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Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council Meets Jan. 28, 29

HINES, Ore. – The next Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council (RAC) meeting is set for Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 28-29 at The Gathering Place, 3 North “F” Street, in Lakeview, Oregon. The two-day meeting schedule is: Monday, noon to 4:30 p.m. and Tuesday, 8 to 11:30 a.m.

Monday’s meeting agenda includes updates from the Designated Federal Official and agency representatives; a discussion on Lands with Wilderness Characteristics and the Southeast Oregon Resource Plan amendment; an update on the status of the Lakeview District Wilderness Characteristics assessment; and updates on the Lakeview Travel Management Plan and the South Chiloquin Off-Highway Vehicle Area project.

On Tuesday, the RAC will hear information on and discuss the Tucker Hill Perlite Mine Expansion decision, the Lakeview area Sage-Grouse Initiative Partnership and the Lakeview Sage-Grouse response to a juniper removal project. The Council will also hear member updates and constituent reports and set the April 2013 meeting agenda. Any other matters that may reasonably come before the RAC throughout the two-day session may also be discussed.

The public is welcome to attend all portions of the meeting, and can contribute during the public comment periods at 4:15 p.m. on Monday and 11 a.m. on Tuesday. Those who verbally address the RAC during the open session are asked to provide a written statement of their comments or presentation.

For further information on the Southeast Oregon RAC or the upcoming meeting, contact Tara Martinak at the Burns District Bureau of Land Management Office at (541) 573-4519. Additional information about the RAC can be found online at:

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

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