

for threatened species and endangered species are at 50 CFR 17.32 and 50 CFR 17.22, respectively. An applicant for a Permit under section 10 must prepare and submit to the Service for approval a Plan containing a multifaceted strategy for minimizing and mitigating all take associated with the proposed activities to the maximum extent practicable. The applicant must also ensure that adequate funding for the Plan will be provided.

The Service will conduct an environmental review of the MSHCP and prepare an EIS. ENTRIX has been selected as the lead consultant to prepare the EIS under the supervision of the Service, which will be responsible for the scope and content of the NEPA document. NEPA requires that Federal agencies conduct an environmental analysis of their proposed actions to determine if the actions may significantly affect the human environment. Under NEPA, a reasonable range of alternatives to proposed projects is developed and considered in the environmental review. Alternatives considered for analysis in an EIS may include: variations in the scope of proposed activities; variations in the location, amount, and types of conservation measures; variations in activity duration; or, a combination of these elements. In addition, the EIS will identify potentially significant direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts on biological resources, land use, air quality, water quality, water resources, socioeconomic conditions, and other environmental issues that could occur with implementation of the proposed action and alternatives. For all potentially significant impacts, the EIS identifies avoidance, minimization, and mitigation measures to reduce these impacts, where feasible, to a level below significance.

The EIS will consider the proposed action, no action, and a reasonable range of alternatives. A detailed description of the impacts of the proposed action and each alternative will be included in the EIS. The alternatives to be considered for analysis in the EIS may address combinations of covered species, different permit effective periods, or a combination of elements.

Written comments from interested parties are welcome to ensure that the issues of public concern related to the proposed action are identified. Comments and materials received will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice. Our practice is to make comments, including names, home addresses, home phone

numbers, and email addresses of respondents, available for public review. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their names and /or homes addresses, etc., but if you wish us to consider withholding this information you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. In addition, you must present a rationale for withholding this information. This rationale must demonstrate that disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of privacy. Unsupported assertions will not meet this burden. In the absence of exceptional, documentable circumstances, this information will be released. We will always make submissions from organization or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives of or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

The Service requests that comments be specific. In particular, the Service is requesting information regarding (1) potential direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts of implementation of the proposed action; (2) other possible alternatives that meet the purpose and need; (3) potential adaptive management and/or monitoring provisions; (4) existing environmental conditions in the area; (5) other plans or projects that might be relevant to this proposed project; and (6) potential minimization and mitigation efforts.

The environmental review of this project will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the NEPA of 1969 as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), Council on the Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500–1518), other applicable Federal laws and regulations, and applicable policies and procedures of the Service. This notice is being furnished in accordance with 40 CFR 1501.7 to obtain suggestions and information from other agencies and the public on the scope of issues and alternatives to be addressed in the EIS. It is estimated that the draft EIS will be available for public review during the first quarter of 2007.

Dated: October 27, 2006.

Ken McDermond,

Deputy Manager, California/Nevada Operations Office, Sacramento, California.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV–020–2110–IW–F202]

Notice to the Public of Temporary Public Lands Closures and Prohibitions of Certain Activities on Public Lands Administered by the Bureau of Land Management, Winnemucca Field Office, Nevada

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of temporary closure.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that certain lands located in northwestern Nevada are temporarily closed or restricted and certain activities are temporarily prohibited in and around an area near the city of Winnemucca known as Water Canyon and administered by the BLM Winnemucca Field Office in Humboldt County, Nevada.

DATES: September 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006, inclusive.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dave Hays, Assistant Field Manager, Nonrenewable Resources, Winnemucca Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, 5100 E. Winnemucca Blvd., Winnemucca, NV 89445–2921, telephone: (775) 623–1500.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The specified closures, restrictions, and prohibitions are made in the interest of public and employee safety during the period of heavy construction equipment usage at and around the public lands in an area known as Water Canyon Recreation Area, Zone 1. The temporary closure is needed during the construction phase of the implementation of the “Water Canyon Implementation Plan Amendment” (Decision Record was signed 11/16/05). These lands are closed or restricted during the following times:

- September 1, 2006, through December 31, 2006 inclusive: Restricted entry by the public into Zone 1 of the Water Canyon Recreation Area during certain time periods as outlined in the sections below, to provide for safety of individuals.

Authority: 43 CFR 8364.1.

1. Public Closure Area: Within the following legally described locations:

Mount Diablo Meridian

- T. 35 N., R. 38 E.,
 Section 02, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ portion inside barbed wire fence;
 Section 11; NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ portion inside barbed wire fence;

Section 12, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ portion inside barbed wire fence.

