

**Permit No. TE-106764**

*Applicant:* Gary Roemer, Las Cruces, New Mexico. Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct surveys, capture, tag, and draw blood for black-footed ferret (*Mustela nigripes*) within Arizona.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*

Dated: June 29, 2005.

**Joy E. Nicholopoulos,**

*Acting Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 2, Albuquerque, New Mexico.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Land Management**

[WY-050-1990-NJ]

**Notice of Emergency Closure of Public Lands to Motorized Vehicle Use**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to 43 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) subpart 8341.2(a), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the closure of certain BLM-administered public lands to all types of motor vehicle use to protect the desert yellowhead, a plant species and its critical habitat protected by listing under the Endangered Species Act (ESA).

This closure affects public lands located within, and adjacent to, the 360-acre designated critical habitat of the only known population of desert yellowhead (*Yermo xanthocephalus*). Under the ESA, the desert yellowhead is listed as "threatened." Public access leading to, and within, the desert yellowhead and its critical habitat by nonmotorized means, such as by foot or horseback is permitted.

**DATES:** This closure will be effective March 16, 2005, and remain in effect until the threat to this desert yellowhead population and its critical habitat by motorized vehicles has ceased.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ray Hanson, Outdoor Recreation Planner, Bureau of Land Management, 1335 Main Street, P.O. Box 589, Lander, Wyoming 82520. Mr. Hanson may also be contacted by telephone: (307) 332-8420.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The BLM Lander Field Office is responsible for management of public lands within Fremont, Natrona, Carbon, Sweetwater,

and Hot Springs Counties. The management of these lands is addressed in the Lander Resource Management Plan (RMP) Record of Decision (ROD), which was signed in June 1987. Under the authority of the ESA, the RMP provides that no activities will be permitted in habitat for threatened and endangered species that would jeopardize the continued existence of such species. The RMP further provides that neither surface disturbing activities nor surface occupancy will be allowed in known threatened or endangered species habitat.

Because these Wyoming plants are the only known population in the world, the desert yellowhead (*Yermo xanthocephalus*) was listed by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) as "threatened" in 2002 and an area of 360 acres of critical habitat was designated. In 2004, the Lander Field Office prepared a biological assessment of the desert yellowhead for review by the USFWS. The USFWS completed a biological opinion for the desert yellowhead in 2005.

This Emergency Closure is necessary to protect the desert yellowhead and its critical habitat from threats posed by increased motorized vehicle use which could easily expand into the critical habitat of this sole population. Reasons for the closure include the effects of motorized vehicle use damaging plant populations and critical habitat of the desert yellowhead.

The following BLM-administered lands are included in this closure:

- The 360 acres of designated desert yellowhead critical habitat including the 10 acres presently occupied by the only known plant population.
- The designated two-track trails leading to the desert yellowhead's critical habitat.

A map of these areas will be posted with this notice at key locations near the closure area, as well as at the BLM's Lander Field Office, 1335 Main Street, Lander, Wyoming 82520.

Emergency closure orders may be implemented as provided in 43 CFR, subparts 8341.2(a) and 8364.1 (a, b, c, and d). Violations of this closure are punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1000 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months.

Persons who are administratively exempt from this closure include: any Federal, State, or local officer or employee acting within the scope of their duties, members of any organized rescue or fire-fighting force in performance of an official duty, and any person holding written authorization from the Bureau of Land Management.

Dated: May 5, 2005.

**Alan L. Kesterke,**

*Associate State Director.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Land Management**

[OR-027-1020-PI-020H; G-05-0165]

**Notice of Public Meeting, Steens Mountain Advisory Council**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Burns District Office.

**ACTION:** Notice of Public Meeting for the Steens Mountain Advisory Council.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Act (Steens Act) of 2000, Public Law 106-399, the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, and the Steens Mountain Advisory Council will meet as indicated below.

**DATES:** The Steens Mountain Advisory Council will meet at the Bureau of Land Management, Burns District Office, 28910 Hwy 20 West, Hines, Oregon, 97738 on August 11 and 12, 2005. Both days will begin at 8 a.m., local time, and will end at approximately 4:30 p.m., local time.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Steens Mountain Advisory Council was appointed by the Secretary of the Interior on August 14, 2001, pursuant to the Steens Act and re-chartered in August 2003. The Steens Mountain Advisory Council's purpose is to provide representative counsel and advice to the Bureau of Land Management regarding (1) new and unique approaches to management of the land within the bounds of the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area, (2) cooperative programs and incentives for landscape management that meet human needs, maintain and improve the ecological and economic integrity of the area, and (3) preparation and implementation of a management plan for the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area.

Topics to be discussed at this meeting include operating protocols, challenges and opportunities for collaboration, visioning, roles of the Steens Mountain Advisory Council and the Bureau of Land Management, ground rules, dispute resolution, and other matters

that may reasonably come before the Steens Mountain Advisory Council.

