

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Introduction

With this notice, we continue the CCP planning process for the Iowa Wetland Management District, which we began by publishing a notice of intent in the **Federal Register** (75 FR 7289) on February 18, 2010. For more about the initial process and the history of the district, see that notice. We released the EA/Draft CCP to the public, announcing and requesting comments in a notice of availability (78 FR 50441) on August 19, 2013. The 30-day comment period ended on September 18, 2013. The public comments received and the agency responses to them are included in the Response to Comments appendix in the Final CCP.

Background

The National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966, as amended by the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 (16 U.S.C. 668dd–668ee) (Administration Act), requires us to develop a CCP for each national wildlife refuge (including wetland management districts). The purpose in developing a CCP is to provide the district manager with a 15-year strategy for achieving district purposes and contributing toward the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System (NWRS), consistent with sound principles of fish and wildlife management, conservation, legal mandates, and Service policies. In addition to outlining broad management direction on conserving wildlife and their habitats, CCPs identify wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities available to the public, including opportunities for hunting, fishing, wildlife observation and photography, and environmental education and interpretation. We will review and update the CCP at least every 15 years in accordance with the Administration Act.

Each unit of the NWRS was established for specific purposes. We use these purposes as the foundation for developing and prioritizing the management goals and objectives for each unit within the NWRS mission, and to determine how the public can use each unit. The planning process is a way for us and the public to evaluate management goals and objectives that will ensure the best possible approach to wildlife, plant, and habitat conservation, while providing for wildlife-dependent recreation opportunities that are compatible with each unit's establishing purposes and the mission of the NWRS.

Additional Information

The final CCP (with attached FONSI), which includes detailed information about the planning process, district, issues, and management alternative selected, may be found at <http://www.fws.gov/midwest/planning/iowawetlands/index.html>. The Web site also includes an EA/Draft CCP, prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (43 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*). The EA/Draft CCP includes discussion of four alternative district management options. The Service's selected alternative is reflected in the final CCP. Appendix K: Errata was added to the EA/Draft CCP, after it was released for public review on August 19th, 2013, in response to comment.

The selected alternative focuses on managing for breeding waterfowl. Restoring cropland to perennial grassland will be the dominant activity in the uplands, while a variety of pothole wetlands will be the focus for restoration in the lowlands, especially those important to restoration of semi-permanent to shallow lakes. A diversity of wetland types will provide for a greater diversity of wildlife, in particular, grassland and other wetland birds. Public use opportunities, in addition to hunting, fishing, and trapping, as well as some additional public use facilities (kiosks), will be provided, and some food plots will remain. Environmental education, interpretation, and outreach will remain at current levels, with more emphasis on distributing a consistent message for the entire district. Furthermore, based on comments received from the public during the planning process, within two years of CCP approval, it will be proposed through the federal rulemaking process to implement the following regulation on the Service's fee title property within the Iowa WMD: "You may only use or possess approved nontoxic shot shells while in the field, including shot shells used for hunting wild turkey." This requirement would be in line with current regulations at 50 CFR 32.2(k).

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Public Meeting, Medford Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Medford District Resource Advisory Committee will meet as indicated below.

DATES: Wednesday, May 14, 2014, 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. with public comments at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Medford District Office, 3040 Biddle Road, Medford, Oregon 97504. The point of contact is Jim Whittington, 541–618–2220.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stephen Baker, Bureau of Land Management, Oregon/Washington, Oregon State Office, PO Box 2965, Portland, Oregon 97208, 503–808–6306; sabaker@blm.gov.

Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act was extended to provide stability for local counties by compensating them, in part, for the decrease in funds formerly derived from the harvest of timber on Federal lands. Pursuant to the Act, the five Committees serve western Oregon BLM districts that contain Oregon and California grant lands and Coos Bay Wagon Road grant lands. Committees consist of 15 local citizens representing a wide array of interests. The Resource Advisory Committees provide a mechanism for local community collaboration with Federal land managers as they select projects to be conducted on Federal lands or that will benefit resources on Federal lands using funds under Title II of the Act.

