

Purpose and Need for Action

The purpose of this project is to determine if livestock grazing will continue to be authorized on the allotments, and if it is to continue, how to best utilize adaptive management strategies to maintain or achieve desired conditions and meet forest plan objectives. Livestock grazing is currently occurring on most of the allotments under existing allotment management plans (AMPs) and through direction provided in the Annual Operating Instructions (AOI).

Proposed Action

The proposed action is to continue livestock grazing using adaptive management strategies to meet or move toward meeting Forest Plan and allotment-specific desired conditions. This may include changing livestock management strategies as well as construction of additional range improvements (fences and water developments). The proposed action also includes the use of various fuel management methods within portions of some allotments.

Possible Alternatives

Two additional alternatives have been identified to date: (1) No action; remove livestock grazing from these allotments and no additional fire and fuel management actions over what are already approved, and (2) No change; continuance of current management strategies.

Responsible Official

The District Rangers that administer the term grazing permits are the responsible officials. They are: Clarke McClung, Tongue Ranger District, Bighorn National Forest, 2013 Eastside 2nd Street, Sheridan, Wyoming 82801, Dave Sisk, Medicine Wheel/Paintrock Ranger District, 604 East Main Street, Lovell, Wyoming 82431, and Mark Booth, Powder River Ranger District, 1415 Fort Street, Buffalo, Wyoming 82834.

Nature of Decision To Be Made

The Responsible Officials will consider the results of the analysis and its finding and then document the final decision in one or more Records of Decision (ROD). The decisions will determine whether or not to authorize livestock grazing, adaptive management strategies, design criteria, monitoring and fuel management activities on all, part, or none of the allotments, and if so, what adaptive management design criteria, adaptive options, and monitoring will be implemented so as to meet or move toward meeting the

desired conditions in the defined timeframe.

Scoping Process

This notice of intent continues the scoping process, which guides the development of the environmental impact statement. A scoping document for this project is planned to be available March 2009.

It is important that reviewers provide their comments at such times and in such manner that they are useful to the agency's preparation of the environmental impact statement. Therefore, comments should be provided prior to the close of the comment period and should clearly articulate the reviewer's concerns and contentions. The submission of timely and specific comments can affect a reviewer's ability to participate in subsequent administrative appeal or judicial review.

Dated: March 27, 2009.

William T. Bass,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Lake Tahoe Basin Federal Advisory Committee (LTFAC)

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Lake Tahoe Basin Federal Advisory Committee will hold a meeting on May 5, 2009 at the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, 128 Market Street, Stateline, NV 89449. This Committee, established by the Secretary of Agriculture on December 15, 1998 (64 FR 2876), is chartered to provide advice to the Secretary on implementing the terms of the Federal Interagency Partnership on the Lake Tahoe Region and other matters raised by the Secretary.

DATES: The meetings will be held May 5, 2009, beginning at 12 p.m. and ending at 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, 128 Market Street, Stateline, NV 89449.

For Further Information or to Request an Accommodation (one week prior to meeting date) Contact: Aria Hains, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, Forest Service, 35 College Drive, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150, (530) 543-2773.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Items to be covered on the agenda: (1) Discuss

policy associated with the Federal share environmental improvement program for capital projects located on private land; (2) review and discuss public comments and congressional input on LTFAC's preliminary recommendation of Lake Tahoe Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 10 capital projects and science themes, and (3) develop a final LTFAC recommendation for the Lake Tahoe SNPLMA Round 10 capital projects and science themes.

All Lake Tahoe Basin Federal Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend at the above address. Issues may be brought to the attention of the Committee during the open public comment period at the meeting or by filing written statements with the secretary for the Committee before or after the meeting. Please refer any written comments to the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit at the contact address stated above.

Dated: March 26, 2009.

Terri Marceron,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Notice of Lincoln County Resource Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463) and under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-393) the Kootenai National Forest's Lincoln County Resource Advisory Committee will meet on Wednesday, April 8, 2009 at 6 p.m. at the Forest Supervisor's Office in Libby, Montana for a business meeting. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: April 8, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Forest Supervisor's Office, 31374 US Hwy 2, Libby, Montana.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Willie Sykes, Committee Coordinator, Kootenai National Forest at (406) 283-7694, or e-mail wsykes@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Agenda will include a consideration of 2009 project proposals from the Rexford Ranger District and the Fortine Ranger District and receiving public comment. If the meeting date or location is

changed, notice will be posted in the local newspapers, including the Daily Interlake based in Kalispell, Montana.

