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## Geological Survey

### Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC); Public Review of the "Content Standards for Digital Orthoimagery", and the "Content Standards for Digital Elevation Data"

**ACTION:** Notice; Request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The FGDC is sponsoring a public review of the draft "Content Standards for Digital Orthoimagery", and the draft "Content Standards for Digital Elevation Data" to be considered for adoption as FGDC standards. If adopted, the standards must be followed by all Federal agencies for digital orthoimage and elevation data collected directly or indirectly, through grants, partnerships, or contracts.

In its assigned leadership role for developing the National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI), the FGDC recognizes that the standards must also meet the needs and recognize the views of State and local governments, academia, industry, and the public. The purpose of this notice is to solicit such views. The FGDC invites the community to review, test, and evaluate the proposed standards. Comments are encouraged about the content, completeness, applicability, and usability of the proposed standard.

The FGDC anticipates that the proposed standards will be adopted as Federal Geographic Data Committee standards after updating or revision. The standards may be forwarded to voluntary standards bodies for adoption if interest warrants such actions.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before July 25, 1997.

**CONTACT AND ADDRESSES:** Requests for written copies of the "Content Standards for Digital Orthoimagery" and the "Content Standards for Digital Elevation Data" should be addressed to "Content Standards for Digital Orthoimagery Review", and/or "Content Standards for Digital Elevation Data

Review", the FGDC Secretariat (attn: Jennifer Fox), U.S. Geological Survey, 590 National Center, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia, 22092; telephone 703-648-5514; facsimile 703-648-5755; or Internet "gdc@usgs.gov." The standards may be downloaded from the following Internet address:

ftp://www.fgdc.gov/pub/standards/DigOrtho/.

ftp://www.fgdc.gov/pub/standards/DigElev/.

Reviewer comments may be sent to the FGDC Secretariat at the above address. Please send one hardcopy version of the comments and a soft copy version, preferably on a 3.5x3.5 diskette in WordPerfect 5.0 or 6.0/6.1 format. Comments may also be sent via Internet mail. Send comments on the "Content Standards for Digital Orthoimagery" to: gdc-doi@www.fgdc.gov. Send comments on the "Content Standards for Digital Elevation Data Review" to: gdc-ded@www.fgdc.gov

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The objective of these standards is to define the digital orthoimage and elevation themes of the digital geospatial data framework as envisioned by the FGDC. It is the intent of these standards to set a common baseline that will ensure the widest utility of digital orthoimagery and elevation data for the user and producer communities through enhanced data sharing and the reduction of redundant data production. The framework will provide a base on which to collect, register, and integrate digital geospatial information accurately. Digital orthoimagery and elevation data are both parts of this basic set of data described as framework. These standards are intended to facilitate the interchange and use of digital orthoimage and elevation data under the framework concept. These standards describe quality control, testing, processing, accuracy, reporting, and applications considerations for digital orthoimagery and elevation data.

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Richard E. Witmer,

*Acting Chief, National Mapping Division.*

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## Bureau of Land Management

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### Intent of Seasonal Road Closure; Caprock Wildlife Habitat Area, Mescalero Sands, NM

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent of Seasonal Road Closure within the Caprock Wildlife Habitat Area at Mescalero Sands.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to 43 CFR Part 8364, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will annually close a BLM-maintained road designated as Mathers TT329 to public access at State Highway 380 from March 1 through June 1. This period may be extended earlier or later, or with additional closure periods imposed during the year, for Lesser prairie chicken research needs.

**DATE:** This action is effective March 1, 1997, and will remain in effect until the cessation of Lesser prairie chicken studies projected through the year 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Maps showing the location of the access point from State Highway 380 that will be closed will be available at the BLM District Office, 2909 West 2nd Street, Roswell, New Mexico.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** T.R. Kreager, Area Manager, Roswell Resource Area, 2909 West 2nd Street, Roswell, New Mexico 88201-2019, Telephone (505) 627-0272.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Approximately six miles of caliche-surfaced road maintained by the BLM will be seasonally closed to the general public by the physical restriction of access from State Highway 380 at the following location:

New Mexico Principal Meridian

Caprock Wildlife Habitat Area, Mescalero Sands

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The access point is at State Highway 380, across from the Waldrop Rest Area (Mile Marker 196), approximately forty-two miles east of Roswell, New Mexico. The area restricted to public access is north of the highway.

This temporary road and are closure will be in effect annually from March 1, 1997, until the cessation of Lesser prairie chicken studies in the year 2001. The purpose of the closure is to restrict currently open public access into important Lesser prairie chicken habitat targeted for long-term ecological studies. Specifically, to prevent disturbance to prairie chicken booming grounds (leks) and trapping efforts at the grounds for