

Friday, March 25, 2016

Protest Period: April 8 - May 9

Resource Management Plans for Western Oregon

Pursuant to BLM's planning regulations at [43 CFR 1610.5-2](#), any person who participated in the planning process for this Proposed RMP and has an interest which is or may be adversely affected by the planning decisions may protest approval of the planning decisions within 30 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) publishes the Notice of Availability in the Federal Register.

Protests must comply with the requirements described in the BLM's planning regulations at [43 CFR 1610.5-2](#). Interested parties should take care to document all relevant facts. As much as possible, specific planning documents or available planning records (e.g., meeting minutes or summaries, correspondence) should be referenced or cited.

Emailed protests will not be accepted as valid protests unless the protesting party also provides the original letter by either regular or overnight mail postmarked by the close of the protest period. Under these conditions, the BLM will consider the emailed protest as an advance copy and will afford it full consideration. If you wish to provide the BLM with such advance notification, please direct emailed protests to the attention of the BLM protest coordinator at protest@blm.gov.

All protests, including the follow-up letter (if emailing), must be in writing and mailed to one of the following addresses:

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| Regular Mail: | Overnight Delivery: |
| Director (210) | Director (210) |
| Attn: Protest Coordinator | Attn: Protest Coordinator |
| P.O. Box 71383 | 20 M Street SE, Room 2134LM |
| Washington, D.C. 20024-1383 | Washington, D.C. 20003 |

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your protest, be advised that your entire protest—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your protest to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

The BLM Director will make every attempt to render a decision on each protest promptly. The protest decision will be in writing and will be sent to the protesting party by certified mail, return receipt requested. The decision of the BLM Director shall be the final decision of the Department of the Interior for the protest.

The Resource Management Plans (RMP) for Western Oregon will determine how the BLM-administered lands in western Oregon will be managed to further the recovery of threatened and endangered species, to provide for clean water, to restore fire-adapted ecosystems, to produce a sustained yield of timber products, to coordinate management of lands surrounding the Coquille Forest with the Coquille Tribe, and to provide for recreation opportunities.

For more information, please visit the BLM's Resource Management Plans of western Oregon website at <http://www.blm.gov/or/plans/rmpswesternoregon/index.php>.

