



United States Department of the Interior
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Four Rivers Field Office
3948 Development Avenue
Boise, Idaho 83705-5339



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Dear Interested Public:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Four Rivers Field Office, has completed an environmental assessment (EA) to consider acquiring lands within and adjacent to the Columbian Sharp-tailed Grouse Habitat Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC). The ACEC is located approximately 5 miles west of Midvale, Idaho. At this point in time, it is my final decision to proceed with acquiring Parcel 3 (1,018.51 acres) identified in the EA. The acquired parcel will improve long-term Columbian sharp-tailed grouse management.

The Final Decision, EA, and Finding of No Significant Impacts documents available online at the following address: bit.ly/29B7LHO

If you do not have access to the internet, and would like a hard (paper) copy of the EA and supporting documents, please contact Matt McCoy at (208) 384-3343 or Tate Fischer at (208) 384-3430, at our office no later than three (3) business days after receipt of this letter. A copy of the EA and supporting documents will be sent to you by certified mail. Thank you for your continued cooperation and interest.

Right of Appeal

Any applicant, permittee, lessee or other person whose interest is adversely affected by the final decision may file an appeal in writing in accordance with 43 CFR 4.470. The appeal must be filed within 30 days following receipt of the final decision. The appeal may be accompanied by a petition for a stay of the decision in accordance with 43 CFR 4.471 and 4.479, pending final determination on appeal. The appeal and petition for a stay must be filed in the office of the authorized officer, as noted:

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In accordance with 43 CFR § 4.401, the BLM does not accept fax or email filing of a notice of appeal and petition for stay. Any notice of appeal and/or petition for stay must be sent or delivered to the office of the authorized officer by mail or personal delivery.

Within 15 days of filing the appeal, or the appeal and petition for stay, with the BLM officer named above, the appellant must also serve copies on other persons named in the *copies sent to* section of this decision in accordance with 43 CFR § 4.421 and on the Office of the Field Solicitor located at the address below in accordance with 43 CFR §§ 4.470(a) and 4.471(b).

Boise Field Solicitor's Office
University Plaza
960 S. Broadway Avenue Suite 400
Boise, Idaho 83706-6240

The appeal shall state the reasons, clearly and concisely, why the appellant thinks the Final Decision is in error and otherwise complies with the provisions of 43 CFR § 4.470.

Should you wish to file a petition for a stay, see 43 CFR 4.471 (a) and (b). In accordance with 43 CFR 4.471(c), a petition for a stay must show sufficient justification based on the following standards:

1. The relative harm to the parties if 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.

As noted above, the petition for stay must be filed in the office of the authorized officer and served in accordance with 43 CFR 4.471. Any person named in the decision that receives a copy of a petition for a stay and/or an appeal, see 43 CFR 4.472(b) for procedures to follow if you wish to respond.

Sincerely,

/s/ Tate Fischer

Tate Fischer
Field Manager
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