

the appropriate BLM offices listed below:

### Regional RACs Oregon/Washington

*Eastern Washington RAC: John Day-Snake RAC; Southeast Oregon RAC*

Pam Robbins, Oregon State Office, BLM, 333 SW. First Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97204, (503) 808-6306.

### County Payment RACs

*Coos Bay District: Glenn Harkleroad, 1300 Airport Lane, North Bend, Oregon 97459, (541) 756-0100;*

*Eugene District: Pat Johnston, 3106 Pierce Parkway, Suite E, Springfield, Oregon 97477, (541) 683-6600;*

*Medford District: Jim Whittington, 3040 Biddle Road, Medford, Oregon 97504, (541) 618-2200;*

*Roseburg District: Jake Winn, 777 NW Garden Valley Blvd., Roseburg, Oregon 97470, (541) 440-4930; and*

*Salem District: Richard Hatfield, 1717 Fabry Road SE., Salem, Oregon 97306, (503) 375-5657.*

### Steens Mountain Advisory Council

Christi West, BLM Burns District, 28910 Highway 20 West, Hines, Oregon 97738, (541) 573-4400.

### National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center Advisory Board

Pam Robbins, Oregon State Office, BLM, 333 SW. First Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97204, (503) 808-6306.

*Certification Statement:* I hereby certify that the BLM Resource Advisory Councils are necessary and in the public interest in connection with the Secretary's responsibilities to manage the lands, resources, and facilities administered by the BLM.

**Cathy L. Harris,**

*Associate Deputy State Director, Oregon/Washington.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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### Notice of Designation of Elkhorn Ridge Wilderness, California

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice implements Section 6 of the Northern California Coastal Wild Heritage Wilderness Act (Act) (Pub. L. 109-362). The Act designates the 11,271 acre Elkhorn

Ridge Potential Wilderness Area and requires that this area "shall be designated as wilderness and as a component of the National Wilderness Preservation System, on the earlier of— (1) the date on which the Secretary publishes in the **Federal Register** notice that the conditions in the potential wilderness area that are incompatible with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 *et seq.*) have been removed; or (2) the date that is 5 years after the date of enactment of this Act."

The Secretary of the Interior has determined that the conditions of the Elkhorn Ridge Potential Wilderness Area that were incompatible have been removed, and therefore the area is now suitable for wilderness designation.

**DATES:** The Elkhorn Ridge Potential Wilderness Area shall become the Elkhorn Ridge Wilderness on January 13, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Bureau of Land Management, Arcata Field Office, 1695 Heindon Road, Arcata, California 95521. Detailed information concerning this action is available for review at this address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bob Wick, Bureau of Land Management, at the above address or at (707) 825-2321.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 6(b) of the Act provides that the 11,271 acre Elkhorn Ridge Potential Wilderness Area be managed as wilderness except as necessary for ecological restoration and subject to valid existing rights until its designation as wilderness. Section 6(c) of the Act allows the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to use motorized equipment and mechanized transport for ecological restoration within the potential wilderness area, but requires that restoration to the maximum extent practicable be undertaken through the "minimum tool or administrative practice necessary \* \* \* with the least amount of adverse impact on wilderness character and resources."

The Elkhorn Ridge area's designation as a potential wilderness was intended to provide the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, time to assess and, if necessary, restore 1,565 acres of previously logged private in-holdings acquired shortly before the Act's passage.

After designation of the Elkhorn Ridge Potential Wilderness Area, the BLM's Arcata Field Office assessed the in-holdings to determine their condition relative to the Act and the BLM wilderness inventory criteria. Through this assessment, the BLM determined that impacts from past activities are successfully recovering through natural

rehabilitation and are compatible with the Act's requirements and with wilderness designation. The Elkhorn Ridge Potential Wilderness Area appears to have been affected primarily by the forces of nature and exhibits outstanding opportunities for solitude and primitive and unconfined recreation. Although some traces of past logging operations and associated road construction remain, the BLM has determined that the benefits of mechanized restoration are outweighed by the adverse impacts of such mechanized restoration on wilderness character. The BLM has determined that additional restoration actions would not be beneficial or necessary prior to wilderness designation and would not further the purposes of the Act.

As provided for under section 6(d) and 6(e) of the Act, the Elkhorn Ridge Potential Wilderness Area shall become wilderness on January 13, 2011. The area shall be known as the Elkhorn Ridge Wilderness and administered in accordance with section 4 of the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 *et seq.*). As the Elkhorn Ridge Potential Wilderness Area has been managed as wilderness pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act, the designation of this area as wilderness will not change any public uses of the area. The BLM will take this designation of the Elkhorn Ridge Wilderness into account as it moves forward with its long term planning and management.

