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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The temporary closure order applies to 11 sites that encompass approximately 4.5 acres (250-foot radius circle) each and will collectively total approximately 50 acres of BLM-administered lands in the Anderson Butte area of Jackson County, Oregon. This temporary closure is necessary to protect persons, property, public lands, and resources from the discharge or use of firearms at unsafe locations. The temporary closure applies only to recreational target shooting. It does not prohibit public access to this portion of the Anderson Butte or apply to legal hunting in the area.

The Anderson Butte area of BLM-administered lands consists of approximately 11,459 acres located

immediately south of the cities of Jacksonville and Medford, Oregon. The area is used for a variety of outdoor recreational activities including, but not limited to, hiking, horseback riding, hunting, mountain biking, off-highway vehicle use, and recreational target shooting. Despite more than 5 years of efforts to reduce conflicts and dangers associated with recreational target shooting, the BLM continues to receive reports of stray bullets traveling across recreational trails and roads or onto nearby private property. Eleven sites were identified as posing a high risk of potential harm to recreational users of the area and nearby residents due to recreational target shooting activities occurring at those sites.

To ameliorate the dangerous and unsafe target shooting activities at the 11 locations, the BLM Ashland Field

Office signed a Decision Record on March 10, 2022, authorizing a temporary closure to recreational target shooting on select public lands. As stated earlier, the temporary closure only affects recreational target shooting; it does not affect legal hunting.

The BLM will monitor recreation uses and site conditions during the 2-year temporary closure to determine if it resolves the identified safety issues. The findings will help guide long-term solutions to these land management challenges.

The BLM will post recreational target shooting closure signs at main entry points to the Anderson Butte area and at the 11 target shooting locations.

*Description of Closed Areas:* The legal description of the affected public lands is:

TABLE 1—CENTER POINT OF RESTRICTION SITE LOCATIONS, 250' BUFFER FROM CENTER

Site No.	Latitude, longitude	Township, range, section, and subsection
1 .....	42°13'50.92" N, 122°55'32.47" W .....	T38S, R2W, Sec. 27, SW¼
2 .....	42°13'05.97" N, 122°55'42.47" W .....	T38S, R2W, Sec. 34, SW¼
3 .....	42°12'22.14" N, 122°55'59.83" W .....	T39S, R2W, Sec. 3, SW¼
4 .....	42°13'02.40" N, 122°54'26.51" W .....	T38S, R2W, Sec. 35, SW¼
5 .....	42°12'31.66" N, 122°54'10.50" W .....	T39S, R2W, Sec. 2, NE¼
6 .....	42°12'29.14" N, 122°54'23.39" W .....	T39S, R2W, Sec. 2, NW¼
7 .....	42°12'08.84" N, 122°54'56.21" W .....	T39S, R2W, Sec. 3, SE¼
8 .....	42°11'42.75" N, 122°53'15.56" W .....	T39S, R2W, Sec. 12, NW¼
9 .....	42°11'43.92" N, 122°53'27.04" W .....	T39S, R2W, Sec. 12, NW¼
10 .....	42°10'41.22" N, 122°55'47.82" W .....	T39S, R2W, Sec. 15, SW¼
11 .....	42°11'16.57" N, 122°56'33.62" W .....	T39S, R2W, Sec. 9, SE¼

*Closure:* The 11 sites that each encompass approximately 4.5 acres (250-foot radius circle) and totaling approximately 50 acres as described above will be temporarily closed to recreational target shooting.

*Exceptions to Closure:* The following persons are exempt from this order: Federal, State, and local officers and employees in the performance of their official duties; members of organized rescue or fire-fighting forces in the performance of their official duties; and persons with written authorization from the BLM.

*Enforcement:* Any person who violates the restriction may be tried before a United States magistrate and fined in accordance with 18 U.S.C. 3571, imprisoned no more than 12 months under 43 U.S.C. 1733(a) and 43 CFR 8360.0–7, or both. In accordance with 43 CFR 8365.1–7, State or local officials may also impose penalties for violations of State law.

*Effect of Closure:* The 11 sites that encompass approximately 4.5 acres (250-foot radius circle) totaling approximately 50 acres as described earlier and for the duration as described

are temporarily closed to recreational target shooting unless specifically excepted as described above.

(Authority: 43 CFR 8364.1)

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

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**Notice of Intent To Prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Ambler Mining District Industrial Access Road, Fairbanks, Alaska**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended, the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), as amended, and the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act of 1980 (ANILCA), as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) intends to prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to consider the effects of Federal authorizations to construct and operate a 200+mile long industrial access road in the southern Brooks Range foothills of Alaska, terminating at the Ambler Mining District. By this notice BLM is announcing the beginning of the scoping process to solicit public comments and identify issues.

