supplement springflows at Comal and San Marcos Springs during drought conditions. This alternative contemplated implementation of an HCP and issuance of an ITP for covered activities similar to the preferred alternative. This alternative incorporates many of the minimization and mitigation measures proposed under the preferred alternative. This alternative differs from the preferred alternative primarily in the mechanism by which enhanced springflows would be achieved. This alternative relies on storage of Aquifer water in underground ASR facilities located in Bexar and Wilson Counties during periods of normal or above-normal precipitation. These stored waters would then be pumped through water transmission pipelines during drought conditions to be injected into recharge features in Comal County to supplement springflows at Comal and San Marcos Springs. This alternative achieves similar simulated springflows at Comal and San Marcos Springs when modeled over the period of record as the preferred alternative, though the construction, operation, and maintenance of the infrastructure required to supplement springflows has the potential to negatively affect additional listed species within the project study area, and there are unanswered questions related to the effects to water quality of storage and reuse of Aquifer water.

3. A third alternative contemplated regulatory approaches restricting region-wide Aquifer pumping to maintain springflows protective of the Covered Species. No HCP would be implemented under this alternative, and no ITP would be issued. Simulated springflows believed to be protective of the covered species during drought conditions could be maintained under this alternative, though the indirect and cumulative effects resulting from the proposed pumping restrictions and the costs associated with developing alternative water sources for human use would be expected to have significant negative socioeconomic impacts throughout the region. Because no ITP would be issued, the Applicants would continue to be subject to the take prohibitions of the ESA, and a project-by-project approach to mitigation of unavoidable impacts to listed species would be more time-consuming, less efficient, and could result in an isolated independent mitigation approach that might be less beneficial to the covered species than the proposed regional permit.

Reviewing Documents
Alternatively, you may obtain CD-ROMs with electronic copies of these documents by writing to Mr. Adam Zerrenner, Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 10711 Burnet Road, Suite 200, Austin, TX 78758; calling 512/490-0057; or faxing 512/490-0974. A limited number of printed copies of the DEIS and DHCP are also available, by request, from Mr. Zerrenner. Copies of the DEIS and DHCP are also available for public inspection and review at the following locations, by appointment and written request only, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.: Department of the Interior, Natural Resources Library, 1849 C. St., NW., Washington, DC 20240:
• U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 50 Gold Avenue SW., Room 6034, Albuquerque, NM 87102;
• U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 10711 Burnet Road, Suite 200, Austin, TX 78758.
Persons wishing to review the application may obtain a copy by writing to the Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 1306, Room 6034, Albuquerque, NM 87103.

Public Availability of Comments
Written comments we receive become part of the public record associated with this action. 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 request in your comment that we withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. We will not consider anonymous comments. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public disclosure in their entirety.

Authority
We provide this notice under section 10(c) of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 17.22) and NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) and its implementing regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

Dated: June 7, 2012.

Joy E. Nicholopoulos,
Acting Regional Director, Southwest Region,
Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a Draft Resource Management Plan (RMP) and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Prehistoric Trackways National Monument (Monument), and by this notice is announcing the opening of the comment period.

DATES: To ensure that comments will be considered, the BLM must receive written comments on the Draft RMP/EIS within 90 days following the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes this notice of the Draft RMP/EIS in the Federal Register. The BLM will announce future meetings or hearings and any other public participation activities at least 15 days in advance through public notices, media releases, and/or mailings.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments related to the Monument’s Draft RMP/EIS by any of the following methods:
• Email: BLM_NM_LCDO_Comments@blm.gov.
• Fax: 575–525–4412; Attention: Lori Allen.
• Mail: BLM Las Cruces District Office, Attention: Lori Allen, Prehistoric Trackways Project Lead, 1800 Marquess Street, Las Cruces, NM 88005.

