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## **BLM Seeks Public Comment on Proposed Amendment to Bald Mountain Regional Exploration Plan of Operations**

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Ely District, Egan Field Office is asking the public to review and provide comment on an amendment to the Bald Mountain Regional Exploration Plan of Operations. The 30-day public comment period concludes **Monday, Sept. 15, 2014**.

Under the amendment, Barrick Gold US, Inc., would utilize 9.69 acres of public land adjacent to the Bald Mountain Mine, located about 50 miles northwest of Ely in White Pine County, Nev., for exploration related activities, which would increase ground disturbance under the regional exploration plan to 169 acres. Twenty-three sites would be drilled and 19,990 feet of road would be created. Barrick expects some minor deviations from the plan in actual site locations and road alignments in order to minimize surface disturbance and to meet subsurface exploration needs. Disturbance footprints for roads would be 16-24 feet wide, depending on the slope. If approved, drilling would begin in October 2014. Reclamation of the disturbed areas would immediately follow active operations, except in areas where additional development is expected.

Interested individuals should address all written comments to the BLM Ely District Office, HC 33 Box 33500, Ely, NV 89301, Attn: Miles Kreidler or fax them to Kreidler at (775) 289-1910. You may also submit comments to Kreidler at [mkreidler@blm.gov](mailto:mkreidler@blm.gov). 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.

For more information or to view the complete Plan of Operations, contact Miles Kreidler, BLM Egan Field Office mining engineer, at (775) 293-5175 or [mkreidler@blm.gov](mailto:mkreidler@blm.gov).

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