

## Background

Recovery of endangered or threatened animals and plants to the point where they are again secure, self-sustaining members of their ecosystems is a primary goal of our endangered species program and the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). Recovery means improvement of the status of listed species to the point at which listing is no longer appropriate under the criteria specified in section 4(a)(1) of the Act. The Act requires the development of recovery plans for listed species, unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species.

We listed *Arctostaphylos pallida* throughout its entire range on April 22, 1998 (63 FR 19842). The species is endemic to the San Francisco East Bay, and currently consists of two naturally occurring populations and an out-planted population, totaling 1,353 mature plants. *Arctostaphylos pallida* requires frequent summertime fog, and, as a component of the maritime chaparral vegetation type, it occurs on relatively cool, moist, and stable sites in close proximity to the San Francisco Bay. It is highly shade intolerant and adapted to a particular fire regime. The species requires fire for natural seed germination; however, too frequent a fire regime, one that depletes the soil seed bank before enough seeds have become deeply buried enough in the soil to withstand fire, represents a significant threat to the species. Approximately one-third of all plants occur within the backyards of homeowners, and almost all individuals occur in close proximity to human-built structures. These plants represent an extreme wildfire hazard to human-built structures, and have been targeted for removal to reduce the threat of wildfire. Finally, an incurable and virulent nonnative pathogen, *Phytophthora cinnamomi*, has been identified as killing *A. pallida* plants at two locations.

## Recovery Plan Goals

The purpose of a recovery plan is to provide a framework for the recovery of species so that protection under the Act is no longer necessary. A recovery plan includes scientific information about the species and provides criteria that enable us to gauge whether downlisting or delisting the species is warranted. Furthermore, recovery plans help guide our recovery efforts by describing actions we consider necessary for each species' conservation and by estimating time and costs for implementing needed recovery measures.

The ultimate goal of this recovery plan is to recover *Arctostaphylos pallida* so that it can be delisted. To meet the recovery goal, the following objectives have been identified:

1. Minimize the spread of *Phytophthora cinnamomi*.
2. Treat stands infected with *Phytophthora cinnamomi*.
3. Manage native and nonnative vegetation that shades *Arctostaphylos pallida*.
4. Expand existing stands.
5. Establish additional stands.
6. Ensure stands are protected from incompatible uses and incompatible wildfire fuels-reduction activities.

As *Arctostaphylos pallida* meets reclassification and recovery criteria, we will review its status and consider it for removal from the Federal Lists of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants.

## Public Comments Solicited

We solicit written comments on the draft revised recovery plan described in this notice. All comments received by the date specified above will be considered in development of a final recovery plan for *Arctostaphylos pallida*. You may submit written comments and information by mail or in person to the Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office at the above address (see ADDRESSES).

## Public Availability of Comments

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 developed our recovery plan under the authority of section 4(f) of the Act, 16 U.S.C. 1533(f). We publish this notice under section 4(f) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

Dated: February 25, 2014.

**Alexandra Pitts,**

*Acting Regional Director, Pacific Southwest Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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### Notice of Public Meetings: Mojave-Southern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council, Nevada

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Mojave-Southern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council (RAC), will hold three meetings in Nevada in Fiscal Year 2014. The meetings are open to the public.

**DATES AND TIMES:** March 13, BLM Southern Nevada District Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Dr., Las Vegas, Nevada; July 17, BLM Southern Nevada District Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Dr., Las Vegas, Nevada; and Sept. 18, BLM Ely District Office, 702 North Industrial Way, Ely, Nevada. Meeting times will be published in local and regional media sources at least 14 days before each meeting. All meetings will include a public comment period.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Hillerie Patton, Public Affairs Specialist, Southern Nevada District Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89130, telephone: (702) 515-5046, email: hpatton@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 15-member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Nevada. Topics for discussion at each meeting will include, but are not limited to:

- March 13 (Las Vegas)—Southern Nevada District Resource Management Plan and permitted recreation.
- July 17 (Las Vegas)—Battle Mountain District and Southern Nevada District resource management plans.
- September 18 (Ely)—Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act,

Drought and Wild Horses, and Nevada land transfer.