1.0 Between September 1, 2006 and December 31, 2006 Inclusive

1.1 Motorized Use

Motor vehicle use of any kind by the public is prohibited in Zone 1 of the Water Canyon Recreation Area. The following exceptions apply:

Any administrative use authorized by BLM.

Any authorized law enforcement or emergency personnel may enter as needed to perform their official duties.

1.2 Public Entry

Public entry of any persons or individuals is prohibited in Zone 1, during working hours from Monday through Friday. The following exceptions apply:

Any administrative use authorized by BLM.

Any authorized law enforcement or emergency personnel may enter as needed to perform their official duties.

1.3 Public Camping

Public camping is prohibited in Zone 1 during this period of construction.

Penalty: Any person failing to comply with the closure orders may be subject to imprisonment for not more than 12 months, or a fine in accordance with the applicable provisions of 18 U.S.C. 3571, or both.

Dated: August 2, 2006.

Gail G. Givens,
Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR-026-1040-PH-021H: G6-0168]

Closure of Public Lands in Harney County, OR

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Burns District, Hines, Oregon.

ACTION: Notice of Realty Action.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 43 CFR 8364.1, this closure order is hereby given that public lands, described herein and managed by the BLM, located in Harney County, Oregon, are permanently closed to public use for the purpose of discharging firearms. This action is being taken to provide for public safety by establishing a no hunting zone

around the community of Frenchglen, Oregon.

DATES: The closure order is effective July 16, 2006, and continues for perpetuity.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Karla Bird, Andrews Resource Area Field Manager, BLM, Burns District Office, 28910 Hwy 20 West, Hines, Oregon 97738, (541) 573-4400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 15, 2006, the final decision was signed by an authorized officer of the BLM, permanently closing public lands, managed by the BLM, within one-quarter to one-half mile of Frenchglen, Oregon, to public use for the purpose of discharging firearms. During a temporary closure period, the BLM prepared an Environmental Assessment, OR-06-026-023, to consider a permanent closure. It was determined that the discharging of firearms within the "No Shooting or Safety Zone" is a safety hazard to the residents of the Frenchglen community.

Notice: Pursuant to 43 CFR 8364.1, discharging firearms or other devices capable of firing a projectile into or within the closed area posted "No Shooting or Safety Zone" is prohibited on lands administered by BLM within the closed area of Andrews Resource Area. The public lands, managed by the BLM, closed by this order are described as follows:

Willamette Meridian, Oregon

T. 32 S., R. 32 E.,

Sec. 2, lots 3 and 4, that portion lying east of transmission line, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ east of transmission line, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ north of Hwy 205, and the E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ east of Elbow Springs Road.

The public land, managed by the BLM, described above contains 167 acres in Harney County, Oregon.

Closure signs have been posted at main entry points to the closed area and along the boundary as necessary. Maps of the closure area and information may be obtained from the BLM Burns District Office and at various locations in Burns, Hines, and Frenchglen.

Penalties: The authority of this closure is found under Section 303(a) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1733(a)) and 43 CFR 8364.1. Any person who violates this closure may be tried before a United States Magistrate and fined no more than \$1,000 or imprisoned for no more than 12 months, or both. (43 CFR 8360.0-7) Such violations may also be subject to the enhanced fines provided for by 18 U.S.C. 3571.

(Authority: 43 CFR 8364.1(c))

Dated: August 30, 2006.

Mark Sherbourne,

Acting Andrews Resource Area Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ES-960-1420-BJ-TRST] Group No. 175, Wisconsin

Eastern States: Filing of Plat of Survey

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of filing of plat of survey; Wisconsin.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will file the plat of survey of the lands described below in the BLM-Eastern States, Springfield, Virginia, 30 calendar days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bureau of Land Management, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153. Attn: Cadastral Survey.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This survey was requested by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The lands we surveyed are:

Fourth Principal Meridian, Wisconsin

T. 38 N., R. 9 W.

The plat of survey represents the dependent resurvey of a portion of the north boundary, a portion of the east boundary, a portion of the subdivisional lines; and the subdivision of section 1 Township 38 North, Range 9 West, of the 4th Principal Meridian, in the State of Wisconsin, and was accepted October 12, 2006. We will place a copy of the plat we described in the open files. It will be available to the public as a matter of information.

If BLM receives a protest against this survey, as shown on the plat, prior to the date of the official filing, we will stay the filing pending our consideration of the protest.

We will not officially file the plat until the day after we have accepted or dismissed all protests and they have become final, including decisions on appeals.

Dated: October 12, 2006.

Michael W. Young,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor.

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