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Supplementary Rules Concerning Alcoholic Beverages on Public Lands; Utah**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, DOI.**ACTION:** Establishment of Supplementary Rules Concerning Alcoholic Beverages on Public Lands Within the State of Utah.

SUMMARY: Underage drinking is a growing problem on the public lands. Such activity poses a significant health and safety hazard to both underage violators and other users of the public lands and can result in the destruction of natural resources. This action will allow BLM officers to restrict the sale or supply of, and the unlawful purchase, possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages in a manner consistent with state law.

Unlawful Purchase, Possession, or Consumption by Minor—Misrepresentation of Age of Minor

(1) It is unlawful for any person under 21 years to purchase, possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or product, unless specifically authorized by this title.

(2) It is also unlawful for any person under the age of 21 to misrepresent their age, or for any other person to misrepresent the age of a minor, for the purpose of purchasing or otherwise obtaining an alcoholic beverage or product for a minor.

Sale or Supply of Alcoholic Beverages or Products to Minors Prohibited.

(1) No person shall sell, offer to sell, or otherwise furnish or supply any alcoholic beverage or products to any person under the age of 21 years.

(2) This section shall not apply to the furnishing or supplying of an alcoholic beverage or product to a minor for medicinal purposes by the parent or guardian of the minor or by the minor's physician or dentist, in accordance with this title.

Drinking Alcoholic Beverage and Open Containers in Motor Vehicle Prohibited—Definitions—Exceptions

(1) A person may not drink any alcoholic beverage while operating a motor vehicle or while a passenger in a motor vehicle, whether the vehicle is moving, stopped or parked on any highway.

(2) A person may not keep, carry, possess, transport or allow another to keep, carry, possess, or transport in the passenger compartment of a motor vehicle, when the vehicle is on the

highway, any container which contains alcoholic beverage if the container has been opened, its seal broken, or the contents of the container partially consumed.

Definitions/Exceptions

Reference Definitions/Exceptions, 41-6-44.20.

Effect of and Obedience to Traffic Regulations

The provisions of this chapter relating to the operation of vehicles refer exclusively to the operation of vehicles upon highways, except:

(1) where a different place is specifically referred to in a given section; or

(2) under the provisions of Section 41-6-13.5 and Sections 41-6-29 to 41-6-45 inclusive, which apply upon highways and elsewhere throughout the state.

Penalties: As prescribed under Federal Land Policy and Management Act, 43 USC, Section 1733(a).

EFFECTIVE DATE: This restriction will go into effect June 24, 1996 and will remain in effect until rescinded or modified by the authorized officer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: State Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Land Management, Utah State Office, P.O. Box 45155, Salt Lake City, Utah 84145, (801) 539-4011.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This supplementary restriction is issued under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA). Violation is punishable by fines and/or imprisonment under 43 CFR 8360.0-7. This restriction will go into effect upon publication in the Federal Register, and will remain in effect until rescinded or modified by the authorized officer. (Utah Codes: 32A-12-8, 32A-12-13, 41-6-44.20 and 41-6-11 (2) Effect of and Obedience to Traffic Regulations, Chapter relates to vehicles on highways (Exceptions).

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Notice of Intent To Amend Book Cliffs Resource Management Plan, Vernal District, Utah With Coordinated Resource Management Plan/Environmental Assessment

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a coordinated resource management plan/

environmental assessment that will amend the Book Cliffs Resource Management Plan to include management of the area covered by the Book Cliffs Conservation Initiative, including recently acquired lands.

SUMMARY: This notice is intended to inform the public of an intent to prepare a coordinated resource management plan/environmental assessment (CRMP/EA) that addresses future management of lands within the Book Cliffs Initiative, including the lands acquired by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), within the Book Cliffs area of the Vernal District for the purpose of amending the Book Cliffs Resource Management Plan (RMP). Public comment will be actively solicited throughout the CRMP/EA and amendment development processes.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In 1993 a partnership was formed between the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources (UDWR), The Nature Conservancy (TNC), the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF), and the BLM. The objective of such a partnership was to take advantage of existing opportunities to create a balanced approach to the management of unique natural resources within the upper portion of the East Tavaputs Plateau, in southeastern Uintah County, Utah. The partnership, entitled the Book Cliffs Conservation Initiative, deals with that portion of the Book Cliffs within the area between the Uintah-Ouray Indian Reservation trust lands to the west and the Utah-Colorado state line to the east, an area encompassing roughly 455,000 acres.

