

community, the shooting and hunting sports industry, wildlife conservation organizations, the States, Native American tribes, and the Federal Government.

The Council advises the Secretary of the Interior (DOI) and the Secretary of Agriculture (USDA), reporting through the Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), in consultation with the Director of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Chief of the Forest Service (USFS), Chief of the Natural Resources Service (NRCS), and Administrator of the Farm Services Agency (FSA). The Council's duties are strictly advisory and consist of, but are not limited to, providing recommendations for:

(a) Implementing the Recreational Hunting and Wildlife Resource Conservation Plan—A Ten-Year Plan for Implementation;

(b) Increasing public awareness of and support for the Sport Wildlife Trust Fund;

(c) Fostering wildlife and habitat conservation and ethics in hunting and shooting sports recreation;

(d) Stimulating sportsmen and women's participation in conservation and management of wildlife and habitat resources through outreach and education;

(e) Fostering communication and coordination among State, Tribal, and Federal Government; industry; hunting and shooting sportsmen and women; wildlife and habitat conservation and management organizations; and the public;

(f) Providing appropriate access to Federal lands for recreational shooting and hunting;

(g) Providing recommendation to improve implementation of Federal conservation programs that benefit wildlife, hunting, and outdoor recreation on private lands; and

(h) When requested by the agencies' designated ex officio members, or the Designated Federal Officer in consultation with the Council Chairman, performing a variety of assessments or reviews of policies, programs, and efforts, through the Council's designated subcommittees or workgroups.

Background information on the Council is available at <http://www.fws.gov/whhcc>.

#### Teleconference Agenda

The Council will convene by telephone to discuss: (1) The U.S. Forest Service's Planning Rule, (2) the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's National Wildlife Refuge System Vision document, (3) the conservation and

forestry titles of the USDA Farm Bill, and (4) impacts to wildlife and habitat funding resulting from the Equal Access to Justice Act (5 U.S.C. 504; 28 U.S.C. 2412). In advance of the teleconference, we will post the final agenda and copies of materials to be discussed by the Council on the Internet at <http://www.fws.gov/whhcc>.

#### Procedures for Public Input

Interested members of the public may listen to the teleconference, orally present material during the teleconference, or submit written material ahead of time for the Council to consider during the teleconference. Questions from the public will not be considered during the teleconference. Speakers who wish to expand upon oral statements they presented during the teleconference, or those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda, are invited to submit written statements to the Council before the teleconference.

Oral presentations will be limited to 2 minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of 30 minutes for all speakers. Those wishing to give oral presentations must notify the Council Coordinator by July 21, 2011.

Written statements must be received by July 21, 2011, so that the information may be made available to the Council for their consideration prior to this teleconference. Written statements must be supplied to the Council Coordinator in one of the following formats: One hard copy with original signature, or one electronic copy via e-mail. Please submit your statement to Joshua Winchell, Council Coordinator (*see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT*).

In order to listen to or participate in this teleconference, you must register by close of business on July 21, 2011. Please submit your name, e-mail address, and phone number to Joshua Winchell, Council Coordinator (*see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT*).

#### Teleconference Summary Minutes

The Council Coordinator will maintain the teleconference's summary minutes, which will be available for public inspection at the location under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** during regular business hours within 90 days after the teleconference. You may purchase personal copies for the cost of duplication.

Dated: June 24, 2011.

**Gregory E. Siekaniec**,  
Acting Deputy Director.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Utah's Resource Advisory Council (RAC)

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Utah's Resource Advisory Council (RAC).

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Utah RAC will meet as indicated below.

**DATES:** The Utah RAC will meet Thursday, August 4, 2011, (8:15 a.m.—5 p.m.), South Ogden Park & Ride, and Friday, August 5, 2011, (8:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.) in Salt Lake City, Utah.

**ADDRESSES:** On August 4, the RAC will meet at the Park-N-Ride, Exit 405 (South Weber Drive), from Highway 89 (South Ogden). The South Weber Park & Ride is the first right crossing Highway 89 on the north side of South Weber Drive. The RAC will meet on the north end of the parking lot. Directions and further information will be provided for the field tour of the Deseret Land and Livestock Allotment (Woodruff, Utah). On August 5, the business meeting will be held at the BLM's Utah State Office, 440 West 200 South, fifth floor Monument Conference Room, Salt Lake City, Utah.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sherry Foot, Special Programs Coordinator, Utah State Office, Bureau of Land Management, P.O. Box 45155, Salt Lake City, Utah 84145-0155; phone (801) 539-4195.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The 15-member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Utah. On August 4, planned agenda topics include a field tour of the Three Creeks Allotment on the Deseret Land and Livestock (DLL) in Woodruff, Utah. The RAC will view the long-term and annual benefits to wildlife, livestock water quality, and recreational opportunities of "time control" grazing. A presentation on data collected from DLL from Open Range Consulting will also take place. For tour convenience and parking at the DLL, only the first four (4) vehicles to sign on for the field tour will be permitted to accompany the RAC. These vehicles

should be 4-wheel drive and have heavy-duty tires due to the terrain. To sign on for the tour, contact Sherry Foot, Special Programs Coordinator, (801) 539-4195, no later than close of business July 25, 2011.

