

domestic sheep can result in the transmittal of the disease, cause mortality to individual bighorn sheep, and affect herd health.

Other key issues identified and analyzed in the Final EIS involve the impact of livestock grazing on riparian area conditions and aquatic habitat causing the alteration of the health and composition of riparian vegetation communities, especially fish and amphibian habitat conditions; GRSG habitat conditions and the maintenance and enhancement of GRSG populations in accordance with BLM policy. Additionally, livestock grazing that may result in the reduction or removal of native vegetation communities that protect watershed soil and hydrologic function are analyzed in the Final EIS. Also included is an analysis of the potential effects of livestock grazing and trailing on special status plant species and their sustainability, as well as on the spread of noxious and invasive weeds. The BLM analyzed the potential effects of six alternative grazing systems. Alternative 1 is the No Action alternative, which analyzes the consequences of allowing current grazing management actions to continue. Alternative 2 reflects the applications proposed by the permittees currently authorized to graze in these allotments. This alternative is described as the Proposed Action and is, in this case, one that was developed by non-BLM parties. Alternative 3 analyzes the incorporation of a deferred grazing schedule where postponement or delay of grazing is used to achieve management objectives. Alternative 4 incorporates a grazing schedule that prescribes seasons-of-use changes including rest and deferment to protect and enhance high-value resources during certain times of the year. Both alternatives 3 and 4 may include animal unit month (AUM) reductions at varying levels. Alternative 5 addresses the effects specific to a change in livestock classification from sheep to cattle on a single allotment. Alternative 6 analyzes the effects of authorizing no grazing in the allotments for a period of 10 years. The Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) directs the BLM to “identify the agency’s preferred alternative or alternatives, if one or more exists, in the draft statement and identify such alternative in the final statement unless another law prohibits the expression of such a preference (40 CFR 1502.14 (e)).” The BLM did not identify a preferred alternative during the Draft EIS public comment period but has identified a preferred alternative in the Final EIS, as required in the CEQ regulations and in

BLM policy. The preferred alternative is an allotment-specific composite of the different action alternatives, the effects of which are analyzed in the Final EIS. The preferred alternative includes a reconfiguration of two allotments into one, as requested by the permittees. Alternative 2 is identified for 6 of the allotments, Alternative 4 for 7 allotments, and Alternative 3 for the remaining 11 allotments in the group, including for the newly combined Wild Rat allotment.

Comments on the Draft EIS received from the public and internal BLM review were considered and incorporated, as appropriate, into the Final EIS. Public comments resulted in the addition of clarifying text but did not significantly change proposed decisions.

Authority: 40 CFR 1506.6, 40 CFR 1506.10.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Intent To Collect Fees on Public Lands in the Red Cliffs National Conservation Area, Washington County, UT; Correction

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Correction.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) published a notice in the September 5, 2013, **Federal Register**, (78 FR 54676), Notice of Intent to Collect Fees on Public Lands in the Red Cliffs National Conservation Area, Washington County, UT, which contained erroneous information regarding the use of the America the Beautiful passes at White Reef Park for day-use of park amenities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kyle Voyles, National Conservation Area (NCA) Outdoor Recreation Planner, Bureau of Land Management, St. George Field Office, 345 E. Riverside Drive, St. George, Utah 84790; email kvoyles@blm.gov; or telephone (435) 688–3274. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 to leave a message or question for the above individual. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Replies

are provided during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This action corrects the first column, second paragraph on page 54676 to read, “Pursuant to 43 CFR Part 2930, standard amenity fees will be collected through the issuance of a BLM Recreation Use Permit for the day-use of the White Reef Park amenities. Fees will be collected through a self-service pay station located at White Reef Park. Holders of the America the Beautiful—the National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Pass do not have to pay the standard amenity fee.”

Jenna Whitlock,

Associate State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Notice of Public Meeting, Pecos District Resource Advisory Council Meeting, New Mexico

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Pecos District Resource Advisory Council (RAC), will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The meeting is on November 19, 2013, from 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be at the Bureau of Land Management Carlsbad Field Office, 620 East Greene Street, Carlsbad, NM, on November 19. The public may send written comments to the RAC, 2909 W. 2nd Street, Roswell, NM 88201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Howard Parman, Pecos District, Bureau of Land Management, 2909 W. 2nd Street, Roswell, NM 88201, 575–627–0212. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8229 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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 10-member RAC advises the Secretary of