

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

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Emergency Closure of Access to Andrews Ranch Ruin, Chacoan Protection Site in McKinley County, New Mexico**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of emergency closure of access.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that T. 14 N., R. 11 W., sec. 33, NMPM, is closed to all forms of access except as specifically authorized by the Bureau of Land Management. This area includes unusually significant cultural resources, which are potentially crucial to the understanding of the Chacoan Cultural System.

The purpose of this road closure is to prevent unnecessary degradation of resources, undue environmental damage and to ensure resource protection on public lands. The emergency access closure is in accordance with the provisions of 43 CFR 8364.1. This designation remains in effect until further notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joe Jaramillo, Realty Specialist at Bureau of Land Management, Rio Puerco Resource Area, 435 Montano NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87107, (505) 761-8779.

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Montana/Dakotas Standards for Rangeland Health and Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management Draft Environmental Impact Statement; Public Meetings Information**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Amendment to notice of availability.

SUMMARY: A Notice was published in the Federal Register on October 11, 1996, announcing the availability of a draft environmental impact statement (EIS) on regional standards for rangeland health and guidelines for livestock grazing management on BLM-administered lands east of the Continental Divide in Montana, North

Dakota, and South Dakota. The comment period for this draft EIS is from October 11, 1996, to January 13, 1997. This notice supplements and, in some cases, changes the information on public meetings provided in the earlier notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dan Lechefsky, Project Manager, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Montana State Office, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana 59107-6800, or 406-255-2919.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public meetings will be held in Montana and South Dakota, to exchange information with the public about the standards and guidelines draft EIS. The following information updates the times, dates and locations of those meetings.

Butte BLM District—Open houses will be held from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at each of the following locations. The public may come at any time during the open house: December 9, 1996, Helena National Forest Supervisor's Office, Conference Room, 2880 Skyway Drive, Helena, Montana; December 10, 1996, Bozeman Ranger District, Gallatin National Forest, Conference Room, 3710 Fallon Street, Bozeman, Montana; December 16, 1996, Dillon Resource Area Office, Conference room, 1005 Selway Drive, Dillon, Montana; December 17, 1996, Butte District and Headwaters Resource Area Office, Conference Room, 106 North Parkmont, Butte, Montana; December 18, 1996, Ennis Town Hall, Ennis, Montana.

Miles City BLM District—The Miles City District is holding public meetings in the following locations: December 2, 1996, Miles Community College, Room 106, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Miles City, Montana; December 3, 1996, Roundup, location and time to be announced through local media; December 4, Montana State University-Billings, Education Building, Room 102, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., Billings, Montana; December 9, 1996, Department of Agriculture Building, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Terry, Montana; December 10, 1996, VFW Hall, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Jordan, Montana; December 11, 1996, Ridgeway Community Hall, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., between Hammond and Ekalaka, Montana.

Dakota District—The meeting in the Dakotas District will be an open house format; the public can come at any time during the open house: December 4, 1996, First Western Bank, Community Room, 41 5th Avenue, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Belle Fourche, South Dakota.

Lewistown District—The meetings in the Lewistown District will be an open house format; the public may come at

any time during the open house: November 18, 1996, Valley Resource Area Office, Route Number 1, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Glasgow, Montana; November 19, 1996, Phillips Resource Area Office, 501 South Second Street East, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Malta, Montana; November 20, 1996, Havre Resource Area Office, West Second Street, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Havre, Montana; November 21, 1996, Lewistown District and Judith Resource Area Office, Airport Road, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Lewistown, Montana; November 21, 1996, Great Falls Resource Area Office, 812 14th Street North, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Great Falls, Montana.

Dated: October 25, 1996.

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Minerals Management Service (MMS)**Minerals Management Advisory Board, Outer Continental Shelf, Scientific Committee; Announcement of Plenary Session**

This Notice is issued in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix I, and the Office of Management and Budget Circular A-63, Revised.

The Minerals Management Advisory Board OCS SC will meet in plenary session on Wednesday, November 20, and will meet in subcommittee meetings on Thursday, November 21, 1996, at the Washington Dulles Airport Hilton, 13869 Park Center Road, Herndon, Virginia 20170, telephone (703) 478-2900.

The OCS SC is an outside group of scientists which advises the Director, MMS, on the feasibility, appropriateness, and scientific merit of the MMS' OCS Environmental Studies Program (ESP) as related to information needed for informed OCS decisionmaking.

Below is a schedule of meetings that will occur.

The Committee will meet in plenary session on Wednesday November 20, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Discussion will focus on:

- Committee Business and Resolutions.
- Environmental Studies Program Status Review.
- MMS Goals and Objectives.

The SC will meet in subcommittees on Thursday, November 21, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., to review regional and headquarter's strategic plans.