

The SMAC provides representative counsel and advice to the BLM regarding new and unique approaches to management of the land within the bounds of the Steens Mountain CMPA; recommending cooperative programs and incentives for landscape management that meet human needs, and the maintenance and improvement of the ecological and economic integrity of the area. Tentative agenda items for the upcoming meetings include but are not limited to: Fencing in and around the No Livestock Grazing Area within the Steens Mountain Wilderness; current and potential litigation; the North Steens Transmission Line Project; the Blitzen Stewardship contract; projects in the Wildlands Juniper Management Area; wildfire, emergency stabilization and rangeland rehabilitation; wild horses and wild horse management; land exchanges and acquisitions, the Steens Mountain Comprehensive Recreation Plan; the South Steens Allotment Management Plan; the Chimney Allotment Management Plan; and planning future meeting agendas, dates, and locations. Any other matters that may reasonably come before the SMAC may also be addressed. This meeting is open to the public in its entirety. Information to be distributed to the SMAC is requested prior to the start of each meeting.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comments, please 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.

Brendan Cain,

Burns District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Meeting, Rio Grande Natural Area Commission

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) Rio Grande Natural Area Commission will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The meeting will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on December 5, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Hampton Inn Alamosa, 710 Mariposa Street, Alamosa, CO 81101.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Denise Adamic, Public Affairs Specialist, BLM Front Range District Office, 3028 East Main St., Cañon City, CO 81212. Phone: (719) 269-8553. Email: dadamic@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 Rio Grande Natural Area Commission was established in the Rio Grande Natural Area Act (16 U.S.C. 460rrr-2). The nine-member Commission advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, concerning the preparation and implementation of a management plan for non-Federal land in the Rio Grande Natural Area, as directed by law. Planned agenda topics for this meeting include: Resource concerns and goals to be addressed in the management plan, subcommittee reports on the draft plan and the process for public involvement. The public may offer oral comments at 10:15 a.m. or written statements, which may be submitted for the Commission's consideration. Please send written comments to Denise Adamic at the address above by December 1, 2012. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. Summary minutes for the Commission meeting will be maintained in the San Luis Valley Field Office and will be available for public inspection and reproduction during regular business hours within 30 days following the meeting. Meeting minutes and agendas are also available at: www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/slvfo.html.

Dated: October 17, 2012.

Helen M. Hankins,

BLM Colorado State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Public Land Order No. 7805; Extension of Public Land Order No. 6952; WA

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This order extends the duration of the withdrawal created by Public Land Order No. 6952 as corrected by Public Land Order No. 6962, for an additional 20-year period. The extension is necessary to continue protection of the tree improvement and forest research activities of the Peony, Pole Pick, and Frank Burge Seed Orchards, Washington, which would otherwise expire on November 11, 2012.

DATES: *Effective Date:* November 12, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael L. Barnes, Bureau of Land Management, Oregon/Washington State Office, 503-808-6155, or Dianne Torpin, United States Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Region, 503-808-2422. 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 either of the above individuals during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with either of the above individuals. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose for which the withdrawal was first made requires this extension to continue protection of the Peony, Pole Pick, and Frank Burge Seed Orchards in the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. The withdrawal extended by this order will expire on November 11, 2032, unless as a result of a review conducted prior to the expiration date pursuant to Section 204(f) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714(f), the Secretary determines that the withdrawal shall be further extended.

Order

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714, it is ordered as follows:

Public Land Order No. 6952 (57 FR 53587 (1992)), as corrected by Public Land Order No. 6962 (58 FR 18163

(1993)), which withdrew 110.00 acres of National Forest System lands from location and entry under the United States mining laws, but not from leasing under the mineral leasing laws, to protect the Peony, Pole Pick, and Frank Burge Seed Orchards, is hereby extended for an additional 20-year period until November 11, 2032.

Dated: October 16, 2012.

Rhea S. Suh,

Assistant Secretary—Policy, Management and Budget.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

[FES 12-23]

Final Environmental Impact Statement, Narrows Project, Sanpete County, Utah

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: We, the Bureau of Reclamation, announce the availability of the final environmental impact statement on the Narrows Project, a non-Federal dam and reservoir proposed by the Sanpete Water Conservancy District on Gooseberry Creek in Sanpete County, Utah.

