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To: DMs, DSDs, Staff and Branch Chiefs

From: Deputy State Director for Management Services

Subject: Compliance Assessment - Safety, Health and the Environment (CASHE) Schedule for 2007

A two-person CASHE inspection team will perform a compliance audit at the Oregon State Office (OSO) and the Salem District the week of August 20, 2007. Other Oregon/Washington (OR/WA) sites will be visited in the coming months: Spokane District in September 2007; Coos Bay District in October 2007; and the districts of Medford and Roseburg in June of 2008.

The Compliance Assessment process has been established to provide the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) with a proactive means of maintaining and sustaining compliance with Federal, State, and local environmental and hazardous materials safety regulations. The CASHE assessments allow BLM managers to identify and correct environmental, transportation, and safety issues at their facilities, thereby identifying those conditions that pose a threat to the environment, to the public, and/or to BLM employees.

Environmental and safety CASHE findings are prioritized using different systems. Environmental and transportation high-priority findings are defined as Class IA, B, or C, Class II or Class III dependent upon the severity of the issue. Safety Risk Assessment Codes (RACs) are used to prioritize safety-related CASHE findings. The RAC codes range from 1-4, again depending upon the level of risk for the finding.

Following the inspection, the CASHE team will create a report which will provide compliance information using the above systems (Class and RAC) for each of the findings. A draft report will be submitted prior to the final report for review and comment.

The site visit schedule for the CASHE assessment team during the week of August 20 is attached.
For questions or additional information for the OSO, please contact Bill Murphy, Environmental Protection Specialist, 503-808-6064, or Peggy Tribble, Safety Manager, 503-808-6092. For the Salem District, contact Dave Kincaid, District Safety Manager, 503-375-5698, or John Barber, Environmental Protection Specialist, 503-316-5918.

**Districts with Unions** are reminded to notify their unions of this Information Bulletin and satisfy any bargaining obligations before implementation. Your servicing Human Resources Office or Labor Relations Specialist can provide you assistance in this matter.

Signed by
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1 Attachment
1 - Salem District/OSO CASHE Assessment Schedule

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