refuges in the face of possible climate change and declining precipitation?

(b) What ideas do you have regarding visitor services and wildlife-dependent public uses on the refuges?

(c) What changes, if any, would you like to see in the management of Rocky Mountain Arsenal and Two Ponds National Wildlife Refuges?

(d) What concerns do you have regarding bison and prairie dog management or the reintroduction of species such as black-footed ferret at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal NWR?

We provide the above questions for your optional use. We have no requirement that you provide information; however, any comments the planning team receives will be used as part of the planning process.

Public Meetings

We will give the public opportunities to provide initial input via telephone, email, postal mail, fax (see ADDRESSES), and in person at public scoping meetings we will host throughout the Denver Metropolitan Area in July, August, and September, 2013. We will announce the details of the public meetings and other opportunities for public input in local news media throughout the CCP process. You may also send comments anytime during the planning process by U.S. mail, email, or fax. There will be additional opportunities to provide public input and comments once we have prepared a draft CCP.

Public Availability of Comments

Any comments we receive will become part of the administrative record and may be available to the public. Before submitting comments that include your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information, 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—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.

Dated: July 10, 2013.

Matt Hogan,
Acting Regional Director, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Mountain-Prairie Region.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Steens Mountain Advisory Council; Public Meeting Date Change

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Change in Public Meeting Date.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, and the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), the Steens Mountain Advisory Council (SMAC) will meet as indicated below:

DATES: The August 15–16, 2013 SMAC meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, September 30, and Tuesday, October 1, 2013, in Hines, Oregon. The exact meeting time, agenda, and location will be announced online at www.blm.gov/or/rac/steens-rac-minutes.php prior to September 20, 2013. A public comment period will be available each day of the session. Unless otherwise approved by the SMAC Chair, the public comment period will last no longer than 30 minutes, and each speaker may address the SMAC for a maximum of 5 minutes. Meeting times and the duration scheduled for public comment periods may be extended or altered when the authorized representative considers it necessary to accommodate necessary business and all who seek to be heard regarding matters before the SMAC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tara Martinak, Public Affairs Specialist, BLM Burns District Office, 20910 Highway 20 West, Hines, Oregon 97738–9424, (541) 573–4519, or email tmartinak@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 SMAC was initiated August 14, 2001, pursuant to the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Act (CMPA) of 2000 (Pub. L. 106–399). 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 September 30–October 1, 2013, meeting include: The Steens Mountain Comprehensive Recreation Plan, the South Steens Allotment Management Plan, the BLM’s Wild Horse and Burro Program, juniper management and Sage-grouse, and 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 Reclamation

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Notice of Intent To Contract for Hydroelectric Power Development on the San Juan-Chama Project, New Mexico

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to accept proposals, select lessee, and contract for hydroelectric power development on the San Juan-Chama Project.

SUMMARY: Current Federal policy allows non-Federal development of electrical power resource potential on Federal water resource projects. The Bureau of Reclamation, (Reclamation), in coordination with the Department of Energy, Western Area Power Administration (Western), will consider proposals for non-Federal development of hydroelectric power on the San Juan-Chama Project at any or all of the conduit locations specified in this
Notice. Reclamation is considering such hydroelectric power development under a lease of power privilege. Western would have the first opportunity to purchase and/or market the power that would be generated by such development under a lease of power privilege. No Federal funds will be available for such hydroelectric power development. This Notice presents background information, proposal content guidelines, and information concerning selection of a non-Federal entity to develop hydroelectric power on the San Juan-Chama Project.

DATES: A written proposal and seven copies must be submitted on or before 5:00 p.m. (Mountain Standard Time) on January 6, 2014. A proposal will be considered timely only if it is received in the office of the Area Manager at or before 5:00 p.m. on the above-designated date. Interested entities are cautioned that delayed delivery to the Area Manager’s office due to failures or misunderstandings of the entity and/or of mail, overnight, or courier services will not excuse lateness and, accordingly, are advised to provide sufficient time for delivery. Late proposals will not be considered.

