

allotment to verify the authorized location, the number of livestock and records of use for billing purposes, recorded brands to verify ownership, and reasons for any nonuse. The information on the form is used by the BLM authorized officer to determine if the applied for use is within the permittees' or lessees' preference (permitted level of use), to determine if the applied for use would be consistent with multiple-use objectives, and develops appropriate terms and conditions and makes the authorization according to 43 CFR 4130.3-1 and 4130.3-2. The authorized officer may deny the requested grazing use or a change in the annual grazing schedules by issuing a decision which includes a right of protest and administrative appeal. The grazing authorization remains in effect during the "grazing fee year". Without this information, the BLM would not be able to assure proper administration of the use of the public lands as required by law and would result in unauthorized use, improper billings, and nonpayment of fees due the Federal Government.

After the authorization is approved, the billing is then computer generated with the applicant's name, address, stated qualifications, and mailed to the grazing permittee or lessee.

The information required by law is only available from the applicants and uses information already available for the purpose identified. Since grazing on the unreserved public lands is administered only by the BLM, there is no duplication of information collections.

The BLM Form 4130.1 was designed to request only basic information required to administer the grazing authorization process. The majority of the information is contained in the applicant's ownership documents, previously approved grazing permit, or lease and displayed on Form 4130-3a. The data contained in columns 7, 8, 9 and 10 of Form 4130-1 are computer generated; therefore, the burden is minimized for all respondents.

The information requested by the form is subject to change from 1 grazing year to another and is necessary for annual collection of grazing fees. For example, a permittee may choose to graze less livestock than scheduled during the year and amend the authorized use to take nonuse. There is no opportunity to conduct the collection less frequently and collect user fees as required by law.

This information collection is consistent with guidelines in 5 CFR 1320.6 without which the BLM would not be able to administer the Public

Land Laws. There are no assurances of confidentiality but the Privacy Act Notice is provided to inform the applicants of the uses to be made.

The annual cost to the Government is estimated to be \$120,000 based on \$10,000 for forms and processing and \$110,000 to review returned applications at \$20 per hour. Annual costs to the respondents is estimated at \$40,000 based on \$20 per hour to prepare the forms.

The respondents spend an average of 20 minutes (0.333 hours) to review, check records, make changes and sign, resulting in 2,000 burden hours based on approximately 6,000 forms that are submitted for BLM's consideration annually. Response time has been estimated from those respondents who have completed the form in the presence of BLM employees.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: October 8, 1998.

**Shirlean Beshir,**

*Acting Bureau of Land Management  
Information Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Emergency Closure of Public Lands to Firewood Gathering and Cutting

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

**ACTION:** Emergency closure of public lands to firewood gathering and cutting.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that effective immediately all public lands in the Lost Forest/Sand Dunes Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC), Lake County, Oregon, as legally described below are closed to all firewood gathering and cutting:

T. 25 S., R. 19 E., W. M., Oregon  
Sec. 25: (South of BLM Road 6141-1-00);  
Sec. 26, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Sec. 34: All, Except the  
N $\frac{1}{2}$  N $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Sec. 35: All, Except SW $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$   
E $\frac{1}{2}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Sec. 36: NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and the NE $\frac{1}{4}$   
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ .

T. 25 S., R. 20 E., W. M., Oregon  
Sec. 20: S $\frac{1}{2}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Sec. 21:  
S $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Sec. 22: S $\frac{1}{2}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Sec.  
23: All; Sec. 24: (South and West of BLM  
Road 6121-0-00); Secs. 25, 26, 27, 28,  
29, 30: All; Sec. 31: All, Except Lot 4;  
Secs. 32, 33, 34, 35, 36: All.

T. 25 S., R. 21 E., W. M., Oregon

Sec. 19, 30, and 31: (South and West of  
BLM Road 6121-0-00).

T. 26 S., R. 19 E., W. M., Oregon  
Sec. 1: All, Except Lots 4 and 5; Sec. 2: All;  
Sec. 3: Lots 1, 2, and 3, SE $\frac{1}{4}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$   
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Sec. 7: S $\frac{1}{2}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$   
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Sec. 8: All, Except the N $\frac{1}{2}$  N $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
Sec. 9: All, Except the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$   
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Secs. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and  
17: All; Sec. 18: E1/3; Secs. 21, 22, 23,  
and 24: All.

T. 26 S., R. 20 E., W. M., Oregon  
Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5: All; Sec. 6: All,  
Except Lots 4 and 5; Secs. 7, 8, 9, 16, 17  
and 18: All; Sec. 19: All, Except E $\frac{1}{2}$   
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ .

T. 26 S., R. 21 E., W. M., Oregon  
Sec. 6: (West of BLM Road 6121-0-00).

The purpose of this closure is to protect a designated ACEC. The authority for this closure is 43 CFR 1610.7-2 and 8364.1

**DATES:** This closure will take effect immediately and remain in effect until a Supplemental Rule has been implemented by the Lakeview Resource Area.

**PENALTIES:** Violation of this closure is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$100,000 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months. Authority for this penalty is found in 43 CFR 8360.0-7

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Scott R. Florence, Manager, Lakeview Resource Area, PO Box 151, Lakeview, OR 97639, or telephone (541) 947-2177.

Dated: October 7, 1998.

**Scott R. Florence,**

*Area Manager, Lakeview Resource Area.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[OR-015-98-1610-00: GP9-005]

#### Pronghorn ACEC Subcommittee of the Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council

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

**ACTION:** Meeting Notice, Pronghorn ACEC Subcommittee of the Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council.

