

management decisions and identifies refuge goals, long-range objectives, and strategies for achieving refuge purposes. Each refuge in the NWRS has specific purposes for which it was established. Those purposes are used to develop and prioritize management goals and objectives within the NWRS mission and to guide which public uses will occur on a given refuge.

The planning process will consider many elements, including wildlife and habitat management, habitat protection and acquisition, wilderness preservation, public recreational activities, and cultural resource protection. Public input into the planning process is essential. The planning process is a way for the Service and the public to evaluate refuge management goals and objectives for the best possible conservation efforts of this important wildlife habitat. Concurrently, this process is also providing for wildlife-dependent recreation opportunities that are compatible with each refuge's establishing purposes and the mission of the NWRS.

Trinity River National Wildlife Refuge is located in Liberty County, Texas, and encompasses 22,000 acres of bottomland hardwood forest along a portion of the Trinity River in southeastern Texas. The Refuge, which is a remnant of what was once a much larger natural area is a broad, flat floodplain made up of numerous sloughs, oxbows lakes, artesian wells, and tributaries. The CCP will provide other agencies and the public with a clear understanding of the desired conditions for the Refuge and how the Service will implement management strategies for the conservation and development of these natural resources.

The Service, through this notice of intent, formally begins the comprehensive conservation planning process for Trinity River National Wildlife Refuge. The Service requests input on any and all issues concerning management or public recreation. Comments regarding the protection of threatened and/or endangered species, migratory birds, native species, and their habitats are encouraged.

The Service has provided the above questions for optional use only. Comments received will be used as part of the planning process. Individual comments will not be referenced in our reports or directly responded to. The Service will continue to solicit information from the public and other agencies via open houses, meetings, and written comments. Special mailings, newspaper releases, and announcements will continue to inform

people of the time and place of opportunities for further input to the CCP.

Review of this project will be conducted in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1968, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), NEPA Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500–1508) found at <http://www.thecrecom/fedlaw/default.htm>, other appropriate Federal laws, and Service policies and procedures for compliance with those regulations.

The Service will prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) in accordance with procedures for implementing NEPA found in the Department of the Interior Manual (DM Part 516, Chap 6). The decision to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement instead of an EA would be contingent upon the complexity of issues following the scoping phase of the CCP process.

We estimate that the draft environmental documents will be available in fall 2009 for public review and comment.

**Authority:** This notice is published under the authority of the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997, Public Law 105–57.

Dated: November 3, 2006.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice to the Public of Temporary Public Lands Closures and Prohibitions of Certain Activities on Public Lands Administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Winnemucca Field Office, NV

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

**ACTION:** Notice of temporary closure.

**SUMMARY:** Certain lands located in northwestern Nevada partly within the Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails National Conservation Area will be temporarily closed or restricted and certain activities will be temporarily prohibited in and around the site of the Burning Man event

administered by the BLM Winnemucca Field Office in Pershing County, Nevada. These lands are referred to in this notice as the “Event Area” and the “Public Closure Area,” respectively. The specified closures, restrictions and prohibitions are made in the interest of public safety, to protect public resources, and to enable BLM law enforcement personnel to support State and local law enforcement agencies with enforcement of the law. The Burning Man event is authorized on public lands under a special recreation permit and is expected to attract approximately 40,000 participants this year.

**DATES:** From August 10, 2007 through September 17, 2007, inclusive, closures and restrictions affecting the following uses in the Public Closure and Event Area will occur: Public uses, public camping, aircraft landing, possession of alcohol by minors or open containers in vehicles, possession of firearms, discharge of weapons, procedures and circumstances for eviction of persons from public lands, waste water discharge, motor vehicle use, possession or use of fireworks, and ignition of fires. The timing and location of the uses prohibited and/or regulated are more fully set forth herein.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dave Cooper, National Conservation Area Manager, Bureau of Land Management, Winnemucca Field Office, 5100 E. Winnemucca Blvd., Winnemucca, NV 89445–2921, telephone: (775) 623–1500.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** These closures are authorized under the provisions of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.* In accordance with the applicable provisions of 43 U.S.C. 1733 any person failing to comply with the closure orders may be subject to imprisonment for not more than 12 months, or a fine in accordance with the applicable provisions of 18 U.S.C. 3571, or both.

