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Southwest Oregon Resource Advisory Committee to Meet October 12 and 13 in Medford

Roseburg, Ore. – In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Bureau of Land Management’s (BLM) Southwest Oregon Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet on October 12 and 13, 2016 at the Medford BLM Interagency Offices, located at 3040 Biddle Rd. Medford, Oregon 97504.

In addition, the Southwest Oregon RAC Forest Resiliency subcommittee will meet at the same location on Wednesday, October 12 from 10 a.m. to noon, prior to the full council meeting.

On October 12, the Southwest Oregon RAC meeting will begin at 1 p.m. The agenda includes field office updates by three district managers and brief presentations from BLM about the Southwestern Oregon Resource Management Plan. BLM staff and leadership will be on-hand to answer questions or other topics the RAC membership may want to discuss.

On October 13, the Southwest Oregon RAC will meet from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The RAC members will review and make recommendations on Secure Rural Schools Title II projects. The public comment period will occur from 8:15 to 9 a.m. At 9 a.m. scheduled application review and presentations will begin.

The fifteen-member Southwest Oregon RAC was chartered to serve in an advisory capacity concerning the planning and management of the public land resources located within the BLM's Medford, Roseburg and Lakeview Districts. Members represent an array of stakeholder interests in the land and resources from within the local area and statewide.

All advisory committee meetings are open to the public. Persons wishing to make comments during the public comment period should register in person with the BLM, at the meeting location, proceeding that meeting day’s comment period. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment, the length of comments may be limited. The public may send written comments to the RAC at the Medford District office, 3040 Biddle Rd., Medford, OR 97504. The BLM appreciates all comments.

For further information, please contact Christina Beslin, Coordinator for the Southwest Oregon RAC, at (541) 618-2371 or cbeslin@blm.gov; or Jim Whittington, Public Affairs Specialist, at (541) 618-2220, jwhittin@blm.gov.

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Additional information about the SW Oregon RAC is available online at:
<http://www.blm.gov/or/rac/sworrac.php>

Additional information about the Roseburg District is available online at: www.blm.gov/or/districts/roseburg

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