Managers' reports of field office activities will be given at each meeting. The Council may raise other topics at the meetings.

Final agendas will be posted on-line at the BLM Mojave-Southern Great Basin RAC Web site at [http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/res/resource\\_advisory.html](http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/res/resource_advisory.html).

Individuals who need special assistance such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, or who wish to receive a copy of each agenda, may contact Hillerie Patton no later than 10 days prior to each meeting.

**Erica Haspiel-Szlosek,**  
*Chief, Office of Communications.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Public Meeting of the Carrizo Plain National Monument Advisory Council

**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, the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Carrizo Plain National Monument Advisory Council (MAC) will meet as indicated below.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Saturday, March 15, 2014, at the Carrizo Plains Elementary School, located approximately 2 miles northwest of Soda Lake Road on Highway 58. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. and finish at 2:00 p.m. The meeting will focus on scoping for the Travel Management Plan. There will be a public comment period from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Lunch will be available for under \$10.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The BLM, Johna Hurl, Monument Manager, Bakersfield Field Office, 3801 Pegasus Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93308, (661) 391-6093, [jhurl@blm.gov](mailto:jhurl@blm.gov) or John Kelley, Carrizo Program Support Technician, Bakersfield Field Office, 3801 Pegasus Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93308, (661) 391-6088, [jkkelley@blm.gov](mailto:jkkelley@blm.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The ten-member MAC advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of public land issues associated with public land management in the Carrizo Plain National Monument in Central California. At this meeting, Monument staff will present the proposed Travel Management Plan for the Monument. This meeting is open to the public. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and the time available, the time allotted for individual oral comments may be limited. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations should contact the BLM as indicated above.

Dated: February 12, 2014.

**Gabriel Garcia,**  
*Field Manager, Bakersfield Field Office.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey; Colorado

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey; Colorado

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Colorado State Office is publishing this notice to inform the public of the intent to officially file the survey plats listed below and afford a proper period of time to protest this action prior to the plat filing. During this time, the plats will be available for review in the BLM Colorado State Office.

**DATES:** Unless there are protests of this action, the filing of the plats described in this notice will happen on April 2, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** BLM Colorado State Office, Cadastral Survey, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, CO 80215-7093.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randy Bloom, Chief Cadastral Surveyor for Colorado, (303) 239-3856.

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receive a reply during normal business hours.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The plat incorporating the field notes of the dependent resurvey in Township 3 South, Range 98 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado, was accepted December 23, 2013.

The plat, in 2 sheets, and field notes of the dependent resurvey and subdivision of sections 4 and 33 in Township 49 North, Range 1 West, New Mexico Principal Meridian, Colorado, were accepted on December 31, 2013.

The supplemental plat in Township 45 North, Range 11 West, New Mexico Principal Meridian, Colorado, was accepted on January 16, 2014.

The supplemental plat, in 2 sheets, of sections 9, 17, and 20, in Township 46 North, Range 10 West, New Mexico Principal Meridian, Colorado, was accepted on January 16, 2014.

The plat and field notes of the dependent resurvey and survey in Township 41 North, Range 10 East, New Mexico Principal Meridian, Colorado, were accepted on January 16, 2014.

The plat and field notes of the dependent resurvey and survey in Township 42 North, Range 10 East, New Mexico Principal Meridian, Colorado, were accepted on January 16, 2014.

The plat, in 9 sheets, of Amended Protraction Diagram No. 15 in unsurveyed: Township 11 South, Range 83 West, a portion of Township 11 South, Range 84 West, Township 11 South, Range 85 West, Township 12 South, Range 83 West, Township 12 South, Range 84 West, Township 12 South, Range 85 West, Township 12 South, Range 86 West, and a portion of Township 15 South, Range 83 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado, was accepted on January 28, 2014.

The plat, in 6 sheets, of Protraction Diagram No. 55 in unsurveyed portions of: Township 11 South, Range 82 West, Township 12 South, Range 82 West, Township 14 South, Range 82 West, Township 14 South, Range 83 West, and Township 15 South, Range 82 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado, was accepted on January 28, 2014.

**Randy Bloom,**

*Chief Cadastral Surveyor for Colorado.*

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