1. The public closure area is located within the following legally described locations:

#### Mount Diablo Meridian

Unsurveyed T. 33 N., R. 24 E.,

Secs. 1 and 2, portion west of the east playa road;

Sec. 3;

Sec. 4, portion east of Washoe Co. Rd. 34;

Sec. 5, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, portion east of Washoe Co. Rd. 34;

Sec. 10, N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>;

Sec. 11; E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, portion west of the east playa road.

Unsurveyed T. 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> N., R. 24 E.,

Secs. 25 and 26;

Sec. 28, portion east of the west playa road;  
 Sec. 33, portion east of Washoe Co. Rd. 34  
 and east of the west playa road;  
 Secs. 34, 35 and 36.  
 Unsurveyed T. 34 N., R. 24 E.,  
 Sec. 34, S½, portion east of the west playa  
 road;  
 Sec. 35, portion east of the west playa road;  
 Sec. 36;  
 T. 33 N., R. 25 E.,  
 Sec. 4, Lots 3, 4 and 5; portions west of the  
 east playa road.  
 Unsurveyed T. 34 N., R. 25 E.,  
 Sec. 33, SW¼.

1.1. Between August 10, 2007 and  
 September 17, 2007 inclusive:

#### 1.1.1. Public Use

Public use is prohibited except as  
 provided within the event area as  
 described below.

#### 1.1.2. Public Camping

Public camping is prohibited except  
 as provided within the event area as  
 described below.

#### 1.1.3. Aircraft Landing

Aircraft as defined in Title 18, U.S.C.,  
 section 31 (a)(1) and includes lighter-  
 than-air craft, ultra-light craft, and  
 remotely controlled powered craft are  
 prohibited from landing, taking off, or  
 taxiing. The following exceptions apply:

- Aircraft operations conducted  
 through the authorized event landing  
 strip and such ultra-light and helicopter  
 take-off and landing areas designated for  
 Burning Man event staff and  
 participants, law enforcement, and  
 emergency medical services.

- Emergency aircraft such as Care  
 Flight, Sheriff's Office, or Medical  
 Ambulance Transport System  
 helicopters engaged in official business  
 may land in other locations when  
 circumstances require it.

- Landings or take-offs of lighter-  
 than-air craft previously approved by  
 the BLM authorized officer.

#### 1.1.4. Possession of Alcohol

- Possession of an open container of  
 an alcoholic beverage by the driver or  
 operator of any motorized vehicle,  
 whether or not the vehicle is in motion  
 is prohibited.

- Definitions:

- Open container—any bottle can or  
 other container which contains an  
 alcoholic beverage, if that container  
 does not have a closed top or lid for  
 which the seal has not been broken. If  
 the container has been opened one or  
 more times, and the lid or top has been  
 replaced, that container is an open  
 container.

- Possession of an open container—  
 includes any open container which is  
 physically possessed by the driver or

operator, or which is adjacent to and  
 reachable by that driver or operator.  
 This includes containers in a cup holder  
 or rack adjacent to the driver or  
 operator, containers on a vehicle floor  
 next to the driver or operator, and  
 containers on a seat or console area next  
 to a driver or operator.

- Possession of alcohol by minors is  
 prohibited.

- The following are prohibited:

- Consumption or possession of any  
 alcoholic beverage by a person under 21  
 years of age on public lands.

- Selling, offering to sell, or  
 otherwise furnishing or supplying any  
 alcoholic beverage to a person under 21  
 years of age on public lands.

- This section does not apply to the  
 selling, handling, serving or  
 transporting of alcoholic beverages by a  
 person in the course of his lawful  
 employment by a licensed  
 manufacturer, wholesaler or retailer of  
 alcoholic beverages.

#### 1.1.5. Weapons

Discharge and possession of firearms  
 is prohibited. Law enforcement officers  
 acting in their official capacity are  
 exempted from the prohibition.

#### 1.1.6. Eviction of Persons From Public Closure Area

The permitted event area and all other  
 parts of the public closure area are  
 closed to any person who:

- a. Has been evicted from the event by  
 the permit holder, Black Rock City LLC,  
 whether or not such eviction was  
 requested by BLM.

- b. Has been ordered by a BLM law  
 enforcement officer to leave the area of  
 the permitted event.

