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BLM RESOURCE ADVISORY COUNCIL TO MEET

BUTTE (February 8, 2006) - The Butte, Dillon, and Missoula Field Offices of the Bureau of Land Management announce a meeting of the Western Montana Resource Advisory Council (RAC) on Wednesday, February 22, starting at 9:00 am. The meeting will be held at the Butte Field Office Conference Room, 106 N. Parkmont, in Butte.

Key agenda items include a Montana Challenge presentation by Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, election of officers, an update on the Recreation RACs, and a briefing on the White House Conservation Conference. For a copy of the agenda, contact Marilyn Krause at the BLM Butte Field Office, (406) 533-7617.

The meeting is open to the public and the public comment period is scheduled for 11:30 am on February 22. Interested parties may make oral statements before the Council or file written statements for the Council to consider. Depending on the number of persons wishing to make comments, a per-person time limit may be established.

The purpose of the Council is to advise the Secretary of Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of issues associated with public land management. The 15-member Council includes individuals who have expertise or education in the planning and management of public lands and resources.

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