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You may deliver comments to the Bureau of Land Management, Administrative Record, Room 401, 1620 L Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Comments will be available for public review at the L Street address during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.) Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You may contact Ken Visser on (202) 452-7743 (Commercial or FTS). Persons who use a telecommunication device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) on 1-800-877-8330, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact Mr. Visser.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 5 CFR 1320.12(a) requires that we provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning a collection of information to solicit comments on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper functioning of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of our estimates of the information collection burden, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions we use;

(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and

(d) Ways to minimize the information collection burden on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The regulations under 43 CFR 4130 authorize BLM to issue grazing permits or leases to applicants who apply to have their livestock graze on public lands. BLM administers the livestock grazing program consistent with land-use plans, multiple-use objectives, sustained yield, environmental values, economic considerations, and other factors. To do so, BLM requests information from the permittees and lessees to authorize livestock grazing use on the public lands and to amend annual authorized grazing use levels.

BLM will use Form 4130-1 to collect the following information:

(1) The name and number of the grazing allotment to verify the authorized location;

(2) The number of livestock;

(3) Periods of use for billing purposes to calculate grazing use fees;

(4) To record brands to verify ownership;

(5) To determine reasons for any nonuse of the grazing allotment;

(6) To determine if the use applied for is within the authorized level of use;

(7) To determine if the use applied for is consistent with multiple-use objectives; and

(8) To develop the appropriate terms and conditions under 43 CFR 4130.3-1 and 4130.3-2.

BLM uses this information also for various grazing administrative purposes depending on the nature of the application. These purposes include:

(1) To identify the applicant;

(2) To determine if the requested terms and conditions of grazing use are consistent with regulations and applicable land use plan or activity plan management guidance;

(3) To determine if the livestock brands are recorded to the applicant;

(4) To develop the appropriate terms and conditions under 43 CFR 4130.3-1 and 4130.3-2;

(5) To consider modifying terms and conditions of grazing use under 43 CFR 4130.3;

(6) To consider changes to grazing use within terms and conditions of the existing permit or lease under 43 CFR 4130.4(b); and

(7) To determine the forage amount requested and the grazing fees due for use.

Based upon BLM experience and recent tabulations of activity, we process approximately 6,000 applications each year. The public reporting information collection burden takes 20 minutes to complete. The estimated number of responses per year is 6,000 and the total annual burden is 2,000 hours.

BLM will summarize all responses to this notice and include them in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: August 3, 2001.

Michael H. Schwartz,

BLM Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[MT-010-1060-00 HI]

Public Land Closures; Temporary Closure of Designated Areas of the Pryor Mountain National Wild Horse Range in the Southeastern Portion of Carbon County, Montana and the Northern Portion of Big Horn County, Wyoming, to Public Access, Use, or Occupancy

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Montana, Billings Field Office, Interior.

SUMMARY: Notice is served that designated areas of the Pryor Mountain National Wild Horse Range will be closed to all unauthorized persons.

DATES: Rotating closures will be in effect from on, or about, September 10, 2001, 0001 AM MDT through the conclusion of the gather operation, anticipated to conclude September 30, 2001 6:00 PM MDT depending on the weather and success of gather and adoption operations.

Discussion of the Closure

This closure is necessary to ensure the safety and welfare of all participants and observers for this gather, and to protect the wild horses as a natural resource on public lands. Efforts will be made to avoid time periods, such as weekends, of heavier anticipated use of the range. The helicopter contractor is available to work on weekends, however, and this may be necessary due to temporary weather shutdowns, or other unforeseen circumstances. This will be the second time that helicopters are used as the primary tool for herding horses into the Britton Springs Corral facility on the Pryor Mountain National Wild Horse Range. In order to operate the aircraft in a safe and effective manner, and based on experience gained in the 1997 gather, it is necessary to close the affected areas to all public use during actual herding operations. The wild horses are separated into social groups that occupy three fairly distinct geographic areas of the range including Sykes Ridge, Burnt Timber Ridge, and the Dry Head/Layout Creek portions of the Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area. Gather operations will be selective and will focus on one geographic area at a time. Normal aircraft operations will probably conclude in the early afternoon of each day of operations, following which the affected areas will be opened until the next aircraft operational period. Detailed information may be obtained

from: Environmental Assessment and Gather Plan Pryor Mountain Wild Horse Range, FY 2001 Wild Horse Population Gather & Selective Removal: EA # MT-010-1-44, dated June 19, 2001.