All meetings are open to the public. The public may present written

comments to the Committee. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation, tour transportation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact the BLM as provided above. The Resource Advisory Committees will be based on the following BLM District boundaries:

Coos Bay District Resource Advisory Committee advises Federal officials on projects associated with Federal lands within the Coos Bay District which includes lands in Coos, Curry, Douglas, and Lane Counties.

Eugene District Resource Advisory Committee advises Federal officials on projects associated with Federal lands within the Eugene District boundary which includes lands in Benton, Douglas, Lane, and Linn Counties.

Medford District Resource Advisory Committee advises Federal officials on projects associated with Federal lands within the Medford District and Klamath Falls Resource Area in the Lakeview District which includes lands in Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson, and Josephine Counties and small portions of west Klamath County.

Roseburg District Resource Advisory Committee advises Federal officials on projects associated with Federal lands within the Roseburg District boundary which includes lands in Douglas, Lane, and Jackson Counties.

Salem District Resource Advisory Committee advises Federal officials on projects associated with Federal lands within the Salem District boundary which includes lands in Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Multnomah, Polk, Tillamook, Washington, and Yamhill Counties.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Authority: Title VI, Section 205 of Pub. L. 110–343.

Jody L. Weil,

Deputy State Director, Office of Communications, Oregon/Washington.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

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Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), Scientific Committee

AGENCY: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Vacancies and Request for Nominations.

SUMMARY: BOEM is seeking interested and qualified individuals to serve on its OCS Scientific Committee (Committee) during the period of October 15, 2014, through October 14, 2017. The initial 3-year term may be renewable for up to an additional 3 years. The Committee is chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) to advise the Secretary of the Interior, through the Director of BOEM, on the scientific quality and value for decisionmaking of the OCS Environmental Studies Program (ESP). The ESP, which was authorized by the Outer Continental Shelf Land Act as amended (Section 20), is administered by BOEM and covers a wide range of field and laboratory studies in biology, chemistry, and physical oceanography, as well as studies of the social and economic impacts of OCS energy and marine minerals development.

As a FACA committee, the Committee provides advice from vetted, consensus-oriented, experts that are more focused and technically deeper than public hearings typically can provide. The recognized expertise and diverse associations of the Committee members also help BOEM build partnerships and optimize resources.

The OCS Scientific Committee comprises distinguished scientists in appropriate disciplines of the biological, physical, chemical and social sciences. We will have 15 positions to fill on the Committee by October 14, 2014. These positions exist in the fields of economics, physical oceanography, and biological oceanography/marine biology. We are interested in scientists who have experience in those disciplines, and we also look for geographical balance, drawing members from the contiguous United States, Alaska, and Hawaii.

The selections are based on maintaining disciplinary expertise in all areas of research, as well as geographic balance. Demonstrated knowledge of the scientific issues related to OCS energy and mineral development is essential. Selections are made by the Secretary of the Interior on the basis of these factors.

Ethics Responsibilities of Members:

All members will comply with applicable rules and regulations. The Department of the Interior will provide materials to those members appointed as Special Government Employees explaining their ethical obligations with which the members should be familiar. Consistent with the ethics requirements, members will endeavor to avoid any actions that would cause the public to question the integrity of the Committee's operations, activities or advice. The provisions of this paragraph do not affect any other statutory or regulatory ethical obligations to which a member may be subject.

Interested individuals should send a letter of interest and resume within 30 days to: Ms. Phyllis Clark, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Division of Environmental Studies, 381 Elden Street, Mail Stop HM–3115, Herndon, Virginia 20170. She may be reached by telephone at (703) 787–1716.

Authority: Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92–463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix I, and the Office of Management and Budget's Circular A–63, Revised.

Dated: April 14, 2014.

William Y. Brown,

Chief Environmental Officer, Office of Environmental Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

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Quarterly Status Report of Water Service, Repayment, and Other Water-Related Contract Actions

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of contractual actions that have been proposed to the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) and are new, discontinued, or completed since the last publication of this notice. This notice is one of a variety of means used to inform the public about proposed contractual actions for capital recovery and management of project resources and facilities consistent with section 9(f) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939. Additional announcements of individual contract actions may be published in the **Federal Register** and in newspapers of general circulation in the areas determined by Reclamation to be affected by the proposed action.