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To: DMs, DSDs, Staff and Branch Chiefs

From: Oregon/Washington State Information Officer

Subject: Easements and Rights-of-Way Data Standard

This information bulletin announces the availability of a new revised Oregon/Washington spatial data standard for Easements and Rights-of-Way (ESMTROW). It defines how this type of data is to be captured in a Geographic Information System (GIS) geodatabase, defines attributes used, and defines coding schemes (domains). The major changes from the previous data standard (Instruction Memorandum OR-2011-071) includes the addition of four attributes (BLM_ORG_CD, EXCL_TP, GIS_ACRES and GIS_MILES), clarification of how to populate the CASEFILE attribute in cases where there is no Bureau of Land Management interest, and increases to the field length for the GRANTOR_NM, LOCAL_ID, and RGT HOLDER_NM.

This data standard is to be followed for all ESMTROW. The ESMTROW data should be reviewed by all field offices and any needed corrections and/or additions made through established editing procedures. At a minimum, this dataset is to be updated on a quarterly basis (January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1). Updates can be done at any time and do not need to be done only on these quarterly dates. To see the full data standard, go to:

http://www.blm.gov/or/datamanagement/files/esmtrow_data_standard_revision.pdf.

All offices have a need for accurate and up-to-date spatial data for ESMTROW. These changes are considered normal maintenance needs discovered during use of the datasets.

This standard was reviewed by State Office and field office Realty and GIS specialists. For comments received and the resolution to those comments, contact Stan Frazier at 503-808-6009, or sfrazier@blm.gov.

Any questions about the data standard can be directed either to Stan Frazier, State Data Administrator, at 503-808-6009; Janet Cheek, State Data Steward (Easements/Rights-of-Way), at 503-808-6040; Dustin Wharton, State Data Steward (Reciprocal Rights-of-Way), at 541-471-6659; or Pamela Keller, Geographic Information Specialist, at 541-573-4486.

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

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