

# Agenda

**Lower Snake River District (LSRD) Resource Advisory Council (RAC)  
BLM-Lower Snake River District Office  
Wednesday, May 26, 2004  
9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.**

**09:00** Introductions, Opening Remarks and certification of minutes from February 2004 meeting – LSRD RAC Chairman Don Weilmunster and Glen Secrist, District Manager, LSRD-BLM

**09:15 – 09:45** Report on District RAC Chairs meeting with BLM Director K Lynn Bennett, and National RAC Chair's Meeting – Don Weilmunster

**09:45 - 10:00** Hot Topics, upcoming field trips and report on BLM-ID Organizational Refinement – Glen Secrist

**10:00 – 10:45** Juniper Management Workshop hosted by RAC on July 22, 2004 – discussion and planning – Co-Chair's Glen Secrist and Sandra Mitchell

**10:45 – 11:00** BREAK

**11:00 – 12:00 noon** Presentation and discussion on Ranch Level Socioeconomic Impacts of Public Land Grazing Policy Alternatives in Owyhee and Other Rural Counties of Idaho. By J.D. Wulfhorst, University of Idaho – Brenda Richards will introduce Dr. Wulfhorst

**Public Comments**

**12:10 – 1:00** Working Lunch – Discussions continue with Dr. Wulfhorst

**12:45 – 1:00** Report on BLM-Idaho's review on Rangeland Standards and Guidelines, implementation and recommendations – Ron Kay, Rangeland Management Specialist. ISO

**Public Comments**

**1:10 – 3:00** Native American Sovereignty and Trust Obligations – videos and presentations by Ted Howard, Shoshone-Paiute Tribal Official and LSRD-RAC Member, followed by RAC discussions, Q's and A's

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**3:00 – 3:15 BREAK**

**3:15 – 3:50 Subcommittee Reports**

- **Sage-Grouse Habitat Management – National Strategy, Statewide Plan Update – John Augsburger, Wildlife Biologist, ISO**
  - **State Working Group Update – Dr. Platts**
- **Resource Management Plans – Mike O'Donnell**
  - **Development and analysis of Alternatives**
  - **Upcoming Public meetings in June and July**
- **Rangeland Standards and Guidelines – Brenda Richards**
- **OHV & Transportation Management – Sandra Mitchell**
  - **Report on OHV Field Trip to Rabbit Creek in April**
- **Pixley Basin Project Field Trip May 18, 2004 – Ken Reid**

**3:50 – 4:45 District Fire Manager and Field Office Reports**

- **LSRD -Fire Update – Rosemary Thomas, District FMO**
  - **District Draft Fire Plan review**
  - **Update on Hot Topics e.g. grounding of air tankers**
- **Owyhee Field Office – Jenna Whitlock**
  - **Issues Update - including crickets and grazing settlements**
  - **Juniper Management Project**
- **Jarbidge Field Office – Eddie Guerrero**
  - **Issues Update – including temporary non-renewable forage**
  - **Status of Brown's Bench Wind Energy Proposal**
- **Four Rivers Field Office – Debora Epps, NIFC, (Acting, FM)**
  - **Issues Update – including crickets in Boise Foothills, and Banks Fatality and Hot Springs Emergency Closure**

**4:45 – 5:00 Follow-up Actions**

- **Review dates set for remainder of 2004 meetings, location, and identify agenda items**

**5:00 Adjourn**