The Steens Mountain Advisory Council meeting is open to the public. Information to be distributed to the Steens Mountain Advisory Council is requested prior to the start of the meeting. Public comment periods will be scheduled for 11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., local time, both days. The amount of time scheduled for public presentations and meeting times may be extended when the authorized representative considers it necessary to accommodate all persons.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Additional information concerning the Steens Mountain Advisory Council may be obtained from Rhonda Karges, Management Support Specialist, Bureau of Land Management Burns District Office, 28910 Hwy 20 West, Hines, Oregon 97738. Information can also be obtained by phone at (541) 573-4400, by e-mail at Rhonda\_Karges@or.blm.gov, or from the Internet at: <http://www.or.blm.gov/Steens>.

Dated: July 6, 2005.

**Karla Bird,**

*Designated Federal Official, Andrews Resource Area Field Manager.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

[ID-957-1420-BJ]

**Idaho: Filing of Plats of Survey**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of filing of plats of surveys.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has officially filed the plats of survey of the lands described below in the BLM Idaho State Office, Boise, Idaho, effective 9 a.m., on the dates specified.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bureau of Land Management, 1387 South Vinnell Way, Boise, Idaho, 83709-1657.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** These surveys were executed at the request of the Bureau of Land Management to meet certain administrative and management purposes:

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the Fifth Standard Parallel North (south boundary) and the subdivisional lines, and the subdivision of section 35, in T.

22 N., R. 23 E., Boise Meridian, Idaho, was accepted April 22, 2005.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the south boundary of the Lemhi Indian Reservation, the Fourth Standard Parallel North (south boundary), the west boundary, and of the subdivisional lines, and the subdivision of section 31, in T. 18 N., R. 23 E., Boise Meridian, Idaho, was accepted April 27, 2005.

The plat constituting the entire survey record of the dependent resurvey of a portion of the subdivisional lines, and the subdivision of section 8, in T. 7 S., R. 5 E., Boise Meridian, Idaho, was accepted May 4, 2005.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the west and north boundaries and subdivisional lines, and the subdivision of sections 6 and 7, in T. 8 S., R. 36 E., Boise Meridian, Idaho, was accepted May 17, 2005.

The plat representing the supplemental plat was prepared to correct certain lotting in section 8, in T. 3 S., R. 35 E., Boise Meridian, Idaho, was accepted June 14, 2005.

These surveys were executed at the request of the Bureau of Land Management to meet certain administrative needs of the National Park Service. The lands surveyed are:

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the south boundary, and a portion of the subdivisional lines, and the metes-and-bounds survey of Tracts 37 and 38, in T. 8 S., R. 19 E., Boise Meridian, Idaho, was accepted April 14, 2005.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the subdivision of section 4, and the metes-and-bounds survey of Tracts 37, 38 and 39, and an informative traverse of an easement in section 5, in T. 9 S., R. 19 E., Boise Meridian, Idaho, was accepted April 14, 2005.

These surveys were executed at the request of the Bureau of Land Management to meet certain administrative needs of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The lands surveyed are:

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the east boundary, the subdivisional lines and subdivision of sections 24, 25, and 26, and the additional subdivision of sections 24, 25, and 26, in T. 33 N., R. 2 W., Boise Meridian, Idaho, was accepted April 13, 2005.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the West Boundary of the Nez Perce Indian Reservation, subdivisional lines, and subdivision of sections 16 and 17, the additional subdivision of section 16, and the metes-and-bounds surveys of

certain lines in sections 16 and 17, in T. 35 N., R. 4 W., Boise Meridian, Idaho, was accepted April 29, 2005.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the west boundary, subdivisional lines, and the 1889 adjusted meanders of the left bank of the Middle Fork of the Clearwater River, the subdivision of certain sections, the survey of certain lots, and metes-and-bounds surveys in sections 8 and 9, and the meanders of the 1999-2004 left bank of the Middle Fork of the Clearwater River in sections 9 and 10, in T. 32 N., R. 4 E., Boise Meridian, Idaho, was accepted June 2, 2005.

The plat constituting the entire survey record of the survey of a portion of the 2003 meanders of the right bank of the Blackfoot River in section 24 and a portion of the north boundary of the Fort Hall Indian Reservation in section 24, in T. 3 S., R. 34 E., Boise Meridian, Idaho, was accepted June 8, 2005.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the south boundary of the Nez Perce Indian Reservation, the subdivisional lines, and the subdivision of sections 9 and 20, and the additional subdivision of sections 9 and 20, in T. 32 N., R. 1 E., Boise Meridian, Idaho, was accepted June 9, 2005.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the west boundary, subdivisional lines, subdivision of section 18, and the subdivision of section 8, in T. 44 N., R. 4 W., Boise Meridian, Idaho, was accepted June 16, 2005.

This survey was executed at the request of the Bureau of Land Management to meet certain administrative needs of the Bureau of Reclamation. The lands surveyed are:

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the subdivisional lines and the subdivision of section 31, and a metes-and-bounds survey in section 31, in T. 8 S., R. 20 E., Boise Meridian, Idaho, was accepted May 24, 2005.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will file the plats of surveys of the lands described below in the BLM Idaho State Office, Boise, Idaho, 30 days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**.

The plat constituting the entire survey record of the 2003 meanders of an unnamed island, in the Snake River, designated as Tract 38, in section 27, in T. 10 S., R. 23 E., Boise Meridian, was accepted June 8, 2005.

The plat constituting the entire record of survey of the 2004 meanders of an unnamed island, in the Snake River, designated as Tract 37, in sections 25