

50.19(c)(6). For that reason, no environmental finding has been prepared for this notice.

**Authority:** Sections 211, 221, 224, National Housing Act, 12 U.S.C. 1715b, 1715l, 1715o; Section 7(d), Department of HUD Act, 42 U.S.C. 3535(d.)

Dated: February 1, 2007.

**Brian D. Montgomery,**

*Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of teleconference.

**SUMMARY:** We, the Fish and Wildlife Service, announce a public teleconference of the Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council (Council).

**DATES:** We will hold the teleconference on Tuesday, February 20, 2007, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. (Eastern Time). Members of the public wishing to participate in the teleconference must notify Douglas Hobbs by close of business on Friday, February 16, 2007, per instructions under the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice. Submit written statements for this teleconference no later than February 13, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Council Coordinator, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Mailstop 3103-AEA, Arlington, VA 22203.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Doug Hobbs (see **ADDRESSES**), (703) 358-2336 (phone), (703) 358-2548 (fax), or [doug\\_hobbs@fws.gov](mailto:doug_hobbs@fws.gov) (e-mail).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App., we give notice that the Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council will hold a teleconference on Tuesday, February 20, 2007, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

#### Background

The Council was formed in January 1993 to advise the Secretary of the Interior, through the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, about sport fishing and boating issues. The Council represents the interests of the public and private sectors of the sport fishing and boating communities and is organized to enhance partnerships among industry, constituency groups,

and government. The 18-member Council, appointed by the Secretary of the Interior, includes the Director of the Service and the president of the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, who both serve in ex officio capacities. Other Council members are Directors from State agencies responsible for managing recreational fish and wildlife resources and individuals who represent the interests of saltwater and freshwater recreational fishing, recreational boating, the recreational fishing and boating industries, recreational fisheries resource conservation, aquatic resource outreach and education, and tourism. Background information on the Council is available at <http://www.fws.gov/sfbpc>.

The Council will convene to: (1) Approve recommendations to the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service for funding Fiscal Year 2007 Boating Infrastructure Grant proposals; and (2) Be briefed on a Fish and Wildlife Service proposal related to combining some or all functions of the Fisheries and Habitat Conservation program and the Endangered Species program. The final agenda will be posted on the Internet at <http://www.fws.gov/sfbpc>.

#### Procedures for Public Input

Interested members of the public may submit relevant written or oral information for the Council to consider during the public teleconference. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements or those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda are invited to submit written statements to the Council.

Individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at the public Council teleconference will be limited to 3 minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of one-half hour for all speakers. Interested parties should contact Douglas Hobbs, Council Coordinator, in writing (preferably via e-mail), by Friday, February 16, 2007, at the contact information under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** to be placed on the public speaker list for this teleconference. We must receive your written statements by Tuesday, February 13, 2007, so that the information may be made available to the Council for their consideration prior to this teleconference. Submit your written statements to the Council Coordinator in the following formats: One hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat PDF, WordPerfect, MS Word, MS

PowerPoint, or Rich Text files in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format).

Summary minutes of the conference will be maintained by the Council Coordinator at 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, MS-3101-AEA, Arlington, VA 22203, and will be available for public inspection during regular business hours within 30 days following the meeting. Personal copies may be purchased for the cost of duplication.

Dated: January 24, 2007.

**Kevin Adams,**

*Acting Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[CO-100-1610-DP]

#### Notice of Availability of Draft Little Snake Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement, Colorado

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA, 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA, 43 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a Draft Resource Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (RMP/EIS) for the Little Snake Field Office and by this notice is announcing the opening of the comment period.

**DATES:** To assure that they will be considered, BLM must receive written comments on the Draft RMP/EIS within 90 days following the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes their Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. The BLM will announce future meetings or hearings and any other public involvement activities at least 15 days in advance through public notices, media news releases, and/or mailings.

**ADDRESSES:** The Draft RMP/EIS will be posted on the Internet at <http://www.co.blm.gov/lspa/rmp>. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *E-mail:* [colsrmp@blm.gov](mailto:colsrmp@blm.gov).
- *Fax:* (970) 826-5002.

- *Mail:* Jeremy Casterson, BLM—Little Snake Field Office, 455 Emerson St., Craig, CO 81625.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeremy Casterson, Planning and

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The planning area is located in Northwest Colorado in Moffat, Routt, and Rio Blanco Counties. The plan will provide a framework to guide subsequent management decisions on approximately 1.3 million acres of BLM-administered public lands and 1.1 million acres of subsurface mineral estate administered by the BLM. Little Snake Field Office is currently being managed under its 1989 RMP, which has been amended for Oil and Gas Leasing (1991), Black-Footed Ferret Reintroduction (1996) and Land Health Standards (1997).

