

Alternatives 2 and 3 address wetlands issues that occur primarily on lands in private ownership. Environmental effects to these lands will be addressed in the section 404, Clean Water Act permit issued by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and as part of the cumulative impact analysis in the EIS.

The EIS will describe the physical attributes of the area to be affected by this proposal, with special attention to the environmental factors that could be adversely affected.

The EIS will analyze the environmental effects of each alternative. The direct, indirect, and cumulative effects of each alternative will be analyzed and documented. In addition, potential mitigation measures for each alternative will be identified and the effectiveness of these mitigation measures will be disclosed.

The BLM and FS are seeking information and written comments from Federal, State and local agencies as well as individuals and organizations who may be interested in, or affected by, the proposed action. To assist the BLM and FS in identifying and considering issues and concerns related to the proposed action, comments for scoping, and later for the draft EIS, should be as specific as possible. Referring to specific pages or chapters of the draft EIS or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement is most helpful.

The estimated date for the completion of the draft EIS is January 1999. The comment period for the draft EIS will be 45 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes the Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**.

The final EIS is expected to be released in July, 1999.

The BLM Pocatello Resource Area Manager, who is the responsible official for the EIS, will then make a decision regarding this proposal for Federal lands on-lease, considering: FS recommendations; scoping comments; responses; anticipated environmental consequences discussed in the final EIS; and applicable laws, regulations, and policies. The Caribou National Forest Supervisor, who is the responsible official for Caribou National Forest administered lands not on-lease, will make a decision, based on the above, concerning the issuance of a FS Special Use Permit. An application for a section 404, Clean Water Act permit has been filed with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; a decision will be rendered by the corps to issue that permit and how to mitigate the impacts to affected wetlands.

The reasons for the decisions will be documented in a Record of Decision(s).

Dated: April 17, 1998.

Terry L. Smith,

Acting Area Manager, Pocatello Resource Area.

Dated: April 17, 1998.

Harold W. Klein,

Acting Forest Supervisor, Caribou National Forest.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[MT-060-08-1020-00, 1613P]

Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Lewistown District Resource Advisory Council will meet May 19 and 20, 1998, at the Chinook Motor Inn, in Chinook, Montana.

The May 19 portion of the meeting will begin at 7:45 a.m. The topic of the day will be the Upper Missouri National Wild and Scenic River. There will be a series of discussions involving members of the public and BLM resource specialists. These discussions will include increased recreational use along the Upper Missouri; impacts on resources; user facilities; improved facilities; and using the limits of acceptable change method for resolving resource issues. There will be a public comment period at 11:30 a.m. This session will adjourn at 3 p.m.

The May 20 session will begin at 7:45 a.m. The council will resume their deliberations concerning off-road vehicle use on public lands. The council will also address implementation of the rangeland standards and guidelines. This session will adjourn at 3:30 p.m.

DATES: May 19 and 20, 1998.

LOCATION: Chinook Motor Inn, Chinook, Montana.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: District Manager, Lewistown District Office, Bureau of Land Management, P.O. Box 1160, Airport Road, Lewistown, MT 59457.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public and there will be a public comment period as detailed above.

Dated: April 14, 1998.

Gary Slagel,

Acting District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

[MT-960-1150-00]

District Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Dakotas District Office, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: A meeting of the Dakotas District Resource Advisory Council will be held June 23 and 24, 1998, at the Golden Hills Resort and Conference Center, Lead, South Dakota. The session will convene at 8:00 a.m. on June 23rd and resume at 8:00 a.m. on the 24th. Agenda items include updates on the South Dakota Land Exchange, Noxious Weed Control Projects, review of the Belle Eldridge mine cleanup, and a field assessment of proposals by the city of Sturgis for Fort Meade.

The meeting is open to the public and a public comment period is set for 3:00 p.m. on June 23rd. The public may make oral statements before the Council or file written statements for the Council to consider. Depending on the number of persons wishing to make an oral statement, a per-person time limit may be established. Summary minutes of the meeting will be available for public inspection and copying.

The 12-member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in the Dakotas.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Douglas Burger, District Manager, Dakotas District Office, 2933 3rd Avenue West, Dickinson, ND 58601. Telephone (701) 225-9148.

Dated: April 15, 1998.

