

permit the Committee to continue its consideration and take action regarding the foregoing matter in a timely manner.

Tentative Agenda

- A. Roll Call.
- B. Welcome and Opening remarks.
- C. Full Committee meeting to take actions on proposed changes to 24 CFR Part 3282, Subpart I.
- D. Adjournment.

Dated: February 2, 2006.

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Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Geological Survey

Bird Banding Laboratory Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Geological Survey, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The second meeting of the Advisory Committee on the bird banding laboratory (Committee) will take place February 22 and 23, 2006, at the national headquarters for Ducks Unlimited, One Waterfowl Way, Memphis, Tennessee 38120. The meeting, which runs from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day, will take place in DU's Conference Center. The purpose of the Advisory Committee, which is co-chaired by the USGS and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, is to represent the interests of the bird banding community, including both game and non-game birds, in advising the U.S. Department of the Interior, USGS, on current and future management of the bird banding laboratory. The agenda for this meeting will focus on a Committee review of the results of the work done since the last meeting by four smaller subgroups. Each subgroup was charged with developing draft issue statement for one of the following topics: (1) Bird banding permits; (2) data collection and storage; (3) data dissemination; and (4) partnerships. Subsequent to the review discussion, the Committee will finalize statements for each issue and begin developing recommendations for action.

The meeting is open to all members of the interested public, and time on the agenda has been reserved at the conclusion of each day's work for the Committee to receive verbal comments (limited to 5 minutes per person) from the public. To speak before the Committee, please register in advance with Mr. Daniel James (see contact

information below), the USGS Designated Federal Official (DFO) for the Committee.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Daniel L. James, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, MS 301, Reston, Virginia 20192; 703-648-4253, e-mail: dan_james@usgs.gov.

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Acting Associate Director for Biology.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Call for Nominations for Resource Advisory Councils

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Resource Advisory Council call for nominations.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to request public nominations for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Resource Advisory Councils (RACs) that have member terms expiring this year. The RACs provide advice and recommendations to BLM on land use planning and management of the public lands within their geographic areas. The BLM will consider public nominations for 45 days after the publication date of this notice.

DATES: Send all nominations to the appropriate BLM State Office by no later than March 27, 2006.

ADDRESSES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for the locations to send your nominations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Melanie Wilson Gore, U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Intergovernmental Affairs, 1849 C Street, MS-LS-406, Washington, DC 20240; 202-452-0377.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) (43 U.S.C. 1730) directs the Secretary of the Interior to involve the public in planning and issues related to management of lands administered by BLM. Section 309 of FLPMA directs the Secretary to select 10 to 15 member citizen-based advisory councils that are consistent with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). As required by the FACA, RAC membership must be balanced and representative of the various interests concerned with the

management of the public lands. The rules governing RACs are found at 43 CFR 1784.b. These include three categories:

Category One—Holders of Federal grazing permits and representatives of organizations associated with energy and mineral development, timber industry, transportation or rights-of-way, off-highway vehicle use, and commercial recreation;

Category Two—Representatives of nationally or regionally recognized environmental organizations, archaeological and historic organizations, dispersed recreation users, and wild horse and burro organizations; and

Category Three—Representatives of State, county, or local elected office; representatives and employees of a State agency responsible for management of natural resources; representatives of Indian Tribes within or adjacent to the area for which the Council is organized; representatives of and employed as academicians involved in natural sciences; and the public-at-large.

Individuals may nominate themselves or others. Nominees must be residents of the State or States in which the RAC has jurisdiction. The BLM will evaluate nominees based on their education, training, and experience and their knowledge of the geographical area of the RAC. Nominees should demonstrate a commitment to collaborative resource decisionmaking. The following must accompany all nominations:

- Letters of reference from represented interests or organizations,
- A completed background information nomination form,
- Any other information that speaks to the nominee's qualifications

Simultaneous with this notice, BLM State Offices will issue press releases providing additional information for submitting nominations, with specifics about the number and categories of member positions available for each RAC in the State. Nominations for RACs should be sent to the appropriate BLM offices listed below.

Alaska

Alaska RAC

Danielle Allen, Alaska State Office, BLM, 222 West 7th Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513; (907) 271-3335.

Arizona

Arizona RAC

Deborah Stevens, Arizona State Office, BLM, One North Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85004; (602) 417-9215.

California*Central California RAC*

Deane Swickard, Folsom Field Office, BLM, 63 Natoma Street, Folsom, California 95630; (916) 985-4474.

Northeastern California RAC

Jeff Fontana, Eagle Lake Field Office, BLM, 2950 Riverside Drive, Susanville, California 96130; (530) 257-0456.

Northwestern California RAC

Jeff Fontana, Eagle Lake Field Office, BLM, 2950 Riverside Drive, Susanville, California 96130; (530) 257-0456.