Copies of the Monument’s Draft RMP/EIS are available at the Las Cruces District Office at the above address or online at: http://www.blm.gov/nm/st/enfo/Las_Cruces_District_Office/trackways_rmp.html.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lori Allen, Prehistoric Trackways Project Lead, telephone 575–525–4454; address 1800 Marquess Street, Las Cruces, NM
88005; email ldallen@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: Congress created the Monument with the passage of the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111–11) (the Act). The Monument encompasses an area of about 5,280 acres of land that contains Paleozoic-era fossilized footprints, plants, and wood dating back about 280 million years and that is located 10 miles northwest of Las Cruces, New Mexico. The BLM subsequently included the Monument in its National Landscape Conservation System. The BLM has prepared this Draft RMP/EIS to provide management guidance for the 5,280 acres of Federal land within the Monument. The Draft RMP will provide a comprehensive management plan for the long-term protection and management of the Monument. It describes the appropriate uses and management of the Monument, consistent with the provisions of the Act, and would replace the 1993 Mimbres RMP for this specific location. The four alternatives analyzed in detail in the Draft RMP/EIS are: Alternative A (No Action Alternative), which would continue existing management decisions; Alternative B, which would emphasize resource preservation and reduce human intrusion; Alternative C (the BLM’s preferred alternative), which would provide for protection of the resources while allowing compatible uses; and Alternative D, which would allow greater opportunity for public interaction and uses while following the constraints of the Act. As required by the Act, 789 acres of the Robledo Mountains Wilderness Study Area that are within the Monument and the overlapping Area of Critical Environmental Concern would not be affected by this designation. The designating Act withdraws the Monument from the following: (1) Entry, appropriation, or disposal under the public land laws; (2) Location, entry, and patent under the mining laws; and (3) Operation of the mineral leasing laws, geothermal leasing laws, and minerals materials laws. The RMP process began with a Notice of Intent published in the Federal Register on January 5, 2010 (75 FR 431). This announced a 30-day public comment period, during which the BLM held a public meeting in Las Cruces to introduce the public to the planning process and solicit comments. On September 22, 2010, the BLM held a public workshop to re-engage the public with the RMP and to verify that there were a sufficient range of alternatives. Please note that public comments and information submitted including names, street addresses, and email addresses of persons who submit comments will be available for public review and disclosure at the above address during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays. 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: 40 CFR 1506.6; 40 CFR 1506.10; 43 CFR 1610.2.

Jesse Juen,
State Director, New Mexico.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management

IDAHO: Filing of Plats of Survey

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of filing of plats of surveys.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has officially filed the plats of survey of the lands described below in the BLM Idaho State Office, Boise, Idaho, effective 9:00 a.m., on the dates specified.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: These surveys were executed at the request of the Bureau of Land Management to meet their administrative needs. The lands surveyed are:

The plat representing the dependent survey of a portion of the subdivisional lines and subdivision of sections 27 and 28, and subdivision of sections 8 and 15, and the further subdivision of sections 27 and 28, T. 36 N., R. 4 W., of the Boise Meridian, Idaho, Group Number 1338, was accepted May 15, 2012.

The plat representing the dependent survey of a portion of the east boundary, T. 33 N., R. 4 W., of the Boise Meridian, Idaho, Group Number 1328, was accepted May 23, 2012.

This survey was executed at the request of the U.S.D.A. Forest Service to meet their administrative needs. The lands surveyed are:

The plat representing the dependent survey of a portion of the west and south boundaries, and subdivisional lines, T. 34 N., R. 3 W., of the Boise Meridian, Idaho, Group Number 1328, was accepted May 23, 2012.

The plat representing the dependent survey of a portion of the west and south boundaries and survey of the subdivisional lines of sections 30 and 31, and the subdivision of section 30, T. 29 N., R. 9 E., of the Boise Meridian, Idaho, Group Number 1324, was accepted May 25, 2012.

The plat representing the dependent survey of a portion of the Sixth Standard Parallel North (north boundary) and east boundary, and a portion of the subdivisional lines of T. 29 N., R. 7 E., of the Boise Meridian, Idaho, Group Number 1324, was accepted May 25, 2012.

Dated: July 9, 2012.

Stanley G. French,
Chief Cadastral Surveyor for Idaho.

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