



ALASKA



ABOVE: Students perform water quality assessments near Bering Glacier, the largest glacier in continental North America. Researchers coordinate with the BLM because the glacier includes public lands managed by the Glennallen Field Office.

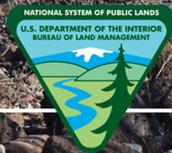
RIGHT: This visitor and his canine friend make themselves at home while taking a break from hunting Dall sheep in Alaska's Brooks Range.



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JANUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 New Year's Day (observed)	3	4	5	6	7
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15	16 Martin Luther King Jr's Birthday (observed)	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	<p><i>Taxpayer investment in the BLM yields big benefits. Last fiscal year, the BLM's management of public lands contributed more than \$112 billion to the U.S. economy and supported more than 500,000 American jobs. These revenues compare to the BLM's annual budget of about \$1 billion.</i></p>			



ARIZONA



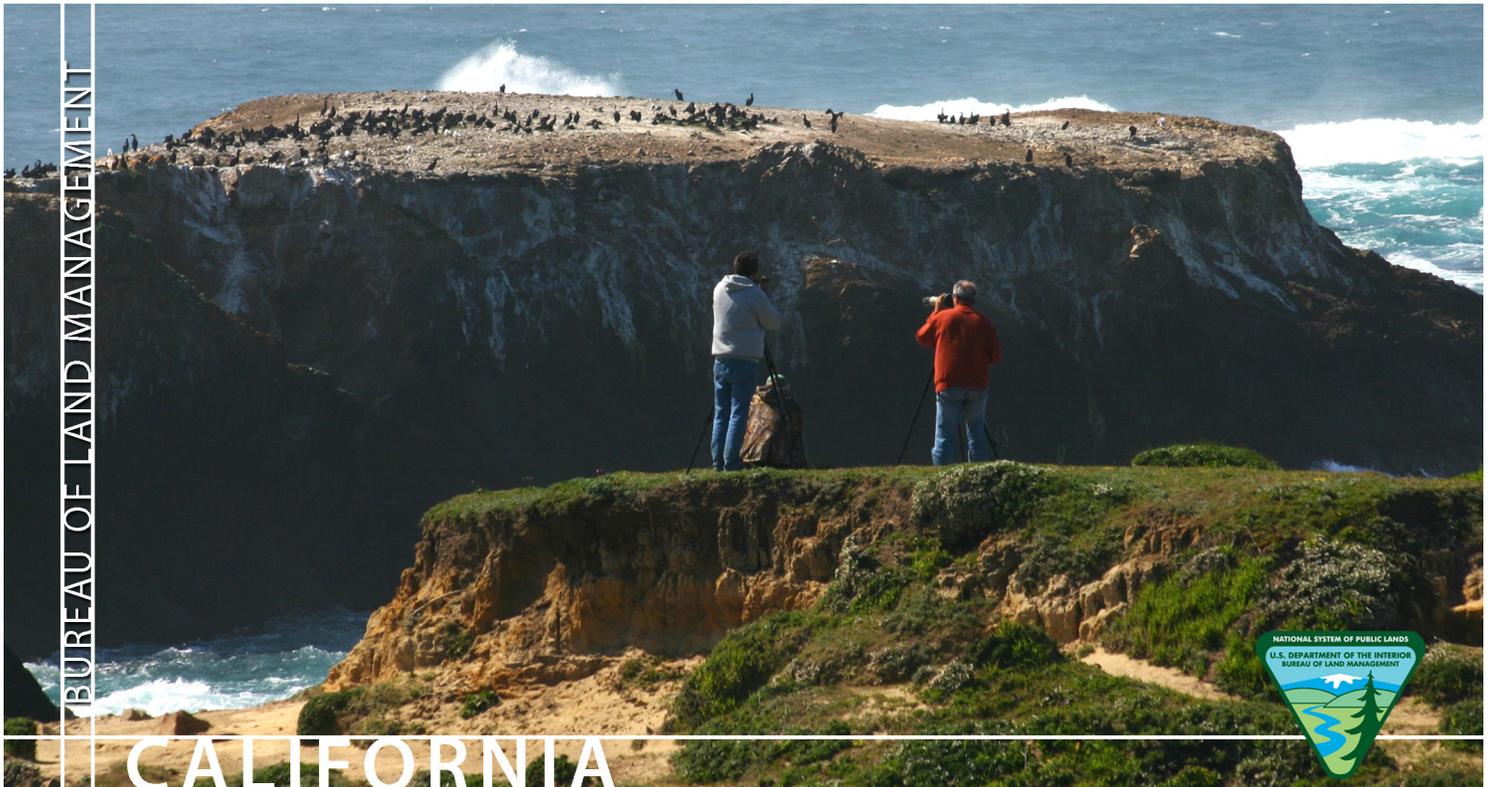
ABOVE: These visitors enjoy a hike at the Gila Box Riparian National Conservation Area.

