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To: District Managers, Nevada
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From: Michael R. Holbert
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Subject: Fiscal Year (FY) 2008 Cultural Resource Management (CRM) Program Annual Report

DD: 08/01/2008

The Nevada State Office (NSO) requests the assistance of all Nevada Bureau of Land Management (BLM) District Offices in completing the CRM Program Annual Report. The BLM is required to compile this information to comply with the Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979 (P.L. 96-95; 93 Stat. 721; 16 U.S.C. 470aa *et seq.*) and the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-665; 80 Stat. 915; 16 U.S.C. 470). The data are assembled and submitted to the BLM Washington Office which, in turn, compiles this information for the National Park Service (NPS) to enable them to complete the "Secretary of the Interior's Report to Congress on Federal Archaeological Activities." The data are also used to complete the Public Land Statistics (PLS), the Chief Financial Officers/Stewardship Assets and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act reports, "Public Rewards from Public Lands" report, the Department of the Interior's "Performance and Accountability" report, as well as occasionally respond to Congressional inquiries.

The Office of Management and Budget has an accelerated schedule for submission of this information. NSO is requesting offices to submit their CRM annual reports, consisting of numerical data and narratives, no later than August 1, 2008. The annual reports should summarize accomplishments achieved as of the end of July 2008.

The BLM Nevada District Offices are asked to complete the attached questionnaire (Attachment 1), as well as provide information in narrative or tabular form (also using attachments in some cases), according to the following headings. Please keep your responses short and concise.

Paleontological Resources. Please note the new section in Attachment 1 (Cultural Resources Annual Report) concerning the numbers and condition of paleontological localities, which are to be summarized by district offices for their respective areas and provided to NSO. The NSO will respond to the section relating to paleontological permits and will compile the district offices' information on localities and their condition.

Office Highlights. Please provide a separate, brief narrative summarizing major annual accomplishments in the CRM program, including implementation of the National Programmatic Agreement, Native American coordination and consultation, collections management and Native America Graves Protection

Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) inventories, major inventories and excavations, CRM publications and brochures, outreach efforts, etc. Please provide detailed information (i.e., 2-3 paragraphs) on the district's top 1 or 2 accomplishments, along with high-quality graphics to illustrate the work completed. On the less significant work, please limit the information provided to short bullets.

Partnerships. Provide a tabular summary of reporting year cooperative management agreements and challenge cost share projects (based on projects for Nevada listed in Attachment 2, which shows these for FY2007 and FY2008). Calculate both the BLM and the matching contributions (e.g., money, staff time, volunteer hours, materials, etc.) Briefly describe the work accomplished (e.g., inventory, excavation, analysis, outreach) and its location (e.g., name of site or locale where work took place). Volunteer hours should be reported but not converted to a dollar value; this will be done by the Washington Office. Offices should also report on projects funded out of 1050 and other subactivities.

Public Outreach. Please provide a brief narrative discussion of your office's efforts at promoting public education and awareness of the BLM's cultural heritage. Please complete the data summary table (Attachment 3). The BLM's Project Archaeology partner, Montana State University, will collect Project Archaeology information separately. Attachment 3 contains instructions on input and unit definitions.

LOOT Form. Complete the NPS Listing of Outlaw Treachery (LOOT) form (Attachment 4) for any archaeological looting incident.

Please update your office's listing of standing historic structures (Attachment 5).

National Register of Historic Places. Please update your office's list of National Register properties.

Section VI—Enforcement. States are required to collect data on archaeological enforcement and prosecutions from their field offices and compile it for their States. Please coordinate, as necessary, with your Special-Agent-in-Charge in the completion of this section.

Please ensure internal consistency with data provided in previous fiscal years.

A copy of the consolidated CRM Report for FY 2007 can be found on the Heritage Program Intranet website at http://web.blm.gov/internal/wo-200/wo-240/data_08_8CRM.html/. Information on the FY 2007 CRM cost share accomplishments and BLM National Register of Historic Place listings through the end of FY 2007 also can be found at this website, along with the CRM annual report form. All of these documents can be printed.

Questions on the report should be directed to Tom Burke at (775) 861-6415 or by e-mail at t1burke@blm.gov.

Signed By:
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5 Attachments

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- 1 – Cultural Resource Annual Report /BLM Annual Report of Heritage Education (9 pp)
- 2 – FY 2007 and 2008 Funded CCS Projects (4 pp)
- 3 – BLM Annual Report of Heritage Education Effort for FY 2008 (1 p)
- 4 – Listing of Outlaw Treachery (LOOT) (2 pp)
- 5 – NV BLM Historic Structures (1 p)