

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

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Notice of Public Meeting; Wyoming 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 and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Wyoming Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet as indicated below.**DATES:** The meeting will be held March 12, 2014 (1 p.m. to 5:20 p.m.), March 13, 2014 (7:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.), and March 14, 2014 (8:00 a.m. to noon).**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Thermopolis Volunteer Fire Department and Hot Springs County Fire District Fire Station, 400 South 14th Street, Thermopolis, Wyoming. The March 13 meeting will begin with a site visit that will leave from the Best Western Plus Plaza Hotel, 116 East Park Street, Thermopolis, Wyoming.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**Christian Venhuizen, Wyoming Resource Advisory Council Coordinator, Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone, Cheyenne, WY 82009; telephone 307-775-6103; email cvenhuizen@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:** This 10-member RAC advises the Secretary of the Interior on a variety of management issues associated with public land management in Wyoming.

Planned agenda topics include discussions on bentonite mining process and reclamation challenges, enhanced oil recovery, off-site mitigation, cultural resource issues, Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, public participation regarding the National Environmental Policy Act, and follow-up to previous meetings.

On Wednesday, March 12, the meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. at the Thermopolis Volunteer Fire Department and Hot Springs County Fire District Fire Station. On Thursday, March 13,

there will be site visits of the bentonite mining site at Meeteetse Draw, the Wyo-Ben Lucerne Bentonite Plant and Legacy Oil Field. The public may attend the site visits, but they must provide their own transportation. The site visit will leave from the Best Western Plus Plaza Hotel, in Thermopolis, at 7:30 a.m. The meeting will resume at the Thermopolis Volunteer Fire Department and Hot Springs County Fire District Fire Station, at 12:30 p.m. On Friday, March 14, the meeting will begin at 8 a.m. at the Thermopolis Volunteer Fire Department and Hot Springs County Fire District Fire Station.

All RAC meetings are open to the public with time allocated for hearing public comments. On Friday, March 14, there will be public comment period beginning at 8:00 a.m. The public may also submit written comments to the RAC. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. If there are no members of the public interested in speaking, the meeting will move promptly to the next agenda item.

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State Director.

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Call for Nominations for Resource Advisory Councils**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice.**SUMMARY:** The purpose of this notice is to request public nominations for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Resource Advisory Councils (RAC) that have member terms expiring this year. The RACs provide advice and recommendations to the BLM on land use planning and management of the National System of Public Lands within their geographic areas. The BLM will accept public nominations for 45 days after the publication of this notice.**DATE:** All nominations must be received no later than March 27, 2014.**ADDRESSES:** See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for the address of BLM State Offices accepting nominations.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lauren Luckey, Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Correspondence, International, and

Advisory Committee Office, 1849 C Street NW., MS-MIB 5070, Washington, DC 20240; 202-208-3806.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) directs the Secretary of the Interior to involve the public in planning and issues related to management of lands administered by the BLM. Section 309 of FLPMA (43 U.S.C. 1739) directs the Secretary to establish 10- to 15-member citizen-based advisory councils that are consistent with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). As required by FACA, RAC membership must be balanced and representative of the various interests concerned with the management of the public lands. The rules governing RACs are found at 43 CFR subpart 1784 and include the following three membership categories:**Category One**—Holders of Federal grazing permits and representatives of organizations associated with energy and mineral development, timber industry, transportation or rights-of-way, developed outdoor recreation, off-highway vehicle use, and commercial recreation;**Category Two**—Representatives of nationally or regionally recognized environmental organizations, archaeological and historic organizations, dispersed recreation activities, and wild horse and burro organizations; and**Category Three**—Representatives of State, county, or local elected office, employees of a state agency responsible for management of natural resources, representatives of Indian tribes within or adjacent to the area for which the council is organized, representatives of academia who are employed in natural sciences, and the public-at-large.

Individuals may nominate themselves or others. Nominees must be residents of the state in which the RAC has jurisdiction. The BLM will evaluate nominees based on their education, training, experience, and knowledge of the geographical area of the RAC. Nominees should demonstrate a commitment to collaborative resource decision-making. The Obama Administration prohibits individuals who are currently federally registered lobbyists from being appointed or re-appointed to FACA and non-FACA boards, committees, or councils.

The following must accompany all nominations:

- Letters of reference from represented interests or organizations;
- A completed Resource Advisory Council application; and
- Any other information that addresses the nominee's qualifications.