DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Resource Advisory Committee Meetings

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Meeting notice for the Salem, Oregon, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Resource Advisory Committee under section 205 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106– 393).

SUMMARY: This notice is published in accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Meeting notice is hereby given for the Salem Oregon BLM Resource Advisory Committee pursuant to section 205 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act of 2000, Public Law 106-393 (the Act). Topics to be discussed by the Salem BLM Resource Advisory Committee include: reviewing 2003 project applications, developing funding recommendations for 2003 projects, monitoring progress of previously approved projects, and scheduling field reviews of projects.

DATES: The Salem Resource Advisory Committee will meet at the BLM Salem District Office, 1717 Fabry Road, Salem, Oregon 97306, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., on March 20, July 24, and August 7, 2003. We have also set aside several dates for potential field trips to view progress of existing projects and/or look at new proposed project areas. The dates for the field trips are June 26, July 10, and September 11, 2003.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Act, five Resource Advisory Committees have been formed for western Oregon BLM districts that contain Oregon & California (O&C) Grant Lands and Coos Bay Wagon Road lands. The Act establishes a six-year payment schedule to local counties in lieu of funds derived from the harvest of timber on Federal lands, which have dropped dramatically over the past 10 years.

The Act creates a new mechanism for local community collaboration with Federal land management activities in the selection of projects to be conducted on Federal lands or that will benefit resources on federal lands using funds under title II of the Act. The BLM Resource Advisory Committees consist of 15 local citizens (plus six alternates) representing a wide array of interests.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Additional information concerning the Salem BLM Resource Advisory Committee may be obtained from Trish Hogervorst, Salem BLM Public Affairs, 1717 Fabry Rd. SE, Salem, Oregon 97306. (503–375–5657).

Dated: February, 5, 2003.

Denis Williamson,

District Manager.

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Notice of Availability of the Kelsey Whisky Landscape Management Plan, Proposed Amendments to the Medford Resource Management Plan, and Final Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of the Kelsey Whisky Landscape Management Plan (LMP), Proposed Amendments to the Medford Resource Management Plan (RMPA), and Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 202 of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, a Final EIS has been prepared for the Glendale Resource Area, Kelsey Whisky LMP, and Proposed Amendments to the Medford RMP. The analysis area encompasses approximately 104,000 acres of public land managed by the Glendale Resource Area, Medford District and located in Josephine, Douglas and Curry counties in southwestern Oregon. The Final EIS was completed after extensive collaboration between Bureau staff and interested parties to ensure the proposed management decisions meet agency responsibilities with relation to the resource management issues identified and reflect public input. DATES: Written comments on the implementation portion of the RMPA/ LMP will be accepted for 30 days following the date the notice is published in the Federal Register.

Documents referenced in this final EIS may be examined at the Medford District Office during normal working hours. Comments must be received on or before the end of the comment period at the address listed below. Written protests on the Final EIS will be accepted if postmarked within 30 calendar days from the date that a Notice of Availability is published in the **Federal Register** by the Environmental Protection Agency. Instructions for filing protests are included below under Supplemental Information.

No public meetings, open houses or field tours of the project area have been scheduled at this time. If there is sufficient public interest, public meetings will be arranged to discuss the management alternatives and answer questions. At least 15 days public notice will be given for activities where the public is invited to attend. All meetings will be published on the Medford District planning Web site at http:// www.or.blm.gov/Medford/planning/ Medplanningdocs.html; meeting notices can also be found in the Grant's Pass Courier and Umpqua Free Press newspapers.

ADDRESSES: Written protests must be filed at the following address: Director (210), Bureau of Land Management, Attention: Brenda Williams, PO Box 66538, Washington, DC 20035. In addition, you may use the overnight address (FedEx or USPS) as an option for next day delivery: Director (210), Bureau of Land Management, Attention: Brenda Williams, 1620 L Street, NW., Suite 1075, Washington, DC 20036. Although not a requirement, we suggest that you send your protest by certified mail, return receipt requested.

Written comments should be sent to Lynda L. Boody, Field Manager, Glendale Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, 3040 Biddle Road, Medford, Oregon, 97504, (541) 618– 2279, or fax to (541) 618–2400, or e-mail to *110mb@or.blm.gov.*

Comments, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be available for public review. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name and/or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or businesses and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lynda L. Boody, Field Manager, Glendale Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, Medford District Office, 3040 Biddle Road, Medford, Oregon, 97504, (541) 618–2279.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Single copies of the document are available at