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BLM Selects New Burns District Manager

Portland, OR – Today, Ed Shepard, the Oregon/Washington Bureau of Land Management (BLM) State Director, announced the selection of Mr. Kenny McDaniel as the BLM's Burns District Manager in Hines, Oregon. Kenny McDaniel is currently an employee of the BLM and serves as Field Manager for the Gunnison Field Office in Gunnison, Colorado.

"Kenny has extensive background in forming common interest partnerships with state and federal resource management agencies and other stakeholders in positions that he's held throughout various levels of the Bureau," said Ed Shepard, Oregon/Washington BLM State Director.

"I'm very excited and looking forward to returning to Oregon and working with the Burn's District staff, community, and unique resources," said the new BLM Burns District Manager, Kenny McDaniel.

The Burns District Manager serves as the line manager and advises the State Director on policies and programs pertinent to the Burns District as they relate to the management of natural resources on public lands. The Burns District is located in southeastern Oregon, extending from the Oregon-Nevada border on the south into the Blue Mountains on the north, a distance of nearly 200 miles. There are over 3.36 million acres of public land and it is divided into two Resource Areas: Three Rivers Resource Area, roughly 1.68 million acres in the northern portion of the District; and Andrews Resource Area, 1.68 million acres of public land in the south. Within the District boundary there are also large areas of private, other Federal and State lands.

"Kenny's excellent consultation and communications skills will serve him well in working with stakeholders associated with key Burns District resources and programs, such as the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area," continued Shepard.

Kenny McDaniel has been with the Federal Government since 1978 and held a variety of roles with the BLM including: Field Manager, Acting Deputy State Director-Division of Resources, Forester-Senior Specialist in the Washington Office, Natural Resource Staff Administrator, Forester, and Lead Forester in Medford.

Additional information about the BLM's Burns District and its programs is available online at:

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