This closure will be on a temporary and rotating basis during a gather operation beginning on or about September 10, 2001. It is anticipated that the operation will take approximately three weeks, depending on weather and other variable conditions. Areas to be closed include Sykes Ridge, Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area (BICA) Dryhead area, Burnt Timber Ridge and the Britton Springs Administrative Site. Each area will be closed individually for one to three (1-3) days depending upon the outcome of gather operations. Only one area will be closed during any given period, except for the Britton Springs Administrative Site which will be closed for the duration of the operation. Gather efforts within the BICA Dryhead area will be coordinated through the National Park Service. Dryhead activities will not result in closures, but some traffic control may be effected during actual operations. Affected lands are as follows:

Sykes Ridge Closure Area

Principal Meridian, Montana

Township 8 S., Range 28 E., PMM

Sec. 4: M&B
 Sec. 5: All
 Sec. 8: M&B
 Sec. 9: All
 Sec. 10: M&B
 Sec. 16: All
 Sec. 17: All
 Sec. 20: All
 Sec. 21: W¹/₂E¹/₂
 Sec. 28: W¹/₂
 Sec. 29: All
 Sec. 32: All
 Sec. 33: W¹/₂, W¹/₂SE¹/₄

Township 9 S., Range 28 E., PMM

Sec. 4: NWNE, S¹/₂NE¹/₄, W¹/₂, SE¹/₄
 Sec. 5: All
 Sec. 8: All
 Sec. 9: All
 Sec. 10: W¹/₂ SW¹/₄
 Sec. 15: NWNW, S¹/₂NW¹/₄, SW¹/₄
 Sec. 16: All
 Sec. 17: All
 Sec. 20: All
 Sec. 21: All
 Sec. 22: W¹/₂
 Sec. 27: All
 Sec. 28: All
 Sec. 29: All
 Sec. 32: All
 Sec. 33: All
 Sec. 34: All

Sixth Principal Meridian, Wyoming

Township 58 N., Range 95 W., 6th PM

Sec. 19: M&B
 Sec. 20: M&B
 Sec. 21: All
 Sec. 22: All
 Sec. 23: M&B
 Sec. 27: All
 Sec. 28: All
 Sec. 29: M&B
 Sec. 33: M&B
 Sec. 34: M&B (end)

Burnt Timber Ridge Closure

Principal Meridian, Montana

Township 8 S., Range 27 E. PMM

Sec. 12: All
 Sec. 13: All
 Sec. 24: All
 Sec. 25: All
 Sec. 26: All
 Sec. 35: All
 Sec. 36: All

Township 8 S., Range 28 E., PMM

Sec. 6: All
 Sec. 7: All
 Sec. 8: All
 Sec. 17: All
 Sec. 18: All
 Sec. 19: All
 Sec. 20: All
 Sec. 29: All
 Sec. 30: All
 Sec. 31: All
 Sec. 32: All

Township 9 S., Range 27 E., PMM

Sec. 1: All
 Sec. 2: All
 Sec. 11: All
 Sec. 12: All
 Sec. 13: All
 Sec. 14: All
 Sec. 23: All
 Sec. 24: All
 Sec. 25: All
 Sec. 36: All

Township 8 S., Range 28 E., PMM

Sec. 5: All
 Sec. 6: All
 Sec. 7: All
 Sec. 8: All
 Sec. 17: All
 Sec. 18: All
 Sec. 19: All
 Sec. 20: All
 Sec. 29: All
 Sec. 30: All
 Sec. 31: All
 Sec. 32: All
 Sec. 33: All

Sixth Principal Meridian, Wyoming

Township 58 N., Range 95 W., 6th PM

Sec. 19: M&B

Sec. 20: M&B
 Sec. 21: All
 Sec. 22: All
 Sec. 23: M&B
 Sec. 27: All
 Sec. 28: All
 Sec. 29: M&B
 Sec. 33: M&B
 Sec. 34: M&B (end)

Britton Springs Closure

Principal Meridian, Montana

Township 9 S., Range 27 E., PMM

Sec. 36: M&B

Township 9 S., Range 28 E., PMM

Sec. 31: All

Sec. 32: All

Sixth Principal Meridian, Wyoming

Township 58 N., Range 95 W., 6th PM

Sec. 19: M&B

Sec. 20: M&B

Sec. 21: All

Sec. 28: All

Sec. 29: M&B

Sec. 33: M&B

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sandra S. Brooks, Billings Field Office Manager, 5001 Southgate Drive, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, MT 59107, or call (406) 896-5013.

Prohibited Acts

Under 43 CFR 8364.1, the Bureau of Land Management is closing the affected lands to all use or occupancy during wild horse gathering, holding, and adoption. No person may occupy or enter the closed area on foot, horseback or by mechanical means.

Exemptions

Persons who are exempt from these rules include any Federal, State, or local officer or employee in the scope of their duties, members of any organized rescue or fire-fighting force in the performance of an official duty, and any person authorized in writing by the Bureau of Land Management.

Penalties

The authority for this closure is found under section 303(a) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1733(a); 43 CFR 8364.1, and 43 CFR 8360-7. Any person who violates this closure may be tried before a United States Magistrate and fined no more than \$1,000.00 or imprisoned for no more than 12 months, or both. Such violations may also be subject to the

enhanced fines provided for by 18 U.S.C. 3571.

