

Period of Activity: Up to five years from date of permit issuance, if issued.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Office of Management Authority is forwarding copies of these applications to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

[PRT-830375]

Applicant: Lee M. Wahlund, Carrington, ND.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the McClintock Channel polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

[PRT-830053]

Applicant: David Barkman, Goodrich, MI.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Northern Beaufort Sea polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

[PRT-830055]

Applicant: Charles Antcliff, Fenton, MI.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Northern Beaufort Sea polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Written data or comments, requests for copies of the complete applications, or requests for a public hearing on any of these applications for marine mammal permits should be sent to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 430, Arlington, Virginia 22203, telephone 703/358-2104 or fax 703/358-2281 and must be received within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice. Anyone requesting a hearing should give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such hearing is at the discretion of the Director.

Documents and other information submitted with all of the applications listed in this notice are available for review, *subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act*, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice at the above address.

Dated: June 9, 1997.

Karen Anderson,

Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-030-5700-10; Closure Notice No. NV-030-97-003]

Temporary Closure of Public Lands; Washoe County, Nevada

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management.

SUMMARY: The Carson City District Manager announces the temporary closure of selected public lands under his administration. This action is being taken to provide for public safety during the 1997 Reno National Championship Air Races.

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 8 through September 14, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Daniel L. Jacquet, Acting Assistant District Manager, Division of Nonrenewable Resources, Carson City District Office, 1535 Hot Springs Road, Carson City, Nevada 89706-0638. Telephone (702) 885-6100.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This closure applies to all the public, on foot or in vehicles. The public lands affected by this closure are described as follows:

Mt. Diablo Meridian

T.21 N., R. 19 E.

Sec. 8, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$

Sec. 16, N $\frac{1}{2}$ and SW $\frac{1}{4}$

Aggregating approximately 680 acres.

The above restrictions do not apply to emergency or law enforcement personnel or event officials. The authority for this closure is 43 CFR 8364.1. Persons who violate this closure order are subject to arrest and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than \$1,000 and/or imprisoned for not more than 12 months.

A map of the closed area is posted in the Carson City District Office of the Bureau of Land Management.

Dated: June 3, 1997.

Daniel L. Jacquet,

Acting Assistant District Manager, Division of Nonrenewable Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AZ-040-4333-02]

Call for Gila Box Advisory Committee Nominations

AGENCY: Safford Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Call for Nominations for Gila Box Riparian National Conservation Area Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to solicit public nominations to fill five positions on the Gila Box Riparian National Conservation Area Advisory Committee, pursuant to Title 2, Section 201, of the Arizona Desert Wilderness Act of 1990.

BACKGROUND: The purpose of the seven-member Advisory Committee is to provide informed advice to the Safford Field Manager on management of public lands in the Gila Box Riparian National Conservation Area in southeastern Arizona. Members are currently assisting BLM specialists with the preparation of the Final Gila Box Interdisciplinary Activity Plan. The Advisory Committee will meet approximately two times during FY 97 to assist with plan preparation. Members serve without salary, but are reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses at current rates for government employees.

To ensure membership of the Advisory Committee is balanced in terms of categories of interest represented and functions performed, nominees must be qualified to provide advice in specific areas related to the primary purposes for which the Gila Box Riparian National Conservation Area was created. These categories of expertise include wildlife conservation, riparian ecology, archaeology, hydrology, recreation, environmental education, or other related disciplines.

Three positions on the Committee are representatives for the State of Arizona, Graham County, and Greenlee County. Nominations for these representatives are submitted to the BLM from the Governor of Arizona and the Boards of Supervisors for Graham and Greenlee counties respectively. Those wishing to submit nominations for those three positions should contact the appropriate office to do so.

Nominations for the remaining two positions should be submitted directly to the BLM. Persons wishing to nominate individuals or those wishing to be considered for appointment to serve on the Advisory Committee should provide name, address, profession, biographical data, and category of expertise for each qualified nominee. Persons selected by the Secretary of the Interior to serve on the Committee will serve a three-year term ending on July 31, 2000. Nominations should be submitted to the Safford Field Manager at the address below.

DATES: All nominations should be received by July 20, 1997.