

collaboratively with interested parties to identify the management decisions that are best suited to local, regional, and national needs and concerns.

The BLM will use an interdisciplinary approach to develop the plan in order to consider the variety of resource issues and concerns identified. Specialists with expertise in the following disciplines will be involved in the planning process: Rangeland management, minerals and geology, outdoor recreation, archaeology, paleontology, wildlife, lands and realty, hydrology, soils, sociology, economics, and cave resources.

Authority: 40 CFR 1501.3, 40 CFR 1501.7, 43 CFR 1610.2.

Linda S. C. Rundell,

New Mexico State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Public Meetings for the Steens Mountain Advisory Council

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Act of 2000, the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Steens Mountain Advisory Council (SMAC) has scheduled the following tentative meeting dates:

DATES: April 12 and 13, 2010 and September 16 and 17, 2010 at the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Burns District Office; November 18 and 19, 2010 in Bend, Oregon; and July 1 and 2, 2010 in Diamond, Oregon. All meeting sessions begin between 8 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. local time, and usually end no later than 4:30 p.m., local time. Some sessions may end as early as 12 noon, local time. Other sessions may include a full or partial-day field tour.

ADDRESSES: The Burns District Office is located at 28910 Highway 20 West, Hines, Oregon, 97738. The July meeting will be held at the Diamond School on Diamond Lane in Diamond, Oregon. The November meeting will be at the Phoenix Inn Suites, 300 NW Franklin Avenue, Bend, Oregon.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Christi Courtemanche, BLM, Burns District Office, 28910 Highway 20 West, Hines, Oregon 97738, (541) 573-4541 or *Christi_Courtemanche@blm.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The SMAC was appointed by the Secretary of the Interior on August 14, 2001, pursuant to the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-399) and most recently re-chartered in January 2010. The SMAC's purpose is to provide representative counsel and advice to the BLM regarding new and unique approaches to management of the land within the bounds of the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area; cooperative programs and incentives for landscape management that meet human needs, maintain and improve the ecological and economic integrity of the area; and preparation and implementation of a management plan for the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area.

Topics to be discussed by the SMAC at these meetings include the Steens Mountain Comprehensive Recreation Plan; North Steens Ecosystem Restoration Project implementation; Science Strategy; South Steens Water Development Project Environmental Assessment; easements and acquisitions; In-holder Access Environmental Assessment; and categories of interest such as wildlife, special designated areas, partnerships/programs, cultural resources, education/interpretation, volunteer-based information, adaptive management and socioeconomics; and other matters that may reasonably come before the SMAC.

All meetings are open to the public in their entirety, including field tours or other arrangements outside of the general business setting. Those interested in attending a field tour must provide personal transportation. Information to be distributed to the SMAC is requested prior to the start of each meeting. Public comment is generally scheduled from 3 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., local time, both days of each meeting, but may be scheduled at alternate times depending on the meeting agenda and location. The amount of time scheduled for public presentations may be extended when the authorized representative considers it necessary to accommodate all who seek to be heard regarding matters on the agenda.

Dated: February 23, 2010.

Kenny McDaniel,

District Manager.

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Notice of Public Meeting, Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council (SEORAC) will meet as indicated below:

DATES: The SEORAC meeting will begin 8 a.m. PDT on April 14, 2010.

ADDRESSES: The SEORAC will meet at the Burns District Office Conference Room, 28910 Highway 20 West, Hines, Oregon 97738.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Wilkening, 100 Oregon Street, Vale, Oregon 97918, (541) 473-6218 or e-mail *mark_wilkening@blm.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The business meeting will take place on April 14, 2010 at the Burns District Office Conference Room, 28910 Highway 20 West, Hines, Oregon, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The meeting may include such topics as Election of Officers, 2010 SEORAC Work Plan, BLM Energy Project Team Status Report, Updates on Lakeview and Southeast Oregon Resource Management Plans, BLM Vegetation EIS update, litigation updates, update on the BLM sagebrush/sage-grouse teams, Phase II Blue Mountain Forest Plan, Fremont-Winema Travel Management, and other matters as may reasonably come before the council. The public is welcome to attend all portions of the meeting and may make oral comments to the Council at 1 p.m. on April 14, 2010. Those who verbally address the SEORAC are asked to provide a *written* statement of their comments or presentation. Unless otherwise approved by the SEORAC Chair, the public comment period will last no longer than 15 minutes, and each speaker may address the SEORAC for a maximum of five minutes. If reasonable accommodation is required, please