Sandra S. Brooks,

Field Office Manager, Billings Field Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR-130-2810-HT; GP1-0258]

Notice of Regulated Fire Closure for Bureau of Land Management Public Lands in the State of Washington

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Spokane District, Interior.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.2, the following acts are *prohibited* on public lands within the Spokane District, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) including Juniper Forest Area, Hog Canyon, Miller Ranch/Fishtrap Recreation Area, Pacific Lake, Twin Lakes, Coffeepot, Yakima River Canyon, Douglas Creek, Chopaka/Palmer Mountain, Split Rock, Liberty, Saddle Mountains, Lakeview Ranch/Lake Creek, Horse Heaven Hills, Duffy Creek Management Area, Boundary Dam, Escure Ranch/Rock Creek, and San Juan Island sites, beginning at 12:01 a.m. August 4, 2001 until further notice:

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire or stove fire, including charcoal briquette fire including all improved campgrounds (43 CFR 9212.1(h)).

Note: Liquified and bottled gas stoves and heaters are permitted provided they are used within a designated campground or picnic areas.

2. Smoking while traveling in timber, brush or grass areas, except in vehicles on roads, on barren or cleared areas at least 3 feet in diameter, or boats on rivers and lakes. (43 CFR 9212.1(h)).

3. Operating any type of motorized vehicle off developed roadways. Parking of vehicles off roadways must be done in an area barren of flammable materials (43 CFR 9212.1(g)).

Note: Developed roadways are those that are clear of flammable debris, berm to berm.

Pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.3(a) the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a permit that specifically authorized the otherwise prohibited act or omission (43 CFR 9212.3(a)).

2. Any Federal, State or local officer or a member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty (43 CFR 9212.2(3)).

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than

\$1,000.00 or to imprisonment of not more than 12 months, or both (43 CFR 9212.4).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Scott Boyd, Fire Management Officer, Bureau of Land Management, Spokane District Officer, 1103 N. Fancher Road, Spokane, Washington, 99212; or call (509) 536-1200.

Dated: August 1, 2001.

Gary J. Yeager,

Acting District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR-014-01-1610-PG; HAG-01-0227]

Meeting Notice for the Klamath Provincial Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

SUMMARY: The Klamath Provincial Advisory Committee (PAC) will meet at the North State Blood Center, 1876 Park Marina Drive, Redding, CA, 96001 on Thursday, September 6, 2001 from 12:45 PM to 5:30 PM and on Friday, September 7, 2001 from 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM. Among the topics to be discussed are Federal Energy Regulatory Commission relicensing of PacifiCorp facilities along the Klamath River, and Forest Reports on National Fire Planning. The entire meeting is open to the public. Information to be distributed to the Committee members is requested 10 days prior to the start of the meeting. An opportunity for public comment is scheduled for 5:00 PM to 5:30 PM on Thursday, September 6, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Additional information concerning the Klamath PAC may be obtained from Teresa Raml, Field Manager, Klamath Falls Resource Area, 2795 Anderson Ave., Building 25, Klamath Falls, OR 97603, Phone Number 541-883-6916, FAX 541-884-2097, or e-mail traml@or.blm.gov.

Dated: August 3, 2001.

Teresa A. Raml,

Field Manager, Klamath Falls Resource Area.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WO-200-01-1020-00]

Science Advisory Board

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces a public meeting of the Science Advisory Board to discuss DOI science goals, update recent BLM science initiatives, receive a briefing on the President's Energy Plan, and to discuss science and management of the National Landscape Conservation System units.

DATES: BLM will hold the public meeting on Tuesday, September 18, 2001, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. local time.

ADDRESSES: BLM will hold the public meeting at the Bureau of Land Management, Room 5622, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Lee Barkow, Bureau of Land Management, Denver Federal Center, Building 50, P.O. Box 25047, Denver, CO 80225-0047, 303-236-6454.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published in accordance with Section 9(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (Public Law 92-463).

I. The agenda for the Public Meeting is as Follows

9 a.m.—Introduction and Opening Remarks

9:30 a.m.—DOI Science Goals

10:30 a.m.—Update on Recent BLM Science Initiatives

1 p.m.—Briefing on the President's Energy Plan

2:45 p.m.—The National Landscape Conservation System—A Discussion on Science and Management of the Units

4 p.m.—Open Discussion by the Board and Drafting of Recommendations to the Director

II. Public Comment Procedures

Participation in the public meeting is not a prerequisite for submittal of written comments from all interested parties. Your written comments should be specific and explain the reason for any recommendation. The BLM appreciates any and all comments, but those most useful and likely to influence decisions on BLM's use of science are those that are either supported by quantitative information or studies or those that include citations