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BLM Selects New Medford District Manager

Portland, Ore. –Today, Ed Shepard, the Oregon/Washington Bureau of Land Management (BLM) State Director, announced the selection of Mr. Dayne Barron as the District Manager for BLM’s office in Medford, Oregon. Mr. Barron is currently the Field Manager for the BLM’s Eagle Lake Field Office in Susanville, California.

“Dayne’s work throughout various levels of the Bureau has given him extensive background in forestry, resource management planning, and wildland fire – all things that make the Medford District tick,” Shepard said. “His service with the Roseburg District focused on developing ways to balance timber production and forest health efforts with ongoing restoration and maintenance of vital riparian habitat.”

Dayne began his Federal career in 1990, and has held various roles with the BLM including: Forester, GIS Coordinator, Legislative Specialist, Field Manager, Forestry Specialist in the Washington Office, and Natural Resources Specialist in Roseburg.

Barron noted, “As they say, ‘...All roads lead back to Oregon,’ and I’m really excited to get back there to work with the Medford District staff, community, and the resources unique to southwest Oregon.” He replaces Tim Reuwsaat, who is retiring after a 33-year Federal career.

Mr. Barron will serve as the line manager, and advise the State Director on policies and programs pertinent to the Medford District as they relate to the management of natural resources. The District oversees approximately 866,000 acres of scattered public lands between the Cascade and Siskiyou mountain ranges and from the Oregon/California border to Canyon Creek and southern Douglas County. This large land base is divided into four Resource Areas: Ashland, Butte Falls, Grants Pass, and Glendale.

The Medford District also employs the largest workforce of any District in the country – some 220 permanent and numerous seasonal employees. The District has a mixed pattern of ownership, with large areas of private, State, and other Federal agency lands. “Dayne’s excellent consultation and communications skills will serve him well in working with stakeholders associated with key Medford District resources and programs, such as the Cascade Siskiyou National Monument and Soda Mountain Wilderness,” continued Shepard. Additional information about the BLM’s Medford District and its programs is available online at:

<http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/medford/index.php>

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