

BLM, DBL SELECTION  
3650 NE 3rd ST.  
PRINEVILLE, OR. 97754

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Subj. BLM Lands selected by D.S.L.

I support ALTERNATIVE A ON THE COMMENT FORM.  
The Land selected by DSL south of The Boones Borough  
Development has been previously classified as Zone I  
Lands which I am led to believe should be maintained  
for the general public to use and enjoy.

We are residents of Boones Borough and like all of the  
residents who object to the transfer of subject lands  
NOT because of reduced property values — which in  
reality, could be increased property values — but for  
the following reasons:

(1) The highest and best use of the land selected  
for transfer would be residential and light  
retail.

Why do we want to create extraordinary crowded  
living conditions which is the very biggest  
reason we residents selected Boones Borough  
as a place to live?

Wouldn't more open lands with its native  
vegetation and walking and hiking trails  
be much more desirable than wall to wall  
houses?

2. What will traffic be like if this transfer  
is made in consideration of the likelihood  
that Juniper Ridge will eventually build a  
secondary road out to Dechutes MKT Rd?  
As more and more houses are being built  
in Bend, more + more vehicles can be seen  
using the two lane Dechutes MKT Rd.

3. Although schools may receive some financial assistance from the sales generated as a result of this transfer, we must consider the adverse effects and ask if this transfer is in the best interest of the total community.

My wife and I feel very strongly that subject parcel of land must be maintained by BLM for all to enjoy. Aren't we already destroying so much of our open land?

[REDACTED]  
BEND, OR 97701

Ph. 541- [REDACTED]

Additional comment

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The parcel in question should be retained as Z-1 as a buffer between ~~the~~ future growth not adding to it - we need to retain land for recreation & solitude - we already see the effects of unbridled growth in increased traffic, crime, added pollution, ~~etc~~ and water demands. Central Oregon will shortly become another undesirable place to live instead of its current position as a great place to live & bring up the family. Think of the effect on ~~human~~ humans too!

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AS YOU CAN TELL FROM THE PUBLIC  
WE ARE VERY DISAPPOINTED THAT  
YOU DIFFUSED THE CROWD IN  
THIS MANNER.

YOU NEED TO HAVE A  
PUBLIC FORUM WHERE  
QUESTIONS CAN BE  
ADDRESSED.

DIVIDE AND CONQUER!



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I urge the BLM to retain the Deschutes Market Road Parcel in its present status as Z1 open space. This particular parcel has immense value as an area for wildlife; old-growth junipers, which are rapidly disappearing; and as a place of historical interest. It is ideally suited as a buffer, or semi-wilderness park, within increasing urbanization. Its counterpart on the west side of Bend would be Shevlin Park, and in Portland, areas like Forest Park. Such open natural areas are essential to the quality of life in large cities, which Bend is destined to be in the future. The BLM should explore the selection of another parcel with a lower rating, one which would not entail the costs involved in this venture.

*Robb Reavill*

Your name (please print): Robb Reavill Date: 7/23/08

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**Comments**

To Whom it May Concern:

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In reference to the transfer of 1,580 acres BLM lands at Deschutes Market Road to DSL (State of Oregon, Dept. of State Lands), my wife and I would like to register our opposition to this transfer and **support alternative A** of the proposed action and alternatives.

We are residents in the Boonsborough subdivision area and are concerned about growth in the North and Northeast Bend area. With loss of natural habitat due to the City of Bend's "Juniper Ridge" project and their proposed development in that area (very near the affected parcel), we feel the transfer of the above parcel to the State and then the possible sale and development of this property would impact us, and all Central Oregon area residents, with the loss of much needed open space, recreation area, spectacular old growth Juniper, and the possible loss of the old wagon trail through that area.

As keepers of our country's public lands, your agency is the line of defense to prevent loss of quality land as described above in this parcel. We encourage you to deny the transfer of this parcel to the State of Oregon and to work diligently at finding an acceptable alternative parcel. Please keep this 1,580 acre parcel as is. Don't let it become a possible 'developers profit pit' and we, the local residents, loose the beauty, solitude, and open space recreation that it provides us.

We as a family enjoy this area quite often; our two young girls are learning about the history of the Huntington wagon trail and hike it often. In addition this land provides a great place to run with the dogs, hike and explore what BLM land has to offer.

Sincerely,

Scott and Melissa Elliot

Your name (please **print**): Scott & Melissa Elliot Date: 7-23-08

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My Name is [REDACTED]  
J.W.P. Huntington was my Great, Great Grand -  
father.

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I feel that the ancient land  
that he traveled back in 1864 should  
be left undisturbed by development.

It need not be presented for  
recreation, but rather as a classroom  
a place where folks can go, put their  
feet in the dirt and listen to the  
story the land has to tell. Listen to  
the trees and the birds that make  
their homes in them.

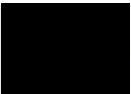
A place where children can be brought  
to hear the story of those gone before.

Our children are too far from their  
roots - like houses being built  
from the roof down.

As a people we need to look to  
our roots & build a strong foundation.  
Remember our history to go into the future.

I leave this ancient land the entire  
parcel untouched. Respectfully, Jimmy Wolf.





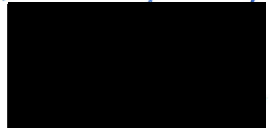
# Alternative A (NO ACTION)

**Comments**

Theres 50,000 acres of BLM in the area between Boonesborough subdivision & Redmond MNE (North)! I'd love to continue riding my horses & walking my dogs from my neighborhood -

Thank you,

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Your name (please print): 

Date: 7/23/2008

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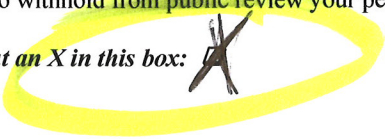
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Your name (please print): RAYMOND BROWN Date: 7.23.08

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Molly Brown  
Bureau of Land Management

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### **Integrity of the BLM is as Stake**

Your department – the entire organization of the Bureau of Land Management—is in danger of losing integrity and stature.

Please think carefully before you succumb to **pressure** from another agency (Division of State Lands) to arbitrarily change the assessment of your bureau regarding the status of The Deschutes Market Road Tracts as described in the Upper Deschutes Resources Management Plan. You will be brushing aside nearly 6 years of solid research by your staff; you will be undermining the wisdom of spending over \$1.2 million used to produce this plan; you will cause other agencies--as well as the public--to question whether the word of BLM is still valid.

Your staff determinations classified the 1576 acres know as the Deschutes Market Road Tracts as **Z – 1**, a classification designating land to be retained by BLM. Since it appears nothing has changed in the area of concern--**except that it's even further from the “path of progress” than it was three years ago--** you undermine both the effort and the integrity of the scientific research done by the staff.

The DSL can easily request BLM lands that **do not require** going back on your decision, as there are over 30,000 acres of Community Expansion and Z-3 lands in the UDRMP alone in this category, with many more options throughout the state.

Please keep the integrity of your process. Please do not reclassify these historic tracts.

