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BLM Seeks Project Proposals for Secure Rural Schools Title II Funding

EUGENE, OR — The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Eugene District Office is accepting project proposals for Title II funds under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000. Project proposals are due by January 31, 2014.

Title II of the Act makes funds available for a variety of activities that benefit Federally managed lands and resources such as trail maintenance, road maintenance, watershed restoration, control of noxious weeds, and fire protection.

The Eugene District Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will review and recommend approximately \$450,000 worth of Title II projects to be funded in 2014.

Proposal and budget forms are available at www.blm.gov/or/districts/eugene/rac

Projects must be designed to benefit BLM-managed land and must meet one or more of the resource objectives identified in the Act, such as:

- Road, trail, and infrastructure maintenance or obliteration
- Soil productivity improvement
- Improvements in forest ecosystem health
- Watershed restoration and maintenance
- Restoration, maintenance and improvement of wildlife and fish habitat
- Control of noxious and exotic weeds
- Re-establishment of native species

“Title II projects can improve forest health, benefit fish and wildlife habitat, create recreation opportunities, and strengthen our economies,” Virginia Grilley, BLM Eugene District Manager, said. “This is a great opportunity for interested citizens or groups to partner with the BLM and the RAC to improve and enhance our community.”

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About the BLM: The BLM manages more than 245 million acres of public land – the most of any Federal agency. This land, known as the National System of Public Lands, is primarily located in 12 Western states, including Alaska. The BLM also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2011, recreational and other activities on BLM-managed land contributed more than \$130 billion to the U.S. economy and supported more than 600,000 American jobs. The Bureau is also one of a handful of agencies that collects more revenue than it spends. In FY 2012, nearly \$5.7 billion will be generated on lands managed by the BLM, which operates on a \$1.1 billion budget. 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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