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## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

## Oregon/Washington Geothermal Lease Sale June 12, 2008, Proposed Sale Postponed

The Bureau of Land Management's Oregon/Washington State Office had proposed to hold a geothermal resources lease sale on June 12, 2008. We received nominations for several parcels, and contacted the Forest Service and our District Offices.

The Forest Service responded that more environmental studies must be done in the Newberry Volcanic Area before a sale could be held. The Forest Service estimates that they will have leasing consent decisions by October 2008 at the earliest.

The new proposed sale date for parcels located in the Glass Butte area (Lake and Harney Counties) is July 24, 2008. The new date will allow the district to review sage grouse lek data to meet the required environmental review.

We are still accepting nominations for future sales. Nominations are not automatically placed on a sale when received, and BLM cannot guarantee that the nominated lands will always be included on a particular sale notice. The parcels must be reviewed for availability, and for environmental and cultural concerns prior to being placed on a sale. Sale parcels will normally be configured as requested; however, BLM reserves the right to adjust the parcel size and configuration as needed.

Each nomination must be submitted with a nonrefundable filing fee of \$100 per nomination plus \$0.10 per acre of lands nominated. If a land parcel consists of fractional acreage, please round the land acres up to the nearest whole acre.

Sale notices, results lists, and Form 3203-1 will be posted on our website at:

http://www.blm.gov/or/energy/geothermal/index.php

If you have questions regarding this notice, please call Donna Kauffman at 503-808-6162; write to the attention of OR-936.2 at the address on this letterhead; or send electronic mail to Donna Kauffman@or.blm.gov.

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