

Bilateral Agreement for the conservation of the polar bears occurred in Moscow, Russia in September, 2009. The Scientific Working Group, which is established under this Bilateral Agreement, will make recommendations on management and research needs to the four commissioners.

*Comment 9:* The Service should provide an explanation as to why it believes that 2,000 can be used as the best population estimate as well as the minimum population size.

*Response:* The population estimate of 2,000 is based on extrapolated den data and is over 10 years old. Although this number is not considered reliable for management purposes, it is currently the best scientific information available for these calculations.

*Comment 10:* The Service should revise downward its estimate of the maximum net productivity rate for this population to reflect ongoing and predicted changes in polar bear habitat that will prevent polar bear stocks from achieving growth rates that might be expected in a favorable environment.

*Response:* See response to Comment 2 for the Southern Beaufort Sea SAR.

*Comment 11:* The Service should use the first meeting of the United States–Russia Polar Bear Commission to address the over harvest of this stock.

*Response:* This is one of the action items assigned to the Scientific Working Group, which will make recommendations to the Bilateral Commission in 2010.

*Comment 12:* The Service should mention that since the stock is now considered depleted under the MMPA, the Federal Government now has authority to regulate harvest levels.

*Response:* Although we concur with the above statement, the Service would rather work through the U.S. Russia Bilateral Agreement for the Conservation of Polar Bears to develop management and research priorities, including guidelines for determining appropriate harvest levels for this population stock. We believe that working cooperatively with our Russian colleagues will result in a more effective management strategy for this population.

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**Authority:** The authority for this action is the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et al.*).

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Public Meeting, Western Montana Resource Advisory Council Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of

Land Management (BLM), the Western Montana Resource Advisory Council will meet as indicated below.

**DATES:** The Western Montana RAC will meet Feb. 10, 2010 at 9 a.m. The public comment period for the meeting will begin at 11:30 a.m. and the meeting is expected to adjourn at approximately 3 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Butte Field Office, 106 N. Parkmont, Butte, Montana.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David Abrams, Western Montana Resource Advisory Council Coordinator, Butte Field Office, 106 North Parkmont, Butte, Montana 59701, telephone 406-533-7617.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The 15-member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in western Montana. At the February meeting, agenda items include: The BLM's Access Manager Program and a review of Forest Service fee proposals.

All meetings are open to the public. The public may present written comments to the Council. Each formal Council meeting will also have time allocated for hearing public comments. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation, or other reasonable accommodations, should contact the BLM as provided below.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### National Register of Historic Places; Notification of Pending Nominations and Related Actions

Nominations for the following properties being considered for listing or related actions in the National Register were received by the National Park Service before December 12, 2009. Pursuant to section 60.13 of 36 CFR part 60 written comments concerning the significance of these properties under the National Register criteria for evaluation may be forwarded by United States Postal Service, to the National Register of Historic Places, National Park Service, 1849 C St., NW., 2280,

Washington, DC 20240; by all other carriers, National Register of Historic Places, National Park Service, 1201 Eye St., NW., 8th floor, Washington DC 20005; or by fax, 202-371-6447. Written or faxed comments should be submitted by January 14, 2010.

**J. Paul Loether,**

*Chief, National Register of Historic Places/ National Historic Landmarks Program.*

### ARKANSAS

#### Boone County

Twelve Oaks, 7210 AR 7 S, Harrison, 09001237

#### Carroll County

Sanitarium Lake Bridges Historic District, (Historic Bridges of Arkansas MPS) Carroll Co. Rd. 317, approx. .5 mi. S. of Greenwood Hollow Rd., Eureka Springs, 09001238

#### Clark County

DeGray Creek Bridge, (Historic Bridges of Arkansas MPS) Co. Rd. 50 over DeGray Creek, Arkadelphia, 09001239

#### Columbia County

Cross and Nelson Hall Historic District, (New Deal Recovery Efforts in Arkansas MPS) Southern Arkansas University Campus at 100 E. University, Magnolia, 09001240

