

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**

CARRIZO PLAIN NATIONAL MONUMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

CHARTER

1. **OFFICIAL DESIGNATION:** Carrizo Plain National Monument Advisory Committee (Committee).
2. **AUTHORITY:** The Committee is a discretionary advisory committee established under section 309 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA), as amended (43 U.S.C. 1739); the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1600); section 14 of the National Forest Management Act of 1976 (16 U.S.C. 472a); the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131); and all other applicable provisions of the law. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is subject to standards and procedures for the creation, operation, and termination of BLM's resource advisory committees. Refer to the 1995 amended BLM regulations (43 CFR 1784) for specific regulations regarding composition (1784.2-1); avoidance of conflicts of interest (1784.2-2); calls for nominations (1784.4-1); notice of meetings (1784.4-2); open meetings (1784.4-3); records (1784.5-3); course of instruction for members (1784.6-1(f)); and quorum requirements (1784.6-1(h)). The Committee is regulated by the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2).
3. **OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES:** The Committee will serve in an advisory capacity concerning the implementation of the comprehensive plan for the Carrizo Plain Long-Range Management Plan as stated in the Presidential Proclamation establishing the Monument.
4. **DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES:** Committee duties and responsibilities, where applicable, are as follows:
 1. Develop recommendations for BLM regarding the development, revision, and implementation of the management plan for the Monument. Among these responsibilities are, at the request of the Designated Federal Officer (DFO), to gather and analyze information, conduct studies and field examinations, and seek public input.
 2. Advise BLM in establishing resource management priorities for the Monument.
 3. Advise BLM in establishing landscape goals and objectives for the Monument.
 4. Assist BLM in developing recommendations for implementation of ecosystem approaches to management by advising BLM in establishing goals and objectives within the Monument.
 5. Advise BLM regarding ongoing local efforts to develop and achieve collaborative approaches to management of the Monument.

6. Advise BLM on encouraging cooperation with local volunteers to provide for the protection of important resources of the Monument.
7. Advise BLM on opportunities to enhance and expand existing partnerships and volunteer efforts of the Monument.
8. Advise BLM on opportunities to enhance and expand existing educational outreach efforts of the Monument.

Except for purposes of long-range planning and the establishment of resource management priorities, the Committee shall not provide advice on the allocation and expenditure of funds, or on personnel actions.

9. Provide recommendations for implementation of Secretary's Order 3347 - Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation, and Secretary's Order 3356 - Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes, and Territories. Recommendations shall include, but are not limited to:
 - (a) assessing and quantifying implementation of the Secretary's Orders and recommendations to enhance and expand their implementation as identified;
 - (b) policies and programs that:
 - (1) increase outdoor recreation opportunities for all Americans, with a focus on engaging youth, veterans, minorities, and other communities that traditionally have low participation in outdoor recreation;
 - (2) expand access for hunting and fishing on BLM land in a manner that respects the rights and privacy of the owners of non-public lands;
 - (3) increase energy, transmission, infrastructure, or other relevant projects while avoiding or minimizing potential negative impacts on wildlife; and
 - (4) create greater collaboration with States, Tribes, and/or Territories.
10. Provide recommendations for implementation of the regulatory reform initiatives and policies specified in section 2 of Executive Order 13777 - Reducing Regulation and Controlling Regulatory Costs; Executive Order 12866 - Regulatory Planning and Review, as amended; and section 6 of Executive Order 13563 - Improving Regulation and Regulatory Review. Recommendations shall include, but are not limited to:
 - (a) identifying regulations for repeal, replacement, or modification considering, at a minimum, those regulations that:
 - (1) eliminate jobs or inhibit job creation;
 - (2) are outdated, unnecessary, or ineffective;
 - (3) impose costs that exceed benefits;

- (4) create a serious inconsistency or otherwise interfere with regulatory reform initiatives and policies;
 - (5) rely, in part or in whole, on data or methods that are not publicly available or insufficiently transparent to meet the standard for reproducibility; or
 - (6) derive from or implement Executive Orders or other Presidential and Secretarial directives that have been subsequently rescinded or substantially modified.
11. Provide recommendations for implementation of Secretary's Order 3354 - Supporting and Improving the Federal Onshore Oil and Gas Leasing Program and Federal Solid Mineral Leasing Program. Recommendations shall include, but are not limited to:
 - a. supporting and improving the implementation of the oil and gas quarterly lease sale provision found in the Mineral Leasing Act;
 - b. identifying options to improve the Federal onshore oil and gas leasing program and the Federal solid mineral leasing program, as well as identifying additional steps to enhance exploration and development of Federal onshore oil and gas resources and Federal solid mineral resources; and
 - c. developing an effective strategy to address permitting applications efficiently and effectively as well as develop clear actionable goals for reducing the permit processing time.
12. Provide recommendations for collaborative and innovative solutions to aggressively address wildland fires on public lands as guided by the Secretary's memo on wildfires dated September 11, 2017, by:
 - a. utilizing existing policies as well as national and regional methods of fuel control;
 - b. identifying new solutions for the application of existing policies and innovative fuel control methods;
 - c. better integrating State, local, and Tribal stakeholders in wildfire prevention and suppression;
 - d. establishing methods which emphasize the importance of firefighting and public safety; and
 - e. ensuring that landscapes are restored and maintained.

