

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management****[AK-910-1310-PP-ARAC]****Notice of Call for Nominations, Elected Official for the BLM Alaska Resource Advisory Council (RAC)****AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to solicit nominations for the vacant elected official seat on the Bureau of Land Management's Alaska Resource Advisory Council. The council provides advice and recommendations to BLM on management of public lands in Alaska.

DATES: Submit a completed nomination form to the address listed below no later than March 23, 2006. Nomination forms are available at http://www.blm.gov/rac/ak/ak_index.htm, click on "Alaska" or contact the BLM Alaska RAC coordinator listed below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Danielle Allen, BLM Alaska RAC Coordinator, Office of Communications (912), Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 W. 7th Avenue #13, Anchorage, AK 99513; telephone 907-271-3335.

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 Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. Appendix 1). Members serve without monetary compensation, but will be reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses at current rates for Government employees. As required by the FACA, RAC membership must be balanced and representative of the various interests concerned with the management of the public lands. BLM regulations governing RACs are found at 43 CFR Subpart 1784. Section 309 (a) of FLPMA, which states that at least one member of the advisory council must be an elected official of general purpose government serving the people within the jurisdiction of the council. The vacant seat on the Alaska Resource Advisory Council falls in category three as described in the regulations at 43 CFR 1784.6-1 (c) (3). Individuals may nominate themselves or others to serve on the RAC. Nominees must be

residents of Alaska. 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 decision-making.

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.

Nomination forms are available from Danielle Allen, BLM Alaska RAC Coordinator, Office of Communications (912), Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 W. 7th Avenue #13, Anchorage, AK 99513; telephone 907-271-3335. Completed applications should be sent to the same address. Internet users may download the form from: http://www.blm.gov/rac/ak/ak_index.htm.

Authority: 43 CFR 1784.4-1.

Dated: December 27, 2005.

Henri R. Bisson,

State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management****[WO-260-09-1060-00-24 1A]****Call for Nomination To Fill the Position of Public Interest for the Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board****AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board Call for a Nomination to fill the position of Public Interest.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to solicit public nominations for the position representing the Public Interest (previously listed as Public at Large) on the Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board. The Board provides advice concerning management, protection, and control of wild free-roaming horses and burros on the public lands administered by the Department of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, and the Department of Agriculture, through the Forest Service.

DATES: Nominations should be submitted to the address listed below no later than March 31, 2006.

ADDRESSES: National Wild Horse and Burro Program, Bureau of Land

Management, Department of the Interior, P.O. Box 12000, Reno, Nevada 89520-0006, Attn: Ramona Delorme; FAX 775-861-6618.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jeff Rawson, Group Manager, Wild Horse and Burro Group, (202) 452-0379. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may contact Mr. Rawson at any time by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Nominations will be for the remainder of the vacated term representing the Public Interest category. The term of this position will be from the date of appointment until the expiration date of July 8, 2008.

Any individual or organization may nominate one or more persons to serve on the Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board. Individuals may also nominate themselves for Board membership. All nomination letters/or resumes should include the nominees: (1) Name, address, phone, and e-mail address if applicable; (2) present occupation; (3) explanation of qualifications to represent the public interest (4) nominating organization, individual or by self; and (5) list of endorsements by qualified individuals and/or letters of endorsement.

As appropriate, certain Board members may be appointed as Special Government Employees. Special Government Employees serve on the board without compensation, and are subject to financial disclosure requirements in the Ethics in Government Act and 5 CFR 2634. Nominations are to be sent to the address listed under **ADDRESSES**, above.

Each nominee will be considered for selection according to their ability to represent their designated constituency, analyze and interpret data and information, evaluate programs, identify problems, work collaboratively in seeking solutions and formulate and recommend corrective actions. Pursuant to Section 7 of the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act, members of the Board cannot be employed by either Federal or State Government. Members will serve without salary, but will be reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses at current rates for Government employees. The Board will meet no less than two times annually. The Director, Bureau of Land Management may call additional meetings in connection with special needs for advice.