

April 16, 2007

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Dear Interested Party:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Burns District Office, has prepared a Travel Management Plan (TMP)/Environmental Assessment (EA) OR-05-027-021 and an unsigned Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI). The TMP/EA, unsigned FONSI, Minimum Decision Analysis and EA maps are attached for your review and also available at <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/burns/plans/burns.php>

The TMP/EA augments the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area (CMPA) Transportation Plan (also attached as Appendix M), which is part of the Steens Mountain CMPA Resource Management Plan. The TMP/EA uses an updated route inventory to further identify for analysis, the motor vehicle route network within the CMPA which will provide guidance on maintenance, improvement, and accessibility of these routes. Steens Mountain is located approximately 60 miles south of the City of Burns in Harney County, Oregon.

If you have comments on the TMP/EA or FONSI, submit them *postmarked* by May 16, 2007, or they must be received in the Burns District BLM office by May 21, 2007, to Karla Bird, Andrews Resource Area Field Manager, Burns District Office at the address above. E-mail comments should be sent to or_steens_tmp@blm.gov. E-mail sent to other addresses may not be received or considered due to electronic mailbox limitations. After consideration of comments received, a Decision outlining the action to be taken within the scope of the TMP/EA will be developed and issued. If you wish to receive a paper copy of the Decision, please submit a clearly written request along with your comments. The Decision will also be posted on the Burns District website at <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/burns/plans/burns.php>

Comments, including the names and addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the Burns District Office during regular business hours 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays, and may be published as part of the Decision. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment – including your personal identifying information – may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot

guarantee that we will be able to do so. Anonymous comments will not be considered. All submissions from organizations and businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be available for public inspection in their entirety.

If you need further information or to receive additional copies, please contact Mark Sherbourne of the Andrews Resource Area, Burns District Office, at 541/573-4491 or visit the Burns District website stated above.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karla Bird".

Karla Bird
Andrews Resource Area Field Manager

Att.