**Authority:** Sec. 6, Pub. L. 109-362.

**Sylvia V. Baca,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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### Expiration of Withdrawals and Opening of Lands; Idaho

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management announces the expiration of two withdrawals established by two Secretarial Orders and one Public Land Order and modified by two Public Land Orders affecting 62,025.42 acres of public lands in Ada, Adams, Boise, Canyon, Gem, Payette, and Washington Counties withdrawn for stock driveway

purposes. This action opens the lands to the operation of the public land laws. The lands have been and will remain open to mining and mineral leasing.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* February 14, 2011.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Laura Bingham, Bureau of Land Management, Idaho State Office, 1387 South Vinnell Way, Boise, Idaho 83709, 208-373-3866.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Copies of the expired orders describing the lands involved are available at the Bureau of Land Management Idaho State Office (address above). All of the lands have been and will remain open to mining and mineral leasing.

1. The withdrawal established by the Secretarial Order of May 17, 1918, and Public Land Order No. 3398, (29 FR 6686 (May 22, 1964)), as modified by Public Land Order No. 6436 (48 FR 33711 (July 25, 1983)), which withdrew 60,744.74 acres public lands from the operation of the public land laws for a period of 20 years for stock driveway purposes, expired on July 24, 2003.

2. The withdrawal established by the Secretarial Order of July 17, 1918, as modified by Public Land Order No. 6518 (49 FR 5924 (February 16, 1984)), which withdrew 1,280.68 acres public lands from the operation of the public land laws for a period of 20 years for stock driveway purposes, expired on March 16, 2004.

3. In accordance with 43 CFR 2091.6, at 8:30 a.m. on February 14, 2011, the lands withdrawn by the orders listed in Paragraphs 1 and 2 above will be opened to the operation of the public land laws generally, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law. All valid applications received at or prior to 8:30 a.m. on February 14, 2011, shall be considered as simultaneously filed at that time.

Those received thereafter shall be considered in the order of filing.

**Authority:** 43 CFR 2091.6.

**Jerry L. Taylor,**

*Chief, Branch of Lands, Minerals and Water Rights, Resource Services Division.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

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**Notice of Intent To Amend the Grand Junction Resource Management Plan, Prepare an Environmental Assessment, and Notice of Realty Action, Colorado**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent and Notice of Realty Action.

**SUMMARY:** The Grand Junction, Colorado, Regional Airport Authority has requested the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Grand Junction Field Office (GJFO) to consider the transfer of title to approximately 720 acres of public land for airport improvements, including relocation and construction of the main runway for the Grand Junction Regional Airport. Public Land Order No. 7027 (59 FR 3000 January 20, 1994) withdrew these lands from mining claim location in anticipation of a need for future airport expansion. The BLM's consideration of the Grand Junction Regional Airport Authority's (Airport Authority) request initiates a BLM Notice of Intent to initiate a public scoping process to amend the BLM GJFO 1987 Resource Management Plan (RMP) and prepare an Environmental Analysis (EA). The request also initiates a Notice of Realty Action (NORA) to assist the BLM in determining whether granting the requested title conveyance is consistent with the needs of the Department of the Interior. This notice initiates the public scoping process and concurrent opportunity for submission of public comments for the EA, RMP Amendment, and NORA.

**DATES:** Comments on this project, the NORA, or the proposed transfer of title to the Airport Authority may be submitted in writing until February 28, 2011. The date(s) and location(s) of scoping meetings will be announced at least 15 days in advance through local media, newspapers and the BLM Web site at: <http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/gjfo.html>. In order to be included in the EA, all comments must be received prior to the close of the scoping period or 45 days after the last public meeting, whichever is later.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be sent to the Grand Junction Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, 2815 H. Road, Grand Junction, Colorado 81506, or via fax at (970) 244-3083. E-mail comments may be sent to

[GJFO\\_mail@blm.gov](mailto:GJFO_mail@blm.gov). Comments, including names and addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the BLM GJFO, during regular business hours 7:30 a.m. through 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, except holidays.

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail 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.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information and/or to have your name added to our mailing list contact Robin Lacy, Project Manager, telephone (970) 244-3028. Project documents may be reviewed on the BLM GJFO Web site at <http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/gjfo>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the public scoping process is to identify those issues that should be considered in the EA and to initiate public participation in the planning process. BLM and Airport Authority personnel will be present at scoping meetings to explain the proposed action and other requirements for preparing the EA. Interested parties can request notification of any encumbrances or other claims relating to the land. Customary Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) conditions, in draft, that are proposed to be included in a land patent from the United States to the Airport Authority will also be available for review. The public lands requested for title transfer are within the jurisdiction of the BLM GJFO adjacent to the Grand Junction Regional Airport in the North Desert and are described as follows:

**Ute Principal Meridian**

T. 1 N., R. 1 W.,  
 Sec. 23, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 24, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 T. 1 N., R. 1 E.,  
 Sec. 19, lots 3 and 4, and E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 29, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 30, lot 1, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ .

The areas described contain approximately 720 acres in Mesa County.

These are public lands administered by the BLM GJFO and do not include any private, State, tribal trust or Federal lands not administered by the BLM, the lands proposed for the title transfer to the Airport Authority are currently withdrawn from the United States mining laws by Public Land Order No.