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## BLM Seeks Nominations for John Day/Snake Resource Advisory Council

*Prineville, Ore.* -- The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is soliciting nominations from the public for two positions on the John Day – Snake Resource Advisory Council (RAC). The RAC provides advice and recommendations to the BLM on the management of public lands in the Prineville and Vale Districts, as well as on the Deschutes, Ochoco, Umatilla, Malheur and Wallowa-Whitman National Forests. Committee members will represent their identified interest areas and work collaboratively with other members of the RAC to advise the BLM and Forest Service on the development of management decisions in Northeast Oregon.

The John Day – Snake RAC is currently soliciting nominations for the following interest areas:

- One member representing grazing or commercial recreation interests
- One member representing wildlife, dispersed recreation, or nationally or regionally recognized wild horse and burro interests.

To nominate yourself or someone you know, submit a nomination form and at least one supporting letter of recommendation from the groups or interests to be represented to the BLM Prineville District Office, attn. Carol Benkosky, 3050 N.E. 3rd St. Prineville, OR 97754.

The deadline to apply is **March 20, 2015**. Application forms can be picked up at the Prineville District Office, or from the website at: [www.blm.gov/or/rac/jdrac](http://www.blm.gov/or/rac/jdrac)

The BLM will review the applications and submit recommended nominees to the Secretary of the Interior, who has the responsibility for making the appointments. Members must reside in the State of Oregon. RACs generally hold two – four meetings each year. Although members serve without monetary compensation; travel costs (mileage, meals, lodging) are reimbursed.

**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. The BLM's mission is to manage and conserve the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations under our mandate of multiple-use and sustained yield. In Fiscal Year 2013, the BLM generated \$4.7 billion in receipts from public lands.

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