

BLM Prineville Solicits Public Comments for Glass Buttes Communications Site Proposal

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Comments must be received by
July 31, 2013 via:

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(Attn: Glass Buttes
Communication Sites EA)

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The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Prineville District Office is developing an Environmental Assessment (EA) to analyze a proposed project for a Right-of-Way agreement with Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) and American Towers LLC to construct two new communication facilities on Glass Buttes, 15 miles east of Hampton, Oregon. BPA is a formal cooperater is the project. The proposal would also require a resource management plan (RMP) amendment to resolve a conflict in the 1989 Brothers-La Pine RMP, which currently allows development of communication sites on Glass Buttes while at the same time directing the BLM to exclude activities that have long-term visual changes to Glass Buttes. The Notice of Intent for the RMP amendment will be published in the Federal Register on July 1, 2013.

BLM is in the scoping phase of the analysis, which means that any comments received by the public or interested parties will be used to identify issues and develop alternatives. Although there will be additional opportunities to comment, BLM is requesting input now so that it can be considered early and invites the public to share concerns related to this proposal, including visual resources, wildlife, recreation or historic/cultural resources.

For more information, contact Mike Kroll, Project Lead at (541) 416-6752.