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## **Exclusive and One Way Use On Popular Moab Jeep Routes During Annual Moab Jeep Safari Event March 19-27**

**Moab, Utah**—The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Moab Field Office wants to make recreationists aware of exclusive use and one way travel on vehicle routes during the annual Moab Jeep Safari event, March 19-27, 2016. Ten popular land vehicle routes used by the Moab Jeep Safari during this annual nine-day organized group event are affected. On seven of the routes (Behind the Rocks, Cliff Hanger, Gold Bar Rim, Golden Spike, Moab Rim, Poison Spider Mesa, and Pritchett Canyon), motorized users holding a Special Recreation Permit from the BLM (including participants in the Moab Jeep Safari) are granted exclusive use of the route while a Jeep Safari trip is occurring. In addition, three of the routes (Hell's Revenge, Kane Creek Canyon and Steel Bender), will be one-way for the entire nine day duration of the Moab Jeep Safari event.

The exclusive use and one-way travel have been in place for the event since 2006 and are necessary to protect public resources and provide for an enhanced recreation experience for event participants. The restriction will affect less than 50 miles of the 3,693 miles of designated motorized routes in the Moab Field Office.

The restriction and one-way travel order can be obtained from the BLM Moab Field Office. Questions may be directed to Katie Stevens at (435) 259-2100. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to leave a message or question with the above individual. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Replies are provided during normal business hours.

The BLM manages more than 245 million acres of public land, the most of any federal agency. This land, known as the National System of Public Lands, is primarily located in 12 Western states, including Alaska. The BLM also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM's mission is to manage and conserve the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations under our mandate of multiple-use and sustained yield. In fiscal year 2014, the BLM generated \$5.2 billion in receipts from public lands.

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## Exclusive Use and One Way for Jeep Safari Week Saturday, March 19 to Sunday, March 27, 2016

As a result of increasingly crowded travel conditions during the Easter period, the Red Rock 4-Wheelers Jeep Club, sponsor of the Jeep Safari, has asked for exclusive use and one way on selected Jeep Safari routes for the week of March 19. The BLM, recognizing the historical importance of the Jeep Safari and the club's long term route maintenance efforts, and in cooperation with Grand County, has granted this request.

### Exclusive Use on Seven Routes

Seven routes will be restricted to Jeep Safari participants and other motorized outfitters for a portion of the days when the club has a scheduled group running the route. (This does not apply to non-motorized travel). The Red Rock 4-Wheelers feel that this will provide a better experience for their guests, as well as prevent the resource damage caused by overcrowding. In general, the route will be restricted during the morning hours, although in-and-out routes may stay restricted into the early afternoon. The Club will have a monitor posted at the entrance to each exclusive use route (on days it is "run"), explaining other options for motorized recreation; the monitor will reopen the route when the Red Rock 4-Wheelers' group has cleared the area.

Below is a chart showing which routes will be available exclusively for Jeep Safari participants for portions of a given date. No other routes in the Moab Field Office are affected. Please help the Red Rock 4-Wheelers provide a quality event by choosing another route during that time.

**Routes and Dates for Exclusive Motorized Use by the Red Rock 4-Wheelers  
(for the morning and early afternoon of that date)  
X = exclusive use by Red Rock 4-Wheelers**

Route	Sat. Mar. 19	Sun. Mar. 20	Mon. Mar. 21	Tues. Mar. 22	Wed. Mar. 23	Thurs March 24	Fri. March 25	Sat. March 26	Sun. March 27
Behind the Rocks			X		X	X		X	
Cliffhanger	X		X		X	X	X	X	
Gold Bar Rim		X	X	X		X		X	
Golden Spike		X	X	X		X		X	
Moab Rim			X	X	X		X	X	
Poison Spider Mesa		X	X	X		X		X	
Pritchett Canyon		X		X		X	X	X	

### One Way Routes

Three routes will be one way for the entire week of Jeep Safari (March 19 to March 27, 2016). They are:

Stealbender: this route will be one way going north to south (i.e., from the golf course entrance to Flat Pass)

Kane Creek: this route will be one way going north to south (i.e. from the Hurrah Pass turnoff to the end of the road at U.S. Highway 191)

Hell's Revenge: this route will be one way going east to west (i.e. from past the Sand Flats booth to the exit west of Lion's Back)

These three routes are very busy; vehicles going in both directions lead to route widening and other resource damage, as well as result in long wait times for drivers. In addition, if the routes are one way, the sense of crowding will be lessened, as all vehicles will be going in the same direction.

