

The following is a sample NOA for a Proposed RMP/Final EIS. Please note that when submitted, the Federal Register notice must be double-spaced.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

Notice of Availability of Proposed *[insert title of Plan/Final EIS]*

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management.

ACTION: Notice of Availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a proposed Resource Management Plan/Final Environmental Impact Statement (RMP/EIS) for the *[insert title of planning area]*.

DATES: BLM Planning Regulations (43 CFR 1610.5-2) state that any person who participated in the planning process, and has an interest that may be adversely affected, may protest the BLM's Proposed RMP. The protest must be filed within 30 days of the date that the Environmental Protection Agency publishes this notice in the Federal Register. Instructions for filing of protests are described in the Dear Reader letter of the *[insert name of proposed plan/Final EIS]* and included in the Supplementary Information section of this notice.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the *[insert name of Proposed Plan/Final EIS]* have been sent to affected Federal, state, and local government agencies and to interested parties. Copies of the proposed Plan/Final EIS are available for public inspection at *[insert location for*

public inspection of documents]. Interested persons may also review the proposed plan/Final EIS on the Internet at *[insert URL for web site, if available]*.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: *[insert name, address, phone number, and/or email address of contact person(s)]*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *[In this section, provide general information on the plan including planning area location, approximate size of planning area, etc.]*

[Include any other pertinent information which will assist the public, including management direction for the resources addressed in the plan, ways in which public participation has been sought, any special designations in planning area, the outcome of the proposed plan, etc.]

Comments on the Draft RMP/EIS received from the public and internal BLM review were incorporated into the proposed plan. Public comments resulted in the addition of clarifying text, but did not significantly change proposed land use decisions *[change this previous statement if necessary]*.

As noted above, instructions for filing a protest with the Director of the BLM regarding the Proposed Plan/Final EIS may be found at 43 CFR 1610.5. E-mail and faxed protests will not be accepted as valid protests unless the protesting party also provides the original letter by either regular or overnight mail postmarked by the close of the protest period. Under these conditions, the BLM will consider the e-mail or faxed protest as an advance copy and it will receive full consideration. If you wish to provide the BLM with such advance notification, please direct faxed protests to the attention of the BLM protest coordinator at 202-452-5112, and e-mails to Brenda.Hudgens-Williams@blm.gov.

All protests, including the follow-up letter (if e-mailing or faxing) must be in writing and mailed to the following address:

Regular Mail:

Director (210)

Attention: Brenda Williams

P.O. Box 66538

Washington, D.C. 20035

Overnight Mail:

Director (210)

Attention: Brenda Williams

1620 L Street, N.W., Suite 1075

Washington, D.C. 20036

Before including your phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your protest, you should be aware that your entire protest – including your personal identifying information – may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your protest to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

[insert name of signing official]

Date

[insert title]