

Period of Activity: Up to five years from date of permit issuance, if issued.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Office of Management Authority is forwarding copies of these applications to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

[PRT-830375]

Applicant: Lee M. Wahlund, Carrington, ND.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the McClintock Channel polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

[PRT-830053]

Applicant: David Barkman, Goodrich, MI.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Northern Beaufort Sea polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

[PRT-830055]

Applicant: Charles Antcliff, Fenton, MI.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Northern Beaufort Sea polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Written data or comments, requests for copies of the complete applications, or requests for a public hearing on any of these applications for marine mammal permits should be sent to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 430, Arlington, Virginia 22203, telephone 703/358-2104 or fax 703/358-2281 and must be received within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice. Anyone requesting a hearing should give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such hearing is at the discretion of the Director.

Documents and other information submitted with all of the applications listed in this notice are available for review, *subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act*, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice at the above address.

Dated: June 9, 1997.

Karen Anderson,

Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-030-5700-10; Closure Notice No. NV-030-97-003]

Temporary Closure of Public Lands; Washoe County, Nevada

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management.

SUMMARY: The Carson City District Manager announces the temporary closure of selected public lands under his administration. This action is being taken to provide for public safety during the 1997 Reno National Championship Air Races.

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 8 through September 14, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Daniel L. Jacquet, Acting Assistant District Manager, Division of Nonrenewable Resources, Carson City District Office, 1535 Hot Springs Road, Carson City, Nevada 89706-0638. Telephone (702) 885-6100.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This closure applies to all the public, on foot or in vehicles. The public lands affected by this closure are described as follows:

Mt. Diablo Meridian

T.21 N., R. 19 E.

Sec. 8, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$

Sec. 16, N $\frac{1}{2}$ and SW $\frac{1}{4}$

Aggregating approximately 680 acres.

The above restrictions do not apply to emergency or law enforcement personnel or event officials. The authority for this closure is 43 CFR 8364.1. Persons who violate this closure order are subject to arrest and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than \$1,000 and/or imprisoned for not more than 12 months.

A map of the closed area is posted in the Carson City District Office of the Bureau of Land Management.

Dated: June 3, 1997.

Daniel L. Jacquet,

Acting Assistant District Manager, Division of Nonrenewable Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AZ-040-4333-02]

Call for Gila Box Advisory Committee Nominations

AGENCY: Safford Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Call for Nominations for Gila Box Riparian National Conservation Area Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to solicit public nominations to fill five positions on the Gila Box Riparian National Conservation Area Advisory Committee, pursuant to Title 2, Section 201, of the Arizona Desert Wilderness Act of 1990.

BACKGROUND: The purpose of the seven-member Advisory Committee is to provide informed advice to the Safford Field Manager on management of public lands in the Gila Box Riparian National Conservation Area in southeastern Arizona. Members are currently assisting BLM specialists with the preparation of the Final Gila Box Interdisciplinary Activity Plan. The Advisory Committee will meet approximately two times during FY 97 to assist with plan preparation. Members serve without salary, but are reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses at current rates for government employees.

To ensure membership of the Advisory Committee is balanced in terms of categories of interest represented and functions performed, nominees must be qualified to provide advice in specific areas related to the primary purposes for which the Gila Box Riparian National Conservation Area was created. These categories of expertise include wildlife conservation, riparian ecology, archaeology, hydrology, recreation, environmental education, or other related disciplines.

Three positions on the Committee are representatives for the State of Arizona, Graham County, and Greenlee County. Nominations for these representatives are submitted to the BLM from the Governor of Arizona and the Boards of Supervisors for Graham and Greenlee counties respectively. Those wishing to submit nominations for those three positions should contact the appropriate office to do so.

Nominations for the remaining two positions should be submitted directly to the BLM. Persons wishing to nominate individuals or those wishing to be considered for appointment to serve on the Advisory Committee should provide name, address, profession, biographical data, and category of expertise for each qualified nominee. Persons selected by the Secretary of the Interior to serve on the Committee will serve a three-year term ending on July 31, 2000. Nominations should be submitted to the Safford Field Manager at the address below.

DATES: All nominations should be received by July 20, 1997.

ADDRESSES: For further information contact: Elmer Walls, Gila Box Team Leader, Safford Field Office, 711 14th Ave., Safford, AZ 85546, telephone (520) 428-4040.

Dated: June 3, 1997.

William T. Civish,
Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ID-990-1020-01]

Resource Advisory Council Meeting Location and Time

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), 5 U.S.C., the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) council meeting of the Upper Snake River Districts Resource Advisory Council will be held as indicated below. The agenda includes the review of public comments of the Healthy Rangeland Standard and Guidelines. All meetings are open to the public. The public may present written comments to the council. Each formal council meeting will have a time allocated for hearing public comments. The public comment period for the council meeting is listed below. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment, and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. Individuals who plan to attend and need further information about the meetings, or need special assistance such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Debra Kovar at the Shoshone Resource Area Office, P. O. Box 2-B, Shoshone, ID, 83352, (208) 886-7201.

DATE AND TIME: Date is June 23rd, starts at 9:00 a.m. in Federal Building Room B-23, 250 South 4th Ave, Pocatello, Idaho. Public comments from 9:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. on June 23, 1997.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the council is to advise the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with the management of the public lands.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact Debra Kovar, Shoshone Resource Area

Office, P. O. Box 2-B, Shoshone, ID 83352, (208) 886-7201.

Dated: June 4, 1997.

Howard Hedrick,
District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ID-990-1020-00]

Notice of Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Upper Columbia—Salmon Clearwater District, Idaho.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), 5 U.S.C. Appendix, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the meeting of the Upper Columbia—Salmon Clearwater Districts Resource Advisory Council (RAC) on Friday, June 27, 1997 in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the comments received concerning the Idaho Proposed Standards for Rangeland Health and Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management. The meeting will begin at (9:00 a.m. (PDT) and be held at the Coeur d'Alene Field Office, 1808 N. Third St., Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. The public may address the Council during the public comment period starting at 9:30 a.m.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: All Resource Advisory Council meetings are open to the public. Interested persons may make oral statements to the Council, or written statements may be submitted for the Council's consideration. Depending on the number of persons wishing to make oral statements, a per-person time limit may be established by the District Manager.

The Council's responsibilities include providing long-range planning and establishing resource management priorities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ted Graf (208) 769-5004.

Dated: June 9, 1997.

Fritz U. Rennebaum,
District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[MT-020-1020-00]

Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Montana, Miles City District, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Miles City District Resource Advisory Council will have a meeting Wednesday, July 9, 1997 at 10:00 a.m. in the Alzada Community Hall in Alzada, Montana. The meeting is called primarily to discuss and finalize the proposed off-highway vehicle recommendation, PILT (Payment-in-Lieu-of Taxes), and a briefing on access issues.

The meeting is open to the public and the public comment period is set for 1:00 p.m. The public may make oral statements before the Council or file written statements for the Council to consider. Depending on the number of persons wishing to make an oral statement, a per person time limit may be established. Summary minutes of the meeting will be available for public inspection and copying during regular business hours. After the public comment period, the council will tour a nearby bentonite reclamation site.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marilyn Krause, Public Affairs Specialist, Miles City District, 111 Garryowen Road, Miles City, Montana 59301, telephone (406) 233-2831.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the Council is to advise the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management. The 15 member Council includes individuals who have expertise, education, training or practical experience in the planning and management of public lands and their resources and who have a knowledge of the geographical jurisdiction of the Council.

Dated: June 5, 1997.

Charles E. Laakso,
Acting District Manager.

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