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Lola/Twinkle...attached is our response to the DOI request for information regarding our advisory committee. There was no clear template for how they wanted the information presented, so I did it in a simple bullet style in a Word doc. Let me know if I need to do anything else, or if the attached fulfills WO needs..

Have a nice weekend!

v/r
Larry

On Thu, May 11, 2017 at 3:09 PM, Bird, Lola <lbird@blm.gov> wrote:

Hi Larry,

I just received the request below from the WO through Ed. Will you please start pulling the requested info together for the MAC and I will get started on the info for the RAC.

Thanks!
Lola

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From: Edwin Roberson <eroberso@blm.gov>
Date: Thu, May 11, 2017 at 2:56 PM
Subject: Fwd: FOR ACTION: DOI Info Req. on FACA and NON-FACA related advisory bodies
To: Anita Bilbao <abilbao@blm.gov>, Michael Richardson <mjrichardson@blm.gov>, lbird@blm.gov

Anita, Michael and Lola,
Here is the latest guidance and request related to the RAC and MAC.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Allen, Matthew" <mrallen@blm.gov>
Date: May 11, 2017 at 4:46:53 PM EDT
To: BLM ELT <blm_elt@blm.gov>
Cc: Patrick Wilkinson <p2wilkin@blm.gov>, Phyllis Seitts <twinkle_thompson-seitts@blm.gov>
Subject: **FOR ACTION: DOI Info Req. on FACA and NON-FACA related advisory bodies**

ELT Members,

As you know, the Department is currently reviewing more than 200 boards, committees, subcommittees, commissions, and other internal and external advisory bodies that are authorized to meet periodically and solicit input. This includes FACA-related advisory bodies and non-FACA related advisory bodies. This review necessitates the postponement of all meetings, which will be rescheduled for September 2017 or later. In addition, this means that all charters and calls for nominations are "on pause".

To assist in this review, we need the following information by Wednesday, May 17, for each of BLM FACA-related advisory bodies:

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- 1) Brief description of the benefits, services, and/or recommendations provided by the committee to the BLM (i.e. provide a narrative justification for the committee);
- 2) Other information relevant to understanding the purpose of the committee; and,
- 3) The most recent annual schedule of meetings, including when the next meeting would be held, the location of the meeting, and if the meeting has been noticed in the Federal Register.

We also need the following information by Wednesday, May 17, for each of BLM-managed Non-FACA-related advisory bodies (this does not include BLM committees with only BLM members):

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- 1) The most recent charter, and any prior versions if there have been significant changes over time;

- 2) The costs and resources required annually to support the committee;
- 3) A list of both Federal and non-Federal members/alternates, to include their organization, whether they represent the Department of the Interior, and their term limits;
- 4) Whether the committee is mandated by statute/law, authorized by statute/law, or established pursuant to Agency authority (provide a copy of the enabling legislation and any amendments);
- 5) Brief description of the benefits, services, and/or recommendations provided by the committee to the Department and bureaus (i.e. provide a narrative justification for the committee);
- 6) Other information relevant to understanding the purpose of the committee; and,
- 7) The most recent annual schedule of meetings, including when the next meeting would be held, the location of the meeting, and if the meeting has been noticed in the Federal Register.

Please provide this information to Twinkle Thompson by close of business next Wednesday, May 17, at pseitts@blm.gov. If you have any questions, please contact Twinkle at 202-208-7301; cell is 480-748-1044.

Thank you.

-Matthew

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Thank you,
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Respectfully,
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Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Response
DOI Info Req. on FACA and NON-FACA related advisory bodies

- The Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Management Plan (MMP), signed by the Secretary of the Interior in November 1999 and effective February 2000, directed that a Monument Advisory Committee (MAC), chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, be established to advise and aid Monument managers on science issues and the achievement of Management Plan objectives.
- As specified in the Committee charter, the GSENMAC may be requested to: (1) Gather and analyze information, conduct studies and field examinations, seek public input or ascertain facts to develop recommendations concerning the use and management of the Monument; (2) review programmatic documents including the annual Monument Manager's Reports, and Monument Science Plans to provide recommendations on the achievement of the Management Plan objectives; (3) Compile monitoring data and assess and advise the DFO of the extent to which the Plan objectives are being met; (4) Make recommendations on Monument protocols and applicable planning projects to achieve the overall objectives are being met; (5) Review appropriate research proposals and make recommendations on project necessity and validity; (6) Make recommendations regarding allocation of research funds through review of research and project proposals as well as needs identified through the evaluation process; (7) Consult and make recommendations on issues such as protocols for specific projects, e.g., vegetation restoration methods or standards for excavation and curation of artifacts and objects; and/or (8) Prepare an annual report summarizing the Committee's activities and accomplishments of the past year, and make recommendations for future needs and activities.
- The 15-member MAC is comprised of one representative from each of the following categories: An elected official from Garfield County, an elected official from Kane County, State of Utah, Tribal, Livestock permittees, Outfitter-Guide permittees, Education, and Environmental; and one scientist representing the fields of Archaeology, Botany, Geology, Paleontology, Social Science, Systems Ecology and Wildlife Biology. Of the positions currently filled, six are from southern Utah (Kane & Garfield Counties), three from central/northern Utah, one from northern Arizona, and two from Colorado. There are currently three vacancies – Botany, Social Science, and an elected official from Garfield County.
- Among the recommendations prepared by the MAC are a comprehensive report on using Adaptive Management Strategies in Science, a Livestock Grazing report, and numerous recommendations ranging from manning strategies for Monument visitor centers to gaining Dark Sky recognition for the Monument.
- By charter, the MAC meets two-to-four times per year; and is currently meeting four times to advise Monument management on the development of the on-going Livestock Grazing Management Monument Management Plan Amendment and Associated Environmental Impact Statement, as well as other projects in process including the 19,000-acre Skutumpah Terrace Restoration Project. The next meeting is scheduled for October 4/5, 2017 in Escalante, Utah. It has not been noticed in the Federal Register Notice.