

submitted to OMB within 30 days in order to assure their maximum consideration. Please note: comments, names, addresses of commentators are available for public review during regular business hours. If you wish us to withhold any information, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will honor your request to the extent allowable by law. Please note that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless a currently valid OMB control number is displayed. You may request copies of the information collection forms and our submission to OMB from the person listed in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

*Title:* Request for Certificate of Degree of Indian or Alaska Native Blood, 25 CFR part 70.

*OMB Control number:* 1076-0153.

*Description of respondents:*

Individual Indians who may be eligible to receive program services based upon their status and/or degree of Indian or Alaska Native blood.

*Frequency:* All information and documentation is to be collected once from each requester.

*Estimated completion time:* The reporting and record keeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1.5 hours for each response for an estimated 154,200 requests per year or 231,300 hours, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources and gathering needed data. In addition, 2,400 appeals are expected annually at 2.5 hours per appeal, which adds 6000 hours of burden. Thus, the estimated total annual reporting and record keeping burden for this entire collection is estimated to be 237,300 hours.

*Total annual burden:* 237,300 hours.

*Estimated non-hour cost:* There are no costs to consider, except postage and the cost of duplicating the original application form, because verification of the information is already available for other reasons.

Dated: June 6, 2003.

**Aurene M. Martin,**

*Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[UT-034-03-1220-DA]

#### Environmental Statements; Notice of Intent; Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, UT

**AGENCY:** Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, Utah.

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent to consider a proposed plan amendment and prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument (GSENM) to allow consideration of toilet facilities at designated campsites in the Frontcountry and Passage Zones and to consider additional designated campsites beyond that currently allowed in the management plan. The Monument includes public lands in Garfield and Kane counties, Utah.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Planning Regulations (43 CFR part 1600) this notice advises the public that the BLM, GSENM is considering amending the GSENM Management Plan as it pertains to the installation of toilet facilities at designated campsites in the Frontcountry and Passage Zones and the number of designated campsites allowed in the Frontcountry and Passage Zones. Plan Decisions FAC-10 and FAC-15 state that toilet facilities will not be provided at designated campsites in the Frontcountry and Passage Zones. With increased visitor use, human waste has become a concern at some of the sites being considered for designation as primitive campsites. Language used in Plan Decision FAC-16 for the Outback Zone states in part that toilet facilities could be considered for protection of resources in limited cases where other tools to protect resources are ineffective. The plan amendment proposes to adopt this same language for the Frontcountry and Passage Zones so that toilet facilities could be considered at designated campsites for the protection of resources in these zones as well. Plan Decisions FAC-10 and FAC-15 limit the number of sites that can be designated for primitive camping to 10 in the Frontcountry Zone and 25 in the Passage Zone. Visitor use has exceeded expectations when the plan was developed and additional primitive campsites are needed to meet the public demand. The plan amendment proposes to allow additional primitive campsites to be designated in the Frontcountry and Passage Zones with no specific

number of sites identified. Additional site specific analysis as required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) would be prepared for campsite designation.

**DATES:** This notice initiates a 30-day public scoping period. If you have information, data, or concerns related to the potential impacts of the proposed plan amendments, have comments on the planning criteria, or suggestions for alternatives, please submit them to the address below. Scoping comments must be received at the address below within 30 days of the date this notice is published in the **Federal Register**.

**ADDRESSES:** Written scoping comments should be sent to: Monument Manager, Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, 190 East Center Street, Kanab, Utah 84741. Planning documents and letters received, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the GSENM Office in Kanab, Utah during regular business hours (8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) Monday through Friday, except holidays. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or street address from public review and disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety and may be published as part of the EA. If you are not currently on our mailing list and wish to receive a copy of future planning documents, please send your name and address to the address listed above.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Barbara Sharrow, Assistant Monument Manager Visitor Services, 435-644-4312, or Dave Hunsaker, Monument Manager, 435-644-4330.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The BLM is preparing an EA to analyze the impacts of designating primitive campsites as required by the GSENM Management Plan. This EA will also be used to address the potential impacts of the proposed plan amendments as described above. The BLM has contracted with a third party, IHI Environmental of Salt Lake City, Utah to prepare the EA. The BLM has identified the following planning criteria, which will guide development of the amendment:

1. The proposed plan amendment and environmental analysis will be

completed in compliance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA), NEPA, and all other applicable laws.

