

Merrill, Glendive, Montana and continuing at 8:00 a.m. on May 7. The meeting is called primarily to discuss off-highway vehicle issues, land exchanges, and to share information on Makoshika State Park. The meeting is expected to last until noon on May 7.

The meeting is open to the public and the public comment period is set for 4:00 p.m. on May 6. 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 during regular business hours.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marilyn Krause, Public Affairs Specialist, Miles City District, 111 Garryowen Road, Miles City, Montana 59301, telephone (406) 233-2831.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the Council is to advise the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management. The 15 member Council includes individuals who have expertise, education, training or practical experience in the planning and management of public lands and their resources and who have a knowledge of the geographical jurisdiction of the Council.

Dated: March 27, 1998.

Janet L. Edmonds,

Acting District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ES-020-03-4210-05, FL-ES-41957 and FL-ES-41958]

Realty Action; Classification of Public Lands for Recreation and Public Purposes; Walton County, FL

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of realty action for the classification of public lands for lease/conveyance pursuant to the Recreation and Public Purposes Act.

SUMMARY: The following described public lands in Walton County, Florida have been examined and found suitable for lease or conveyance pursuant to the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, as amended, 43 U.S.C. 869 *et seq.*, and the regulations promulgated thereunder,

title 43 Code of Federal Regulation, part 2912:

Tallahassee Meridian, Florida

T. 3 S., R. 18 W.

Sec. 19, Lot 34 (1.28 acres)

T. 3 S., R. 20 W.

Sec. 4, Lot 37 (1.65 acres)

Totalling 2.93 acres.

The Board of County Commissioners plan to use these lands for recreational areas. The lands are not needed for Federal purposes. Lease/conveyance is consistent with current Bureau of Land Management land use planning and conveyance is deemed to be in the public interest.

The lease/patent, when issued, shall be subject to the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and to all applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior, and to the following reservations to the United States:

1. All minerals shall be reserved to the United States, together with the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the minerals.

2. All valid existing rights documented on the official public land records at the time of lease/patent issuance.

3. Any other reservations that the authorized officer determines appropriate to ensure public access and proper management of Federal lands and interests herein.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the lands will be segregated from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the general mining laws, except for lease or conveyance under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and leasing under the mineral leasing laws. For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice, interested persons or parties may submit comments regarding the proposed lease/conveyance or classification of the lands to the Field Manager, Jackson Field Office, 411 Briarwood Drive, Suite 404, Jackson, Mississippi 39206. Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the Field manager. In the absence of any adverse comments, the classification will become effective 60 days from the date of publication of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Weaver, Realty Specialist, Jackson Field Office, 411 Briarwood Drive, Suite 404, Jackson, Mississippi 39207 (601) 944-5435.

Dated: March 5, 1998.

Bruce Dawson,

Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR-050-1610-00; GP8-0139]

Criterion/Tenmile Creek Resource Management Plan Amendment for the Two Rivers Resource Management Plan, Wasco County, OR

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an amendment to the Two Rivers Resource Management Plan.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 43 CFR 1610.2, the Deschutes Resource Area of the Prineville District, announces that a proposed plan amendment and associated environmental impact statement to address management options for the Criterion Ranch area is being prepared. The proposed management plan will provide long term direction, allocate resources and provide a basis for authorizing, restricting or prohibiting land use on approximately 15,000 acres of Bureau managed lands. Public comments on the scope of the analysis, planning issues, alternatives to be considered, analysis techniques and further public participation activities and forums will be accepted for 60 days from the date of this notice at the address shown below.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. *Description of the proposed planning action:* To amend the 1986 Two Rivers Resource Management Plan (RMPA). The planning amendment will be based on existing statutory requirements and policies, and will carry out the requirements of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA). The Criterion RMPA and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will provide a basis for modifying the Two Rivers RMP to provide specific management direction for approximately 13,000 acres of newly acquired land adjacent to or associated with the lower Deschutes River. The actual plan amendment planning area will also address management options on an additional 2,000 acres of public land contiguous with the acquired tracts. The amendment will include identification of closed vehicular areas; clarification of the type and seasons of livestock use, if any; management for diverse and healthy ecosystems; and identification for the types of recreational use that will be authorized and restrictions of the same. In addition, portions of the consolidated federal lands will be evaluated for potential suitability as areas of special designation, such as Wilderness Study