**SUMMARY:** The Pronghorn ACEC Subcommittee of the Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council is scheduled to meet to discuss and tour the proposed Pronghorn ACEC area. The meeting will start at the Lakeview District BLM Office on October 28th at 8 am. The field tour will occur on the afternoon of October 28th and most of the 29th.

**DATES:** October 28-29, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sonya Hickman, BLM, Lakeview

District, P.O. Box 151, Lakeview, OR 97630 (Telephone 541-947-2177).

Dated: October 7, 1998.

**Scott R. Florence,**

*Area Manager, Lakeview District Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### Notice of Availability, Environmental Assessment of Impacts Associated With Access to a Mining Claim Outside Joshua Tree National Park

**INTRODUCTION:** Notice is hereby given in accordance with section 9.17 (a) of Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 9, Subpart A, that the National Park Service has received from the "First Class Miners Club" a proposed Plan of Operations for access through the park to mining claims outside the park.

**SUMMARY:** The group proposes 100 personal vehicle trips per year on park surfaced and unsurfaced roads.

The National Park Service has conducted an Environmental Assessment of the potential impacts of the proposed operation on vegetation, wildlife, air, water, cultural and scenery resources.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Copies of the Environmental Assessment, and proposed Plan are available upon request from: Superintendent, Joshua Tree National Park, 74485 National Park Drive, Twentynine Palms, California, 92277.

Dated: October 7, 1998.

**Chris Holbeck,**

*Resource Management Specialist.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### Meeting: Committee for the Preservation of the White House

In compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Committee for the Preservation of the White House. The meeting will be held at the Old Executive Office Building, Washington, DC at 9 a.m., Friday, November 6, 1998. It is expected that the agenda will include policies, goals and long range plans. The meeting will be open, but subject to appointment and security clearance requirements.

Clearance information must be received by October 28, 1998.

Inquiries may be made by calling the Committee for the Preservation of the White House between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., weekdays at (202) 619-6344. Written comments may be sent to the Executive Secretary, Committee for the Preservation of the White House, 1100 Ohio Drive, SW, Washington, DC 20242.

Dated: October 5, 1998.

**James I. McDaniel,**

*Executive Secretary, Committee for the Preservation of the White House.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### Announcement of Subsistence Resource Commission Meeting

**SUMMARY:** The Superintendent of Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve and the Chairperson of the Subsistence Resource Commission for Wrangell-St. Elias National Park announce a forthcoming meeting of the Wrangell-St. Elias National Park Subsistence Resource Commission. The following agenda items will be discussed:

- (1) Call to Order (Chairman).
- (2) Roll Call; Confirmation of Quorum.
- (3) Introduction of Commission members and guests.
- (4) Review Agenda
- (5) Superintendent's welcome and review of the Commission purpose.
- (6) Commission membership status.
- (7) Public and other agency comments.
- (8) Review and approval of minutes from April 6-7, 1998 meeting.
- (9) Report on October 1998 Chair Workshop.
- (10) Superintendent's report: Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve Chief of Resources, Chief Ranger, and Chief of Interpretation positions.
- (11) Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve staff reports.
  - a. Mentasta Herd update.
  - b. Response to Jack Hession Sierra Club letter.
  - c. Response to Tom Carpenter Cordova letter.
  - d. Status of Malaspina Forelands ATV study project.
- (12) Old business:
  - a. Status of Environmental Assessment/rulemaking to add Northway, Tetlin, Tanacross, and Dot Lake as resident zone communities.

b. Subsistence Hunting Program Recommendation 97-01 (establish minimum residency requirement for resident zone communities).

c. Status report on draft subsistence plan, hunt maps, and subsistence brochure for Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve.

d. Status report on inclusion of Healy Lake as a resident zone community.

e. Review National Park Service response to Carl Morgan/Western Interior Regional Advisory Council request for customary trade and trapping regulation changes.

f. Status report on Hunting Plan Recommendations 96-1 and 96-2 (requesting a fall subsistence waterfowl season and authorization to take spring/summer migratory birds and eggs in Wrangell-St. Elias National Park response to Eastern Interior inquiry).

(13) New Business:

a. Inclusion of four wheeler's in draft subsistence plan (Chapter 5: access, page).

b. Maintenance of park lands (cleanup of antlers and horns).

c. Federal Subsistence Program update.

(1) Review actions taken by Federal Subsistence Board during Spring 1998 meeting on Federal Subsistence Program 1998-99 proposed regulation changes.

(2) Federal Subsistence Board Task Group request for customary and traditional process.

(3) Review National Park Service response to Dan O'Connor letter (status on individual customary and traditional).

(4) Review 1999-2000 Federal Subsistence Board proposals for Units 5, 6, 11, 12, and 13.

d. Update on federal fish management.

(14) Public and other agency comments.

(15) Subsistence Resource Commission work session to develop proposals and finalize recommendations.

(16) Set time and place of next Subsistence Resource Commission meeting.

(17) Adjourn meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will begin at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, November 17, 1998, and conclude at approximately 9 p.m. The meeting will reconvene at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, November 18, 1998, and adjourn at approximately 5 p.m. The meeting will adjourn earlier if the agenda items are completed.

**LOCATION:** The meeting location is: Gulkana Community Hall, Gulkana, Alaska.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jonathan B. Jarvis, Superintendent,