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BLM Selects New Lakeview District Manager

Portland, OR – Today Ed Shepard, the Oregon/Washington Bureau of Land Management (BLM) State Director, announced the selection of Ms. Carol Benkosky for the position of Lakeview District Manager in Lakeview, Oregon. Carol is currently an employee of the BLM and is currently serving as the Associate District Manager for the Lakeview District.

“As a line manager for both the BLM and the U.S. Forest Service, Carol has successfully lead workforce change and implemented efficient and effective business practices. Carol already has a great sense about what’s important to the public in south-central and southeastern Oregon, and I am fully confident in her ability to administering a full multiple use resource management program on the Lakeview District,” said Ed Shepard, Oregon/Washington BLM State Director.

The Lakeview District Manager serves as the line manager and advises State Director on policies and programs pertinent to the Lakeview District as they relate to the management of natural resources on public lands. The public lands in the Lakeview District vary from the mixed conifer forests on the east slope of the Cascade Mountains to the beautiful high desert country of Oregon’s Outback. The Lakeview District is made up of two resource areas, the Klamath Falls Resource Area and the Lakeview Resource Area. The Lakeview District’s boundary encompasses approximately 3.5 million acres of public land in Lake, Klamath, and part of Harney counties in south-central and southeastern Oregon.

Since 1983, Carol has worked with both the BLM and U.S. Forest Service in California, Idaho, Wyoming, and Montana and she has demonstrated exceptional leadership in a variety of roles including serving as: Associate District Manager, District Ranger, Natural Resource Specialist, and a Range and Wildlife Officer.

“Carol’s ties to the local community will serve her well in her continued work with stakeholders on key Lakeview District resources and programs, such as the 51,000-acre Warner Wetlands in Lake County, and the 3,200-acre Wood River Wetlands in Klamath County,” continued Shepard.

Additional information about the BLM’s Lakeview District and its programs is available online at:

<http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/lakeview/about.php>

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