

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

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**Notice of Availability of Record of Decision for the John Day Basin Resource Management Plan Final Environmental Impact Statement**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the availability of the Record of Decision (ROD) for the Approved Resource Management Plan (RMP) for the John Day Basin planning area located in northern central Oregon. The Oregon/Washington State Director signed the ROD on April 28, 2015, which constitutes the final decision of the BLM and makes the Approved RMP effective immediately.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the ROD/Approved RMP are available upon request from the Central Oregon Field Manager, Prineville District Office, Bureau of Land Management, 3050 NE Third Street, Prineville, OR 97754, or via the internet at <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/prineville/plans/johndayrmp/jdbdocuments.php>. Copies of the ROD/Approved RMP are available for public inspection at the Prineville District Office.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Teal Purrington, Planning and Environmental Coordinator; telephone, 541-416-6700; address, Prineville District Office, Bureau of Land Management, 3050 NE Third Street, Prineville, OR 97754; email, [tpurring@blm.gov](mailto:tpurring@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:** Interaction with the public regarding this RMP began in early 2006 and included dozens of public meetings and workshops. The BLM worked with cooperators from six Federal agencies, including the National Marine Fisheries Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; three state agencies; and eight county governments. The BLM also consulted, on a government-to-government basis, with three federally

recognized tribes with interests in the planning area. The RMP provides management direction for 456,600 acres of public land. The Approved RMP describes the actions that will meet desired resource conditions for soil, vegetation, water quality, aquatic habitat, and wildlife habitat; protects cultural resources, visual resources, Wild and Scenic River values, Wilderness areas, and Areas of Critical Environmental Concern; and provides opportunities for recreation, transportation, livestock grazing, rights-of-way, and energy and mineral development. The preferred alternative published October 2008 in the Draft RMP/Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) was carried forward as the Proposed RMP in the Final EIS with minor modifications. The Proposed RMP/EIS was published in April 2012, and the BLM received three protest letters. After careful consideration of all points raised in those protests, the BLM Director concluded that the BLM followed all applicable laws, regulations, policies, and pertinent resource considerations in developing the proposed plan. Responses were sent from the BLM Director to all protesting parties to address their concerns. The BLM's protest summary report is available on the Prineville District Web page at: <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/prineville/plans/johndayrmp/jdbsupportdocs>.

The Governor of Oregon was provided a formal, 60-day review period to determine if the Proposed RMP/EIS is consistent with existing state or local plans, programs, or policies. No inconsistencies were identified. In preparing the Approved RMP, the BLM applied the seasonal wildlife closures considered in Alternatives 4 and 5 to the 3,970-acre area identified as an Open Off-highway Vehicle (OHV) designation in the Rudio Mountain area. As a result, the OHV designation was also changed to Limited. All other changes were minor editorial modifications.

There are several implementation decisions in the Approved RMP which are appealable under 43 CFR part 4: (a) Limits on decibels, hours of operation, and class of OHV at Little Canyon Mountain; (b) interim management plan for Spring Basin Wilderness; (c) interim management direction for the portion of the North Fork John Day River determined to be suitable for designation as a Wild and Scenic River; (d) management plan for the existing wild and scenic river designations on the John Day River; (e) seasonal area and route closures; and (f) decisions identifying routes of travel for

motorized vehicles. Any party adversely affected may appeal within 30 days of publication of this Notice of Availability. The appeal should state the specific decision(s) being appealed. The appeal must be filed with the Central Oregon Field Manager at the above listed address. Please consult the appropriate regulations (43 CFR part 4, subpart E) for further appeal requirements.

**Authority:** 40 CFR 1506.6.

**Jerome E. Perez,**

*State Director, Oregon/Washington.*

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**Proposed Information Collection, OMB Control Number 1004-XXXX**

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

**ACTION:** 30-Day notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has submitted an information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the information collection (IC) described below. In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we invite the general public and other Federal agencies to submit comments on this IC to OMB.

**DATES:** The OMB is required to respond to this information collection request within 60 days but may respond after 30 days. For maximum consideration, written comments should be received on or before July 13, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Please submit comments directly to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior (OMB #1004-XXXX), Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, fax 202-395-5806, or by electronic mail at [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov). Please provide a copy of your comments to the BLM. You may do so via mail, fax, or electronic mail.

