

and fined no more than \$1,000 or imprisoned for no more than 12 months, or both. Such violations may also be subject to the enhanced fines provided for by 18 U.S.C. 3571.

Section 5. Conditions for Ending Closures and Restrictions

Soil stabilization, revegetation, road repairs, and treatments to control invasive species will be considered successful, and the area may be returned to pre-closure travel designations and opened sooner than October 30, 2004, if and when the following occur:

a. All culverts, road safety signs, and safety mirrors are repaired or replaced on the Otay Mountain and Minnewawa Truck Trails on Otay Mountain.

b. All fencing and gates have been replaced.

c. Slopes and soils above the Otay Mountain and Minnewawa Truck Trails show signs of stabilization and have not experienced slope failure through at least one winter season and at least two major rain events.

d. Regrowth of vegetation has sufficiently obscured cultural sites previously exposed by fires.

e. Seeding treatments on 250 acres in Sycamore Canyon have resulted in at least 30% regeneration of native species, or have been deemed unsuccessful after at least one full growing season.

Bruce Shaffer,

Acting Palm Springs-South Coast Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Call for Nominations for the Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board call for nominations.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to solicit public nominations for three members to the National Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board. The Board provides advice concerning management, protection and control of wild free-roaming horses and burros on the public lands administered by the U.S. Department of the Interior's, Bureau of Land Management and U.S. Department of Agriculture's, Forest Service.

DATES: Nominations should be submitted to the address listed below

under **ADDRESSES** no later than April 15, 2004.

ADDRESSES: National Wild Horse and Burro Program, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of the Interior, P.O. Box 12000, Reno, Nevada 89520-0006, Attn: Janet Neal; fax 775-861-6711.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Rawson, Group Manager, Wild Horse and Burro Group, (202) 452-0379. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may contact Mr. Rawson at any time by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Any individual or organization may nominate one or more persons to serve on the Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board. Individuals may also nominate themselves for Board membership. All nomination letters should include the name, address, profession, relevant biographic data, and reference sources for each nominee. Each nominee should state in which category he or she wishes to be included. Send nominations to the address listed under **ADDRESSES**, above. Nominations for the following categories of interest are needed for: Wild Horse and Burro Advocacy; Veterinarian Medicine; Public-at-Large.

The specific category that the nominee will represent should be identified in the letter of nomination. Board membership must be balanced in terms of categories of interest represented. Each member must be a person who, as a result of training and experience, has knowledge or special expertise that qualifies him or her to provide advice from among the categories of interest listed above. Members will be appointed to a 3-year term.

Pursuant to section 7 of the Wild Free-Roaming Horse and Burro Act, Members of the Board cannot be employed by either Federal or State government.

Members will serve without salary, but will be reimbursed for travel and *per diem* expenses at current rates for government employees.

The Board will meet no less than two times annually. The Director, Bureau of Land Management may call additional meetings in connection with special needs for advice.

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Ed Shepard,

Assistant Director, Renewable Resources and Planning.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Intent To Prepare the San Luis Valley Travel Management Plan and Amend San Luis Valley Resource Management Plan and Start the Scoping Period

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: This document provides notice that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will initiate a comprehensive planning effort to address Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) travel and other related road and trail issues for the San Luis Valley Public Land Center. The plan, entitled the San Luis Valley Travel Management Plan (TMP), will focus specifically on 520,000 acres of BLM-administered lands in the San Luis Valley that lie in Alamosa County, Conejos County, Costillo County, Saguache County, and Rio Grande County, CO.

The TMP would potentially amend the San Luis Valley RMP. The amendment process will be used to establish a travel management system of roads and trails that meets the needs of the public and protects the cultural and natural resources of the BLM-administered lands. The environmental assessment (EA) will analyze and compare the impacts of any changes in OHV area and route designations and management with the continuation of current management, and other alternatives that may be identified.

The BLM will prepare the amendment and associated EA pursuant to the BLM planning regulations in 43 CFR 1600. The plan will fulfill the needs and obligations set forth by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA), and BLM management policies.

The BLM will work collaboratively with interested parties to identify the management decisions that are best suited to local, regional, and national needs and concerns. The public scoping process will identify planning issues and develop planning criteria. The BLM will prepare the TMP through coordination with other federal, state and local agencies, and affected users of BLM-administered lands.

DATES: This notice initiates the public scoping process. Comments on issues and concerns can be submitted in writing to the address listed below and will be accepted throughout the creation