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Michael D. Olsen,

Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Call for Nominations for the Steens Mountain Advisory Council

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Call for nominations.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management is publishing this notice under section 9 (a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Pursuant to the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-399), the Bureau of Land Management gives notice that the Secretary of the Interior intends to call for nominations for vacating positions to the Steens Mountain Advisory Council. This notice requests the public to submit nominations for membership on the Steens Mountain Advisory Council.

Any individual or organization may nominate one or more persons to serve on the Steens Mountain Advisory Council. Individuals may nominate themselves or others for Steens Mountain Advisory Council membership. Nomination forms may be obtained from the Bureau of Land Management Burns District Office (see address below). To make a nomination, submit a completed nomination form, letters of reference from the represented interests or organizations, as well as any other information that speaks to the nominee's qualifications, to the Bureau of Land Management Burns District Office. Nominations may be made for the following categories of interest:

- One person who is a recognized environmental representative for the State as a whole (appointed from nominees submitted by the Governor of Oregon);
- A person interested in fish and recreational fishing (appointed from nominees submitted by the Governor of Oregon);

- A person who is a recreational permit holder or is a representative of a commercial recreation operation (appointed jointly by the Oregon State Director of the Bureau of Land Management and the county court for Harney County, Oregon);

- A private landowner in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area (appointed by the county court for Harney County, Oregon); and

- A person with expertise and interest in wild horse management on Steens Mountain (appointed by the Bureau of Land Management)

The specific category the nominee will represent should be identified in the letter of nomination. The Bureau of Land Management Burns District will collect the nomination forms and letters of reference and distribute them to the officials responsible for submitting nominations (County Court of Harney County, the Governor of Oregon, and the Bureau of Land Management). The Bureau of Land Management will then forward recommended nominations to the Secretary of the Interior, who has responsibility for making the appointments.

DATES: Nominations should be submitted to the address listed below no later than 30 days after publication of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Rhonda Karges, Management Support Specialist, Burns District Office, 28910 Hwy 20 West, Hines, Oregon 97738, (541) 573-4433, or Rhonda_Karges@or.blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the Steens Mountain Advisory Council is to advise the Bureau of Land Management on the management of the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area as described in Title 1, Subtitle D of Public Law 106-399. Each member will be a person who, as a result of training and experience, has knowledge or special expertise that qualifies him or her to provide advice from among the categories of interest listed above.

Members of the Steens Mountain Advisory Council are appointed for terms of three years. The State environmental representative, recreational permit holder, private landowner, and fish and recreational fishing positions will expire August 2006. These four positions will begin no earlier than August 2006 and will end August 2009. The member of the Wild Horse Management position has resigned; therefore, the newly-appointed member will complete the existing three-year term. This term will begin

upon appointment and will expire August 2008.

Members will serve without monetary compensation, but will be reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses at current rates for Government employees. The Steens Mountain Advisory Council shall meet only at the call of the Designated Federal Official, but not less than once per year.

Dated: December 23, 2005.

Dana Shuford,

Burns District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, Burns, Oregon.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[UT-910-06-1040-PH-24-1A]

Notice of Utah Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Utah Resource Advisory Council (RAC) meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Utah Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The Utah Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet January 26, 2006, from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m., in Provo, Utah.

ADDRESSES: On January 26, the RAC will meet in the Centennial Conference Room at the Marriott Courtyard Hotel (1600 N. Freedom Blvd.) in Provo, Utah.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sherry Foot, Special Programs Coordinator, Utah State Office, Bureau of Land Management, P.O. Box 45155, Salt Lake City, Utah 84145-0155; phone (801) 539-4195.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Council will hold elections of officers, listen to a report from the RAC's Factory Butte Subgroup, be given an overview of "What's Happening in Utah," and take part in a discussion on Senator Bennett's bill regarding OHV issues. A half-hour public comment period is scheduled to begin at 2:30 p.m. Written comments may be sent to the Bureau of Land Management address listed below. All meetings are open to the public; however, transportation, lodging, and meals are the responsibility of the participating public.

Dated: December 21, 2005.

James Kohler,

Acting State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Notice of Availability and Public Hearings for the Red River Valley Water Supply Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability and Notice of Public Hearings INT-DES-05-79.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) and the State of North Dakota, represented by the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District (Garrison Diversion), have as joint lead agencies prepared the Red River Valley Water Supply Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). The DEIS was prepared in cooperation with the cities of Fargo, West Fargo, and Grand Forks, North Dakota and Moorhead, Minnesota, the Lake Agassiz Water Authority, North Dakota State Historic Preservation Office, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Geological Survey, U.S. Forest Service, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and pursuant to section 8(c) of the Dakota Water Resources Act of 2000 (DWRA) and section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended.

