



**Bureau of Land Management
Battle Mountain District
Annual Report
January 2013**



Phoenix Project: Phoenix Pit

Resource Management Plan (RMP) Revision

2013 Priorities:

Finalize Ethnographic Report/
Class 1 Cultural Overview
(December 7, 2012)

Complete Resource Allocation
Mapping/Finalize Alternative Ma-
trix (December 12, 2012)

State Office Review of Alterna-
tives (January 2013)

Review/Complete Chapters 1
and 3 of RMP (January- February
2013)

Analyze Alternative Impacts
(impact kickoff meeting, EMPSi
analysis) (Spring 2013)

Complete Preliminary Draft RMP/
EIS end of September 2013

2012 Accomplishments:

Draft Cooperating Agency MOUs
were sent out to counties July 14,
2011. MOUs have been signed
with Esmeralda, Eureka, Lander,
and Nye counties as well as Nel-
lis Air Force Base.

We are still working with some of
the interested tribes on MOUs
and with the Fallon Naval Sta-
tion.

Socioeconomic, Wild and Scenic
Rivers, Visual Resource Invento-
ry, and Mineral Potential reports
were completed and available on
the BMD website.

A cooperating agency meeting
was held March 28, 2012 and a
RAC sub-group/cooperating
agency conference call was held
June 7, 2012 (notes were distrib-
uted June 22, 2012).

A BLM internal Area of Critical
Environmental Concern (ACEC)
meeting was held May 25, 2012
to finalize proposed bounda-
ries. The final ACEC report was
completed in November of 2012
and is available on the BMD web-
site.

BLM internal RMP alternative de-
velopment meetings were held
June 12 - 13, 2012 (recreation,
special designations, etc.) and
June 19 -21, 2012 (vegetation,

livestock grazing, fish and wild-
life, weeds). Additional meetings
were held during July and August,
alternative development was
identified, and a draft is to be
completed by January 30, 2013.

A cooperating agency/RAC sub-
group meeting and/or confer-
ence call will be scheduled after
the draft alternatives are devel-
oped.

The Revised Draft Ethnographic
summary report was submitted
May 15, 2012 and was re-
viewed.