RIGHT: Campers enjoy the solitude of the Sonoran Desert National Monument, which contains three distinct mountain ranges and is the most biologically diverse North American desert.



FEBRUARY

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19	20 George Washington's Birthday (observed)	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	<p><i>The BLM benefits nearby communities in a variety of ways. On all its managed acres, the BLM provides some essential services that protect the public, such as wildfire management and law enforcement. The BLM also plays a critical role in providing and delivering energy because construction of most oil and gas pipelines and powerlines in the West require rights-of-way across public lands.</i></p>		



CALIFORNIA



ABOVE: Visitors capture the scenery at the California Coastal National Monument, which is located along 1,100 miles of California's coastline.



RIGHT: A family visits the Big Morongo Canyon Preserve, managed by the BLM to preserve its outstanding natural and scenic values and recreational opportunities.

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MARCH

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The BLM's positive impact includes renewable energy. In 2010, the production of geothermal and wind energy on BLM lands contributed \$361 million dollars to America's economy.



COLORADO



ABOVE: Hikers take a break at the top of Handies Peak, which tops out at 14,048 feet.

RIGHT: Visitors stop to gain some information along the Alpine Loop Back Country Byway. The Alpine Loop covers 65 miles of roads between Lake City, Ouray, and Silverton.



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APRIL

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29	30	<p><i>Ranching on public lands and managing for healthy, productive forests have played key roles in the history and development of much of the American West. These activities remain important to the livelihood of many families, to the social and cultural identity of the country, and to the economic vitality of many rural communities.</i></p>				



EASTERN STATES



ABOVE: Kayakers coast along the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse Outstanding Natural Area on the lookout for manatees.

RIGHT: Annually, thousands of people visit the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse Outstanding Natural Area, usually to tour the lighthouse and museum or to participate in organized athletics at the Jupiter Lighthouse Park.



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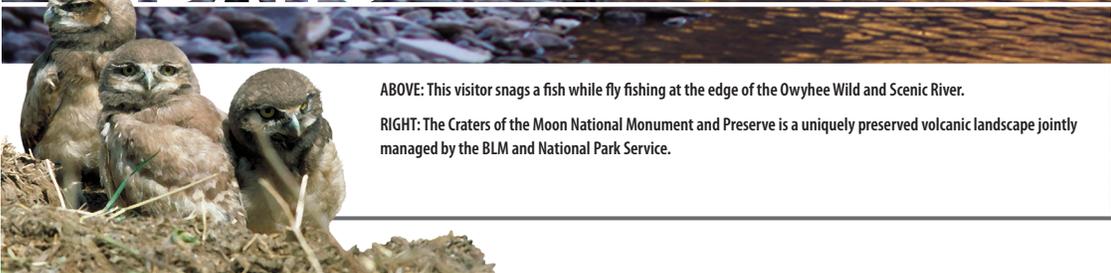
MAY

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27	28 Memorial Day Holiday	29	30	31		

The BLM's management of the public lands includes grazing. Grazing on BLM-managed lands made possible the introduction of \$310 million worth of feed, fiber, and livestock into the market, and boosted the American economy by \$540 million in FY2010.