**DATES:** This notice initiates the public-scoping process for the Supplemental EIS. The BLM requests that the public submit comments concerning the scope of the analysis, potential alternatives, and identification of relevant information, and studies by November 4, 2022. To afford the BLM the opportunity to consider comments in the Draft Supplemental EIS, please

ensure your comments are received prior to the close of the 45-day scoping period.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments related to the Proposed Ambler Mining District Industrial Access Road by any of the following methods:

- *Website:* <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/57323/510>.
- *Email:* [BLM\\_AK\\_AKSO\\_AmblerRoad\\_Comments@blm.gov](mailto:BLM_AK_AKSO_AmblerRoad_Comments@blm.gov).
- *Fax:* (907) 271-5479.
- *Mail:* Ambler Road Scoping Comments, 222 West 7th Avenue, Stop #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513.

Documents pertinent to this proposal may be examined online at <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/57323/510> and at the BLM Alaska Public Room, Fairbanks District Office, 222 University Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska 99709; and at the BLM Alaska Public Information Center, Alaska State Office, 222 West 7th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska 99513.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Wendy Huber, Planning and Environmental Specialist, telephone 907-271-3137; address 222 W 7th Ave. Stop #13, Anchorage, AK 99513; email [whuber@blm.gov](mailto:whuber@blm.gov). Contact Ms. Huber to have your name added to our mailing list. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services for contacting Ms. Huber. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Proposed Ambler Mining District Industrial Access Road was originally analyzed in the March 2020 Final EIS and authorized in a Record of Decision (ROD) issued in July 2020. Litigation commenced with suits from multiple parties in August and October 2020. In February 2022, the Department of the Interior requested the U.S. District Court for Alaska grant voluntary remand, stating that additional legal analysis had revealed deficiencies in the BLM's analysis of subsistence impacts under ANILCA Section 810 and consultation with tribes pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). The Court granted that request in May 2022, returning the matter to BLM to correct the identified deficiencies. The BLM will prepare a Supplemental EIS to help address the identified deficiencies, and to ensure compliance with applicable law, including NEPA, FLPMA, NHPA, and

ANILCA. The BLM's Supplemental EIS analysis will focus on more thoroughly assessing the impacts and resources related to the identified deficiencies to facilitate integrating its NEPA analysis with its ongoing ANILCA Section 810 and NHPA Section 106 processes. BLM is providing this opportunity for scoping to help determine which additional impacts and resources should be more thoroughly assessed.

If the BLM holds any public meetings, in-person or virtual, during this 45-day scoping period, specific date(s) and location(s) of meetings will be announced in advance on the project page at <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/57323/510>. The BLM is seeking public comments on issues, concerns, potential impacts, alternatives, and mitigation measures that should be considered in the analysis. Additional opportunities for public participation, including at least a 45-day public comment period, will be provided upon publication of the Draft Supplemental EIS.

The input of Alaska Native Tribes and Corporations is of critical importance to this Supplemental EIS. Therefore, the BLM will continue to consult with potentially affected Federally recognized Tribes on a government-to-government basis, and with affected Alaska Native Corporations in accordance with Executive Order 13175 and Public Law 108-199, Div. H, sec. 161, 118 Stat. 452, as amended by Public Law 108-447, Div. H, sec. 518, 118 Stat. 3267, as well as other Department and Bureau policies. The BLM will hold individual consultation meetings upon request.

The BLM will also use and coordinate the NEPA process to help fulfill its obligations under the National Historic Preservation Act, including as provided in 36 CFR 800.2(d)(3). New information about historic and cultural resources within the area potentially affected by the proposed action will assist the BLM in identifying and evaluating impacts to such resources.

It is important that commenters provide their comments at such times and in such manner that they are useful to the agency's preparation of the Supplemental EIS. Therefore, comments should be provided prior to the close of the comment period and should clearly articulate the commenter's concerns and contentions. Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be part of the public record for this proposed action. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should 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: 40 CFR 1506.6)

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

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### Notice of Inventory Completion: University of Tennessee, Department of Anthropology, Knoxville, TN

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the University of Tennessee, Department of Anthropology (UTK), has completed an inventory of human remains and associated funerary objects and has determined that there is a cultural affiliation between the human remains and associated funerary objects and Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations in this notice. The human remains and associated funerary objects were removed from Burleigh and Stutsman Counties, ND, and Buffalo, Davison, Gregory, Hanson, Hughes, Sully, and Walworth Counties, SD.

**DATES:** Repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice may occur on or after October 20, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** Dr. Robert Hinde, University of Tennessee, Office of the Provost, 527 Andy Holt Tower, Knoxville, TN 37996-0152, telephone (865) 974-2445, email [rhinde@utk.edu](mailto:rhinde@utk.edu) and [vpaa@utk.edu](mailto:vpaa@utk.edu).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA. The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of UTK. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice. Additional information on the