

*Estimated Annual Burden Hours:* 1,667 hours.

*Affected Public:* The general public.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To obtain copies of the survey, contact the Bureau clearance officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 807 National Center, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia, 20192, telephone (703) 648-7313.

Dated: July 21, 2005.

**Robert M. Hirsch,**

*Associate Director for Water.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for Geothermal Leasing for the Truckhaven and Superstition Mountains

**AGENCY:** U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, California Desert District, California.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare an environmental Impact Statement for Geothermal Leasing for Truckhaven and Superstition Mountains.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to analyze the proposed leasing of approximately 16,640 acres of BLM-managed public lands for geothermal exploration, development, and utilization in the Truckhaven and Superstition Mountain areas located in Western Imperial County, California. The leasing of public lands for geothermal resources is consistent with the California Desert Plan. Comments are being solicited to help identify significant issues or concerns related to the proposed action, determine the scope of issues, and identify and refine alternatives to the proposed action.

**DATES:** This notice initiates the public scoping process. Federal, State, and local agencies and the public that may be interested in or affected by the BLM's decision for the proposed action are invited to participate in the scoping process for the EIS. Scoping meetings to encourage and facilitate public participation are proposed to be held in San Diego, Anaheim, Long Beach, and El Centro, California. Times and locations of the scoping meetings will

be announced in the local news media. Public scoping will be open for 60 days after the publication of this notice.

**ADDRESSES:** *For Comments:* In addition to the public scoping meetings, the BLM is inviting written comments and suggestions on the proposed action and the scope of the analysis. Written comments or requests should be received within 60 days after publication and must be submitted to the Bureau of Land Management, California Desert District Office, Attn: John Dalton, Truckhaven/Superstition Mountain Geothermal Leasing Coordinator, 22835 Calle San Juan De Los Lagos, Moreno Valley, California 92553. Comments may also be submitted via e-mail to [John\\_Dalton@ca.blm.gov](mailto:John_Dalton@ca.blm.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Dalton at (951) 697-5311, [John\\_Dalton@ca.blm.gov](mailto:John_Dalton@ca.blm.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** BLM has received 11 geothermal lease applications for public lands within the Truckhaven and Superstition Mountains area in western Imperial County, California. The proposed action is to lease these lands under the authority of the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970, as Amended. The public lands being considered for geothermal leasing are located in the Truckhaven area in sections 2, 10, and 12 in Township 11 South, Range 9 East, sections 6, 8, 18, 20, 22, 28, 30, 32, 34 in Township 11 South, Range 10 East, in sections 2, 10, and 12 in Township 12 South, Range 9 East, and 4, 6, 8, and 10 in Township 12 South, Range 10 East, and in the Superstition Mountain area in portions of sections 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 in Township 14 South, Range 11 East, San Bernardino and Base Meridian.

Alternatives thus far identified for evaluation in the EIS will include: (1) Approving all lease applications (16,640 acres), (2) the no action alternative (no leasing), and (3) leasing less than the proposed 16,640 acres of public land. The principal issues identified thus far for consideration in the EIS include: Native American concerns; cumulative impacts considering existing, proposed, and potential geothermal projects in the area; cultural resources; wildlife; land use conflicts, including recreation, military land use, the Salton Sea Authority area planning, development and restoration, county land use planning, State request for transfer of land north of State Route (SR) 78 and west of SR 86 to California for recreation and other public uses; visual resources; and surface water and groundwater resources, and sensitive species. The

EIS will also address other issues such as geology, geothermal resources, vegetation, threatened or endangered species, air quality, noise, transportation, human health and safety, and socioeconomics as well as any issues raised during the scoping process.

Dated: June 21, 2005.

**Linda Hansen,**

*District Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[WO-260-09-1060-00-24 1A]

#### Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board; Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Announcement of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces that the Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board will conduct a meeting on matters pertaining to management and protection of wild, free-roaming horses and burros on the Nation's public lands. **DATES:** The Advisory Board will meet Monday, August 29, 2005, from 8 a.m., to 5 p.m., local time. This will be a one day meeting.

