DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

FY2020 National Call for Nominations for Resource Advisory Councils

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of call for nominations.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to request public nominations for 27 of the Bureau of Land Management’s (BLM) statewide and regional Resource Advisory Councils (RAC) located in the West that have vacant positions and/or members whose terms are scheduled to expire. These RACs provide advice and recommendations to the BLM on land use planning and management of the National System of Public Lands within their geographic areas.

DATES: All nominations must be received no later than [INSERT DATE 45 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Nominations and completed applications should be sent to the appropriate BLM offices listed in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carrie Richardson, BLM Communications, 1849 C Street NW, Room 5614, Washington, DC 20240, telephone: 202-501-2634, email: crichardson@blm.gov. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact Ms. Richardson during normal business
hours. The FRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) directs the Secretary of the Interior to involve the public in planning and issues related to management of lands administered by the BLM. Section 309 of FLPMA (43 U.S.C. 1739) directs the Secretary to establish 10- to 15-member citizen-based advisory councils that are consistent with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). As required by FACA, RAC membership must be balanced and representative of the various interests concerned with the management of the public lands. The rules governing RACs are found at 43 CFR subpart 1784. The RACs include the following three membership categories:

Category One - Holders of Federal grazing permits or leases within the area for which the RAC is organized; represent interests associated with transportation or rights-of-way; represent developed outdoor recreation, off-highway vehicle users, or commercial recreation activities, including, for example, commercial/charter or recreational fishing; represent the commercial timber industry; or represent energy and mineral development.

Category Two - Representatives of nationally or regionally recognized environmental organizations; dispersed recreational activities, including, for example, hunting and shooting sports; archaeological and historical interests; or nationally or regionally recognized wild horse and burro interest groups.
Category Three – Hold State, county, or local elected office; are employed by a State agency responsible for the management of natural resources, land, or water, including, for example, State/local fire associations; represent Indian tribes within or adjacent to the area for which the RAC is organized; are employed as academicians in natural resource management or the natural sciences; or represent the affected public at large, including, for example, sportsmen and sportswomen communities.

Individuals may nominate themselves or others. Nominees must be residents of the State in which the RAC has jurisdiction. The BLM will evaluate nominees based on their education, training, experience, and knowledge of the geographic area of the RAC. Nominees should demonstrate a commitment to collaborative resource decision-making.

The following must accompany all nominations:

- A completed RAC application, which can either be obtained through your local BLM office or online at:
  
  https://www.blm.gov/sites/blm.gov/files/1120-019_0.pdf

- Letters of reference from represented interests or organizations; and

- Any other information that addresses the nominee’s qualifications.

Simultaneous with this notice, BLM State Offices will issue press releases providing additional information for submitting nominations.

Before including any address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in the application, nominees should be aware this information may be made publicly available at any time. While the nominee can
ask to withhold the personal identifying information from public review, the BLM cannot guarantee that it will be able to do so.

Nominations and completed applications for RACs should be sent to the appropriate BLM offices listed below:

**Alaska**

**Alaska RAC**
Lesli J. Ellis-Wouters, BLM Alaska State Office, 222 West 7th Street #13, Anchorage, AK 99513; Phone: 907-271-4418.

**Arizona**

**Arizona RAC**
Amber Cargile, BLM Arizona State Office, One North Central Avenue, Suite 800, Phoenix, AZ 85004; Phone: 602-417-9448.

**California**

**Central California RAC**
Serena Baker, BLM Mother Lode Field Office, 5152 Hillsdale Circle, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762; Phone: 916-941-3146.

**California Desert District Resource Advisory Council**
Sarah Webster, BLM California State Office, 2800 Cottage Way, Suite W1623 Sacramento, CA 95825; Phone: 916-978-4622

**Northern California RAC**
Jeff Fontana, BLM Eagle Lake Field Office, 2550 Riverside Drive, Susanville, CA 96130; Phone: 530-252-5332.

**Colorado**
Rocky Mountain RAC
Brant Porter, BLM Rocky Mountain District Office, 3028 East Main Street, Cañon City, CO 81212; Phone 719-269-8553.

Northwest RAC
David Boyd, BLM Northwest District Office, 2300 River Frontage Road, Silt, CO 81652; Phone: 970-876-9008.

Southwest RAC
Gloria Tibbetts, BLM Southwest District Office, 2465 South Townsend Avenue, Montrose, CO 81401; Phone 970-240-5430.

Idaho
Boise District RAC
Michael Williamson, BLM Boise District Office, 3948 Development Avenue, Boise, ID 83705; Phone: 208-384-3393.

Coeur d’Alene District RAC
Suzanne Endsley, BLM Coeur d’Alene District Office, 3815 Schreiber Way, Coeur d’Alene, ID 83815; Phone: 208-769-5004.

Idaho Falls District RAC
Sarah Wheeler, BLM Idaho Falls District Office, 1405 Hollipark Drive, Idaho Falls, ID 83401; Phone: 208-524-7550.

Twin Falls District RAC
Heather Tiel-Nelson, BLM Twin Falls District Office, 2878 Addison Avenue East, Twin Falls, ID 83301; Phone: 208-736-2352.

Montana and Dakotas
North Central Montana RAC
Ann Boucher, BLM Montana/Dakotas State Office, 5001 Southgate Drive, Billings MT 59101; Phone: 406-896-5255.

Dakotas RAC
Mark Jacobsen, BLM Eastern Montana/Dakotas District Office, 111 Garryowen Road, Miles City, MT 59301; Phone: 406-233-2831.

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Mark Jacobsen, BLM Eastern Montana/Dakotas District Office, 111 Garryowen Road, Miles City, MT 59301; Phone: 406-233-2831.

Western Montana RAC
David Abrams, BLM Western Montana District Office, 106 North Parkmont, Butte, MT 59701; Phone: 406-533-7617.

New Mexico
Las Cruces District RAC
Deborah Stevens, BLM Las Cruces District Office, 1800 Marquess Street, Las Cruces, NM 88005; Phone: 575-525-4421.

Pecos District RAC
Glen Garand, BLM Pecos District Office, 2909 West Second Street, Roswell, NM 88201; Phone: 575-627-0209.

Nevada
Mojave-Southern Great Basin RAC
Kirsten Cannon, Southern Nevada District Office, 4701 North Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89130; Phone: 702-515-5057.
Northeastern Great Basin RAC
Kyle Hendrix, Battle Mountain District Office, 50 Bastian Road, Battle Mountain, NV 89820; Phone: 775-635-4054.

Sierra Front Northwestern Great Basin RAC
Lisa Ross, Carson City District Office, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, NV 89701; Phone 775-885-6107.

Oregon/Washington

Eastern Washington RAC
Jeff Clark, BLM Spokane District Office, 1103 North Fancher Road, Spokane, WA 99212; Phone: 509-536-1297.

John Day-Snake RAC
Lisa Clark, BLM Prineville District Office, 3050 NE 3rd Street, Prineville, OR 97754; Phone: 541-416-6864.

Northwest Oregon RAC
Jennifer Velez, BLM Northwest Oregon District Office, 1717 Fabry Road SE, Salem, OR 97306; Phone: 541-222-9241.

Southeast Oregon RAC
Larisa Bogardus, BLM Vale District Office, 3100 H Street, Baker City, OR 97814 Phone 541-523-1407

Southwest Oregon RAC
Christina Breslin, BLM Medford District Office, 3040 Biddle Road, Medford, OR 97504; Phone: 541-618-2371.

Wyoming
Wyoming RAC

Emmet Pruss, BLM Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone Road, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, WY 82009; Phone: 307-775-6266.

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