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Join BLM for Open House at New River ACEC

Bandon, Ore. – The public is cordially invited to join the Bureau of Land Management for a day of fun activities at the New River Area of Critical Environmental Concern Open House on Saturday, May 18, 2013. The event will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

“We hope people will come out and learn what’s happening at New River. It will be a great opportunity to explore the area with BLM staff and learn how you can be involved in the management of New River in the future,” said Kip Wright, Manager of the New River ACEC.

The BLM will offer nature center tours and interactive activities for kids, and serve light refreshments throughout the day. Interpretive hikes along some of New River’s trails will be offered at 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 2 p.m.

To reach New River from Bandon, drive south on Highway 101 and turn right on to Croft Lake Lane. Drive to the end of the lane, where signs direct visitors through the entrance gate to the ACEC.

The BLM manages 1,356 acres of public land at New River with the intent to maintain biodiversity and quality habitats for native communities of plants, birds, animals and fish. For additional information, contact the BLM’s Coos Bay District office at 541-756-0100.

About BLM

The BLM manages more land – 245 million surface acres – than any other Federal agency. This land, known as the National System of Public Lands, is primarily located in 12 Western States, including Alaska. The Bureau, with a budget of about \$1 billion, also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM’s multiple-use mission is to sustain the health and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. The Bureau accomplishes this by managing such activities as outdoor recreation, livestock grazing, mineral development, and energy production, and by conserving natural, historical, cultural, and other resources on public lands.

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