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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 *New Pass Peak Distribution Line Project* proposed by Sierra Pacific Power Company, EA# DOI-BLM-NV-C010-2015-0030-EA. The BLM is seeking public comments and input on the New Pass Peak Distribution Line Project EA. The BLM is also seeking public input under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act for the Project. This includes seeking information and identifying historic properties in or near the Project area. The EA will be available for public review and comment until May 13, 2016.

The EA analyzes the proposal by Sierra Pacific Power Company to construct, maintain, and operate a permanent right-of-way (ROW) for a new 29,515 feet (5.59 mile) long, 40-foot-wide distribution line. The permanent ROW would occupy approximately 27 acres of federal land primarily administered by the Carson City District, Stillwater Field Office with segments of the line also crossing into lands administered by the Battle Mountain District, Mount Lewis Field Office, along the crest of New Pass Peak.

The EA and associated documents are available on the ePlanning Project webpage at: <http://1.usa.gov/1qHX5Oj> during the 30-day comment period. Please send written comments to Matt Simons, New Pass Peak Project Lead at the address in the letterhead, via fax at (775) 885-6147 or via email to: blm_nv_ccdowebmail@blm.gov. Comments should include "New Pass Peak Project" in the subject line. If you have any questions, please contact Angelica Rose at 775-885-6008 or at the above address. For input or questions regarding historic properties please contact Jason Wright at 775-885-6015 or the address in the letterhead above.

Public comments submitted for this project, including names and addresses of commenters will be available for public review at the Carson City 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.

Sincerely,

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