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MISSOULA - The Butte, Dillon, and Missoula Field Offices of the Bureau of Land Management announce a meeting of the Western Montana Resource Advisory Council on Thursday, February 19, starting at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Missoula Field Office Conference Room, 3255 Fort Missoula Road. Key agenda items include an update on the Proposed Grazing Regulations, and an overview of the Land and Water Conservation Fund proposed projects. Other topics include a discussion on weeds, and updates on the Draft Dillon Resource Management Plan, the Limestone Hills Legislative Environmental Impact Statement and the Blackfoot Recreation Steering Committee.

The meeting is open to the public and the public comment period is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. on February 19. Interested parties may make oral statements before the Council or file written statements for the Council to consider. Depending on the number of persons wishing to make comments, a per-person time limit may be established.

The purpose of the Council is to advise the Secretary of Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of issues associated with public land management. The 15-member Council includes individuals who have expertise or education in the planning and management of public lands and resources. Members for the Western Montana Council include: Roger Peters and Sue Marxer - Dillon, Robin Urban and Robin McCulloch - Butte, Donna McDonald - Alder, Doug Abelin, Susan Lenard, and Garry Williams - Helena, Ben Deeble - Missoula, Richard Young, Dennis Phillippi, and Pat Flowers - Bozeman, Robin Cunningham - Gallatin Gateway, Ted Coffman - Ennis, and Dan Lucas - Philipsburg.

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