2. The proposed plan amendment and environmental analysis will be developed using an interdisciplinary approach (*e.g.*, a team approach using a variety of skills and perspectives such as biologists, archaeologists, etc.) with input from interested public, State and local governments, and other Federal agencies.

3. Analysis and decisions in the proposed plan amendment and environmental analysis apply only to this action and will provide for the balance of long term sustainability with short-term uses.

Dated: May 5, 2003.

Sally Wisely,

State Director.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[WY-090-03-1610-DO]

#### Notice of Intent To Revise the Kemmerer Resource Management Plan and Prepare an Associated Environmental Impact Statement

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent to revise the Kemmerer Resource Management Plan (RMP) and prepare an associated Environmental Impact Statement (EIS); solicitation of public comments on resource issues and preliminary planning criteria; and call for coal resource information and other resource information for the Kemmerer planning area, Wyoming.

**SUMMARY:** This document (1) provides notice that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) intends to prepare a revised RMP with an associated EIS; (2) solicits public comments regarding resource issues and preliminary planning criteria; and, (3) solicits resource information for coal and other resources for the Kemmerer planning area. The planning area encompasses approximately 1,422,000 acres of public land and is located in Lincoln, Sweetwater, and Uinta Counties, Wyoming.

**DATES:** This notice initiates the public scoping process. The BLM can best utilize public comments and resource information submissions submitted

within 60 days of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

**ADDRESSES:** Please send written comments and resource information submissions via mail to the BLM, Kemmerer Field Office, 312 Highway 189 North, Kemmerer, Wyoming 83101; or electronically to [krmp\\_wymail@blm.gov](mailto:krmp_wymail@blm.gov). Members of the public may examine documents pertinent to this proposal in the Kemmerer Field Office. Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the Kemmerer Field Office during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays, and may be published as part of the EIS process. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, please state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. The BLM will honor such requests to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations and businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be available for public inspection in their entirety.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information or to have your name added to the RMP mailing list, contact Tom Davis at the above mentioned address or by telephone at (307) 828-4500, or electronically to [krmp\\_wymail@blm.gov](mailto:krmp_wymail@blm.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The BLM will work collaboratively with interested parties to identify the management decisions that are best suited to local, regional, and national interests. The public scoping process will help identify planning issues and planning criteria, including an evaluation of the existing RMP in the context of the needs and interests of the public and provide opportunities for commenting on documents published throughout the RMP revision process.

#### 1. Preliminary Issues

Preliminary issues and management concerns have been identified by BLM personnel, other agencies, and in meetings with individuals and user groups. These issues represent the BLM's knowledge to date on the existing issues and concerns with the current RMP. The major issue themes that may be addressed in the planning effort include:

A. Energy and mineral resource exploration and development;

B. Access to and transportation on BLM lands;

C. Recreation and Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) management;

D. Wildlife habitat and management of crucial habitat and migration corridors;

E. Management and cumulative effect of land uses and human activities on Threatened, Endangered, Candidate, and Sensitive species and their habitats;

F. Vegetation, including impacts of invasive species;

G. Management of cultural and paleontological resources, including National Historic Trails;

H. Land ownership adjustments;

I. Fire management;

J. Livestock grazing;

K. Visual Resource Management;

L. Potential establishment of special management areas; and,

M. Air and water quality.

#### 2. Categorization of Issues

After gathering public comments on what issues the RMP should address, the BLM will place suggested issues in one of three categories: issues to be resolved in the RMP revision, issues resolved through policy or administrative action, and issues beyond the scope of the RMP revision. Rationale will be provided in the RMP for issues to be resolved through policy or administrative action and issues beyond the scope of the RMP.

#### 3. Preliminary Planning Criteria

The BLM identified the following preliminary planning criteria to guide resolution of the issues considered in the planning effort (the BLM may revise these criteria during the planning process or in response to public comment):

A. The revised RMP will recognize the existence of valid existing rights.

B. The decisions in the revised RMP will cover BLM-administered public lands, including split-estate lands where the subsurface minerals are severed from the surface right, and the BLM has legal jurisdiction over one or the other.

C. The BLM will use a collaborative and multi-jurisdictional approach to determine the desired future condition of public lands.

D. The BLM will strive to ensure that its management decisions are complimentary to other planning jurisdictions and adjoining properties, within the boundaries described by law and regulation.

E. The environmental analysis will consider a reasonable range of alternatives that focus on the relative values of resources and respond to the issues. Management prescriptions will reflect multiple use resource principles.