IDAHO



ABOVE: This visitor snags a fish while fly fishing at the edge of the Owyhee Wild and Scenic River.

RIGHT: The Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve is a uniquely preserved volcanic landscape jointly managed by the BLM and National Park Service.



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JUNE

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In 2010, recreation provided a nationwide economic benefit of \$7.4 billion. Recreational visits to BLM public lands continue to increase, along with visits to nearby communities. Visitation to public lands has increased from 51 million visits in 2001 to more than 58 million in 2010.



MONTANA



ABOVE: This pair of anglers spend the day on Madison River, which flows from Quake Lake near Yellowstone to its confluence with the Jefferson River.

RIGHT: Visitors enjoy the outdoors and camping at the Divide Bridge Campground, which is located along the Big Hole River in southwest Montana.



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JULY

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29	30	31	<p><i>The BLM's minerals-related activities, such as oil and gas development, contributed \$103 billion to the U.S. economy last fiscal year—about half is returned to state governments. In fact, every minute, revenue from BLM onshore oil and gas production brings in \$4,800 for the American taxpayer.</i></p>			



NEW MEXICO



ABOVE: The BLM manages the White Mesa Bike Trails Area, which crosses a region known for its scenic qualities and geological, cultural, and paleontological resources.



RIGHT: Parks Ranch Cave contains at least 18 different entrances and more than 4.5 miles of passage and is managed by the Carlsbad Field Office.

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AUGUST

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BLM lands are vast, varied, and close to home. More than 4,000 communities (23 million people) live within 30 miles of public lands, and 40 percent of BLM-managed lands are within a day's drive of 16 major urban areas with a population of more than 40 million.



NEVADA



ABOVE: Runners participate in an organized race through the Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area, whose unique geologic features, plants, and animals represent some of the best examples of the Mojave Desert.
 RIGHT: The Sand Mountain Recreation Area provides challenges and excitement for off-highway vehicle riders, hikers, and sandboarders.



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SEPTEMBER

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30	<p><i>The BLM supports community growth through the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, which allows for the sale or lease of public lands to state and local governments to be used for schools, fire stations, municipal facilities, landfills, hospitals, and parks. Strong, local partnerships are a traditional tool at the BLM.</i></p>					



OREGON



ABOVE: The Alvord Desert provides ideal conditions for land sailing, while recreationists can also enjoy Mann Lake nearby for fishing, camping, hiking, and viewing wildlife.

RIGHT: Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area is located on a narrow point of land at the north end of Newport, Oregon, and provides beautiful views of wildlife and the ocean.



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OCTOBER

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7	8 Columbus Day Holiday	9	10	11	12	13
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28	29	30	31	<p><i>Timber is among the traditional multiple uses of public lands that the BLM manages. In 2010, BLM-managed lands yielded \$337 million worth of timber and provided \$814 million worth of timber-related economic activity.</i></p>		



UTAH



ABOVE: BLM archaeologist Byron Loosle photographs well-preserved rock art at Nine Mile Canyon.
 RIGHT: Rafters brave the rapids at Westwater Canyon, the first whitewater stretch of the Colorado River in Utah.



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NOVEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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11	12 Veterans Day Holiday	13	14	15 America Recycles Day	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 Thanksgiving Day Holiday	23	24
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The careful management of BLM lands to increase renewable energy production, such as solar, water, wind, geothermal, and biomass energy, is helping to create a cleaner, more secure energy future. This process includes giving the American people broad input into how their lands are managed.



WYOMING



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ABOVE: Visitors can relive history of the West by traveling on the Pony Express National Historic Trail, the same trail that Pony Express riders used more than 100 years ago.
 RIGHT: These visitors glide over the winter terrain as they take advantage of the open space on BLM public land in Wyoming.

DECEMBER

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23	24	25 <small>Christmas Day Holiday</small>	26	27	28	29
30	31	<i>BLM lands remain the American West's backyard and playground. Public lands offer a wide spectrum of traditional and new outdoor recreation activities that contribute to the health and well-being of millions of people in an increasingly urbanized West.</i>				