ADDRESSES: Send written proposal and seven copies to Mr. Mike Hamman, Area Manager, Bureau of Reclamation, Albuquerque Area Office, 555 Broadway NE., Suite 100, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102–2352; telephone (505) 462–3551. A copy of the proposal should also be sent at or about the time it is due at Reclamation to Ms. Lynn Jeka, CRSP Manager, Western Area Power Administration, 150 Social Hall Avenue, Suite 300, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111–1534; telephone (801) 524–6372.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Technical data may be obtained from Mr. Joseph Alderete, Bureau of Reclamation, Albuquerque Area Office, 555 Broadway NE., Suite 100, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102–2352; telephone (505) 462–3578. Reclamation will be available to meet with interested entities only upon written request to Mr. Alderete. Upon request, Reclamation will provide an opportunity for a site visit. Reclamation reserves the right to schedule a single meeting and/or visit to address the questions of all entities that have submitted questions or requested site visits.

Information related to operation and maintenance of the Azotea Tunnel and the three other drop structures may be obtained by contacting Mr. Victor Salazar, Bureau of Reclamation, Chama Field Division, 193 North Pinon Drive, P.O. Box 426, Chama, New Mexico 87520–0426; telephone (575) 756–2175.

Information related to Western’s purchasing and/or marketing of the power may be obtained by contacting Ms. Lynn Jeka, CRSP Manager, Western Area Power Administration, 150 Social Hall Avenue, Suite 300, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111–1534; telephone (801) 524–6372.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The San Juan-Chama Project was authorized as a participating project of the Colorado River Storage Project on June 13, 1962, by Public Law 87–483. The project is a Federal Reclamation project located in northern New Mexico, near the town of Chama, and diverts Colorado River water through a series of three dams, three diversions, and three tunnels. The Azotea Tunnel Outlet empties into Willow Creek and has the capacity to deliver 950 cubic feet per second. Reclamation maintains easements along Willow Creek. The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation is an adjacent landowner.

Reclamation, in coordination with Western, is considering hydroelectric power development on the San Juan-Chama Project under a lease of power privilege at up to four conduit drops along the project. These locations are the Azotea Tunnel Outlet, the drop located at Station 1702+75, and the drop located at Station 1831+17. The station drops are all located downstream of the Azotea Tunnel Outlet along Willow Creek and are all features of the San Juan-Chama Project.

A lease of power privilege is an alternative to Federal hydroelectric power development. It is a contractual right given to a non-Federal entity to use a Reclamation facility for electric power generation consistent with Reclamation project purposes. Leases of power privilege have terms not to exceed 40 years. The general authority for lease of power privilege under Reclamation law includes, among others, the Town Sites and Power Development Act of 1906 (43 U.S.C. 522) and the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 (43 U.S.C. 485h(c)) (1939 Act).

Reclamation will be the lead Federal agency for ensuring compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for any lease of power privilege considered in response to this Notice. A lease of power privilege may be issued only after Reclamation has reviewed and approved compliance with NEPA, the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), the Endangered Species Act (ESA). Any lease of power privilege on the San Juan-Chama Project must accommodate existing contractual commitments related to operation and maintenance of the Azotea Tunnel Outlet and other San Juan-Chama Project facilities. The lessee (i.e., successful proposing entity) will be responsible for operation and maintenance of the proposed hydropower development within the existing Federal features. Because the United States is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the San Juan-Chama Project, a negotiated agreement will be included in the lease development process to address coordination of operation and maintenance, including cost-sharing arrangements associated with any additional operation and maintenance costs incurred due to operation of the hydropower facilities.

All costs incurred by the United States related to development and operation and maintenance of the hydropower facilities under a lease of power privilege, including NEPA compliance and development of the lease of power privilege, would be at the expense of the lessee. In addition, the lessee would be required to make annual payments to the United States for the use of a government facility in the amount of at least 3 mills per kilowatt-hour of generation. The lease issued to the lessee will contain provisions for inflation adjustments to the required annual payments throughout the term of the lease. Such annual payments to the United States would be deposited as a credit to the Upper Colorado River Basin Fund.

Proposal Content Guidelines

Interested parties should submit proposals explaining in as precise detail as is practicable how the hydropower potential would be developed. Proposals may include any or all of the conduit drops specified in this Notice. In their proposals, interested parties should:

(a) Provide all information relevant to the qualifications of the proposing entity to plan and implement such a project, including, but not limited to, information about preference status, the type of organization, length of time in business, experience in funding, design and construction of similar projects, industry rating(s) that indicate financial soundness and/or technical and managerial capability, experience of key management personnel, history of any reorganizations or mergers with other companies, and any other information that demonstrates the interested entity’s organizational, technical, and financial ability to perform all aspects of the work. Interested parties should also
include a discussion of past experience in operating and maintaining similar facilities and provide references as appropriate. The term “preference entity,” as applied to a lease of power privilege, means an entity qualifying for preference under Section 9(c) of the 1939 Act as a municipality, public corporation or agency, or cooperative or other non-profit organization financed in whole or in part by loans made pursuant to the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended.