The DEIS analyzes the environmental, cultural, and socioeconomic effects of eight alternatives. Seven alternatives would meet the water needs in the Red River Valley of North Dakota, and the cities of Breckenridge, Moorhead, and East Grand Forks in Minnesota, through 2050. The document also discloses the effects of no action, or the future without implementing the federal Red River Valley Water Supply Project.

DATES: A 60-day public review period commences with the publication of this notice. Written comments on the DEIS are due by February 28, 2006, and should be submitted to Reclamation at the address given below.

Public hearings will be held during February in North Dakota and Minnesota. See the Supplementary Information section for dates of the public hearings.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to: Bureau of Reclamation, Attn: Signe Snortland, Dakotas Area Office, P.O. Box 1017, Bismarck ND 58502.

See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for meeting addresses.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Signe Snortland, Red River Valley Water Supply Project EIS, Bureau of Reclamation, Dakotas Area Office, P.O. Box 1017, Bismarck ND 58502; Telephone: (701) 250-4242 extension 3619; or Fax to (701) 250-4326. You may submit e-mail to ssnortland@gp.usbr.gov or access the Red River Valley Water Supply Project Web site at <http://www.rrvwsp.com>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Hearing Dates:

- Thursday, February 2, 2006, 7 p.m., Bismarck, North Dakota
- Tuesday, February 7, 2006, 7 p.m., Grand Forks, North Dakota
- Wednesday, February 8, 2006, 7 p.m., Warroad, Minnesota
- Thursday, February 9, 2006, 7 p.m., Valley City, North Dakota
- Wednesday, February 15, 2006, 7 p.m., Fargo, North Dakota
- Thursday, February 16, 2006, 7 p.m., Perham, Minnesota
- Friday, February 17, 2006, 1 p.m., Red Lake, Minnesota

Public Hearing Locations:

- Bismarck—Best Western Doublewood Inn, 1400 E. Interchange Avenue, Bismarck, North Dakota
- Grand Forks—Holiday Inn, 1210 N. 43rd Street, Grand Forks, North Dakota
- Warroad—Warroad Public School Theatre, 510 Cedar Avenue, Warroad, Minnesota
- Valley City—AmericInn, 280 Winter Show Road SE., Valley City, North Dakota
- Fargo—Ramada Plaza Suites and Conference Center, 1635 42nd Street, SW., Fargo, North Dakota
- Perham—Lakeside Golf Club, 2727 450th Street, Perham, Minnesota
- Red Lake—Red Lake Community Center, 15041 Great Nation Drive, Highway 1, Adjacent to the Seven Clans Casino, Red Lake, Minnesota

Public Review Locations

Copies of the DEIS are available for public review at the following locations:

Iowa

- Des Moines Public Library, 100 Locust Street, Des Moines, Iowa

Kansas

- Topeka and Shawnee County Public Library, 1515 SW. 10th Street, Topeka, Kansas

Minnesota

- Breckenridge Public Library, 205 7th Street North, Breckenridge, Minnesota
- East Grand Forks Public Library, 422 4th Street Northwest, East Grand Forks, Minnesota
- Moorhead Public Library, 118 5th Street South, Moorhead, Minnesota
- Perham Area Public Library, 225 2nd Avenue Northeast, Perham, Minnesota
- Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians, PO Box 550, Red Lake, Minnesota
- St. Paul Public Library, 90 West 4th Street, St. Paul, Minnesota
- Warroad City Library, 202 Main Avenue Northwest, Warroad, Minnesota
- White Earth Reservation, 26246 Crane Road, White Earth, Minnesota

Missouri

- Kansas City Public Library, 14 West 10th Street, Kansas City, Missouri
- Missouri River Regional Library, 214 Adams Street, Jefferson City, Missouri

Montana

- Bureau of Reclamation, Great Plains Regional Office, 316 N. 26th Street, Billings, Montana

Nebraska

- Lincoln City Libraries, 136 South 14th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

North Dakota

- Alfred Dickey Public Library, 105 3rd Street Southeast, Jamestown, North Dakota
- Bureau of Indian Affairs, Turtle Mountain Agency, PO Box 60, Belcourt/Highway 5 West, North Dakota
- Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fort Berthold Agency, 202 Main Street, New Town, North Dakota
- Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fort Totten Agency, PO Box 270/Main Street, Fort Totten, North Dakota
- Bureau of Reclamation, Dakotas Area Office, 304 E. Broadway Avenue, Bismarck, North Dakota
- Fargo Public Library, 102 3rd Street North, Fargo, North Dakota
- Garrison Diversion Conservancy District, 401 Highway 281 Northeast, Carrington, North Dakota
- Grand Forks Public Library, 2110 Library Circle, Grand Forks, North Dakota
- Leach Public Library, 417 2nd Avenue North, Wahpeton, North Dakota