*Mail:* U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C Street NW., Room 2134LM, Attention: Jean Sonneman, Washington, DC 20240.

*Fax:* to Jean Sonneman at 202-245-0050.

*Electronic mail:* [Jean\\_Sonneman@blm.gov](mailto:Jean_Sonneman@blm.gov).

Please indicate "Attn: 1004-XXXX" regardless of the form of your comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shannon Bassista, Upper Snake Field Office, at (208) 524-7552. Persons who use a telecommunication device for the deaf may call the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339, to leave a message for Ms. Bassista. You may also review the information collection request online at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521) and OMB regulations at 5 CFR part 1320 provide that an agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Until OMB approves a collection of information, you are not obligated to respond. In order to obtain and renew an OMB control number, Federal agencies are required to seek public comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d) and 1320.12(a)).

As required at 5 CFR 1320.8(d), the BLM published a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** on January 21, 2015 (80 FR 2967). The public comment period expired on March 23, 2015. No public comments were submitted in response to that notice. The BLM now

requests comments on the following subjects:

1. Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper functioning of the BLM, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. The accuracy of the BLM's estimate of the burden of collecting the information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. The quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. How to minimize the information collection burden on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology.

Please send comments as directed under **ADDRESSES** and **DATES**. Please refer to OMB control number 1004-XXXX in your correspondence. 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.

The following information pertains to this request:

*OMB Control Number:* 1004-XXXX.  
*Title:* Visitor Use Survey for St. Anthony Sand Dunes.

*Abstract:* The BLM is proposing to sponsor a visitor use survey for the St. Anthony Sand Dunes in the Upper Snake Field Office, Idaho, which includes lands designated as a Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA), lands designated as a Wilderness Study Area, and lands designated as an Area of Critical Environmental Concern. This collection of information will enable the BLM to develop a plan for the St. Anthony Sand Dunes on subjects such as existing and proposed management actions, issuance of Special Recreation Permits, conflicts between visitors, and travel management issues. The proposed survey will be distributed as a mail-back questionnaire and will be available online through a University of Idaho Web site. The collection of information will take place during the summer season when visitation rates are highest. Data will be analyzed and a final report will be developed for the area.

*Frequency:* Once.  
*Description of Respondents:* Visitors and recreationists.  
*Respondents' Obligation:* Voluntary.  
*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden:* 845 responses and 211 hours.

The estimated burdens are itemized in the following table:

A. Activity	B. Estimated number of responses	C. Completion time per response (minutes)	D. Total hours (column B × column C)
Sampling Frame 1: On-site visitors: on-site, mail or on-line questionnaires .....	420	15	105
Sampling Frame 2: mail or online questionnaire to vested interests .....	425	15	106
Totals .....	845	.....	211

**Jean Sonneman,**  
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**Notice of Intent To Amend the Pony Express Resource Management Plan for the Salt Lake Field Office, Utah, and Prepare an Associated Environmental Assessment for the Eastern Lake Mountains Area**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (NEPA), and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended (FLPMA), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Salt Lake Field Office (SLFO), Salt Lake City, Utah, intends to prepare a Resource Management Plan (RMP) Amendment with an associated Environmental Assessment (EA) for target shooting in the Eastern Lake Mountains area. This notice is announcing the beginning of the scoping process to solicit public comments and identify issues.

**DATES:** This notice initiates the public scoping process for the RMP amendment with an associated EA. Comments on issues to be considered may be submitted in writing until July

13, 2015. The date(s) and location(s) of any scoping meetings will be announced at least 15 days in advance through local news media, newspapers and the BLM Web site at: [http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/salt\\_lake/planning.html](http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/salt_lake/planning.html). In order to be included in the analysis, all comments must be received prior to the close of the 30-day scoping period or 15 days after the last public meeting, whichever is later. We will provide additional opportunities for public participation as appropriate.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments on issues and planning criteria related to the Eastern Lake Mountains Plan Amendment/EA by any of the following methods:

- Web site: <https://www.blm.gov/ut/enbb/index.php>
- Email: [blm\\_ut\\_sl\\_comments@blm.gov](mailto:blm_ut_sl_comments@blm.gov)