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Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council to Meet in Burns Oregon

VALE, OREGON-The Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council (SEORAC) will meet at 8:00 a.m. on April 14th at the Bureau of Land Management Burns District office conference room to conduct their business meeting.

Agenda items for the meeting will include: Chair and Vice-Chair Elections, 2010 Annual Work Plan, Phase II Blue Mountain Forest Plan Revision, BLM Energy Project Team update, BLM Vegetation EIS update, BLM Sage-grouse and Sage Brush Strategies update, Fremont-Winema Travel Management update, update on Lakeview and SEORMP. The Council will receive organizational updates from federal officials, subcommittee reports and any other matters that may reasonably come before the SEORAC may also be addressed.

The public is welcome to attend all portions of the meeting as observers and may contribute during the public comment period at 1:00 p.m. on April 14th. Depending on the number of people wishing to comment comments may be limited in order to fulfill the meeting objectives. Those planning to verbally address the SEORAC during the public comment period are asked to provide a written statement of their comments or presentation. Individuals with information for review by the SEORAC members at the April meeting must forward all documents to Mark Wilkening at 100 Oregon Street, Vale, Oregon, 97918. All documents must be received by April 8th. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact the Vale District BLM as early as possible.

The Secretary of the Interior established the 15-member SEORAC to provide representative citizen council and advice to the BLM and Forest Service concerning the planning and management of the public land and national forest resources located in whole or in part within the Lakeview, Vale and Burns Districts of the BLM and the Fremont-Winema and Malheur National Forests.

For more information on the JDSRAC or the upcoming meeting, contact Mark Wilkening, BLM Vale District Office, 100 Oregon Street, Vale, Oregon 97918, or call (541) 473-6218 weekdays between 7:45 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. (MDT). Additional information about the Vale District can be found by visiting the district website at www.blm.gov/or/districts/vale.

About the BLM: The BLM manages more land – 253 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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