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#### Authority

The authority for this action is the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended (42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.*).

Dated: February 18, 2000.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force Ballast Water and Shipping Committee

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Ballast Water and Shipping Committee of the Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force. The meeting topics are identified in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

**DATES:** The Committee will meet from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., on Wednesday, March 1, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Coast Guard Headquarters, Room 2415, 2100 Second Street, SW, Washington, D.C.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** LT Mary Pat McKeown, U.S. Coast Guard, Chair, Ballast Water and Shipping Committee, at 202-267-0500 or by email at [mmckeown@comdt.uscg.mil](mailto:mmckeown@comdt.uscg.mil) or Sharon Gross, Executive Secretary, Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force at 703-358-2308 or by e-mail at [sharon\\_gross@fws.gov](mailto:sharon_gross@fws.gov)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. I), this notice announces a meeting of the Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force Ballast Water and Shipping Committee. The Task Force was established by the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and

Control Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 4701-4741).

Topics to be addressed at this meeting include briefings and updates on the inaugural meeting of the National Invasive Species Committee, a discussion of the efforts to address environmental soundness of technologies, and a discussion of how aquatic nuisance species removal efficiency values will be developed.

Minutes of the meeting will be maintained by the Executive Secretary, Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force, Suite 851, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22203-1622, and the Chair of the Ballast Water and Shipping Committee at the Environmental Standards Division, Office of Operations and Environmental Standards, U.S. Coast Guard (G-MSO-4), 2100 Second Street, SW, room 1309, Washington, D.C. 20593-0001. Minutes for the meetings will be available at these locations for public inspection during regular business hours, Monday through Friday.

Dated: February 23, 2000.

#### Rowan Gould,

*Acting Go-Chair, Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force, Acting Assistant Director—Fisheries.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[OR-130-1020-XU; GP0-0136]

#### Notice of Meeting of the Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council

**ACTION:** Meeting of the Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council; March 16, 2000, in Spokane, Washington.

**SUMMARY:** A meeting of the Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council will be held on March 16, 2000. The meeting will convene at 9:00 a.m., at the Spokane District Office of the Bureau of Land Management, 1103 N. Fancher Road, Spokane, Washington, 99212-1275. The meeting will adjourn upon conclusion of business, but no later than 4:00 p.m. Public comments will be heard from 10:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. If necessary to accommodate all wishing to make public comments, a time limit may be placed upon each speaker. At an appropriate time, the meeting will adjourn for approximately one hour for lunch. Topics to be discussed include: Status of the Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem Management Project, Central

Washington Land Exchange and several Forest Service issues such as the reorganization of the Colville and Okanogan National Forests and the roadless initiatives.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bureau of Land Management, Spokane District Office, 1103 N. Fancher Road, Spokane, Washington, 99212; or call 509-536-1200.

Dated: February 23, 2000.

#### Gary J. Yeager,

*Acting District Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[UT-030-00-1610-00]

#### Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Approved Management Plan and Record of Decision

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 (40 CFR 1550.2), and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument (GSENM) provides notice of the availability of the Approved Management Plan and Record of Decision (ROD) for GSENM. The Approved Management Plan/ROD was signed by the Secretary of the Interior on November 15, 1999 and will be in effect upon publication of this notice. This Approved Management Plan/ROD supersedes the existing Vermilion Management Framework Plan (MFP), Escalante MFP, and the Paria MFP and other related documents for managing BLM-administered lands within GSENM. GSENM is responsible for management of BLM-administered lands and minerals within the boundaries of the Monument in Kane and Garfield Counties, Utah and is administratively responsible for approximately 1,870,800 acres. The major management emphases in the Approved Plan includes: (1) Management of uses to protect and prevent damage to Monument resources. (2) Facilitation of appropriate scientific research activities. (3) Designation of a transportation system for the Monument and prohibition of all cross-country vehicle travel. (4) Identification of protection measures for special status