

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR-050-1110-00:G8-0070]

Prineville District; Shooting Restriction on Public Lands; Oregon

January 6, 1998.

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice is hereby given that the area legally described below is seasonally closed to shooting.**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** This closure order applies to all areas within Township 15 South, Range 11 East, Section 16, SE of the SW and SW of the SE; and Section 21, NE of the NW and NW of the NE.

Effective immediately, all areas as described above are closed to shooting between January 1 and August 31, annually. Shooting is defined as "the discharge of firearms". A firearm is defined as "a weapon, by whatever name known, which is designed to expel a projectile by the action of powder and which is readily capable of use as a weapon". The purpose of this closure is to protect wildlife resources. More specifically, this closure is ordered to protect a nesting pair of golden eagles. Currently, the occurrence of shooting at this site jeopardizes the persistence and nesting success of the golden eagles at this location. Exemptions to this closure order may be made on a case-by-case basis by the authorized officer. This emergency order will be evaluated in the Urban Interface Amendment to the Brothers/La Pine Resource Management Plan of 1989. The authority for this closure is 43 CFR 8364.1: Closure and restriction orders.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sarah Nichols, Wildlife Biologist, BLM Prineville District Office, P.O. Box 550, Prineville, Oregon 97754, telephone (541) 416-6725

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Violation of this closure order is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months as provided in 43 CFR 8360.0-7.

Dated: January 6, 1998.

James G. Kenna,

Deschutes Resource Area Manager, Prineville District Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR-933-4310-00; GP8-0073]

Salem, Eugene, Roseburg, Medford and Coos Bay Districts and Klamath Falls Resource Area, Oregon; Intent to Initiate Third Year Evaluations of Approved Resource Management Plans**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of intent to collect and analyze data as part of third year evaluations for the Salem, Eugene, Roseburg, Medford, Coos Bay, Klamath Falls and Upper Klamath Basin Resource Management Plans and invitation for the public to participate.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Salem, Eugene, Roseburg, Medford, and Coos Bay Districts and Klamath Falls Resource Area (in the Lakeview District) are initiating the collection of the supplemental information and analyses required for simultaneous Resource Management Plan (RMP) evaluations. All of the comprehensive land use plans were completed and approved in 1995 and included a commitment to evaluations based on three full years of implementation. The seven plans guide and control management actions on over 2,560,000 acres of BLM surface ownership throughout western Oregon. The public is invited to review the available annual District program summary reports and quarterly project update reports, as well as the approved plans and their plan monitoring and evaluation appendices. The public may contribute by identifying new sources of information or analyses which may have a bearing on the continued validity of the individual or collective plans. The evaluations will be based on the implementation actions and plan and project monitoring from the dates of approval through September 30, 1998. BLM staff have already taken actions to determine if there has been any significant change in the related plans of other federal agencies, state or local governments, or Indian tribes, or whether there is other new data of significance to the plan.

EFFECTIVE DATE: There is no specific legal or regulatory requirement for public notification or participation in BLM plan evaluations. This notice, together with similar notices to electronic and print media in the local areas, initiates a 60-day comment period ending March 17, 1998. During this time period, local BLM staff will be

scheduling open houses or other forums where members of the public may visit field offices and talk directly with key staff about the annual reports, quarterly updates, and RMP monitoring and evaluation schedule. The actual evaluations will be conducted during fiscal year 1999 (October 1998 through September 1999) by BLM staff from the Oregon State Office. Any supplemental analyses on regional, provincial, watershed or other level issues will be made available for public review as they are completed and approved. For example, analyses are expected on cumulative economic and employment effects and changes in regional conditions which may be attributed to Bureau natural resource product sales and ecosystem recovery actions, such as stream restoration and road closure projects. All of the supplemental analyses and RMP evaluations are expected to be completed by the summer of 1999, when they will be available for public review, prior to State Director approval. The State Director's findings will indicate whether or not the plans are individually or collectively still valid for continued management direction or require plan amendments or revisions, together with the appropriate environmental analyses and public participation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO SUBMIT COMMENTS, CONTACT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

Salem District: Mark Lawrence, Assoc. District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, 1717 Fabry Road, SE, Salem, OR 97306, (503) 375-5646

Eugene District: Denis Williamson, District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, 2890 Chad Drive, P.O. Box 10226, Eugene, OR 97440, (541) 683-6600

Roseburg District: Cary Osterhaus, District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, 777 NW Garden Valley Blvd., Roseburg, OR 97470, (541) 440-4930

Medford District: Van Manning, Acting District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, 3040 Biddle Road, Medford, OR 97504, (541) 770-2200

Coos Bay District: Neil Middlebrook, Acting Assoc. District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, 1300 Airport Lane, North Bend, OR 97459, (541) 756-0100

Klamath Falls Resource Area: Barron Bail, Area Manager, 2795 Anderson Avenue, Bldg. 25, Klamath Falls, OR 97603, (541) 883-6916