Douglas J. Burger,

District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA-320-1020-00]

Notice of Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Northeast California Resource Advisory Council, Susanville, California, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committees Act (Pub. L. 92-463) and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (Pub. L. 94-579), the U.S. Bureau of Land Management's Northeast California Resource Advisory Council will meet Tuesday and Wednesday, June 9 and 10, 1998, at the Bureau of Land Management's Alturas Field Office, 708 West 12th St., Alturas, CA.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On Tuesday, June 9, the council will convene at 10 a.m. at the parking area for the Lassen National Forest's Hat Creek Ranger District, 43225 East Highway 299, Fall River Mills, CA, then depart for a field tour to the Beaver Creek and Pit River areas. Field discussions will include implementation of Standards for Healthy Rangelands and Guidelines for Livestock Grazing; and land tenure adjustments in the Alturas Field Office's area of responsibility. On Wednesday, June 10, the council will convene at 8 a.m. for a business meeting at the BLM's Alturas Field Office, 708 West 12th St., Alturas, CA.

Agenda items include wild horse and burro management, an update on the Automated Lands and Minerals Records System, a fire planning update, an update on recreation fees, and reports from the BLM's Eagle Lake, Alturas and Surprise field managers. The meeting is open to the public. Public comments will be taken at 1 p.m. Wednesday. Members of the public are also welcome on the field tour, but they must provide their own transportation and lunch.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Contact Jeff Fontana, public affairs officer, at (530) 257-5381.

Linda D. Hansen,

Eagle Lake Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Northwest Colorado Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The next meeting of the Northwest Colorado Resource Advisory Council will be held on Thursday, May 7, 1998, at the Colorado Northwestern

Community College in Rangely, Colorado.

DATES: Thursday, May 7, 1998.

ADDRESSES: For further information, contact Joann Graham, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Grand Junction District Office, 2815 H Road, Grand Junction, Colorado 81506; Telephone (970) 244-3037.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Northwest Resource Advisory Council will meet on May 7, 1998, at the Colorado Northwestern Community College, 500 Kennedy Drive, Rangely, Colorado. The meeting will be held in the Weise Conference Center and will begin at 9 a.m. Agenda items include an update of the roadless inventory review, a discussion about proposed statewide recreation guidelines, and subcommittee reports on fire, land exchanges, and recreation.

The meeting is open to the public. Interested persons may make oral statements at the meetings or submit written statements following the meeting. Per-person time limits for oral statements may be set to allow all interested persons an opportunity to speak.

Summary minutes of council meetings are maintained in both the Grand Junction and Craig District Offices. They are available for public inspection and reproduction during regular business hours within thirty (30) days following the meeting.

Dated: April 15, 1998.

Mark T. Morse,

District Manager, Craig and Grand Junction Districts.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-030-08-1010-00-1784]

Southwest Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice; Resource Advisory Council meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 USC), notice is hereby given that the Southwest Resource Advisory Council (Southwest RAC) will meet in Cortez, Colorado.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, May 14, 1998.

ADDRESSES: For additional information, contact Roger Alexander, Bureau of

Land Management (BLM), Montrose District Office, 2465 South Townsend Avenue, Montrose, Colorado 81401; telephone 970-240-5335; TDD 970-240-5366; e-mail r2alexan@co.blm.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The May 14, 1998, meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. in the Johnson Building Conference Room, 925 South Broadway, Suite 101, Cortez, Colorado. The agenda will focus on recreation guidelines and management of cultural resources. Time will be provided for public comments at 9:15 a.m. A field trip to view cultural resource sites is planned for the afternoon; the public is invited to attend the field trip, but will have to provide their own transportation.

All Resource Advisory Council meetings are open to the public. Interested persons may make oral statements to the Council, or written statements may be submitted for the Council's consideration. If necessary, a per-person time limit may be established by the Montrose District Manager.

Summary minutes for Council meetings are maintained in the Montrose District Office and on the World Wide Web at http://www.co.blm.gov/mdo/mdo_sw_rac.htm and are available for public inspection and reproduction within thirty (30) days following each meeting.

Dated: April 17, 1998.

Mark W. Stiles,

District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Opening of Land in a Proposed Withdrawal; Idaho

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The temporary 2-year segregation of a proposed withdrawal of 5.03 acres of National Forest System land for the Forest Service's Salmon Canyon Copper Boating Site Recreation Area expires May 20, 1998, after which the land will be open to mining. The land has been and will remain open to surface entry and mineral leasing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 20, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Larry R. Lievsay, BLM Idaho State