781-4481. Existing planning documents and information are available for review at the above address.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The BCRA comprises 1,455,880 acres in the northeastern corner of Utah. It is roughly triangular in shape, bounded by the Utah-Colorado state line on the east, the Book Cliffs Divide to the south, and the Green River to the north and west.

Administratively, the BCRA includes public lands and mineral resources that are within portions of Uintah and Grand Counties, Utah. Of the total area, 73% or 1,062,669 acres, are public lands administered by the BLM.

Of the remaining acreage, 15% is administered by the State of Utah, 8.5% is private, and 3.5% is public lands which are either within naval oil shale or federal power site reserves.

The primary area proposed for black-footed ferret reintroduction is located within Coyote Basin in east central Uintah County. The general issues which will be addressed by the planning amendment include: access to public lands, economic and social conditions, recreation uses, sensitive species, rangeland uses, mineral exploration and development, and public rights-of-way as they relate to

potential black-footed ferret re-introduction.

An interdisciplinary approach will be used to prepare the EA. The following disciplines will be included: economics, minerals, realty, vegetation, wildlife, range, cultural resources, and recreation.

The planning criteria for amending the Book Cliffs RMP is to establish a management objective which provides for black-footed ferret reintroduction with minimal impacts to other resources or uses. A range of alternatives associated with the proposed reintroduction of black-footed ferrets, including the No Action Alternative, will be considered. Federal, State, and local agencies and other individuals or organizations who may be interested in or affected by the BLM's decision on the amendment to the Book Cliffs RMP are invited to participate in the scoping process for the EA. To be most helpful, comments should be as specific as possible.

The scoping process for the RMP amendment/EA will include: (1) Identification of issues to be addressed; (2) identification of viable alternatives; and (3) notification of interested groups, individuals, and agencies so that information on these issues or other issues can be addressed.

Dated: May 30, 1997.

**G. William Lamb,**

*Utah State Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[OR 125-6250-02; 0185]

### Closure Notice For Motor Vehicles on Designated Roads; Oregon

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of the Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the following listed roads have been selected for closure to motorized vehicles in accordance with the *Coos Bay Resource Management Plan & Environmental Impact Statement* and its Record of Decision (BLM, 1995) (RMP); which is in conformance with the *Final Supplemental and Environmental Impact Statement on Management of Habitat for Late-Successional and Old-Growth Forest Related Species Within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl* and its Record of Decision (Interagency, 1984) (Northwest Forest Plan). Selected roads will have barriers installed on the Coos Bay District, within Coos and Douglas Counties. Closure is for an indefinite period (15 years or longer) beginning on or about 1 June, 1997, when roads will have barriers installed. Closures may be reversed by the BLM. Reopening of a road will be for temporary periods of time and the condition of the road will be restored to the original condition found (including erosion control and barriers). Acceptable reasons for reopening include the following: fire (prescribed or suppression), emergency, rescue, forestry management on lands administered by a private party (including but not limited to thinning, fertilization, stand exams, reforestation and harvesting activities on private lands and as authorized by the Area Manager on BLM administered lands). Closures otherwise may only be

reopened for agency purposes by initiating an environmental assessment for a site specific project. Any use of motor vehicles by all parties within the closed areas is prohibited. This does not effect non-motorized forms of travel. The reason for this order is to implement the Northwest Forest Plan as it relates to road density management. Benefits to road closures include but are not limited to: improving water quality, reducing sedimentation, enhancing big game habitat, and reducing habitat disturbance to other wildlife species. Copies of the administrative determination and its environmental assessment, as well as, maps of the roads affected are available from the Coos Bay District Office, at the address below.

All persons authorized to enforce state game laws may enforce this closure. Oregon State Police and the Coos and Douglas County Sheriff's Departments are hereby authorized to enforce state and federal laws and regulations on federal properties affected in this notice.

This closure order is in accordance with the provisions of Pub. L. 93-452, the Sikes Act (88 Stat. 1369), (16 U.S.C. 670 et. Seq.) and Pub. L. 94-579, the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (90 stat. 2743), (43 U.S.C. 1701), 43 CFR, Subpart 8364 and BLM Manual Handbook, State Office—Oregon H-2812-1—Logging Road Right-of-Way.

Any person who fails to comply with the provisions of this order may be subject to penalties outlined in 43 CFR 8360.0-7 or as ordered through the Oregon Judicial system.

The following is a list of road closures identified by this order, by resource area and road number. The location of the gate or barriers will be at or near the beginning of each road.

TABLE 1.—UMPQUA RESOURCE AREA PROPOSED ROAD CLOSURES

Road No.	Miles	Road No.	Miles	Road No.	Miles
21-8-4.1 .....	1.10	23-9-20.1 .....	0.20	23-10-1.0 .....	0.30
21-8-15.0 .....	1.00	23-9-20.2 .....	0.80	23-10-1.1 .....	0.30
20-9-11.1 .....	0.30	23-9-20.3 .....	0.30	20-8-4.0 .....	0.06
20-9-11.5 .....	0.43	23-9-20.4 .....	0.28	20-8-4.3 .....	0.39
20-9-12.3 .....	0.35	23-9-27.1 .....	0.60	20-8-5.2 .....	0.22
20-9-12.4 .....	0.26	23-9-27.2 .....	0.20	21-9-20.4 .....	0.55
20-9-13.3 .....	0.19	23-9-28.0 .....	0.40	23-8-21.0A2 .....	0.90
21-9-20.1B .....	1.00	23-9-28.1 .....	0.36	23-8-28.1B .....	0.42
23-9-7.0A2 .....	0.64	23-9-29.0 .....	0.50	23-8-28.2 .....	0.50
23-9-9.0 .....	0.17	23-9-29.1 .....	0.30	23-8-30.0 .....	0.60
23-9-15.0 .....	0.60	23-9-29.3 .....	0.50	23-8-32.5 .....	0.10
23-9-17.1 .....	0.10	23-9-29.6 .....	0.20	23-8-33.1 .....	0.13

Total No. Miles=15.25.