All current and future Executive Orders, Secretary's Orders, and Secretarial memos should be included for discussion and recommendations as they are released. At the conclusion of each meeting or shortly thereafter, provide a detailed recommendation report, including meeting minutes, to the DFO.

5. **OFFICIAL TO WHOM THE COMMITTEE REPORTS:** The Committee provides advice to the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) through the DFO.
6. **SUPPORT:** Administrative support and funding for activities of the Committee will be provided by BLM.
7. **ESTIMATED ANNUAL OPERATING COSTS AND STAFF YEARS:** The annual operating costs associated with supporting the Committee's activities are estimated to be \$40,000, including all direct and indirect expenses and 0.30 of Federal staff years support.
8. **DESIGNATED FEDERAL OFFICER:** The DFO is the Baker Field Manager, a full-time Federal employee appointed in accordance with Agency procedures. The DFO will approve or call all Committee and subcommittee meetings, prepare and approve all meeting agendas, attend all Committee and subcommittee meetings, adjourn any meeting when the DFO determines adjournment to be in the public interest, and chair meetings when directed to do so by the Secretary.
9. **ESTIMATED NUMBER AND FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS:** The Committee will meet approximately one to four times annually, and at such other times as designated by the DFO.
10. **DURATION:** Continuing.
11. **TERMINATION:** The Committee will be inactive 2 years from the date the charter is filed, unless, prior to that date, it is renewed in accordance with the provisions of section 14 of the FACA. The Committee will not meet or take any action without a valid current charter.
12. **MEMBERSHIP AND DESIGNATION:**

- a. Committee members appointed by the Secretary will be representative of the following groups:

GROUP 1 – PERSONS REPRESENTING:

- (1) the San Luis Obispo Board of Supervisors;
- (2) the Kern County Board of Supervisors;
- (3) the Carrizo Native American Advisory Council;
- (4) the Central California Resource Advisory Council; and
- (5) individuals or companies authorized to graze livestock within the Monument.

GROUP 2 – FIVE MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT:

- (1) the purposes for which the Monument was established, for example, geological, biological, archaeological, historical; and

(2) the interests of other stakeholders, including community members, who are affected by, or interested in the planning and management of the Monument, for example, dispersed recreation community, mechanized recreational community; academia; recognized environmental or resource conservation organizations; minerals and energy resources community; cultural resource representative (local or regional); and/or private landowners adjacent to the Monument.

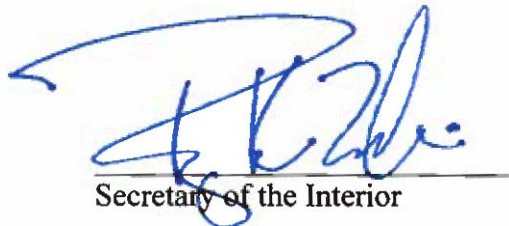
b. The Committee will be comprised of 10 members.

c. Members will be appointed to the Committee to serve 3-year terms.

13. **ETHICS RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMBERS:** No Committee or subcommittee member will participate in any Committee or subcommittee deliberations or votes relating to a specific party matter before the Department or its bureaus and offices including a lease, license, permit, contract, grant, claim, agreement, or litigation in which the member or the entity the member represents has a direct financial interest.

As provided in 43 CFR 1784.2-2, members of the Committee shall be required to disclose their direct or indirect interest in leases, licenses, permits, contracts, or claims that involve lands or resources administered by BLM, or in any litigation related thereto. For the purpose of this paragraph, indirect interest includes holdings of a spouse or dependent child.

14. **SUBCOMMITTEES:** Subject to the DFO's approval, subcommittees may be formed for the purposes of compiling information or conducting research. However, such subcommittees must act only under the direction of the DFO and must report their recommendations to the Committee for consideration. Subcommittees must not provide advice or work products directly to the Agency. Subcommittees will meet as necessary to accomplish their assignments, subject to the approval of the DFO and the availability of resources.
15. **RECORDKEEPING:** The Records of the Committee, and formally and informally established subcommittees of the Committee, shall be handled in accordance with General Records Schedule 6.2, and other approved Agency records disposition schedules. These records shall be available for public inspection and copying, subject to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).


Secretary of the Interior

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