**ADDRESSES:** The Advisory Board will meet at the Embassy Suites Hotel Denver Aurora, 4444 N. Havana Street, Denver, Colorado 80239 or call (303) 375-0400. Written comments pertaining to the Advisory Board meeting should be sent to: Bureau of Land Management, National Wild Horse and Burro Program, WO-260, Attention: Ramona DeLorme, 1340 Financial Boulevard, Reno, Nevada, 89502-7147. Submit written comments pertaining to the Advisory Board meeting no later than close of business, August 24, 2005. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for electronic access and filing address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janet Neal, Wild Horse and Burro Public Outreach Specialist, (775) 861-6583. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may reach Ms. Neal at any time by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-(800) 877-8339.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **I. Public Meeting**

Under the authority of 43 CFR part 1784, the Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board advises the Secretary of

the Interior, the Director of the BLM, the Secretary of Agriculture, and the Chief of the Forest Service, on matters pertaining to management and protection of wild, free-roaming horses and burros on the Nation's public lands. The tentative agenda for the meeting is:

*Monday, August 29, 2005 (8 a.m.–5 p.m.)*

8 a.m. Call to Order & Introductions:  
8:15 a.m. Old Business:  
Approval of May 2005 Minutes  
BLM Action on March

#### Recommendations

Update Pending Litigation  
8:45 a.m. Program Updates:  
Gathers  
Adoptions  
Facilities  
Forest Service Update  
Break (9:30 a.m.–9:45 a.m.)  
9:45 a.m. Program Updates

(continued):

Adoption Strategy  
Program Accomplishments  
Lunch (11:45 a.m.–1 p.m.)  
1 p.m. New Business:  
Break (2:30 p.m.–2:45 p.m.)  
2:45 p.m. Board Recommendations  
4 p.m. Public Comments  
4:45 p.m. Recap/Summary/Next Meeting/Date/Site  
5–6 p.m. Adjourn: Roundtable Discussion to Follow

The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. An individual with a disability needing an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the meeting, such as an interpreting service, assistive listening device, or materials in an alternate format, must notify the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** two weeks before the scheduled meeting date. Although the BLM will attempt to meet a request received after that date, the requested auxiliary aid or service may not be available because of insufficient time to arrange it.

The Federal Advisory Committee Management Regulations [41 CFR 101–6.1015(b),] require BLM to publish in the **Federal Register** notice of a meeting 15 days prior to the meeting date.

## II. Public Comment Procedures

Members of the public may make oral statements to the Advisory Board on August 29, 2005, at the appropriate point in the agenda. This opportunity is anticipated to occur at 4 p.m., local time. Persons wishing to make statements should register with the BLM by noon on August 29, 2005, at the meeting location. Depending on the number of speakers, the Advisory Board may limit the length of presentations. At previous meetings, presentations have

been limited to three minutes in length. Speakers should address the specific wild horse and burro-related topics listed on the agenda. Speakers must submit a written copy of their statement to the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section or bring a written copy to the meeting.

Participation in the Advisory Board meeting is not a prerequisite for submission of written comments. The BLM invites written comments from all interested parties. Your written comments should be specific and explain the reason for any recommendation. The BLM appreciates any and all comments, but those most useful and likely to influence decisions on management and protection of wild horses and burros are those that are either supported by quantitative information or studies or those that include citations to and analysis of applicable laws and regulations. Except for comments provided in electronic format, speakers should submit two copies of their written comments where feasible. The BLM will not necessarily consider comments received after the time indicated under the **DATES** section or at locations other than that listed in the **ADDRESSES** section.

In the event there is a request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) for a copy of your comments, the BLM will make them available in their entirety, including your name and address. However, if you do not want the BLM to release your name and address in response to a FOIA request, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. The BLM will honor your request to the extent allowed by law. The BLM will release all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, in their entirety, including names and addresses.

### Electronic Access and Filing Address

Speakers may transmit comments electronically via the Internet to: [Janet\\_Neal@blm.gov](mailto:Janet_Neal@blm.gov). Please include the identifier "WH&B" in the subject of your message and your name and address in the body of your message.

Dated: July 21, 2005.

**Edward W. Shepard,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Reclamation

#### Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; this notice announces the intentions of the Bureau of Reclamation to seek extension of the information collection for the Lower Colorado River Well Inventory. The current OMB approval expires on January 31, 2006.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by September 26, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** To obtain copies of the information collection form and to submit comments on this information collection contact: Mr. Jeffrey Addiego, Boulder Canyon Operations Office, PO Box 61470, Boulder City, NV 89006–1470; or e-mail at [JAddiego@lc.usbr.gov](mailto:JAddiego@lc.usbr.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Jeffrey Addiego, 702–293–8525.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of Reclamation, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of Reclamation's estimated burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from public disclosure, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There also may be circumstances in which we would withhold a respondent's identity from public disclosure, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of