

submissions via email, mail, meetings, and fax. Each submission was carefully reviewed to identify substantive comments and substantive comments were considered and incorporated as appropriate in the Proposed RMP/Final EIS. The focus of public comment on the Draft RMP/Draft EIS reinforced the issues discovered during scoping.

Five alternatives are analyzed in the Proposed RMP/Final EIS. The “no action” alternative, Alternative A, represents the current management situation for both the LS and the SDNM decision areas and serves as a baseline for most resource and land-use allocations.

Alternative B identifies the greatest amount of public lands suitable for appropriate multiple uses, emphasizing opportunities for motorized and developed recreational uses while reducing opportunities for experiencing remote settings and non-motorized recreation.

Alternative C attempts to balance resource protection with human use and influence providing for a variety of uses that emphasize resource protection and conservation and propose a mix of natural processes and techniques for resource stabilization and restoration.

Alternative D places the greatest emphasis on minimizing human use/influence and maintaining primitive landscapes by focusing on natural processes and other unobtrusive methods for resource stabilization and restoration.

Alternative E, the Proposed Alternative, attempts to balance human use and influence with resource protection by incorporating elements from each of the other action alternatives. It provides long-term protection and conservation of resources.

Comments on the Draft RMP/Draft EIS pertained to a number of issues, including but not limited to the scope of the document, NEPA adequacy of the baseline data and impact analysis, information related to consultation and coordination on the action, and policies and guidance the BLM needed to follow. Comments were also received for the following resources and resource uses: Air quality, cultural resources, wildlife, livestock grazing, land use and special designations, minerals and energy, noise, national historic trails, recreation, socioeconomics, special status species, tribal interests, vegetation, visual resources, wilderness characteristics, and water resources. Due to review of public comments, coordination with cooperating agencies, and internal reviews of the Draft RMP/Draft EIS, several revisions have been made to this

Proposed RMP/Final EIS. The BLM reviewed all new information and changes and determined it was not necessary to issue a supplemental EIS. The following is a summary of substantive changes made to the Proposed RMP/Final EIS.

There were several comments that the BLM had not complied with BLM Washington Office (WO) Instruction Memorandum (IM) No. 2011–154, Requirement to Conduct and Maintain Inventory Information for Wilderness Characteristics and to Consider Lands with Wilderness Characteristics in Land Use Plans. Commenters noted several geographic areas that were not addressed in the Draft EIS, including Sentinel Plain. In response, the BLM completed its inventory for wilderness characteristics on all BLM lands in the planning area and has included this new information in the Final EIS.

Commenters also noted that the BLM did not comply with the BLM WO IM No. 2011–004, Revised Recreation and Visitor Services Land Use Planning Guidance, Updated Checklist, and Three Land Use Planning Templates. In response, the BLM revised the recreation allocations to comply with the new guidance.

BLM received many comments regarding recreational target shooting that were both opposed to, and in favor of closure of the Monument to target shooting. Alternative E (the Proposed Plan) was revised to allow the Monument to remain open to recreational target shooting consistent with the No Action alternative, subject to restrictions, monitoring, and input from local stakeholders and the public to address the impacts of recreational shooting.

The document was also edited to correct minor inconsistencies (e.g., incorrect table references or titles), typos, and other technical issues.

The BLM responses to the comments are presented in the Proposed RMP/Final EIS in Chapter 6, Response to Comments on the Draft RMP/Draft EIS.

Instructions for filing a protest with the Director of the BLM regarding the Proposed RMP/Final EIS may be found in the “Dear Reader Letter” of the LS and SDNM Proposed RMP/Final EIS and at 43 CFR 1610.5–2. Emailed and faxed protests will not be accepted as valid protests unless the protesting party also provides the original letter by either regular or overnight mail postmarked by the close of the protest period. Under these conditions, the BLM will consider the emailed or faxed protest as an advance copy and it will receive full consideration. If you wish to provide the BLM with such advance

notification, please direct faxed protests to the attention of the BLM protest coordinator at 202–912–7212, and emails to [Brenda\\_Hudgens-Williams@blm.gov](mailto:Brenda_Hudgens-Williams@blm.gov).

All protests, including the follow-up letter to emails or faxes, must be in writing and mailed to the appropriate address, as set forth in the **ADDRESSES** section above.

Before including your phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your protest, you should be aware that your entire protest—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your protest to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**Authority:** 40 CFR 1506.6 and 1506.10, 43 CFR 1610.2 and 1610.5.

**Raymond Suazo,**  
*Arizona State Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey; Arizona

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey; Arizona.

