

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to Pub. L. 92-463, notice is hereby given of the following teleconference meeting of the SAMHSA Special Emphasis Panel II in October.

A summary of the meeting and a roster of the members may be obtained from: Ms. Dee Herman, Committee Management Liaison, SAMHSA Office of Extramural Activities Review, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 17-89, Rockville, Maryland 20857. Telephone: 301-443-7390.

Substantive program information may be obtained from the individual named as Contact for the meeting listed below.

The meeting will include the review, discussion and evaluation of individual grant applications. The discussion could reveal personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications. Accordingly, this meeting is concerned with matters exempt from mandatory disclosure in Title 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6) and 5 U.S.C. App.2, § 10(d).

Committee Name: SAMHSA Special Emphasis Panel II (SEP II).

Meeting Dates: October 6, 1998, 2:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Place: Parklawn Building, Room 16C-26—Telephone Conference, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

Closed: October 6, 1998 2:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Panel: FEMA—Crisis Counseling—Iowa.

Contact: Lionel Fernandez, Ph.D., Review Administrator, Room 17-89, Parklawn Building, Telephone: 301-443-3042 and FAX: 301-443-3437.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the urgent need to meet timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

Dated: September 29, 1998.

Jeri Lipov,

Committee Management Officer, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

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ACTION: Notice of intent to initiate a plan amendment and associated environmental assessment for the Vermilion Management Framework Plan (MFP) and call for information regarding management of the Coral Pink Sand Dunes located in Southern Utah.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Kanab Field Office, proposes to amend the Vermilion MFP in order to prepare a Management Plan for the Coral Pink Sand Dunes and surrounding area.

DATES: The field Office invites the public to comment on the above preliminary issues or any others that may need to be addressed for updated management of the Coral Pink Sand Dunes. Comments must be submitted within 30 days of publication of this notice or by November 4, 1998. All comments should be sent to the address listed below. Additional opportunities for public input will be made available at the public meetings to be held at the following locations:

- Holiday Inn Express, 815 East Highway 89, Kanab, Utah, on October 28, 1998, beginning at 7 PM.
- St. George Hilton Inn, 1450 South Hilton Drive, St. George, Utah on October 29, 1998, beginning at 7 PM.
- State of Utah Natural Resources Department Building, 1594 West North Temple, Rooms 1040 and 1050, Salt Lake City, Utah on November 5, 1998 beginning at 7 PM.

ADDRESSES: Verlin Smith, Field Manager, BLM, Kanab Field Office, 318 North First East, Kanab, Utah 84741 (435) 644-2646 or Ronald Bolander, BLM, Utah State Office, PO Box 45155, Salt Lake City, Utah 84145-0155 (801) 539-4065.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Verlin Smith, Kanab Field Office, at (435) 644-2672 ext. 2646 or Ronald Bolander, Utah State Office at (801) 539-4065.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Vermilion Management Framework Plan (MFP) was completed in 1981. Since that time, changes in land use, public expectations, and the increasing potential for impairment of wilderness values and impacts to special status plant and animal species, etc., has resulted in the need to re-examine certain decisions documented in the MFP which may no longer apply to the Coral Pink Sand Dunes. In order to respond to these changes, the Kanab Field Office proposes to prepare a land use plan amendment and associated management plan for the Coral Pink Sand Dunes. The purpose of this effort is to develop a management strategy for

the Dunes and surrounding area of influence. Issues tentatively identified to be analyzed include OHV use and designations, methods to reduce impairment to wilderness values, recreation management, and special status species management. An interdisciplinary team will be utilized for the development of the proposed management plan, land use amendment and associated environmental assessment.

G. William Lamb,

State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-930-1610-00]

Wyoming BLM Fire Management Plan; Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Wyoming State Office, announces (1) the availability of the "Fire Management Implementation Plan for the BLM-administered Public Lands in the State of Wyoming" (fire management plan); and (2) an Administrative Determination documenting compliance of the plan with the National Environmental Policy Act, conformance with Wyoming BLM land use plans, and approval by the Wyoming BLM State Director.

SUMMARY: The Wyoming BLM fire management plan describes fire management objectives and strategies to be applied on about 17.5 million acres of BLM-administered public lands in the State of Wyoming. Covering 58 geographical areas within the State, the plan promotes the cost-effective protection of life, property, and natural resources from wildfire. It highlights the use of fire to manage natural resources, identifies fuel management strategies to reduce the potential for catastrophic wildfires, seeks a better understanding of the role of fire in the natural environment, and promotes fire line safety through increased communication and coordination.

Fire management planning was formally initiated in April 1997 to comply with recommendations contained in the Federal Wildland Fire Management Policy and Program Review signed in December 1995 by the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture. The Wyoming BLM solicited and incorporated public

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Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Intent; Vermilion Management Framework Plan and Coral Pink Sand Dunes and Surrounding Area

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

comments in developing the fire management plan.

As documented in an Administrative Determination, the "Fire Management Implementation Plan for the BLM-administered Public Lands in the State of Wyoming" is in conformance with the 11 Wyoming BLM land use plans in the State, and is adequately covered by the environmental analyses developed for those land use plans.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Wyoming State Office: Stephen Eckert, State Fire Management Officer, 307-775-6235, or Joe Patti, Field Planning Coordinator, 307-775-6101, Bureau of Land Management, 5353 Yellowstone Road, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003-1828.

