



## **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

### **Bureau of Land Management**

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### **2015 Second Call for Nominations for Resource Advisory Councils**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The purpose of this notice is to reopen the request for public nominations for certain Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Resource Advisory Councils (RAC) that have member terms expiring this year. These RACs provide advice and recommendations to the BLM on land use planning and management of the National System of Public Lands within their geographic areas. The RACs covered by this request for nominations are identified below. The BLM will accept public nominations for 30 days after the publication of this notice.

**DATE:** All nominations must be received no later than [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

**ADDRESSES:** See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for the address of BLM State Offices accepting nominations.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mark Purdy, U.S.

Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, WO-630, Division of Regulatory Affairs, 20 M Street, SE., Washington, DC 20003-3503; 202-912-7635.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) directs the Secretary of the Interior to involve the public in planning and issues related to management of lands administered by the BLM. Section 309 of FLPMA (43 U.S.C. 1739) directs the Secretary to establish 10- to 15-member citizen-based advisory councils that are consistent with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). As required by FACA, RAC membership must be balanced and representative of the various interests concerned with the management of the public lands. The rules governing RACs are found at 43 CFR subpart 1784 and include the following three membership categories:

Category One - Holders of Federal grazing permits and representatives of organizations associated with energy and mineral development, timber industry, transportation or rights-of-way, developed outdoor recreation, off-highway vehicle use, and commercial recreation;

Category Two - Representatives of nationally or regionally recognized environmental organizations, archaeological and historic organizations, dispersed recreation activities, and wild horse and burro organizations; and

Category Three - Representatives of State, county, or local elected office, employees of a State agency responsible for management of natural resources, representatives of Indian tribes within or adjacent to the area for which the council is organized, representatives of academia who are employed in natural sciences, and the public-at-large.

Those who have already submitted a nomination in response to the first call for nominations (published in the Federal Register on February 3, 2015, (80 FR 5785)) do not need to resubmit. All nominations from the first and second calls will be considered together during the review process. Individuals may nominate themselves or others. Nominees must be residents of the State in which the RAC has jurisdiction. The BLM will evaluate nominees based on their education, training, experience, and knowledge of the geographical area of the RAC. Nominees should demonstrate a commitment to collaborative resource decision-making. The Obama Administration prohibits individuals who are currently federally registered lobbyists from being appointed or re-appointed to FACA and non-FACA boards, committees, or councils.

This request for public nominations also applies to the Carrizo Plain National Monument Advisory Committee (Committee) in California established under Presidential proclamation. The Committee advises the Secretary of the Interior in managing the Carrizo Plain National Monument.

The following must accompany all nominations for the RACs and Committee:

- Letters of reference from represented interests or organizations;
- A completed Resource Advisory Council application; and
- Any other information that addresses the nominee's qualifications.

Simultaneous with this notice, BLM State Offices will issue press releases providing additional information for submitting nominations, with specifics about the number and categories of member positions available for each RAC in the State and the Carrizo Plain National Monument Advisory Committee.

Nominations and completed applications for RACs and the Committee should be sent to the appropriate BLM offices listed below:

**Alaska**

Alaska RAC

Thom Jennings, Alaska State Office, BLM, 222 West 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, #13,  
Anchorage, AK 99513, (907) 271-3335.

**California**

Central California RAC; Carrizo Plain National Monument Advisory Committee

David Christy, Mother Lode Field Office, BLM, 5152 Hillside Circle, El Dorado  
Hills, CA 95762, (916) 941-3146.

**Colorado**

Front Range RAC

Kyle Sullivan, Royal Gorge Field Office, BLM, 3028 East Main Street, Cañon  
City, CO 81212, (719) 269-8553.

Northwest RAC

Chris Joyner, Grand Junction Field Office, BLM, 2815 H Road, Grand Junction,  
CO 81506, (970) 244-3097.

Southwest RAC

Shannon Borders, Southwest District Office, BLM, 2465 South Townsend  
Avenue, Montrose, CO 81401, (970) 240-5399.

## **Idaho**

### Boise District RAC

Marsha Buchanan, Boise District Office, BLM, 3948 Development Avenue,  
Boise, ID 83705, (208) 384-3393.

### Coeur d'Alene District RAC

Suzanne Endsley, Coeur d'Alene District Office, BLM, 3815 Schreiber Way,  
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815, (208) 769-5004.

### Idaho Falls District RAC

Sarah Wheeler, Idaho Falls District Office, BLM, 1405 Hollipark Drive, Idaho  
Falls, ID 83401, (208) 524-7613.

### Twin Falls District RAC

Heather Tiel-Nelson, Twin Falls District Office, BLM, 2536 Kimberly Road,  
Twin Falls, ID 83301, (208) 736-2352.

## **Montana and Dakotas**

### Western Montana RAC

David Abrams, Butte Field Office, BLM, 106 North Parkmont, Butte, MT 59701,  
(406) 533-7617.

## **Nevada**

### Mojave-Southern Great Basin RAC; Northeastern Great Basin RAC; Sierra Front

### Northwestern Great Basin RAC

Chris Rose, Nevada State Office, BLM, 1340 Financial Boulevard, Reno, NV  
89502, (775) 861-6480.

**Oregon/Washington**

Eastern Washington RAC

Stephen Baker, Oregon State Office, BLM, 333 SW First Avenue, P.O. Box 2965,  
Portland, OR 97204, (503) 808-6306.

**Utah**

Utah RAC

Sherry Foot, Utah State Office, BLM, 440 West 200 South, Suite 500, P.O. Box  
45155, Salt Lake City, UT 84101, (801) 539-4195.

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