(b) Provide geographical locations and describe principal structures and other important features of the proposed development including roads and transmission lines. Estimate and describe installed capacity and the capacity of the power facilities. Also describe seasonal or annual generation patterns. Include estimates of the electrical energy that would be produced from the facility for each month in dry, average, and wet hydrologic scenarios. If capacity and energy can be delivered to another location, either by the proposing entity or by potential wheeling agents, specify where capacity and energy can be delivered. Include concepts for power sales and contractual arrangements, involved parties, and the proposed approach to wheeling if required.

(c) Indicate plans for acquiring title to or the right to occupy and use lands necessary for the proposed development, including such additional lands as may be required during construction.

(d) Identify water rights applicable to the operation of the proposed development(s), the holder of such rights, and how these rights would be used, acquired, or perfected.

(e) Discuss any studies necessary to adequately define impacts of the development on the San Juan-Chama Project and the environment. Describe any significant environmental issues associated with the development and the proposing entity’s approach for gathering relevant data and resolving or mitigating such issues to protect and enhance the quality of the environment. Explain any proposed use of the hydropower development for conservation and utilization of the available water resources in the public interest.

(f) Describe anticipated contractual arrangements with Reclamation, which has operation and maintenance responsibility for the San Juan-Chama Project feature(s), that are proposed for utilization in the hydropower development under consideration. Describe how the hydropower development would operate in harmony with the San Juan-Chama Project and existing applicable contracts related to operation and maintenance of San Juan-Chama Project feature(s) being considered for modification.

(g) Describe plans for assuming liability for damage to the operational and structural integrity of the San Juan-Chama Project caused by construction, operation, and/or maintenance of the hydropower development.

(h) Identify the organizational structure planned for the long-term operation and maintenance of any proposed hydropower development.

(i) Provide a management plan to accomplish such activities as planning, NEPA compliance, NHPA compliance, ESA compliance, lease of power privilege development, design, construction, facility testing, and start of hydropower production. Prepare schedules of these activities as applicable. Describe what studies are necessary to accomplish the hydropower development and how the studies would be implemented.

(j) Estimate development cost. This cost should include all investment costs such as the cost of studies to determine feasibility, NEPA compliance, NHPA compliance, ESA compliance, design, construction, and financing as well as the amortized annual cost of the investment. Also, the annual operation, maintenance, and replacement expense for the hydropower development; annual lease payments to the United States; expenses that may be associated with the San Juan-Chama Project; and the appreciated return on investment should be included. If there are transmission or wheeling expenses associated with the hydropower development, these should also be included. Identify proposed methods of financing the hydropower development. An economic analysis should be presented that compares the present worth of all benefits and the costs of the hydropower development.

Selection of Lessee

Proposals will be evaluated with equal consideration given to the following criteria: (1) The relevant qualifications of the proposing entity, based on past experience, to develop similar hydropower projects in terms of complexity and scale; (2) the proposed overall design of the project in terms of how the principal structures fit within the existing project features, including the optimization of developing the hydropower potential with consideration to environmental factors; (3) the project power development and operational costs, including construction, operation and maintenance costs as well as the overall cost effectiveness of the power produced at the proposed hydropower facility; (4) the marketing plan for the power produced at the proposed hydropower facility; and (5) the proposed organizational structure for the long-term operation and maintenance of the proposed hydropower facility including the qualifications of the operating entity. A proposal will be deemed unacceptable if it is inconsistent with San Juan-Chama Project purposes, as determined by Reclamation.

Reclamation will give preference to those entities that qualify as preference entities (as defined under Proposal Content Guidelines, item (a), of this Notice) provided that their proposal is at least as well adapted to developing, conserving, and utilizing the water and natural resources as other submitted proposals and that the preference entity is well qualified. Preference entities would be allowed 30 days to improve their proposals, if necessary, to be made equal to a proposal(s) that may have been submitted by a non-preference entity.

