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Dear Interested Public:

The Bureau of Land Management, Ely District has received direction from the Secretary of the Interior to construct a regional seed warehouse in Ely, Nevada. The warehouse would address an identified need to store seed for planned restoration projects and for use in the emergency stabilization and rehabilitation efforts that follow large wildland fires in both the Great Basin and Mohave ecoregions of Nevada, Utah, Arizona, and California. Our records indicate that you are an interested party for this type of project.

The seed warehouse would have a one-time capacity of about 800,000 pounds of seed and a cold storage facility that would accommodate at least 100,000 pounds of seed. This facility would be designed with “green” or LEEDS features that respond to the site and environment to reduce energy consumption and minimize future operating and maintenance costs.

To accomplish the Secretary’s direction, Ely District has identified and surveyed a proposed location for the seed warehouse. This location, north of the eastern end of N. Industrial Way, has been surveyed and staked. Additionally, Carpenter Sellers Associates, a Las Vegas firm, has been selected to design the building and site facilities.

To provide information and solicit public input, the Ely District has scheduled an Open House from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 1, 2009 at the Ely District Office, 702 N. Industrial Way, in Ely. Representatives of Carpenter Sellers Associates and Bureau of Land Management staff will be present to provide information on the planning process and to solicit public input in order to clearly identify issues. Information from this meeting will guide the planning process for this project.

For more information, please contact Karen Prentice, BLM Project Manager at (775) 289-1828 or Karen\_Prentice@blm.gov.

Sincerely,

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