#### Crawford County

Lee Creek Bridge, (Historic Bridges of Arkansas MPS) W. of W. Rena Rd. over Lee Creek, Van Buren, 09001241  
Old U.S. 64—Van Buren Segment, (Arkansas Highway History and Architecture MPS) Oak Ln. N. of US 64, Van Buren, 09001242

#### Crittenden County

Riverside Speedway, 151 Legion Rd., West Memphis, 09001243  
Wilson Power and Light Company Ice Plant, 120 E. Broadway St., West Memphis, 09001244

#### Desha County

McGehee Post Office, 201 N. Second St., McGehee, 09001245

#### Garland County

Malco Theatre, 817 Central Ave., Hot Springs, 09001246

#### Hempstead County

Southwestern Proving Ground Building No. 5, (World War II Home Front Efforts in Arkansas, MPS) 259 Hempstead Co. Rd. 279, Hope, 09001247

#### Independence County

Central Avenue Bridge, (Historic Bridges of Arkansas MPS) AR 69 over Polk Bayou, Batesville, 09001248  
Miller Creek Bridge, (Historic Bridges of Arkansas MPS) Co. Rd. 86 over Miller Creek, Batesville, 09001249

#### Jefferson County

Taylor Field, (New Deal Recovery Efforts in Arkansas MPS) 1201 E. 16th St., Pine Bluff, 09001250

### Lawrence County

Commandant's House, (World War II Home Front Efforts in Arkansas, MPS) 264 McClellan Dr., Walnut Ridge, 09001251

### Logan County

Liberty Schoolhouse, 12682 Spring Lake Rd., Corley, 09001252

### Marion County

Crooked Creek Bridge, (Historic Bridges of Arkansas MPS) US 62 Spur N. over Crooked Creek, Pyatt, 09001253

### Miller County

Beech Street Historic District, Roughly Beech St. between 14th and 23rd Sts., Texarkana, 09001254

### Newton County

Jasper Commercial Historic District, Roughly bounded by Sycamore St., E. Elm St., N. Spring St., and Clark St., Jasper, 09001255

### Ouachita County

Washington Street Historic District, 404-926 W. Washington, 619-816 Graham, 116-132 N. Cleveland, 131-139 N. Agee and 132 N. California, Camden, 09001256

### Poinsett County

Poinsett Lumber and Manufacturing Company Manager's House, 512 Poinsett Ave., Trumann, 09001257

### Pulaski County

Oakland-Fraternal Cemetery, 2101 Barber St., Little Rock, 09001258  
Seed Warehouse No. 5, (Cotton and Rice Farm History and Architecture in the Arkansas Delta MPS) SW corner of US 165 and AR 161, Scott, 09001259

### Van Buren County

Middle Fork of the Little Red River Bridge, Co. Rd. 125 over the Middle Fork of the Little Red River, Shirley, 09001260

### Washington County

Cane Hill Road Bridge, (Historic Bridges of Arkansas MPS) AR 170 over the Little Red River, Prairie Grove, 09001261  
Goff Farm Stone Bridge, (Historic Bridges of Arkansas MPS) Goff Farm Rd. approx. 1/2 mi. E. of Dead Horse Mountain Rd., Fayetteville, 09001262

### Yell County

Petit Jean River Bridge, (Historic Bridges of Arkansas MPS) Co. Rd. 49 over the Petit Jean River, Ola, 09001263

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

### District of Columbia

Fort View Apartments, (Apartment Buildings in Washington, DC, MPS) 6000-6020 and 6030-6050 13th Place, N.W., Washington, 09001264

## MISSOURI

### St. Louis Independent city

Central Carondelet Historic District (Boundary Increase III), Roughly bounded by Bates St. on the N., Interstate 55 on the W., S. Broadway on E. and Holly Hills on S., St. Louis, 09001265