

fire management opportunities and potential effects on vegetative communities; (9) potential establishment of new Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACECs); (10) determinations of wild and scenic river eligibility, suitability, and tentative classifications (wild, scenic, or recreational); and (11) potential establishment of Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs). These preliminary issues are not final and may be added to and refined through the public participation process. As part of the land use planning process, the FLPMA mandates that BLM give priority to the designation and protection of ACECs when developing and revising land use plans. As part of the Price Field Office RMP planning effort, BLM will determine what areas, if any, should be designated as ACECs. As a result of a previous planning effort for the San Rafael RMP, 13 nominations have already been recorded, evaluated, and designated as ACECs. It is proposed that these areas be brought forward into the Price Field Office RMP. In addition, BLM is requesting additional nominations for areas that the public may see as being appropriately managed as ACECs.

Public nominations are also being sought for those rivers which may be eligible for inclusion into the National Wild and Scenic River System. In order to be considered, the body of water must be free flowing and contain at least one outstandingly remarkable value. The river can be any size and must be existing or flowing in a natural condition without major modification. All nominations should be accompanied by detailed maps, descriptions of the river segment, and rivers related values. Rivers will also be tentatively classified as wild, scenic, or recreational. An interdisciplinary team in coordination with planning partners will make preliminary determinations as to eligibility and classification of river segments. These preliminary determinations will be made available for public review prior to issuance of the Draft RMP/Draft EIS.

Preliminary Planning Criteria that have been identified to guide resolution of the issues that will be considered in the RMP are as follows: (1) The plan will recognize the existence of valid existing rights, (2) Lands covered in the RMP will be public lands, which include split estate lands, managed by BLM. Decisions in the RMP will be made only on lands managed by BLM, (3) The BLM will use a collaborative and multi-jurisdictional approach, where possible, to jointly determine the desired future condition of public lands,

(4) The BLM will make all possible attempts to ensure that its management prescriptions and planning actions are as complimentary as possible to other planning jurisdictions, within the boundaries described by law and policy, (5) The BLM will consider the management prescriptions on adjoining lands to minimize inconsistent management. To the extent possible, BLM will coordinate inventories, planning, and management programs with other federal, state, tribal, and local governments and agencies, (6) Management prescriptions will focus on the relative values of resources and not necessarily the combination of uses that will give the greatest economic return or economic output, and (7) To the extent possible, the BLM will use current scientific information, research, new technologies and the results of resource assessments, monitoring and coordination to determine appropriate local, and regional management strategies that will enhance or restore impaired ecosystems.

Complete records of all phases of the planning process will be available for public review at the Price Field Office throughout this planning effort.

This notice announces the beginning of scoping. The Price Field Office is seeking public involvement in the earliest possible stages of this planning endeavor to enhance collaboration. If you have information or concerns you would like to share, including ideas or opportunities that could enhance data collection, inventories, or formulation of issues that could be addressed in the plan, please submit them to the above address.

Alternatives will be developed and analyzed to resolve the issues that are identified during the scoping process. A Draft RMP/Draft EIS will be published and made available for public review.

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Acting State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ES-960-1420-BJ; ES-51229, Group 164, Wisconsin]

Notice of Filing of Plat of Survey; Wisconsin

The plat of the dependent resurvey of the Eagle Bluff Light Station in the fractional NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 17, Township 31 North, Range 27 East, 4th Principal

Meridian, Wisconsin, will be officially filed in Eastern States, Springfield, Virginia at 7:30 a.m., on December 17, 2001.

The survey was requested by the Bureau of Land Management, Milwaukee Field Office.

All inquiries or protests concerning the technical aspects of the survey must be sent to the Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Eastern States, Bureau of Land Management, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153, prior to 7:30 a.m., December 17, 2001.

Copies of the plat will be made available upon request and prepayment of the appropriate fee.

Dated: October 19, 2001.

Stephen D. Douglas,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ES-960-1910-BJ-4377; ES-51228, Group 156, Wisconsin]

Notice of Filing of Plat of Survey; Wisconsin

The plat of the dependent resurvey of a portion of the south and east boundaries, a portion of the subdivisional lines, and the subdivision of sections 24, 25, and 36, Township 39 North, Range 9 West, 4th Principal Meridian, Wisconsin, will be officially filed in Eastern States, Springfield, Virginia at 7:30 a.m., on November 28, 2001.

The survey was requested by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

All inquiries or protests concerning the technical aspects of the survey must be sent to the Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Eastern States, Bureau of Land Management, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153, prior to 7:30 a.m., November 28, 2001.

Copies of the plat will be made available upon request and prepayment of the appropriate fee.

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Stephen D. Douglas,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor.

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