Any person evicted from the event  
 forfeits any privileges to be present  
 within the perimeter fence or anywhere  
 else within the public closure area even  
 if they possess a ticket to attend the  
 event.

Permit holder BRC LLC and BLM law  
 enforcement officers may evict event  
 ticket holders for "just cause" and the  
 event ticket holder must immediately  
 depart from the event public closure  
 area and not return to the event public  
 closure area during the closure period.

Just cause includes, but is not limited  
 to:

- a. Repeated violations of any permit  
 stipulations, closure orders or  
 regulations in Title 43 CFR;

- b. Commission of an assault, fight,  
 threatening, menacing, or similar  
 conduct that is likely to inflict injury or  
 incite an immediate breach of the peace;

- c. Possession of prohibited weapons;

- d. Persons returning to the event after  
 they have been arrested by an event law

enforcement officer, transported to a jail  
 facility and released from custody on  
 bail. (Note: persons returning after being  
 arrested and released will be allowed to  
 re-enter event only to obtain personal  
 property under the escort of law  
 enforcement officers and/or BRC LLC  
 staff.)

- e. Persons cited and released for a  
 criminal offense by BLM and/or the  
 Pershing County Sheriff's Office (PCSO)  
 whose identity information received  
 from the subject cannot be verified  
 through personal possession of ID/  
 documents, identity data base checks or  
 telephonic verification from a credible  
 person not at the event.

#### 1.1.7. Waste Water Discharge

Dumping wastewater (grey or black) is  
 prohibited.

1.2. Between August 24, 2007 and  
 September 3, 2007 inclusive:

#### 1.2.1. Public Camping

Public camping is prohibited. Burning  
 Man event ticket holders and BLM  
 authorized event management-related  
 camps within the event area as  
 described below are exempt from the  
 camping closure.

#### 1.2.2. Motorized Vehicles

Motor vehicle use is prohibited. The  
 following exceptions apply: participant  
 arrival and departure on designated  
 routes; vehicles registered with Burning  
 Man; Black Rock City LLC staff and  
 support; BLM, medical, law  
 enforcement, and firefighting vehicles;  
 and motorized skateboards and scooters  
 with or without handlebars.

Vehicles must be registered with  
 Black Rock City LLC and drivers must  
 display evidence of registration at all  
 times. Such registration must be  
 displayed so that it is visible to the rear  
 of the vehicle while it is in motion.

Vehicle use that creates a dust plume  
 higher than the top of the vehicle is  
 prohibited.

#### 1.2.3. Fireworks

The use, sale or possession of  
 personal fireworks within the public  
 closure area is prohibited.

The following exceptions apply: Uses  
 of fireworks approved by Black Rock  
 City LLC and used as part of an official  
 Burning Man art burn event.

#### 1.2.4. Fires

The ignition of fires on the surface of  
 the Black Rock Playa without a burn  
 blanket or burn pan is prohibited. The  
 following exceptions apply: Registered  
 Burning Man art burn events, licensed  
 mutant vehicles, and portable  
 barbeques, grills or elevated torches or  
 lanterns.

2. The Event Area is located within the following legally described locations:

#### Mount Diablo Meridian

Unsurveyed T. 33 N., R. 24 E.,

Secs. 1 and 2; the area within the event perimeter fence, within 50 yards outside the fence, and the aircraft parking area;

Sec. 3, the area within the event perimeter fence, within 50 yards outside the fence, and within 50 yards of the event entrance road;

Unsurveyed T. 33½ N., R. 24 E.,

Secs. 25, 26 and 27, areas within the event perimeter fence and within 50 yards outside the fence;

Sec. 34, areas within the event perimeter fence and within 50 yards outside the fence;

Sec. 35;

Sec. 36, areas within the event perimeter fence and within 50 yards outside the fence.

Unsurveyed T. 34 N., R. 24 E.,

Secs. 34, 35 and 36, areas within the event perimeter fence and within 50 yards outside the fence.

2.1. Between August 10, 2007 and August 25 and between September 4 and September 17, 2007 inclusive:

##### 2.1.1. Camping

Public camping is prohibited. Black Rock City LLC authorized staff, contractors, and others authorized to assist with construction or clean-up of art exhibits and theme camps are exempt from the camping closure.

