

survey, live trap, anesthetize, tag, collect genetic materials) the black-footed ferret (*Mustela nigripes*) in conjunction with surveys and population monitoring activities throughout its entire range, including Canada and Mexico, for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

National Environmental Policy Act

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), we have made an initial determination that the proposed activities in these permits are categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement (516 DM 6 Appendix 1, 1.4C(1)).

Public Availability of Comments

All comments and materials we receive in response to this request will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address listed in the ADDRESSES section of this notice.

Before including your address, phone number, email 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

We provide this notice under section 10 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

Dated: December 13, 2011.

Michael Thabault,

Assistant Regional Director—Ecological Services, Denver, CO.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Public Meeting: Resource Advisory Councils, Nevada

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory

Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Nevada will hold a joint meeting of its three Resource Advisory Councils (RACs), the Sierra Front-Northwestern Great Basin RAC, the Northeastern Great Basin RAC, and the Mojave-Southern Great Basin RAC in Las Vegas, Nevada. The meeting is open to the public and a public comment period will be available.

DATES: *Dates and Times:* The three RACs will meet on Thursday, January 26, 2012, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday, January 27, 2012, from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. A public comment period will be held early in the afternoon on Thursday, January 26. The specific time for public comment will be included in the agenda, which will be available two weeks prior to the meetings at www.blm.gov/nv.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Rochelle Francisco, telephone: (775) 861-6588, email: rfrancisco@blm.gov. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-(800) 877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The three 15-member Nevada RACs advise the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM Nevada State Director, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Nevada. The meeting will be held at the Suncoast Hotel and Casino, 9090 Alta Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada. Agenda topics include a presentation and discussion of accomplishments during 2011; closeout reports of the three RACs; the year ahead for the BLM in Nevada; breakout meetings of each group category; breakout meetings of the three RACs; discussion of a recreation subgroup; and scheduling meetings of the individual RACs for the upcoming year. The public may provide written comments to the three RAC groups or to an individual RAC. Individuals who plan to attend and need further information about the meeting or need special assistance such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations may contact Rochelle Francisco at the phone number or email address above.

Amy Lueders,
State Director, Nevada.

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Notice of Availability of the Record of Decision for the Sonoran Solar Energy Project, Arizona

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the availability of the Record of Decision (ROD) for the Sonoran Solar Energy Project (SSEP). The Secretary of the Interior approved the ROD on December 19, 2011, which constitutes the Interior Department's final decision.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the ROD for the proposed SSEP have been sent to Federal, State, and local government agencies and to other stakeholders. Copies are available for public inspection at the BLM's Phoenix District Office, Lower Sonoran Field Office, 21605 North Seventh Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85027-2929 and the BLM Arizona State Office, One North Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85004-4427. Interested parties may also review the final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) at the following public libraries in Maricopa County, Arizona:

- Buckeye Public Library, 310 North Sixth Street, Buckeye, Arizona 85236.
- Gila Bend Public Library, 202 North Euclid Avenue, Gila Bend, Arizona 85337.
- Goodyear Public Library, 250 North Litchfield Road, Goodyear, Arizona 85338.

Interested parties may also view the final EIS at the following Web site: http://www.blm.gov/az/st/en/prog/energy/solar/sonoran_solar.html.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joe Incardine, BLM National Project Manager, Phoenix District Office/Lower Sonoran Field Office, 21605 North Seventh Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85027-2929; phone: (801) 524-3833; or email: jincardi@blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Boulevard Associates, LLC, a subsidiary of NextEra Energy Resources, filed a right-of-way (ROW) application for the SSEP on BLM-managed lands in the Little Rainbow Valley, east of State Route 85, and south of the Buckeye Hills and the town of Buckeye in Maricopa County, Arizona. As required under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, the Final EIS for the SSEP analyzed a No Action alternative which