307-775-6258. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Black Butte Coal Company has applied to the BLM for a coal exploration license on public lands in the Salt Wells area near the existing Black Butte Coal Mine located near Point of Rocks, Wyoming. The purpose of the exploration program is to obtain geologic knowledge of the coal underlying the exploration area for the purpose of assessing the coal resources there. The BLM regulations at 43 CFR 3410 require the publication of an invitation to participate in the coal exploration in the **Federal Register**. The Federal coal resources included in the exploration license application are located in the following described lands in Wyoming:

**Sixth Principal Meridian, Wyoming**

- T. 15 N., R. 102 W.,  
Sec. 4.
- T. 16 N., R. 101 W.,  
Sec. 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 18, 20, and 30.
- T. 16 N., R. 102 W.,  
Sec. 2, 10, 12, 14, 22, 24, 26, and 28;  
Sec. 34, NE1/4, N1/2NW1/4, SE1/4NW1/4,  
and S1/2.
- T. 17 N., R. 100 W.,  
Sec. 4, 8, 18, and 30.
- T. 17 N., R. 101 W.,  
Sec. 2, lots 1 and 2, S1/2NE1/4, SE1/  
4NW1/4, and S1/2;  
Sec. 8;  
Sec. 10, E1/2 and S1/2SW1/4;  
Sec. 12, 14, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32,  
and 34.
- T. 17 N., R. 102 W.,  
Sec. 24 and 26.

The areas described aggregate 23,232.28 acres.

The proposed exploration program is fully described and will be conducted pursuant to an exploration plan to be approved by the BLM. The plan may be modified to accommodate the legitimate exploration needs of persons seeking to participate.

**Authority:** 43 CFR 3410.2-1(c)(1)

**Mary Jo Rugwell,**  
*Associate State Director.*

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**Bureau of Land Management**

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**Notice of Invitation To Participate; Coal Exploration License Application WYW183864, Wyoming**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended by the Federal Coal Leasing Amendments Act of 1976, and to Bureau of Land Management (BLM) regulations, all interested parties are hereby invited to participate with Black Butte Coal Company on a pro rata cost-sharing basis, in a program for the exploration of coal deposits owned by the United States of America in Sweetwater County, Wyoming.

**DATES:** This notice of invitation was published in the *Rock Springs Rocket-Miner* once each week for 2 consecutive weeks beginning the week of November 10, 2014. Any party electing to participate in this exploration program must send written notice to both the BLM and Black Butte Coal Company, as provided in the **ADDRESSES** section below, no later than February 11, 2015. Such written notice must refer to serial number WYW183864.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the exploration plan submitted by Black Butte Coal Company (serialized under number WYW183864) are available for review during normal business hours in the following offices: BLM, Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone Road, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82009; and, BLM, Rock Springs Field Office, 280 Highway 191 North, Rock Springs, Wyoming 82901. Any party electing to participate in this exploration program shall send written notice to the following addresses: Black Butte Coal Company, c/o Ambre Energy North America, Inc., Attn: Jeremy Kerly, 170 South Main St., Ste. 700, Salt Lake City, UT 84101 and the BLM Wyoming State Office, Branch of Solid Minerals, Attn: Jackie Madson, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, WY 82003.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jackie Madson, Land Law Examiner, at 307-775-6258. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week,

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**Sixth Principal Meridian, Wyoming**

- T. 18 N., R. 100 W.,  
Sec. 14, 26, and 34.
- T. 18 N., R. 101 W.,  
Sec. 4.
- T. 19 N., R. 100 W.,  
Sec. 6, 12, 18, and 20;  
Sec. 24, NE1/4, E1/2NE1/4NW1/4, SE1/  
4NW1/4, S1/2SW1/4NW1/4, and S1/2;  
Sec. 26.
- T. 19 N., R. 101 W.,  
Secs. 2, 12, 14, 22, 24, 26, 28, and 34.

The areas described aggregate 11,468.77 acres.

The proposed exploration program is fully described and will be conducted pursuant to an exploration plan to be approved by the BLM. The plan may be modified to accommodate the legitimate exploration needs of persons seeking to participate.

**Authority:** 43 CFR 3410.2-1(c)(1).

**Mary Jo Rugwell,**  
*Associate State Director.*

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**Notice of Motorized Vehicle Temporary Restrictions for Specified Routes on Public Land During the Annual Moab Jeep Safari, Utah**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice restricts motorized use on 10 popular vehicle routes located on public land used by

the Moab Jeep Safari during its annual Moab Jeep Safari organized-group event, authorized under a Special Recreation Permit (SRP). The action is in effect for the Jeep Safari event which takes place annually, during the 9-day period prior to and including Easter. The dates for the Moab Jeep Safari and the dates of the temporary restrictions will be posted at the Moab Field Office and on the Moab Field Office's Web site at the addresses provided below every year at least 30 days prior to the event. The dates are also available upon request.