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**SUMMARY:** The plats of survey of the described lands were officially filed in the Arizona State Office, Bureau of Land Management, Phoenix, Arizona, on dates indicated.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### The Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona

The supplemental plat representing the amended lottings in the SE 1/4 of section 36, Township 6 North, Range 6 West, accepted June 1, 2012, and officially filed June 4, 2012, for Group 9106, Arizona.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Land Management.

A person or party who wishes to protest against any of these surveys must file a written protest with the Arizona State Director, Bureau of Land Management, stating that they wish to protest.

A statement of reasons for a protest may be filed with the notice of protest to the State Director, or the statement of reasons must be filed with the State

Director within thirty (30) days after the protest is filed.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

These plats will be available for inspection in the Arizona State Office, Bureau of Land Management, One North Central Avenue, Suite 800, Phoenix, Arizona, 85004-4427. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

**Stephen K. Hansen,**

*Chief Cadastral Surveyor of Arizona.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Reclamation

#### Draft Report Assessing Rural Water Activities and Related Programs

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** The draft Rural Water Assessment Report reviews the status of the Bureau of Reclamation's rural potable water projects and its plan for completing projects authorized before enactment of the Rural Water Supply Act and including a description of the proposed prioritization criteria as an appendix. It also describes Federal Programs supporting development and management of water supplies in rural communities in the 17 western states and describes Reclamation's plans to coordinate the Rural Water Supply Program with similar programs managed by other agencies.

**DATES:** Submit written comments by August 14, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments to James Hess, Bureau of Reclamation, 1849 C Street NW., MC: 96-42000, Washington, DC 20240; or by email to [jhess@usbr.gov](mailto:jhess@usbr.gov). The draft report is available for public review at [www.usbr.gov/ruralwater](http://www.usbr.gov/ruralwater).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** James Hess at (202) 513-0543 about the report or Christopher Perry at (303) 445-2887 about the prioritization criteria.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** We, the Bureau of Reclamation, are seeking public comment on a draft Rural Water Assessment Report prepared as required

by the Rural Water Supply Act of 2006. This section provides background on the reasons for the report and describes its contents.

For over a century, Reclamation has designed and constructed some of the largest and most important water supply projects in the Western United States including Hoover Dam, Grand Coulee Dam, and the Central Valley Project. Because of Reclamation's expertise in water resources management, rural communities have sought our advice and assistance in addressing their need for potable water supplies. However, since Reclamation did not have legal authority to provide this assistance, many rural communities developed potable water supply projects without the benefit of our expertise and went directly to Congress to get their projects authorized for Reclamation's involvement—often after the project plan was developed. As a result, since 1980, Congress has authorized Reclamation to design and build projects to deliver potable water supplies to specific rural communities located primarily in North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana and New Mexico. In addition, Congress specifically authorized Reclamation's involvement in the Lewis and Clark Rural Water Supply Project located in the Reclamation State of South Dakota, but also in the non-Reclamation States of Iowa and Minnesota.

To get Reclamation involved earlier in the process, Congress passed the Reclamation Rural Water Supply Act in 2006 which authorized the Secretary of the Interior to establish and carry out a rural water supply program in the 17 western states.

The Act also requires the Secretary of the Interior to develop an assessment of rural potable water supply projects and programs in the Western United States. As part of that requirement, the Act requires the Secretary of the Interior to develop this assessment in consultation with the Secretaries of Agriculture, Housing and Urban Development, and the Army; the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency; and the Director of the Indian Health Service. The assessment must include the following:

- (1) The status of all rural water supply projects under the jurisdiction of the Secretary that are authorized for design and construction, but not completed;
- (2) The current plan for the completion of the authorized rural water projects identified above;
- (3) The demand for new rural water supply projects;
- (4) The rural water programs within other agencies;

(5) The extent of the demand that can be met by the Reclamation Rural Water Supply Program; and

(6) How the Program will complement and coordinate with other Federal rural water supply programs to minimize overlap and leverage and maximize the benefits achieved with the resources of each.

#### Public Disclosure

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, please be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

#### Authority

The Reclamation Rural Water Supply Act of December 22, 2006 (Pub. L. 109-451, Title I, 120 Stat. 3346, 43 U.S.C. 2401, *et seq.*).

**David Murillo,**

*Deputy Commissioner, Operations.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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### Agency Information Collection

#### Activities: COPS Progress Report, Revision of a Previously Approved Collection, With Change; Comments Requested

**ACTION:** 60-Day notice of information collection under review.

The Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The revision of a previously approved information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies.

The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days for public comment until August 14, 2012. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

If you have comments, especially on the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed