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DECISION
Special Recreation Permit

Chad Ross : Special Recreation Permit
Mountain Sports International :
1435 South State Street :
Salt Lake City, UT. 84115 :

The Bureau of Land Management Shoshone Field Office (BLM) has received and evaluated a Special Recreation Permit (SRP) application from Mountain Sports International (MSI). A competitive SRP will be issued for the Sun Valley Enduro mountain bike races to be held on June 28 and 29, 2014 on the Bald Mountain Ski Area. The race will use existing trails on United States Forest Service and BLM administered public lands as well as Sun Valley Company owned lands. This permit includes general and specific stipulations regarding competitive events.

The issuance of a SRP is a Federal action and subject to National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis. It has been determined that the proposal qualifies as a categorical exclusion (CX) because there are no extraordinary circumstances potentially having effects that may significantly affect the environment. The CX (DOI-BLM-ID-T030-2014-0025-CX) describing the permit is available at the following website: https://www.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/nepa/nepa_register.do or at the Shoshone Field Office.

Based on my review of the project and field office staff recommendations, I have determined that the project is in conformance with the applicable land use plan and is categorically excluded from further environmental analysis. I have decided to approve the actions as proposed.

MSI will be issued a Recreation Special Use Permit from the Ketchum Ranger District, per a Memorandum of Understanding that allows the agencies to cooperatively issue recreation permits on federal lands.

Permit fees and proof of insurance certificate naming the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management as an additional insured shall be required of the applicant prior to permit authorization.

Appeals: The decision may be appealed to the Board of Land Appeals, Office of the Secretary, in accordance with the regulations contained in 43 CFR, Part 4, and the enclosed form 1842-1. If an appeal is taken, your notice of appeal must be filed in this office (at the above address), within 30 days from receipt of this decision. The appellant has the burden of showing that the decision appealed from is in error. In addition, within 30 days of the receipt of this decision, the appellant has the right to file a petition for a stay (suspension) of the decision together with the appeal in accordance with the regulations at 43 CFR 4.21.

Copies of the notice of appeal and petition for a stay must be submitted to each party named in this decision and to the Interior Board of Land Appeals and to the appropriate Office of the Solicitor, at the same time the original documents are filed with this office. If you request a stay you have to have the burden of proof to demonstrate that a stay should be granted.

A petition for a stay of a decision pending appeals shall show sufficient justification based on the following four standards:

1. The relative harm to the parties of the stay is granted or denied,
2. The likelihood of the appellant's success on the merits,
3. The likelihood of immediate and irreparable harm if the stay is not granted, and
4. Whether the public interest favors granting the stay.

Contact John Kurtz, Outdoor Recreation Planner, at (208) 732-7296 or jkurtz@blm.gov with any questions.

/s/ Elizabeth Maclean
Elizabeth Maclean
Shoshone Field Manager

Enclosures:
Form 1842-1