Colorado*Front Range RAC*

Ken Smith, Royal Gorge Field Office, BLM, 3170 E. Main Street, Canon City, Colorado 81212; (719) 269-8553.

Northwest RAC

David Boyd, Glenwood Springs Field Office, BLM, 50629 Highways 6 and 24, Glenwood Springs, Colorado 81601; (970) 947-2800.

Southwest RAC

Melodie Lloyd, Grand Junction Field Office, BLM, 2815 H Road, Grand Junction, Colorado 81506; (970) 244-3097.

Idaho*Coeur d'Alene District RAC*

Stephanie Snook, Coeur d'Alene District Office, BLM, 1808 North Third Street, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814; (208) 769-5004.

Idaho Falls District RAC

David Howell, Idaho Falls District Office, BLM, 1405 Hollipark Drive, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401; (208) 524-7559.

Boise District RAC

MJ Byrne, Boise District Office, BLM, 3948 Development Avenue, Boise, Idaho 83705; (208) 384-3393.

Twin Falls District RAC

Sky Buffat, Twin Falls District Office, BLM, 2536 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301; (208) 735-2068.

Montana and Dakotas*Eastern Montana RAC*

Mary Apple, Montana State Office, BLM, 5001 Southgate Drive, Billings, Montana 59101; (406) 896-5258.

Central Montana RAC

Kaylene Patten, Lewistown Field Office, BLM, 920 Northeast Main, Lewistown, Montana 59457; (406) 538-1957.

Western Montana RAC

Marilyn Krause, Butte Field Office, BLM, 106 North Parkmont, Butte, Montana 59701; (406) 533-7617.

Dakotas RAC

Lonny Bagley, North Dakota Field Office, BLM, 2933 Third Avenue West, Dickinson, North Dakota 58601; (701) 227-7703.

Nevada*Mojave-Southern RAC; Northeastern Great Basin RAC; Sierra Front Northwestern RAC*

Debra Kolkman, Nevada State Office, BLM, 1340 Financial Boulevard, Reno, Nevada 89502; (775) 289-1946.

New Mexico*New Mexico RAC*

Theresa Herrera, New Mexico State Office, BLM, 1474 Rodeo Road, P.O. Box 27115, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505; (505) 438-7517.

Oregon/Washington*Eastern Washington RAC; John Day/Snake RAC; Southeast Oregon RAC*

Pam Robbins, Oregon State Office, BLM, 333 SW First Avenue, P.O. Box 2965, Portland, Oregon 97208; (503) 808-6306.

Utah*Utah RAC*

Sherry Foot, Utah State Office, BLM, 440 West 200 South, Suite 500, P.O. Box 45155, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101; (801) 539-4195.

Lawrence E. Benna,

Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management****Notice of Establishing and Call for Nominations for the Sonoran Desert National Monument Advisory Council**

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is publishing this notice under section 9 (a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The BLM is giving notice that the Secretary of the Interior is establishing the Sonoran Desert National Monument Advisory Council (SDNMAC) and

calling for nominations for positions on the SDNMAC. This notice requests the public to submit nominations for membership on the SDNMAC. Any individual or organization may nominate one or more persons to serve on the SDNMAC. Individuals may nominate themselves for SDNMAC membership.

DATES: Submit nominations to the address listed below no later than 45 days after date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: SDNM Advisory Council, c/o Karen Kelleher, Monument Manager, BLM, Phoenix District, 21605 North 7th Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85027, Phone 623-580-5500, FAX 623-580-5580, e-mail: AZ_SDNMAC@blm.gov, Internet: <http://www.blm.gov/az/sonoran/council.htm>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the SDNMAC is to advise BLM on the management of the Sonoran Desert National Monument as described in the Secretary of the Interior's January 19, 2001 Memorandum. Each member will be a person qualified through education, training, knowledge, or experience to give informed and objective advice regarding the purposes for which the Monument was established, have demonstrated experience or knowledge of the geographical area under the purview of the Council, and have demonstrated a commitment to collaborate in seeking solutions to a wide spectrum of resource management issues. The authority to establish this Committee is found in section 309 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, Pub. L. 94-579 and in section 14(b) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. Appendix.

You may obtain nomination forms on the Internet at www.blm.gov/az/sonoran/council.htm or from the SDNM, Bureau of Land Management (see address above). To make a nomination, submit a completed nomination form, letters of reference from the represented interests or organizations, as well as any other information that speaks to the nominee's qualifications, to the SDNM, Bureau of Land Management (see address above). Nominees must reside in Arizona or those portions of adjoining states which the BLM in Arizona administers (including St. George, Utah). The Secretary will appoint 15 members to the Council.

The Council shall consist of the following:

- Four persons, one from each tribe, who are selected from nominees submitted by the governing bodies of