On August 5, a business meeting will be held to discuss the ecological, social, and economic values that can be created by the proposed grazing strategy (follow-up to the field tour); RAC voting in support of the Rich County Project subgroup report; RAC subgroup report on the draft BLM Utah Instruction Memorandum on the Statewide Travel Management Planning Policy; Air Quality status update; a conference call with BLM's Director Abbey on the RAC's involvement with the America's Great Outdoors Initiative; and, Grazing/Range monitoring guidelines and protocol. The conference call with Director Abbey will take place from 1-1:45 p.m. (Mountain Time). A half-hour public comment period, where the public may address the Council, is scheduled for August 5, from 2:45-3:15 p.m. Written comments may be sent to the Bureau of Land Management addressed listed above.

All meetings are open to the public; however, transportation, lodging, and meals are the responsibility of the participating public.

Dated: June 29, 2011.

**Juan Palma,**  
State Director.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Reclamation

### National Park Service

#### Notice of Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement and Conduct Public Scoping on the Adoption of a Long-Term Experimental and Management Plan for the Operation of Glen Canyon Dam

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Reclamation and National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** On December 10, 2009, Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) Ken Salazar announced that the development of a Long-Term Experimental and Management Plan (LTEMP) for Glen Canyon Dam was needed. The Secretary emphasized the inclusion of stakeholders, particularly those in the Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Program (GCDAMP), in the

development of the LTEMP. The Department of the Interior (Department), through the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) and the National Park Service (NPS), will prepare a draft environmental impact statement (EIS) and conduct public scoping for the adoption of a LTEMP for the operation of Glen Canyon Dam. The Department's decision to develop the LTEMP is a component of its efforts to continue to comply with the ongoing requirements and obligations established by the Grand Canyon Protection Act of 1992 (Pub. L. 102-575) (GCPA). Reclamation and the NPS will co-lead this effort because Reclamation has primary responsibility for operation of Glen Canyon Dam and the NPS has primary responsibility for Grand Canyon National Park and Glen Canyon National Recreation Area.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Beverley Heffernan, telephone (801) 524-3712; facsimile (801) 524-3826; e-mail [LTEMPEIS@usbr.gov](mailto:LTEMPEIS@usbr.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The GCDAMP was established by, and has been implemented pursuant to the Secretary's 1996 Record of Decision on the Operation of Glen Canyon Dam (ROD), in order to comply with monitoring and consultation requirements of the GCPA. The GCDAMP includes a Federal advisory committee known as the Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Work Group (AMWG), a technical work group, a scientific monitoring and research center administered by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), and independent scientific review panels. The AMWG makes recommendations to the Secretary concerning Glen Canyon Dam operations and other management actions to protect resources downstream of Glen Canyon Dam consistent with the GCPA and other applicable provisions of Federal law.

The purpose of the proposed LTEMP is to utilize current, and develop additional scientific information, to better inform Departmental decisions and to operate the dam in such a manner as to improve and protect important downstream resources while maintaining compliance with relevant laws including the GCPA, the Law of the River, and the Endangered Species Act (ESA). The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process will document and evaluate impacts of the alternatives described in the EIS. The LTEMP is intended to develop and implement a structured, long-term experimental and management plan, to determine the need for potential future modifications to Glen Canyon Dam

operations, and to determine whether to establish an ESA Recovery Implementation Program for endangered fish species below Glen Canyon Dam.

A primary function of the LTEMP will be to identify adaptive management experiments that have been successfully completed under the GCDAMP and to evaluate potential future experiments that may further inform management decisions. Revised dam operations and other actions under the jurisdiction of the Secretary will be considered for alternatives in the EIS, in keeping with the scope of the GCPA. The LTEMP will be the first EIS completed on the operations of Glen Canyon Dam since the 1995 EIS, which was intended to allow the Secretary to "balance and meet statutory responsibilities for protecting downstream resources for future generations and producing hydropower, and to protect affected Native American interests." Given that it has been 15 years since completion of the 1996 ROD on the operation of Glen Canyon Dam, the Department will study new information developed through the GCDAMP, including information on climate change, so as to more fully inform future decisions regarding the operation of Glen Canyon Dam and other management and experimental actions.

As stated above, the LTEMP will build on more than a decade of scientific experimentation and monitoring undertaken as part of the GCDAMP. Accordingly, Reclamation and the NPS intend, where appropriate, to incorporate by reference, or tier from, earlier NEPA compliance documents prepared as part of the Department's Glen Canyon Dam adaptive management efforts, see 40 CFR 1500.4(i), 1502.20, and 1508.20(b), such as the Environmental Assessment for an Experimental Protocol for High-Flow Releases from Glen Canyon Dam and the Environmental Assessment for Non-Native Fish Control in the Colorado River Downstream from Glen Canyon Dam that are currently in preparation.

Environmental documentation and updated information developed for the Long-Term Experimental Plan (LTEMP) EIS (that was partially developed during 2006-2007) will be utilized. In a **Federal Register** notice published on February 12, 2008 (73 FR 8062), the LTEMP EIS was put on hold until completion of environmental compliance on a five-year plan of experimental flows (2008-2012), including a high-flow test completed in March 2008 and yearly fall steady flows to be conducted in September and October of each year from 2008-2012.