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Dear Reader:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Carson City District, Stillwater Field Office, has completed an environmental assessment (EA) for the Earthquake Fuels Treatment. The BLM will accept public comments on the EA through close of business on September 22, 2011.

The proposed fuels treatment project is on BLM administered lands located west of Middlegate in Churchill County, Nevada. The Earthquake Fuels Treatment would create a fire resistant strip of vegetation along approximately 10 miles of Earthquake Fault Road east of Fairview Peak on approximately 1,659 acres. The restoration strategy would include a prescribed fire application to remove the existing plant material, a chemical treatment to control the annual weed (cheatgrass) invasion and a reseeding effort to create a more fire resistant plant community.

The EA is available on-line at: www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/carson_city_field/blm/nepa.html.

Please send written comments should be address to Keith Barker, Fire Ecologist, BLM-Carson City District Office, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, NV 89701. Comments may also be sent via e-mail to kdbarker@blm.gov and should include "Earthquake Project" in the subject line. A hardcopy can be provided upon request. A copy of the EA is also available in the Carson City District BLM office during the comment period.

Public comments submitted for this project, including names and addresses of those who commented will be available for public review at the Carson City District BLM office during regular business hours of 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 information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment-including your personal identifying information- may be publicly available at any time. While you ask us in your comment to withhold personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. After the public review period has ended, comments will be analyzed and considered part of the decision-making process. If you have any questions, please contact Keith Barker at (775) 885-6120 or at the above address.

Sincerely,

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