

Center, located at 126 Bruneau Highway, Marsing, Idaho, beginning at 9 a.m. Public comment periods will be held after each topic on the agenda. The meeting will adjourn at 5 p.m.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** MJ Byrne, Public Affairs Officer and RAC Coordinator, Lower Snake River District, 3948 Development Ave., Boise, ID 83705, Telephone (208) 384-3393.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The 15-member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in southwestern Idaho. At this meeting, the following topics will be discussed:

- RAC Members will discuss with BLM representatives what role they envision the Members playing in the "Working Landscape-Grazing Policy Changes" Initiative after the three "Listening" public meetings held around Idaho, in April;
- A presentation will be given on RS 2477 and the new handbook issued in November, 2002, entitled, "Road

Management and Maintenance Guidelines for Public Lands in Idaho";

- A video will be shown during lunch about noxious weeds;
- An update will be given on the two Resource Management Plans under development in the District;
- Subcommittee reports on Rangeland Standards and Guidelines, Sage Grouse Habitat Management, OHV and Transportation Management, River Recreation and Resource Management Plans, and Fire and Fuels Management; and
- Each of the Field Office Managers will provide an update on current activities and issues in each of their field office areas.

All meetings are open to the public. The public may present written comments to the Council. Each formal Council meeting will also have time allocated for hearing public comments. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation, tour

transportation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact the BLM as provided below. Expedited publication is requested to give the public adequate notice.

Dated: April 17, 2003.

**Jimmie Buxton,**

*Acting Associate District Manager.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**National Park Service**

**Extension for Expiring Concession Contracts**

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Public Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to 36 CFR 51.23, notice is hereby given that the National Park Service intends to extend the following expiring concession contract for a period of up to 6-months, or until such time as a new contract is awarded, whichever occurs sooner.

Concessioner ID No.	Concessioner name	Park
CC-EVER002-82 .....	Everglades National Park Boat Tours, Inc. ....	Everglades NP

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 1, 2003.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cynthia Orlando, Concession Program Manager, National Park Service, Washington, DC 20240, Telephone 202/513-7144.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The concession authorization expires on its terms on December 31, 2002. The National Park Service has determined that the proposed 6-month extension is necessary in order to avoid interruption of visitor services and has taken all reasonable and appropriate steps to consider alternatives to avoid such interruption. This extension will allow the National Park Service to develop a prospectus leading to competitive selection for a new long-term concession contract.

Dated: February 14, 2003.

**Richard G. Ring,**

*Associate Director, Administrator, Business Practices and Workforce Development.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**National Park Service**

**Release of an Environmental Assessment Document for the Placement of Wireless Telecommunication Facilities**

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Catocin Mountain Park.

**ACTION:** Reduction in the number of public informational meetings.

**SUMMARY:** Catocin Mountain Park will release for public review, the Environmental Assessment document for the application regarding the placement of wireless telecommunication facilities (WTF). The public information meeting scheduled for April 29, 2003 will not be held. Two meetings were originally scheduled because the meetings were to be held during the winter months; since the meetings are being held in the spring, only one will be held. The public informational meeting of May 1, 2003

will be held as scheduled at Catocin Mountain Park, Round Meadow Conference Room at 7 p.m.

**DATES:** Environmental Assessment release date—April 18, 2003.

*Document Availability:* The Environmental Assessment document will be available for public review at Catocin Mountain Park headquarters located at 6602 Foxville Road, Thurmont Maryland, at Washington County Library (Hagerstown and Smithsburg branches) and Frederick County Library (Frederick and Thurmont branches) and online at the Catocin Mountain Park's Web site <http://www.nps.gov/cato>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Scott Bell, Environmental Protection Specialist, 301/416-0536.

Dated: April 16, 2003.

**J. Mel Poole,**

*Superintendent, Catocin Mountain Park.*

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