

**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Land Management**

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**Notice of Public Meetings: Sierra  
Front-Northwestern Great Basin  
Resource Advisory Council, Nevada**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**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 (BLM) Sierra Front-Northwestern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council (RAC), will hold a meeting in Nevada, in September 2015. The meeting is open to the public.

**DATES AND TIMES:** September 17 and 18 at the BLM Winnemucca, Nevada District. A meeting will be held on Thursday, September 17, at the Winnemucca BLM District Office (5100 East Winnemucca Blvd.) in Winnemucca, Nevada. Approximate meeting times are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. However, meetings could end earlier if discussions and presentations conclude before 4 p.m. The meeting will include a public comment period at approximately 11:30 a.m. A field trip will be held on Friday, September 18 within the Winnemucca BLM District.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lisa Ross, Public Affairs Specialist, Carson City District Office, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, NV 89701, telephone: (775) 885-6107, email: [lross@blm.gov](mailto:lross@blm.gov). 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.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The 15-member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Nevada. Topics for discussion at the meeting will include, but are not limited to:

- September 17-18 (Carson City)—landscape vegetative management, rangeland health assessments, Fire Invasive Assessment Tool (FIAT), sage grouse, drought, and fire restoration.

Managers' reports of district office activities will be distributed at each meeting. The Council may raise other topics at the meetings.

Final agendas will be posted on-line at the BLM Sierra Front-Northwestern Great Basin RAC Web site at [http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/res/resource\\_advisory.html](http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/res/resource_advisory.html) and will be published in local and regional media sources at least 14 days before each meeting.

Individuals who need special assistance such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, or who wish to receive a copy of each agenda, may contact Lisa Ross no later than 10 days prior to each meeting.

**Stephen Clutter,**  
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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Reclamation**

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**Notice of Availability of the Final  
Environmental Impact Statement and  
Final Feasibility Report for the Shasta  
Lake Water Resources Investigation,  
Shasta and Tehama Counties,  
California**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Reclamation has prepared the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Shasta Lake Water Resources Investigation (SLWRI). The purpose of the proposed action is to improve operational flexibility of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta watershed system by modifying the existing Shasta Dam and Reservoir to meet specified objectives. Primary objectives are to increase the survival of anadromous fish populations in the upper Sacramento River and increase water supply and water supply reliability for agricultural, municipal and industrial, and environmental purposes. Secondary planning objectives are to: Conserve, restore, and enhance ecosystem resources in the primary study area; reduce flood damage along the Sacramento River; develop additional hydropower generation capabilities at Shasta Dam; maintain and increase recreation opportunities at Shasta Lake; and maintain or improve water quality conditions in the Sacramento River

downstream from Shasta Dam and in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The companion Final Feasibility Report is also available, and together, these documents are provided to inform the Congress and the public of the technical studies conducted to date.

**DATES:** Ultimately, if the project is authorized by Congress, the Secretary may issue a Record of Decision (ROD) at least 30 days after release of the FEIS. The ROD will state the action that will be implemented, consistent with Congressional authorization, and will discuss all factors leading to the decision.

**ADDRESSES:** The FEIS may be viewed at the SLWRI Web site at [www.usbr.gov/mp/slwri](http://www.usbr.gov/mp/slwri). See the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for locations where copies of the FEIS are available for public review.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Katrina Chow, Reclamation Project Manager, Bureau of Reclamation, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825; 916-978-5067, TDD 916-978-5608; via fax at 916-978-5094; or email to [bor-mpr-slwri@usbr.gov](mailto:bor-mpr-slwri@usbr.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) was published in the **Federal Register** on July 1, 2013 (78 FR 39315). The comment period on the DEIS ended on September 30, 2013. The FEIS contains responses to all comments received and reflects comments and any additional information received during the review period. The Final Feasibility Report and FEIS incorporate clarifying information in consideration of comments received.

Shasta Dam was completed in 1945 to serve multiple purposes, including flood control; water supply for agricultural, municipal and industrial, and environmental purposes; and hydropower generation. In addition, extensive recreational opportunities in and around Shasta Lake significantly contribute to the regional economy.

Authorization for the investigation comes from Public Law (Pub. L.) 96-375, 1980, directing the Secretary of the Interior to engage in feasibility studies related to enlarging Shasta Dam and Reservoir. Related legislation includes Title 34 of Pub. L. 102-575 (the Central Valley Project Improvement Act) and Pub. L. 108-361, the CALFED Bay-Delta Authorization Act. In addition, enlargement of Shasta Dam was identified in the CALFED Programmatic Environmental Impact Report/Statement and Record of Decision.

With the release of the FEIS, the Final Feasibility Report and FEIS will be provided to Congress. The following