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To: District Managers, Field Managers

From: State Director, Oregon/Washington

Subject: Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act (FLTFA)

DD: 11/01/2007

Program Area: Lands and Realty, Public Land Sale Program and the Federal Lands Transaction Facilitation Act (FLTFA).

Purpose: As a component of the Oregon/Washington land tenure program and implementation of the FLTFA, this Instruction Memorandum (IM) establishes a data call to the Field Offices. We are requesting the identification and prioritization of lands listed in Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Resource Management Plans classified as Zone 3 that meet the criteria established on the attached "Criteria for Sale Nomination." The data collected will be used to establish land sale goals for FY 2009 and FY 2010.

Policy/Action: As required by the BLM Land Use Planning Handbook, H-1601-1, Appendix C, Section E. Lands and Realty, paragraph entitled Implementation Decisions, the BLM is required to identify land sale plans and other realty actions. This IM initiates the Oregon/Washington effort for the coordinated implementation of a public sale program. Field Offices are asked to provide the following:

1. A list of all Zone 3 category lands that are included in current Resource Management Plans and/or those that were carried forward from plans that were in effect on July 25, 2000, the date FLTFA was passed.
2. Prioritize the list by identifying lands that have the highest potential for sale in accordance with Attachment 1 - Criteria for Sale Nomination. This would likely be a short list of only the best suited lands. Consider separate lists of parcels for possible sales in FY 2009 and FY 2010. If no lands are being identified, a report stating this is requested.

The list will be presented to the Oregon/Washington State Leadership Team for their concurrence or modification to establish sale priorities in FY 2009 and FY 2010. The Deputy State Director for Resource Planning, Use and Protection (OR-930) will work with the affected districts regarding workload and timing to implement the land sale program consistent with the priorities.

Timeframe: Provide this information to Phil Paterno, Realty Specialist, OR-936, Prineville, by November 1, 2007.

Budget Impact: Minimal.

Background: The FLTFA was signed into law on July 25, 2000. Following its passage, the BLM entered into a National Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the US Forest Service, US Fish and Wildlife Service, and the National Park Service. Subsequently each state met with their counterparts from these respective signature agencies and entered into individual state agreements. The Pacific Northwest Region Interagency Implementation Agreement was signed on March 13, 2006. In addition, the BLM is committed to conveying acreage pursuant to the Strategic Plan/BLM Operating Plan No. 4.1.30. The Oregon/Washington sales program will contribute to meeting that goal.

During the last few years, several BLM District Offices have completed land sales with funds contributed to the FLTFA account. The Oregon/Washington State Office recently hired Phil Paterno as a senior realty specialist to lead and guide the two states in developing a land tenure strategy that is divided into two components, sales and acquisitions. This memorandum focuses primarily on the sales component.

Manual/Handbook Sections Affected: N/A.

Coordination: This IM is intended to coordinate efforts with Field and State Office program leaders involved in the land tenure management program.

Contact: Phil Paterno, Lead Realty Specialist, at 541-416-6724 or alternatively Mike Barnes, Chief, Lands Section at 503-808-6155.

Districts with Unions are reminded to notify their unions of this IM and satisfy any bargaining obligations before implementation. Your servicing Human Resources Office or Labor Relations Specialist can provide you assistance in this matter.

Signed by
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Acting, Associate State Director

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2 Attachments

- 1 - [Criteria for Sale Nomination](#) (1 p)
- 2 - [Public Sale Check List](#) (4 pp)

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