The Little Snake Field Office has worked extensively with the community, interested and affected publics, and cooperating agencies in development of the Draft RMP/EIS. An independent local citizen-based stewardship group, the Northwest Colorado Stewardship (NWCOS), has been very engaged in the RMP revision. NWCOS has provided input on issues that will be addressed in the planning process, the range of alternatives and the impact analysis. Cooperating agencies include Moffat County, Colorado Department of Natural Resources, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Ecological Services, the City of Steamboat Springs and the Juniper Water Conservancy District.

The Draft RMP/EIS addresses many issues important to the area, including energy development, special designations, transportation and travel management, wildlife habitat and socio-economic values. Four alternatives were analyzed in the Draft RMP/EIS.

Alternative A would maintain present uses by continuing present management direction and activities. Mineral and energy development and unrestricted off-highway vehicle (OHV) travel would be allowed throughout a majority of the planning area.

Alternative B would allow the greatest extent of resource use within the planning area, while maintaining the basic protection needed to sustain resources. Under this alternative, constraints on commodity production for the protection of sensitive resources would be the least restrictive possible within the limits defined by law, regulation and BLM policy.

Alternative C, the Preferred Alternative, would emphasize multiple resource use in the planning area by protecting sensitive resources and

applying the most current information that allows BLM to set priorities for flexible, proactive management of public lands (adaptive management). Commodity production would be balanced with providing protection for wildlife and vegetation.

Alternative D would allow the greatest extent of resource protection within the planning area, while still allowing resource uses. Commodity production would be constrained to protect natural resource values or to accelerate improvement in their condition.

In the preferred alternative, Alternative C, Irish Canyon is designated as an Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC). The ACEC objective would be to protect sensitive plants, remnant plant communities, cultural and geologic values, and scenic quality. The area would be closed to oil and gas leasing, limited to designated routes for off-highway vehicles, withdrawn from locatable mineral entry, managed as Visual Resource Management Class II, and Right-of-way exclusion area unless associated with valid existing rights.

ACEC proposals which were determined to meet the relevance and importance criteria but not designated ACECs in the preferred alternative because they were deemed not to warrant special management attention include Lookout Mountain, Limestone Ridge, Cross Mountain Canyon, White-tailed Prairie Dog habitat, and eleven areas proposed to protect sensitive plants and plant communities: Cold Desert Shrublands occurrences, Gibben's Beardtongue occurrences, Bull Canyon, G Gap, Little Juniper Canyon, the Bassett Spring, No Name Spring, Pot Creek, Whiskey Springs, Willow Spring, and Deception Creek.

All submissions will be available for public inspection in their entirety. Copies of the Little Snake Draft RMP/EIS are available in the Little Snake Field Office at the above address during regular business hours 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Dated: May 26, 2006.

**John E. Husband,**  
*Field Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Reclamation

#### Red River Valley Water Supply Project, ND

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability of Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS) and Announcement of Public Hearings.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Reclamation published a notice in the **Federal Register** on December 30, 2005 (70 FR, 77425) informing the public of the availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Red River Valley Water Supply Project. We are now notifying the public that Reclamation and the State of North Dakota have prepared a Supplemental DEIS in response to public comment and new information. It is now available for review and comment. The Supplemental DEIS provides new information and additional analyses related to water supply needs, water quality, Missouri River flow depletions, aquatic resources, social-economics, and the risk of transfer of potentially invasive species from the Missouri River into the Red River and Hudson Bay basins from potential treatment or conveyance failures. Alternatives considered in the 2005 DEIS have been revised, two have been eliminated from consideration, and a federally-preferred alternative has been identified in the Supplemental DEIS.

**DATES:** A 45-day public review period begins with the publication of this notice and ends on March 26, 2007. All comments on the Supplemental DEIS must be received by Reclamation on or before March 26, 2007 at the address provided below.

*Four public hearings will be held:*

- February 27, 2007, 7 p.m., Bismarck, ND
- February 28, 2007, 7 p.m., Fargo, ND
- March 1, 2007, 7 p.m., Fort Yates, ND
- March 2, 2007, 7 p.m., Fort Berthold (New Town), ND

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments on the Supplemental DEIS to: Red River Valley Water Supply Project EIS, Bureau of Reclamation, Dakotas Area Office, P.O. Box 1017, Bismarck, ND 58502.

#### Public Hearing Locations

- Bismarck, ND, Best Western Doublewood Inn, 1400 Interchange Ave., 58501.