

of airborne asbestos fibers present during various recreation activities. This action is also in accordance with the 1995 Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) and Resource Management Plan Amendment for the CCMA.

The soil moisture during the time period of June through October is at the lowest point and therefore the dust generating potential and release of naturally occurring airborne asbestos is greatest. Analysis of airborne asbestos exposure reflected in EPA's Technical Memorandum issued February 5, 2005, titled "Human Health Risk Assessment "Asbestos Air Sampling Clear Creek Management Area, California," based on samples collected September 15, 2004, indicate a higher risk from airborne asbestos exposure in CCMA than EPA and BLM previously thought. Based on preliminary EPA results, use restrictions in CCMA may be needed to reduce risk to the public from asbestos exposure, particularly during the dry season.

Closure Order:

Pursuant to 43 CFR 8364.1, notice is hereby given that the BLM is seasonally restricting access to portions of public lands within the Clear Creek Management Area (CCMA) located in the southern portion of San Benito County and western Fresno County, California. A closure order to this effect was signed on May 25, 2005. All public access, including motorized and non-motorized recreation use is restricted on public lands within the Serpentine ACEC from June 4, 2005 through October 15, 2005. These lands are located in the Mount Diablo Meridian in portions of T.17 S., R. 11 E.; T. 17 S., R. 12 E.; T. 18 S., R. 11 E.; T. 18 S., R. 12 E.; T. 18 S., R. 13 E.; T. 19 S., R. 13 E.

This seasonal closure is necessary to ensure visitor safety and protect public land users from potential health risks associated with naturally occurring asbestos found within the restricted area. Dry soil conditions and high dust generating potential from public use activities during this time period create a significant hazard and risk associated with exposure to asbestos.

Except for travel on San Benito County roads, all public access and motorized vehicle travel will be allowed only by written authorization of the Hollister Field Manager. The following persons are exempt from the identified restrictions:

- (1) Federal, State, or local law enforcement officers, while engaged in the execution of their official duties.
- (2) BLM personnel or their representatives while engaged in the execution of their official duties.

(3) Any member of an organized rescue, fire-fighting force, or emergency medical services organization while in the performance of their official duties.

(4) Any member of a federal, state, or local public works department while in the performance of an official duty.

(5) Any person in receipt of a written authorization of exemption obtained from the authorized officer from the Hollister Field Office.

(6) Private landowners with in-holdings within the restricted area who have a responsibility or need to access their property, and persons with valid existing rights-of-way or lease operations, or representatives thereof.

During the closure period, the area will be clearly posted. Closure signs are posted at main entry points to all locations affected by this Notice. Maps of the area are posted with this notice at key locations that provide access into the closure areas, and may be obtained with further information at the Hollister Field Office, 20 Hamilton Court, Hollister, California 95023.

Seasonal closure orders may be implemented as provided in 43 CFR, subpart 8364.1. Violations of this closure are punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months.

May 25, 2005.

Robert E. Beehler,
Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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State of Arizona Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Arizona Resource Advisory Council Meeting notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting and tour of the Arizona Resource Advisory Council (RAC).

The business meeting will be held on August 23, 2005, in Safford, Arizona, at the Manor House located at 415 E. Highway 70 in Safford. It will begin at 9:30 a.m. and conclude at 4:30 p.m. The agenda items to be covered include: Review of the May 3, 2005 Meeting Minutes; BLM State Directors' Update on Statewide Issues; Presentations on the Gila Watershed Council, San Simon Watershed, Arizona Land use Planning Updates, Saginaw Hill Update; and RAC

Questions on Written Reports from BLM Field Managers; Field Office Rangeland Resource Team proposals; Reports by the Standards and Guidelines, Recreation, Off-Highway Vehicle Use, Public Relations, Land Use Planning and Tenure, and Wild Horse and Burro Working Groups; Reports from RAC members; and Discussion of future meetings. A public comment period will be provided at 11 a.m. on August 23, 2005 for any interested publics who wish to address the Council.

On August 24, the RAC will tour several public land areas in the Safford Field Office. BLM will highlight the San Simon Watershed Project, Hotwell Dunes Off-Highway Vehicle Area, and some of the areas paleontological resources. The tour will be conducted from approximately 6 a.m. to 1 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Deborah Stevens, Bureau of Land Management, Arizona State Office, 222 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85004-2203, (602) 417-9215.

Carl Rountree,

Acting Arizona State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Realty Action: Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act Classification of Public Lands in Clark County, NV

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of realty action.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has examined and found suitable for classification for lease or conveyance under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act (R&PP), as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 *et seq.*) approximately 5 acres of public land in Clark County, Nevada. The church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (LDS Church) proposes to use the land for a church and related facilities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharon DiPinto, Bureau of Land Management, Las Vegas Field Office, at (702) 515-5062.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 2, 2004 the LDS Church filed a R&PP application for 5 acres of public land to be developed as a church with related facilities. These related facilities included a multipurpose building (a worship center, offices, classrooms,