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In Reply Refer To:
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Dear Reader:

Enclosed is the Record of Decision (ROD) and Approved Coeur d'Alene Resource Management Plan (RMP). The RMP is the result of three years of collaborative effort by interested parties and BLM. This plan will guide future management of all public lands in Boundary, Bonner, Kootenai, Shoshone, and Benewah Counties of Idaho, that are administered by the Bureau of Land Management.

The ROD serves as the final decision for the land use planning decisions described in the Approved RMP. The opportunity for administrative appeal of land use planning decisions contained in this document expired with the closing of the protest period (November 20, 2006) for the Proposed RMP. The ROD describes the protests that BLM received. All protests were resolved by the Director of BLM before the State Director signed the ROD.

The Approved RMP also designates motorize travel routes. According to BLM policy, route designations are implementation level, not land use planning decisions. These implementation level decisions were not subject to protest, but are now subject to appeal. Therefore, any party who feels they may be adversely affected by the route designations may appeal within 30-days of the publication of the Notice of Availability for this ROD in the *Federal Register*. The ROD contains more detailed information about appeals.

I would like to thank the individuals and organizations who participated in this planning process. I hope your involvement will continue as we move forward to implement and monitor the plan and manage the public lands and resources administered by the Coeur d'Alene Field Office.

Sincerely,

Eric Thomson
Field Manager