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North Spit Snowy Plover Habitat Restoration Areas Environmental Assessment

**January 27, 2016**

Dear Concerned Citizen:

The Umpqua Field Office of the Coos Bay District Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a scoping document for the North Spit Snowy Plover Habitat Restoration Areas (HRAs) Environmental Assessment (EA). The scoping document and associated maps are now posted on the ePlanning NEPA Register at: <http://tinyurl.com/jhxwes7>.

The BLM is initiating a new North Spit Snowy Plover HRAs EA to revise and consolidate multiple outdated NEPA analyses to provide the most up-to-date management tools for future HRA management. The North Spit Plover HRAs EA will identify resource issues and action alternatives, and analyze the environmental effects of both active and passive management options. The EA would include, but would not be limited to, analysis of vegetation modifications, site modifications, habitat amendments, herbicide use, public safety, recreation management, route management, expansion of physical closure areas, and the lengthening of the breeding season closure period.

You are invited to submit written comments on any issues or concerns that you may have regarding this proposal by February 28, 2016. Comments helpful to the analysis process are those that identify new scientific or technical information, determine the scope of issues to be addressed, and express concerns related to the proposed action. Opinions agreeing or disagreeing with established laws and policies are not helpful in refining the proposed action.

Please direct questions to Heather Partipilo at (541) 756-0100. You may send your comments to the Bureau of Land Management, Umpqua Field Office, 1300 Airport Lane, North Bend, OR 97459, Attn: Heather Partipilo. Comments may be submitted electronically to [BLM\\_OR\\_CB\\_Mail@blm.gov](mailto:BLM_OR_CB_Mail@blm.gov), Attn: Heather Partipilo.

Sincerely,

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