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Dear Interested Party:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in conjunction with the Paradise Valley Weed District is proposing to treat up to 1,500 acres of public lands with BLM approved herbicides to control the establishment and spread of weeds and/or annual invasive species near Paradise Valley, Nevada.

The target species identified to be treated is Medusahead, an invasive annual species that has incrementally spread throughout Paradise Valley. Treatments would center on the three proposed treatment areas identified on the attached map.

The herbicide Imazapic would be used to treat the majority of the Medusahead infestation. Imazapic is a selective pre and post emergent herbicide that inhibits the growth of broadleaf weeds and annual grasses. Application methods of herbicides would include; truck or ATV with a boom mounted sprayer, by hand using backpack pumps, or by aircraft. All application methods would follow label directions and comply with BLM guidance and SOP's.

Maps of the proposed treatment areas are enclosed; Portable Document Format (pdf) maps of the proposed treatment areas can also be viewed online at:
http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/wfo/blm_information/nepa0.html.

The BLM would like to receive your input and/or comments to this proposal by the close of business September 18, 2011. Comments can be sent to the BLM-Winnemucca District Office (Attn: Robert Burton) at this address: 5100 E. Winnemucca Blvd. Winnemucca, NV 89445. Comments may also be submitted by email to: wfoweb@nv.blm.gov. Email comments should reference "Paradise Valley Weed Management" (R. Burton) in the subject line.

Public comments submitted for this project, including names and addresses of commenters will be available for public review at the Winnemucca District Office during regular business hours 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays.

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.

Should you have questions, please contact Robert Burton, Weed Specialist and Project Lead, at (775) 623-1553.

Sincerely,

Donovan Walker,
Acting Fire Management Officer
Winnemucca District

Enclosures