Oregon State Office: William Bradley, Deputy State Director for Resource Planning, Use, and Protection, Bureau of Land Management, 1515 SW 5th

Avenue, P.O. Box 2965, Portland, OR 97208, (503) 952-6056

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Bureau's procedures for Monitoring and Evaluation are found at 43 Code of Federal Regulations 1610.4-9. Each District has distributed annual District program summaries to report plan monitoring by fiscal year and quarterly updates for the applicable approved RMPs to their lists of known interested addressees. There is no fixed public review or comment period for the annual and quarterly reports, and comments or questions may be raised to the applicable office staff at any time. Interested persons may request copies of past reports and to be added to the applicable mailing lists by contacting the applicable District offices. Each District has a limited number of the approved RMPs and the supporting Environmental Impact Statement document(s) available upon request. Each plan contains an appendix for plan monitoring evaluation, which includes up to 20 pages of specific monitoring questions which will form the basis for the specific RMP evaluations. Portions of the documents listed above may be available in an electronic format and some may be available on Bureau electronic Internet "web sites." Interested individuals should contact the individual District offices to determine availability of planning documents and reports in local libraries or in electronic formats. Single copies of all of the plans and annual reports are also available for inspection during normal working hours in the Oregon State Office (7th floor Lands Office) at the address listed above.

Dated: January 5, 1998.

Elaine Y. Zielinski,

State Director, Oregon/Washington.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[MT-926-08-1420-00]

Montana: Filing of Plat of Survey

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Montana State Office, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The plat of survey of the following described land is scheduled to be officially filed in the Montana State Office, Billings, Montana, thirty (30) days from the date of this publication.

Meridian, South Dakota

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The plat, representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the north boundary and subdivisional lines, and the adjusted original meanders of the left bank of the South Fork of the Cheyenne River in section 4, and the subdivision of section 4, and the survey of the new meanders of a portion of the present left bank of the South Fork of the Cheyenne River in section 4, Township 6 South, Range 9 East, Black Hills Meridian, South Dakota, was accepted December 18, 1997.

This survey was executed at the request of the U.S. Forest Service, Custer National Forest, and was necessary to identify lands administered by the U.S. Forest Service.

A copy of the preceding described plat will be immediately placed in the open files and will be available to the public as a matter of information.

If a protest against this survey, as shown on this plat, is received prior to the date of the official filing, the filing will be stayed pending consideration of the protest. This particular plat will not be officially filed until the day after all protests have been accepted or dismissed and become final or appeals from the dismissal affirmed.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bureau of Land Management, 222 North 32nd Street, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana 59107-6800.

Dated: January 8, 1998.

Daniel T. Mates,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Division of Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-942-08-1420-00]

Filing of Plats of Survey; Nevada

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to inform the public and interested State and local government officials of the filing of Plats of Survey in Nevada.

EFFECTIVE DATES: Filing is effective at 10:00 a.m. on the dates indicated below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert H. Thompson, Acting Chief, Cadastral Survey, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Nevada State Office, 850 Harvard Way, P.O. Box 12000, Reno, Nevada 89520, 702-785-6541.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. The Plat of Survey of the following described lands was officially filed at the Nevada State Office, Reno, Nevada on December 11, 1997:

The plat, representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the east boundary and a portion of the subdivision-of-section lines of section 24, and a metes-and-bounds survey in section 24, Township 19 South, Range 60 East, of the Mount Diablo Meridian, in the State of Nevada, under Group No. 769, was accepted December 9, 1997.

This survey was executed to meet certain needs of the Bureau of Land Management.

2. The Plat of Survey of the following described lands will be officially filed at the Nevada State Office, Reno, Nevada on February 24, 1998:

The plat, representing the dependent resurvey of the Third Standard Parallel North, through a portion of Range 22 East, a portion of the west boundary and a portion of the subdivisional lines, and the survey of a portion of the subdivisional lines, and the subdivision of section 30, Township 16 North, Range 22 East, of the Mount Diablo Meridian, in the State of Nevada, under Group No. 761, was accepted January 6, 1998.

This survey was executed to meet certain needs of the Bureau of Land Management and John Lawrence (Nevada), Inc.

3. Subject to valid existing rights the provisions of existing withdrawals and classifications, the requirements of applicable laws, and other segregation of record, those lands listed under item 2 are open to application, petition, and disposal, including application under the mineral leasing laws. All such valid applications received on or prior to February 24, 1998, shall be considered as simultaneously filed at that time. Those received thereafter shall be considered in order of filing.

4. The above-listed surveys are now the basic records for describing the lands for all authorized purposes. These surveys have been placed in the open files in the BLM Nevada State Office and are available to the public as a matter of information. Copies of the surveys and related field notes may be furnished to the public upon payment of the appropriate fees.

Dated: January 6, 1998.

Robert H. Thompson,

Acting Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Nevada.

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