In 1993 and 1994, two private ranches then on the market within the Initiative area, were acquired by TNC and RMEF with the intent of vesting the title to either the State of Utah or the United States. In 1994, the BLM was vested with title to 5,129 acres, about 53%, of these acquired lands. As public lands administered by the BLM, future management of these lands must be developed and incorporated into the existing Book Cliffs RMP. The CRMP/EA/RMPA will be developed by the BLM in concert with the UDWR, other State and Federal agencies, Uintah County, local government entities, and the general public. At this time general planning issues to be addressed include:

1. Maintain a sustained balance of forage between livestock and wildlife.

2. Define and develop a future forage allocation process that will achieve wildlife, watershed, and riparian goals using the existing grazing authorizations as a starting point. Also address management of wild horses.

3. Increase recreation opportunity through access management and route designation.

4. Improve the vegetative communities in the canyon bottoms and on critical big game winter range.

5. Develop desired standards for other vegetative communities within the Initiative area.

6. Allow increased wildlife diversity.

7. Maintain a primitive development philosophy, particularly as it relates to recreation.

The CRMP/EA/RMPA will be prepared under 43 CFR part 1610 to meet the requirements of section 202 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, and section 102 of the National Environmental Policy Act. This revision is necessary to update and expand the decisions in the existing land use plan. Decisions generated during this planning process will supersede affected land use planning decisions presented in the 1985 Book Cliffs RMP that affect lands within the Initiative area.

Public participation is being actively sought at this time to ensure the EA addresses all issues, problems, and concerns from those interested in the management of the public lands within the Book Cliffs Initiative Area, including the acquired lands. The development of the CRMP/EA/RMPA is a public process and the public is invited and encouraged to assist in the identification of issues and the scope of the EA and planning amendment. Public meetings will be held to discuss planning issues. The date, time and location of these scoping meetings are: July 30, 1996, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at the John Wesley Powell Museum at Green River, Utah; July 31, 1996, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at the Utah State University Extension Building, Room 207-B at Vernal, Utah; and August 1, 1996, 7:00 p.m. at the Department of Natural Resources Conference Room at 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah. These meetings also will be announced in local newspapers and through other local media.

Formal public participation will be requested for review of the preliminary CRMP/EA/RMPA and final CRMP/EA/RMPA in 1997. Notice of availability of these documents will be published at the appropriate times.

The CRMP/EA/RMPA will be prepared by an interdisciplinary team which includes specialists in rangeland vegetation, riparian values, cultural resources, recreation, wildlife/fisheries habitats, realty, and special status animal and plant species. Other disciplines may be represented as necessary.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Andrews, Assistant Field Office Manager for Renewable Resources, Vernal Office, 170 South, 500 East, Vernal, Utah 84078. Business hours are from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, telephone (801) 789-1362 or 781-4470, fax (801) 781-4410.

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Acting State Director, Utah.

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Pony Express Resource Area, UT; Resource Management Plan

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to amend a resource management plan.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA), to consider a proposed amendment to the Pony Express Resource Management Plan (RMP). The proposed amendment would consider alternatives for management of acquired lands in Tooele County.

DATES: The comment period for identification of issues for the proposed plan amendment will commence with the date of publication of this notice. Comments must be submitted on or before July 29, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mike Nelson, Realty Specialist, Bureau of Land Management, Salt Lake District, 2370 South 2300 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84119, telephone (801) 977-4355. Existing planning documents and information are available at the above address or telephone number. Comments on the proposed plan amendment should be sent to the above address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Salt Lake District, BLM, is proposing to amend the Pony Express RMP, to identify and analyze management prescriptions for lands in the Oquirrh Mountain Range that have been recently acquired by the BLM. An EA will be prepared to analyze the impacts of this proposal and alternatives. Public participation is being sought at this initial stage in the planning process to ensure the RMP amendment addresses all issues, problems and concerns from those interested in the management of lands within the Salt Lake District. Necessary amendments to the approved

plan will keep the document current and viable.

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Acting State Director.

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Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Notice of Proposed Information Collection

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is announcing its intention to request approval for the collections of information for 30 CFR part 800.

DATES: Comments on the proposed information collection must be received by August 23, 1996, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to Dennis Rice, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1951 Constitution Ave, NW, Room 120-SIB, Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request a copy of the information collection request, explanatory information and related forms, contact Dennis Rice, at (202) 208-2829.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8 (d)). This notice identifies information collections that OSM will be submitting to OMB for extension. This collection is contained in 30 CFR part 800, Bond and Insurance Requirements for Surface Coal Mining and Reclamation Operations Under Regulatory Programs.

OSM has revised burden estimates, where appropriate, to reflect current reporting levels or adjustments based on reestimates of burden or respondents. OSM will request a 3-year term of approval for each information collection activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) The need for the collection of information for the performance of the functions of the agency; (2) the accuracy of the