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BLM Seeks Public Input on Wilderness Management Plan

Ely, Nev. – The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Ely District is asking for the public's input on the Mount Grafton, South Egan Range, Far South Egans and Highland Ridge Wilderness Management Plan.

The Mount Grafton Wilderness is located in Lincoln and White Pine counties, about 30 miles southwest of Ely. The South Egan Wilderness is located in Lincoln, Nye and White Pine counties, about 30 miles south of Ely. The Far South Egans Wilderness is located in Lincoln and Nye counties, about 50 miles south of Ely. The Highland Ridge Wilderness is located in White Pine County, about 35 miles southeast of Ely.

The BLM has scheduled three public meetings in Nevada. Times, dates and locations are:

- 7 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 3, Lund Fire Training Center, 107 S. 100 E, Lund
- 6 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 4, BLM Ely District Office, 702 N. Industrial Way, Ely
- 6 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 5, BLM Caliente Field Office, 1400 South Front Street, Caliente

The BLM is preparing a single management plan for the four wilderness areas because of their proximity and similarity of issues. The plan will provide the BLM primary guidance on all decisions affecting the wilderness and establish management practices that will maintain and protect their values for this and future generations.

The deadline to provide input on the Mount Grafton, South Egan Range, Far South Egans and Highland Ridge Wilderness Management Plan is 5 p.m., Friday, Nov. 13, 2009. Send comments to the BLM Ely District Office, HC 33 Box 33500, Ely, NV 89301.

The BLM anticipates completing a draft plan and making it available for public comment in April 2010. The final plan is scheduled for completion in November 2010.

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