

whether the use will maximize the future use or uses of the land, whether the use is consistent with local planning and zoning, or if the use is consistent with State and Federal programs.

Interested parties may submit comments regarding the specific use proposed in the application and plan of development, whether the BLM followed proper administrative procedures in reaching the decision to lease/convey under the R&PP Act, or any other factor not directly related to the suitability of the land for R&PP use.

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. Only written comments submitted by postal service or overnight mail to the Field Manager, BLM Carson City Field Office, will be considered properly filed. Electronic mail, facsimile, or telephone comments will not be considered properly filed.

Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the BLM Nevada State Director, who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In the absence of any adverse comments, the classification of the land described in this notice will become effective on March 17, 2008. The land will not be available for lease/conveyance until after the classification becomes effective.

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Dated: January 9, 2008.

**Don Hicks,**

*Carson City Field Office Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Solicitation of Applications for the Steens Mountain Advisory Council

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice: Solicitation of Applications.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management is requesting public applications to fill four expired terms on

the Steens Mountain Advisory Council. Applications will be accepted for a person who is a local environmental representative, a person who is a grazing permittee in the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area, a person with expertise and interest in wild horse management, and a person who is a member of the dispersed recreation community on the Steens Mountain.

**DATES:** Send all applications to the address listed below no later than February 19, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Applicants can obtain application forms from Kevin Thissell, Temporary Steens Mountain Advisory Council Coordinator, Burns District Office, 28910 Hwy 20 West, Hines, Oregon 97738, (541) 573-4541, or [Kevin\\_Thissell@blm.gov](mailto:Kevin_Thissell@blm.gov). Send all application materials to this address prior to the closing date listed above.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Steens Mountain Advisory Council advises the Bureau of Land Management on the management of the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area as described in 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 the categories of interest identified above.

These positions will be for the full term of 3 years, expiring in October of 2011.

The Steens Mountain Advisory Council members serve without monetary compensation, but are reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses at current rates for government employees. The Steens Mountain Advisory Council meets only at the call of the Designated Federal Official, but not less than once per year.

The following must accompany all applications: A completed background information application form; letters of reference from the constituency to be represented; and any other information that details the applicant's qualifications.

The letter of application should specify the category the applicant would like to represent. Application forms and letters of reference will be reviewed by the County Court of Harney County 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.

Dated: January 11, 2008.

**Dana R. Shuford,**

*District Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

#### List of Programs Eligible for Inclusion in Fiscal Year 2008 Funding Agreements To Be Negotiated With Self-Governance Tribes

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice lists programs or portions of programs that are eligible for inclusion in Fiscal Year 2008 funding agreements with self-governance tribes and lists programmatic targets.

**DATES:** This notice expires on September 30, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Inquiries or comments regarding this notice may be directed to Shirley M. Conway, Regulations Manager, Minerals Revenue Management, Minerals Management Service, 1849 C Street, NW., MS 5557 MIB, Washington, DC 20240.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

Title IV of the Indian Self-Determination Act Amendments of 1994 (Pub.L. 103-413, the "Tribal Self-Governance Act" or the "Act") instituted a permanent self-governance program at the Department of the Interior. Under the self-governance program certain programs, services, functions, and activities, or portions thereof, in the Department's bureaus other than the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) are eligible to be planned, conducted, consolidated, and administered by a self-governance tribal government.

Under section 405(c) of the Act, the Secretary of the Interior is required to publish annually: (1) A list of non-BIA programs, services, functions, and activities, or portions thereof, that are eligible for inclusion in agreements negotiated under the self-governance program; and (2) programmatic targets for these bureaus.

Under the Act, two categories of non-BIA programs are eligible for self-governance funding agreements: (1) Under section 403(b)(2) of the Act, any non-BIA program, service, function or activity that is administered by the Department that is "otherwise available to Indian tribes or Indians," can be