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Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council to Meet June 11

Spokane, WA - The Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will hold its next meeting on Thursday, June 11, 2009. The meeting will be held at the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Spokane District Office, 1103 North Fancher Rd., Spokane Valley, WA.

The meeting will start at 9:30 a.m. and end at 3:30 p.m. The meeting will be open to the public and there will be an opportunity for public comments at 3:00 p.m. Discussion will focus on the status of the Colville National Forest roadless areas, cultural consultation, and updates on other projects of interest. Those who verbally address the RAC during the open session are asked to also provide a written statement of their comments or presentation.

The Eastern Washington RAC is comprised of 15 members from a variety of backgrounds who are appointed by the Secretary of the Interior. The Eastern Washington RAC reviews overall planning and proposed activities on federal public land in eastern Washington and provides advice to the BLM and USDA Forest Service.

For additional information about the Eastern Washington RAC or the upcoming meeting, contact the Spokane BLM District Office, 1103 North Fancher Rd, Spokane Valley, WA 99212 or call (509) 536-1200. Additional information is also available online at:

<http://www.blm.gov/or/rac/ewrac.php>.

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