DATES: We will make a decision on the proposed action 30 days or more after the Environmental Protection Agency publishes their Notice of Availability of Weekly Receipt of Environmental Impact Statements in the **Federal Register**. This notice, usually published on Fridays, lists all environmental impact statements filed with the Environmental Protection Agency during the preceding week. After the 30-day public review period, we will complete a Record of Decision which will explain how we arrived at our decision on the proposed action.

ADDRESSES: The final environmental impact statement is available at www.usbr.gov/uc/envdocs/index.html. To receive a copy on a compact disc send a request to Mr. Peter Crookston, Bureau of Reclamation, Provo Area Office, 302 East 1860 South, Provo, Utah 84606. See the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for locations where copies are available.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Peter Crookston, telephone (801) 379-1152; facsimile (801) 379-1159; email pcrookston@usbr.gov. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf 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: Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, we have prepared a final environmental impact statement (FEIS) on a proposal under which Sanpete Water Conservancy District (SWCD) would construct, operate, and maintain the Narrows Project—a proposed non-Federal water development and conveyance project funded with a variety of public and private financing and located in part on Federal lands.

The FEIS Analyzes Four Alternatives

The FEIS describes and analyzes the potential effects of four alternatives. The No Action Alternative represents the conditions of the affected area in Sanpete and Carbon counties if the project is not built. The three action alternatives represent three different versions of the Narrows Project, each differing in the size of the dam and reservoir. Three reservoir sizes were analyzed to enable the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to determine the Least Environmentally Damaging Practicable Alternative.

Under all three action alternatives, a supplemental water supply would be developed for presently irrigated lands and for municipal and industrial water users in north Sanpete County. The alternatives would require diversion of up to 5,400 acre-feet of water annually from Gooseberry Creek drainage in the Colorado River Basin to northern Sanpete County in the Sevier River drainage basin. The water right used under the action alternatives represents about 6.6 percent of the average annual yield of the Price River above the City of Price. Under all action alternatives, the SWCD's conversion of water from irrigation to municipal and industrial use would occur in stages.

What the Preferred Alternative Does

The preferred alternative is to allow SWCD to build, operate, and maintain the largest dam with a reservoir capacity of 17,000 acre-feet of water stored behind a dam with a height of 120 feet, a crest length of 550 feet, and a reservoir surface area of 604 acres. The reservoir would produce an average yield of 5,136 acre-feet per year. In addition, it would provide an average annual supply of 4,281 acre-feet of water for 15,420 acres of farmland and 855 acre-feet of water for municipal and industrial use.

Irrigation is expected to yield a third crop of alfalfa in an area where usually only two crops are harvested.

Previous Publications

The Narrows Project Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS) was issued to the public on March 29, 2010, and we published a Notice of Availability of the SDEIS in the **Federal Register** on March 29, 2010 (75 FR 15458). A 63-day public review and comment period for the SDEIS ended on June 1, 2010. During the public comment period, public hearings were held in both Carbon and Sanpete counties. The FEIS contains responses to all comments received on the SDEIS.

Where to Find Copies of the FEIS

Copies of the FEIS are available at the following locations:

- Main Interior Building, Natural Resources Library, Room 1151, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240-0001
- Bureau of Reclamation, Denver Office Library, Denver Federal Center, Sixth and Kipling, Building 67, Room 167, Denver, Colorado 80225-0007
- Bureau of Reclamation, Upper Colorado Regional Office, 125 South State Street, Room 7418, Salt Lake City, Utah 84138-1147
- Bureau of Reclamation, Provo Area Office, 302 East 1860 South, Provo, Utah 84606

Libraries

- College of Eastern Utah, 451 East 400 North, Price, Utah 84501
- Harold B. Lee Library, Brigham Young University, 701 East University Parkway, Provo, Utah 84602-6800
- Manti Public Library, 50 South Main Street, Manti, Utah 84642
- Marriott Library, University of Utah, 295 South 1500 East, Salt Lake City, Utah 84112
- Merrill-Cazier Library, Utah State University, 3000 Old Main Hill, Logan, Utah 84322-3000
- Price Public Library, 159 East Main Street, Price, Utah 84501
- Salt Lake City Public Library, 210 East 400 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111
- Snow College, 150 East College Avenue, Ephraim, Utah 84627
- Stewart Library, Weber State University, 2901 University Circle, Ogden, Utah 84408

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