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Bureau of Land Management
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Utah Resource Advisory Council Subcommittee Meetings/Conference Calls

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meetings/conference calls.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Bureau of Land Management’s (BLM) Utah Resource Advisory Council (RAC) subcommittees will host meetings/conference calls.

DATES: The BLM-Utah RAC Planning 2.0 Proposed Rule subcommittee will host a meeting/conference call on Monday, June 13, 2016, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., Mountain Daylight Time.

The BLM-Utah RAC Three Creeks Grazing Allotment Environmental Assessment (EA) subcommittee will host a meeting/conference call on Monday, June 13, 2016, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Mountain Daylight Time.

The BLM-Utah RAC Eastern Lake Mountains Target Shooting Plan Amendment subcommittee will host a meeting/field visit on Tuesday, June 21, 2016, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Mountain Daylight Time.

ADDRESSES: Those wishing to attend the Planning 2.0 Proposed Rule subcommittee conference call or the Three Creeks Grazing Allotment Environmental Assessment (EA) subcommittee conference call in person must meet at the BLM-Utah State Office, Dixie Conference Room, 440 West 200 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101 on Monday June 13, 2016.

If you wish to attend the Eastern Lake Mountains Target Shooting Plan Amendment meeting/field visit, meet at the east end of the Saratoga Springs Walmart parking lot, 136 W. State Road 73, Saratoga Springs, Utah, on Tuesday, June 21 at 9 a.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you wish to listen to the Planning 2.0 Proposed Rule or Three Creeks Grazing Allotment EA teleconferences, orally present material during the teleconferences, or submit written material to be considered during the teleconferences, please notify Lola Bird, Public Affairs Specialist, Bureau of Land Management, Utah State Office, 440 West 200 South, Suite 500, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101; phone (801) 539–4033; or, lbird@blm.gov no later than Wednesday, June 8, 2016.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BLM-Utah RAC Planning 2.0 Proposed Rule subcommittee will develop feedback on the BLM’s proposed planning rule. A half-hour public comment period will take place from 10:30 to 11 a.m., Mountain Daylight Time.

The BLM-Utah RAC Three Creeks Grazing Allotment Environmental Assessment (EA) subcommittee will develop feedback on the Three Creeks Grazing Allotment EA proposed alternatives. A half-hour public comment period will take place from 2:30 to 3 p.m., Mountain Daylight Time.

The BLM-Utah RAC Eastern Lake Mountains Target Shooting Plan Amendment subcommittee will develop feedback on the Eastern Lake Mountains Target Shooting Plan Amendment proposed alternatives. A half-hour public comment period will take place from 12 to 12:30 p.m., Mountain Daylight Time, during the field visit. For those attending the field visit, a high-clearance vehicle with good tires is highly recommended. Participants should bring food, water, sunscreen, sturdy footwear, a fluorescent safety vest, and a hat.

All meetings are open to the public; however, transportation, lodging, and meals are the responsibility of the participating individuals.

Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 to leave a message or question for the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, seven 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 Alaska. At this meeting, the council will discuss the Central Yukon Resource Management Plan during visits to several points of interest in the area to observe mining and mine reclamation, landscape connectivity, recreation, invasive species, and other issues considered during the land-use planning process. An agenda will be posted to the BLM Alaska RAC Web site (www.blm.gov/ak/rac) by June 1, 2016.

All meetings are open to the public. During the public comment period, a teleconference line will be set up for individuals who cannot attend the meeting to provide comments.

Individuals who wish to provide a public comment by phone must RSVP to the contact listed in this Notice to obtain the call in number. Depending upon the number of people wishing to comment, time for individual oral comments may be limited. Please be prepared to submit written 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...
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Notice of Intent To Prepare a Resource Management Plan for Basin and Range National Monument, Nevada, and an Associated Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

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, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Ely District Office, Ely, Nevada intends to prepare a Resource Management Plan (RMP) with an associated Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Basin and Range National Monument (BARNM) and by this notice is announcing the beginning of the scoping process to solicit public comments and identify issues. The new, stand-alone RMP will tier to and may incorporate by reference portions of the existing Ely District Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan (2008), as amended by the Greater Sage-Grouse Approved Resource Management Plan Amendment signed in 2015.

DATES: This notice initiates the public scoping process for the RMP with associated EIS. Comments on issues may be submitted in writing until July 1, 2016. The date(s) and location(s) of any scoping meetings will be announced at least 15 days in advance through local media, newspapers and the BLM Web site at: http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/prog/nlcs_new/Basin_and_Range_National_Monument.htm

In order to be included in the Draft EIS, 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. Additional opportunities for public participation will be provided for upon publication of the Draft EIS.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on issues and planning criteria related to Basin and Range National Monument Resource Management Plan and associated Environmental Impact Statement by any of the following methods:

- Email: blm_nv_basin_range@blm.gov
- Fax: 775–726–8111
- Mail: BLM Basin and Range National Monument, PO Box 237, Caliente, NV 89089

Documents pertinent to this proposal may be examined at the Basin and Range National Monument Office, located at BLM Caliente Office.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alicia Styles, Monument Manager; telephone: 775–726–8100; address: P.O. Box 237, Caliente, NV 89089; email: blm_nv_basin_range@blm.gov. Contact Ms. Styles to add your name to our mailing list. 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 document provides notice that the BLM District Office, Ely, Nevada, intends to prepare an RMP with an associated EIS for the Basin and Range National Monument, announces the beginning of the scoping process, and seeks public input on issues and planning criteria. The planning area is located in Lincoln and Nye Counties, Nevada and encompasses approximately 704,000 acres of public land.

As the Proclamation indicates, the President established the Monument to "preserve its cultural, prehistoric, and historic legacy and maintain its diverse array of natural and scientific resources, ensuring that the prehistoric, historic and scientific values of this area remain for the benefit of all Americans." The Proclamation further states: "For purposes of the care and management of the objects identified above, the Secretary, through BLM, shall, within 3 years of the date of this proclamation prepare and maintain a management plan for the monument and shall provide for maximum public involvement in the development of that plan including, but not limited to, consultation with State, tribal, and local governments."

The purpose of the public scoping process is to determine relevant issues that will influence the scope of the environmental analysis, including alternatives, and guide the planning process. A number of preliminary issues for the planning area have been identified by BLM personnel; Federal, State, and local agencies; and other stakeholders. The issues include:

- Cultural and historic resources; tribal use; vegetation resources; wild horse and burros; social and economic values; climate change; special areas (Worthington Mountains Wilderness, Shooting Gallery Area of Environmental Concern (ACEC), and Mt. Irish ACEC); visual resources; lands and realty; outdoor recreation; livestock grazing; minerals; paleontological resources; research; wildland fire; and military uses. Preliminary planning criteria will conform to 43 CFR 1610.4–2.

You may submit comments on issues and planning criteria in writing to the BLM at any public scoping meeting, or you may submit them to the BLM using one of the methods listed in the ADDRESSES section above. To be most helpful, you should submit comments by the close of the 30-day scoping period or within 15 days after the last public meeting, whichever is later. 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 BLM will evaluate identified issues to be addressed in the plan, and will place them into one of three categories:

1. Issues to be resolved in the plan;
2. Issues to be resolved through policy or administrative action; or
3. Issues beyond the scope of this plan.

The BLM will provide an explanation in the Draft RMP/Draft EIS as to why an issue was placed in category two or three. The public is also encouraged to identify any management questions and concerns that should be addressed in the plan. The BLM will work collaboratively with interested parties to identify the management decisions that are best suited to local, regional, and national needs and resource outcomes.

The BLM will utilize and coordinate NEPA scoping process to help fulfill the