**DATES:** This notice is effective upon publication and shall remain in effect for the length of the Red Rock 4-Wheelers SRP, which expires on December 31, 2022.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rock Smith, Recreation Branch Chief, BLM-Moab Field Office, 82 East Dogwood Avenue, Moab, Utah 84532, or telephone 435-259-2100. Also see the Moab Field Office Web site at: [www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/moab.html](http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/moab.html).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On December 28, 2012, the Decision Record authorizing the Jeep Safari SRP was signed. This permit authorizes the Red Rock 4-Wheelers to utilize a set of 38 routes known as the Jeep Safari routes, for 9 days per year during an annual organized group event. The event traditionally includes Easter Sunday and the previous 8 days. The permit is authorized from 2013 through 2022. The Environmental Assessment analyzing these routes (EA #DOI-BLM-UT-Y010-2011-0189) concluded that allowing permitted motorized users exclusive use of 7 of the more popular routes listed in the below summary, and managing for one-way travel on the 3 additional routes listed in the below summary for the 9-day period of the Moab Jeep Safari, would mitigate environmental damage by lessening the amount of traffic concentrated on these narrow dirt routes. These routes receive the most intense and concentrated use during the annual 9-day event. The following two components of the action apply only to the use of motorized vehicles.

**Exclusive Use:** The following routes will be for the exclusive use of Moab Jeep Safari participants and other motorized users authorized under an SRP on days that the routes are utilized by the Moab Jeep Safari: Behind the Rocks, Cliff Hanger, Gold Bar Rim, Golden Spike, Moab Rim, Poison Spider Mesa, and Pritchett Canyon. For the routes listed above, motorized users without an SRP authorizing use of these routes are prohibited from using them. Non-motorized uses are not restricted.

**One-Way Travel:** The following routes are restricted to one-way travel for the entire nine days of the Moab Jeep Safari: Hell's Revenge, Kane Creek Canyon and Steelbender. For the Hell's Revenge route, motorized use must occur one-way from east to west (*i.e.*, from the Sand Flats Recreation Area entrance booth west to the end of the route west of the Lion's Back Rock). This action is consistent with Grand County's travel management which allows the Lion's Back access to be used only as an exit for general recreational travel. For the Kane Creek Canyon route, motorized use must occur one-way from north to south (*i.e.*, from the Hurrah Pass/Kane Creek junction south to the end of the route at U.S. Highway 191). For the Steelbender route, motorized use must occur one-way from north to south (*i.e.*, from the Moab Golf Club area entry south to the southern end of the route near Flat Pass and Kens Lake). This restriction applies to all motorized users.

Exclusive motorized use of seven of the more popular routes listed above, by permittees only, would minimize damage to wilderness study areas, water quality, soils, visual resources and vegetation by reducing the amount of travel. In addition, restricting motorized use of these routes reduces user conflicts and provides for a more enjoyable experience during the well-attended annual Jeep Safari.

One-way use of three routes listed above would reduce impacts to water quality, soils, visual resources, and vegetation by eliminating passing, which results in road widening along these narrow routes. In addition, one-way travel mitigates crowding along these three routes, reduces user conflict and provides for a more enjoyable experience for event participants.

This action will be posted at the BLM-Moab Field Office as well as on the Moab Field Office Web site at: [www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/moab.html](http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/moab.html). The restrictions will also be posted at each of the trailheads affected during the Jeep Safari. Enforcement of these restrictions will be in accordance with 43 CFR 8360.0-7 and 18 U.S.C. 3571.

#### Exceptions

The use of motorized vehicles for emergency, official United States military and law enforcement purposes, or for official duties, or as otherwise authorized by the BLM are exempt from these restrictions. Use of motorized wheelchairs is also exempt.

**Authority:** 43 CFR 8364.1.

**Kent Hoffman,**

*Acting State Director.*

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### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Realty Action: Recreation and Public Purposes Lease for Change of Use and Conveyance of Public Lands in Nye County, NV

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Pahrump Field Office has examined and proposes to change the use of a 400-acre Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Lease from a buffer zone to a landfill located in Nye County, Nevada. The land has been leased by the Nevada Division of State Lands (NDSL) since 1962, and it surrounds an existing 80-acre landfill. The conveyance would be offered pursuant to the Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act of 1926. The NDSL proposes to use the land for a Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Subtitle C landfill and disposal site.

**DATES:** Interested persons may submit written comments regarding the proposed change of use, Environmental Assessment (EA) and conveyance of public lands until February 26, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments to the BLM, Pahrump Field Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89130.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Erica Pionke, Realty Specialist, by telephone at 702-515-5059, or by email at [epionke@blm.gov](mailto:epionke@blm.gov). Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The parcel of public land that is proposed for the change of use and conveyance of an R&PP Lease is described as:

Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada  
T. 13 S., R. 47 E.,