Casper Field Office: Jim Johnson, Fire Management Officer or Glen Nebeker, Resource Advisor, Bureau of Land Management, 1701 East E Street, Casper, Wyoming 82601, 307-261-7600.

Rawlins Field Office: Larry Trapp, Fire Management Officer or John Spehar, Planning Coordinator, Bureau of Land Management, 1300 North Third Street, Rawlins, Wyoming 82301, 307-328-4200.

Rock Springs Field Office: Tony Tezak, Fire Management Specialist or Renee Dana, Resource Advisor, Bureau of Land Management, 280 Highway 191 North, Rock Springs, Wyoming 82901, 307-352-0256.

Worland Field Office: Gary Bingham, Fire Management Officer or Bob Ross, Planning Coordinator, Bureau of Land Management, 101 South 23rd Street, P.O. Box 119, Worland, Wyoming 82401-0119, 307-347-5100.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In verifying the conformance of the fire management plan with BLM land use plans statewide, the following BLM land use plans were reviewed. The Newcastle Management Framework Plan (MFP-1982) and the imminent Newcastle Resource Management Plan (RMP), Grass Creek MFP (1983) and the imminent Grass Creek RMP, Buffalo RMP (1985), Platte River RMP (1985), Kemmerer RMP (1986), Lander RMP (1987), Pinedale RMP (1988), Washakie RMP (1988), Cody RMP (1990), Great Divide RMP (1990), and Green River RMP (1997). It was found that the fire management plan is in conformance and does not conflict with any of these land use plans. Actually, the fire management plan is derived from the fire management decisions in these land use plans which address cost-effective protection of life, property, and natural resources from wildfire and the use of prescribed fire to achieve multiple-use management goals. As necessary,

maintenance actions will be completed to incorporate new fire terminology in the older RMPs. No needs for amending any of the land use plans were identified. Minor maintenance needs for the land use plans may be identified in the future as implementation of the fire management plan progresses.

Copies of the fire management plan and Administrative Determination can be obtained by contacting any of the BLM offices or officials listed above. They can also be viewed on-line from the Wyoming BLM Internet Site at <http://www.wy.blm.gov/>.

Dated: September 25, 1998.

Alan R. Pierson,
State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AK-050-1220-04]

Limits of Acceptable Change, Gulkana River, AK

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to hold planning and scoping meetings to discuss and develop limits of acceptable change for the Gulkana River, AK and to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 and the Alaska National Interest and Conservation Act (ANILCA) of 1980.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) proposes to conduct a Limits of Acceptable Change (LAC) planning process for the Gulkana River area. The recommendations developed during the LAC planning process will be used to update the Gulkana National Wild River Management Plan and develop a Lower Gulkana River Management Plan. The LAC process will be conducted by a third party contractor. Based on the recommendations developed during the LAC process, the BLM will determine the appropriate level of compliance required under Section 102 (2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

DATES: Public meetings will be held in Glennallen, AK on October 19, 1998 beginning at 2, 4:30, and 7 pm at the Caribou Cafe Banquet Room, Mile 187, Glenn Highway, Glennallen, AK, (907) 822-3656. In Fairbanks, AK on October 21, 1998 meetings will be held at 2, 4:30 and 7 pm at the Noel Wein (FSNB)

Public Library, 1215 Cowles Street, Fairbanks, AK, (907) 459-1020. In Anchorage on October 23, 1998 at 2, 4:30 and 7 pm at Z.J. Loussac Public Library Conference Room, 3600 Denali Street, Anchorage, AK (907) 343-2906.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to the Gulkana River Studies Team, P.O. 2372, Durango, CO 81302. The e-mail address is info@gulkanariver.com. A website with pertinent information has been established at www.gulkanariver.com.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gulkana River Studies Team. 1-800-439-0410; Kathy Liska, Glennallen Field Office, Bureau of Land Management (907) 822-3217.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Gulkana LAC planning process is being coordinated by a third party consultant to the Bureau of Land Management, Glennallen Field Office. The purpose of this contract is to conduct a Limits of Acceptable Change planning process for the Gulkana River, AK.

The West and Middle Forks and the mainstem of the Gulkana River are included in the National Wild and Scenic River system. In 1980 Congress designated 181 miles of the Gulkana River as "Wild" pursuant to the 1968 Wild and Scenic River Act. The three stretches of river exhibit general inaccessibility, except by trails, with watersheds essentially primitive with unpolluted waters and represent vestiges of primitive America.

The Limits of Acceptable Change study includes the existing Wild River Corridor and the following areas: (1) A 9,840 acre area along the South Branch West Fork, west of the existing Wild River Corridor. This stretch has been considered for additional designation as a wild river; and, (2) The Gulkana River from the southern limits of the existing Wild River Corridor at Sourdough Creek to the confluence with the Copper River, plus adjacent land generally between the river and the Richardson Highway and about 1 mile west of the river.

The objectives of the Limits of Acceptable Change process include three components: (1) Provide recommendations to update the Gulkana National Wild River Management Plan and create a citizen-driven Lower Gulkana River Management Plan; (2) Produce documents required to comply with potential National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) actions and ANILCA Sec 810; and, (3) Develop and implement a monitoring program to measure and evaluate changes in natural and social conditions, with corresponding management actions that