Entrance Fees Support Refuge Visitor Facilities

The Refuge plans to use additional collected fees to repair and maintain the following visitor facilities: Boat ramps at Bairs Cove, Beacon 42, and Bio Lab; Black Point Wildlife Drive; public access roads; parking lots; overlooks; and interpretive signs. Under the REA, in order to change fees, the site must have the staff and resources to manage a fee activity as well as to collect the deposit money. Under the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act, we must allow only activities that are appropriate and compatible with the specific Refuge’s purposes.

Authorities and Requirements of the REA

In December 2004, the REA became law. The REA provides authority through December 2014 for the Secretaries of the Departments of the Interior and Agriculture to establish, modify, charge, and collect recreation fees for use of some Federal recreation lands and waters, and contains specific provisions addressing public involvement in the establishment of recreation fees. The REA also directs the Secretaries of the Departments of the Interior and Agriculture to publish advance notice in the Federal Register whenever bureaus establish new recreation fee areas under their respective jurisdictions.

In accordance with our recreation fee program guidance, we are offering the public advance notice of our intent to collect entrance fees and an opportunity to comment on this fee collection before it goes into effect. The fees will be collected on the Refuge at Black Point Wildlife Drive and at the boat ramps at Bairs Cove, Beacon 42, and Bio Lab. If public comments were to provide substantive reasons why we should not collect entrance fees on the Refuge, we would reevaluate our plan and publish a subsequent notice in the Federal Register withdrawing this action. Otherwise, fee collection at Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge—at Black Point Wildlife Drive, and at the Bairs Cove, Beacon 42, and Bio Lab boat ramps—will begin September 1, 2011, with fee types and amounts posted on site.

Public Availability of Comments

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 6803(b).


Mark J. Musaus, Deputy Regional Director, Southeast Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Public Meeting: Northwest California Resource Advisory Council

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U. S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Northwest California Resource Advisory Council will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The meeting will be held Thursday and Friday, April 28 and 29, 2011, Lake and Mendocino counties, California. On April 28, the RAC convenes at 8:30 a.m. at the BLM Ukiah Field Office, 2550 North State Street, Ukiah, and departs immediately for a field tour to the Indian Valley Management Area in Lake County. Members of the public are welcome. They must provide their own transportation, beverages and food. On April 29, the council convenes at 8 a.m. in the conference room of the BLM Ukiah Field office. Time for public comment has been reserved for 11 a.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Haug, BLM Northern California District manager, (530) 224–2160; or BLM Public Affairs Officer Joseph J. Fontana, (530) 252–5332.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 12-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 Northwest California. At this meeting agenda topics include discussion of alternative energy projects, management of the Sacramento River Bend area in Shasta County, off-highway vehicle management grants, and land tenure topics in the BLM Arcata, Redding and Ukiah field offices. All meetings are open to the public. Members of the public may present written comments to the council. Each formal council meeting will have time allocated for public comments. Depending on the number of persons wishing to speak, and the time available, the time for individual comments may be limited. Members of the public are welcome on field tours, but they must provide their own transportation and food. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation and other reasonable accommodations, should contact the BLM as provided above.

Dated: March 21, 2011.

Joseph J. Fontana,
Public Affairs Officer.

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Notice of Realty Action: Competitive Sealed Bid Sale of Public Lands in Clark County, NV

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of realty action.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (SNPLMA), as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) proposes to offer one parcel of public land totaling approximately 5 acres in the Las Vegas Valley by competitive sealed bid sale at not less than the appraised fair market value (FMV). The sale will be subject to the applicable provisions of Sections 203 and 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA). If not sold, the parcel described in this Notice may be identified for sale at a later date without further legal notice.

DATES: Interested parties may submit written comments regarding the proposed sale of public land and the Competitive Sealed Bid Sale, June 1, 2011 Environmental Assessment (EA) until May 19, 2011. The FMV for the parcel will be available on April 1, 2011, which is 60 days prior to the sale date.

Sealed bids may be mailed or delivered to the BLM Las Vegas Field