Power Purchasing and/or Marketing Considerations

Western would have the first opportunity to purchase and/or market the power that would be generated by the project under a lease of power privilege and will be given 60 days from the date of the initial offer from the Lessee to make their decision. Western will consult with Reclamation on such power purchasing and/or marketing considerations.

In the event Western elects to purchase and/or market the power generated by the hydropower development, Western may market the power available from the project as part of its Salt Lake City Area Integrated Projects (SLIP) or on a stand-alone basis, first to preference entities qualified under criteria established by Western, and second to non-preference entities, by developing an individual marketing plan for this power. This marketing plan would be developed through a separate subsequent public process beginning with a notice in the Federal Register of Western’s intent to market the power. The marketing plan would include all aspects of marketing the power, including assignment of power to qualified preference and/or non-preference entities, pricing, transmission, and delivery of power. Western would recover the costs it would incur in purchasing and/or marketing the power through the rates charged for the power. Firm power rates
would be established through a public process, initiated by a notice in the Federal Register, separate from the marketing plan.

Notice and Time Period To Enter Into Lease of Power Privilege

Reclamation will notify, in writing, all entities submitting proposals of Reclamation’s decision regarding selection of the potential lessee. The selected potential lessee will have 15 months from the date of such notification to accomplish NEPA compliance, ESA compliance, and enter into a lease of power privilege for the proposed development of hydropower on the San Juan-Chama Project. The lease of power privilege will address only the sites identified in the lessee’s proposal and will not provide broad development rights elsewhere on the San Juan-Chama Project. The lessee will then have up to 9 months from the date of execution of the lease to complete the designs and specifications and an additional year to begin construction. Such timeframes may be adjusted for just cause resulting from actions and/or circumstances that are beyond the control of the lessee.

Dated: June 27, 2013.

Larry Walkoviak,
Regional Director, Upper Colorado Region.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To receive a copy of the information collection request contact John Trelease at (202) 208–2783, or via email at jtrelease@osmre.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

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Notice of Proposed Information Collection; Request for Comments

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is announcing its intention to request approval for the collection of information for General Reclamation Requirements.

DATES: Comments on the proposed information collection must be received by October 7, 2013, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESS: Mail comments to John Trelease, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1951 Constitution Ave. NW., Room 203–SIB, Washington, DC 20240. Comments may also be submitted electronically to jtrelease@osmre.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities [see 5 CFR 1320.8 (d)]. This notice identifies the information collection that OSM will be submitting to OMB for extension. This collection is contained in 30 CFR Part 874.

OSM has revised burden estimates, where appropriate, to reflect current reporting levels or adjustments based on reestimates of burden or number of respondents. OSM will request a 3-year term of approval for this information collection activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) The need for the collection of information for the performance of the functions of the agency; (2) the accuracy of the agency’s burden estimates; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collections; and (4) ways to minimize the information collection burden on respondents, such as use of automated means of collection of the information. A summary of the public comments will accompany OSM’s submission of the information collection request to OMB.

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.

This notice provides the public with 60 days in which to comment on the following information collection activity: Title: 30 CFR Part 874—General Reclamation Requirements.

OMB Control Number: 1029–0113.

Summary: Part 874 establishes land and water eligibility requirements, reclamation objectives and priorities and reclamation contractor responsibility. 30 CFR 874.17 requires consultation between the AML agency and the appropriate Title V regulatory authority on the likelihood of removing the coal under a Title V permit and concurrences between the AML agency and the appropriate Title V regulatory authority on the AML project boundary and the amount of coal that would be extracted under the AML reclamation project.

Bureau Form Number: None.
Frequency of Collection: Once.
Description of Respondents: 17 State regulatory authorities and Indian tribes.
Total Annual Responses: 17.
Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,411.

Dated: August 1, 2013.

Andrew F. DeVito,
Chief, Division of Regulatory Support.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Docket No. 2971]

Certain Flash Memory Chips and Products Containing the Same, and Products Containing the Same, DN 2971; the Commission is soliciting comments on any public interest issues raised by the complaint or complainant’s filing under section 210.8(b) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 210.8(b)).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lisa R. Barton, Acting Secretary to the Commission, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205–2000. The public version of the complaint can be accessed on the Commission’s Electronic Document Information System (EDIS) at EDIS.1 and will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205–2000.