2.2. Between August 24, 2007 and September 3, 2007 inclusive:

##### 2.2.1. Public Use

No person shall be present within the event area unless that person: possesses a valid ticket to attend the event; is an employee or authorized volunteer with the BLM, a law enforcement agency, emergency medical service provider, fire protection provider, or another public agency working at the event and the employee is assigned to the event; or is a person working at or attending the event on behalf of the event organizers, BRC LLC.

##### 2.2.2. Weapons

Possession of weapons is prohibited, subject to the following exceptions: County, state, tribal and federal law enforcement personnel, or any person authorized by federal law to possess a weapon.

“Weapon” means a firearm, compressed gas or spring powered pistol or rifle, bow and arrow, cross bow, blowgun, spear gun, hand throwable spear, sling shot, irritant gas device, explosive device or any other implement designed to discharge missiles, and includes any weapon the

possession of which is prohibited by state law.

##### 2.2.3. Public Camping

Public camping is prohibited. Burning Man event ticket holders who are camped in designated areas provided by Black Rock City LLC and ticket holders who are camped in the authorized “pilot camp” and BLM authorized event management-related camps are exempt from the camping closure. Black Rock City LLC authorized staff, contractors, and other authorized participants are exempt from the camping closure.

Dated: July 23, 2007.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Revision of Resource Management Plans of the Western Oregon Bureau of Land Management Districts

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, and the Revested Oregon and California Railroad and Reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road Grant Lands Act (O&C Lands Act), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a Draft Resource Management Plan/Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DRMP/DEIS) to revise selected portions of the 1995 Resource Management Plans (RMPs) for six BLM districts in western Oregon. These revisions will address the sustained yield timber production provisions of the O&C Lands Act as well as resource protection provisions of the Endangered Species Act and the Clean Water Act. The alternatives in the DRMP/DEIS also comply with the 2003 settlement agreement between the Secretary of the Interior and the American Forest Resource Council (*AFRC, et al v. Clarke*).

**DATES:** The 90-day public comment period on the DRMP/DEIS will begin the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes their Notice of Availability (NOA) in the **Federal Register**. Comments must be received on or before the end of the comment

period at the address listed below. Public meetings to gather comments on the DRMP/DEIS will be held in a number of locations throughout the western Oregon planning area. Public meetings and any other public involvement activities will be announced at least 15 days in advance through public notices, media news releases, newsletter mailings, and on the Western Oregon Plan Revisions Web site at: [www.blm.gov/or/plans/wopr/index.php](http://www.blm.gov/or/plans/wopr/index.php).

**ADDRESSES:** To request paper or compact disc copies of the document, contact: the BLM’s Western Oregon Plan Revisions Team, 333 SW. First Avenue, P.O. Box 2965, Portland, Oregon 97208; fax: (503) 808-6630 (please address fax to: “Western Oregon Plan Revisions DEIS”). The DRMP/DEIS may also be accessed on line at: <http://www.blm.gov/or/plans/wopr/index.php>. Copies of the DRMP/DEIS will also be available for inspection at public libraries and BLM offices in western Oregon.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Alan Hoffmeister, Western Oregon Plan Revisions Public Outreach Coordinator; telephone (503) 808-6629; or e-mail: [orwopr@or.blm.gov](mailto:orwopr@or.blm.gov)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The DRMP/DEIS for the Revision of Resource Management Plans of the Western Oregon BLM Districts has developed and analyzed four alternatives (including the No Action Alternative) for managing approximately 2,550,000 acres of Federal land, mostly revested Oregon and California Railroad and Coos Bay Wagon Road Grant lands, within the Western Oregon planning area. BLM has analyzed revision of six RMPs with this single EIS. The RMPs being revised are the Salem, Eugene, Roseburg, Medford, and Coos Bay District RMPs and the Klamath Falls Resource Area RMP in the Lakeview District.

Public comments received during scoping played an important role in shaping the alternatives, which are described and analyzed in the DRMP/DEIS.

The No Action Alternative maintains the decisions in the existing RMPs. Alternative One creates late-successional management areas similar to the large late-successional reserves in the no action alternative, applies new criteria for designating the width of riparian management areas, and provides for intensive forest management on other areas.

Alternative Two designates late successional management areas based on habitat requirements for the northern spotted owl and marbled murrelet,