Dated: March 27, 2009.

Paul Bradford,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Notice of Central Idaho Resource Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463) and under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-393), the Salmon-Challis National Forest's Central Idaho Resource Advisory Committee will conduct a business meeting which is open to the public.

DATES: Monday, April 20, 2009, beginning at 10 a.m.

ADDRESSES: Public Lands Center, 1206 South Challis Street, Salmon, Idaho.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Agenda topics will include review and approval of project proposals, and is an open public forum.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William A. Wood, Forest Supervisor and Designated Federal Officer, at 208-756-5111.

Dated: March 27, 2009.

William A. Wood,

Forest Supervisor, Salmon-Challis National Forest.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Notice of Southwest Idaho Resource Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463) and under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, as amended, (Pub. L. 110-343), the Boise and Payette National Forests' Southwest Idaho Resource Advisory Committee will

conduct a business meeting. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: Thursday, April 15, 2009 beginning at 10:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: Idaho Counties Risk Management Program Building, 3100 South Vista Avenue, Boise, Idaho.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Agenda topics will include review and approval of project proposals, and is an open public forum.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kimberly Brandel, Designated Federal Official, at (208) 347-0301 or e-mail kbrandel@fs.fed.us.

Dated: March 30, 2009.

Suzanne C. Rainville,

Forest Supervisor, Payette National Forest.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Newspapers Used for Publication of Notice, Comment, and Appeal Procedures on Proposed Actions and Legal Notice of the Objection Process for Proposed Authorized Hazardous Fuel Reduction Projects in the Pacific Northwest Region; Oregon and Washington

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice updates the list of newspapers that will be used by all Ranger Districts, Forests and the Regional Office of the Pacific Northwest Region to publish legal notices for public comment and decisions subject to appeal under 36 CFR 215, predecisional objections and appeals of decisions under 36 CFR 219, and predecisional administrative reviews under 36 CFR 218. The intended effect of this action is to inform interested members of the public which newspapers will be used to publish legal notices for decisions and public comment; thereby allowing the public to receive constructive notice of a decision, to provide clear evidence of timely notice, and to achieve consistency in administering appeals and objection processes.

DATES: Publication of legal notices in the listed newspapers will begin with decisions subject to appeal that are made on or after April 1, 2009. This list of newspapers will remain in effect until another notice is published in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jill A. Dufour, Regional Environmental

Coordinator, Pacific Northwest Region, 333 SW. First Avenue, (P.O. Box 3623), Portland, Oregon 97208, phone: 503-808-2276.

The newspapers to be used are as follows:

Pacific Northwest Regional Office

Regional Forester decisions on Oregon National Forests

The Oregonian, Portland, Oregon

Regional Forester decisions on

Washington National Forests

The Seattle Times, Seattle,

Washington

Columbia River Gorge National Scenic

Area Manager decisions

The Oregonian, Portland, Oregon

Oregon National Forests

Deschutes National Forest

Forest Supervisor decisions

Bend/Fort Rock District Ranger decisions

Crescent District Ranger decisions

Redmond Air Center Manager decisions

Sisters District Ranger decisions

The Bulletin, Bend, Oregon

Fremont-Winema National Forests

Forest Supervisor decisions

Bly District Ranger decisions

Lakeview District Ranger decisions

Paisley District Ranger decisions

Silver Lake District Ranger decisions

Chemult District Ranger decisions

Chiloquin District Ranger decisions

Kiamath District Ranger decisions

Herald and News, Kiamath Falls, Oregon

Maiheur National Forest

Forest Supervisor decisions

Blue Mountain District Ranger decisions

Prairie City District Ranger decisions

Blue Mountain Eagle, John Day,

Oregon

Emigrant Creek District Ranger

decisions

Burns Times Herald, Burns, Oregon

Mt. Hood National Forest

Forest Supervisor decisions

Clackamas River District Ranger decisions

Zigzag District Ranger decisions

Hood River District Ranger decisions

Barlow District Ranger decisions

The Oregonian, Portland, Oregon

Ochoco National Forest

Forest Supervisor decisions

Crooked River National Grassland

Area Manager decisions

Lookout Mountain District Ranger

decisions

Paulina District Ranger decisions

The Bulletin, Bend, Oregon

Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forests

Forest Supervisor decisions

High Cascades District Ranger