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BLM and State of New Mexico Release Proposed Standards for Public Land Health and Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in joint partnership with the State of New Mexico is releasing the Proposed Resource Management Plan Amendment/Final Environmental Impact Statement (RMPA/EIS) on Standards for Public Land Health and Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management. In addition, there were nine cooperating counties (Chaves, Catron, Eddy, Grant, Hidalgo, Lincoln, Luna, Otero, and Sierra) who participated in the project.

The Proposed Plan was also developed in close coordination with the BLM's New Mexico Resource Advisory Council, as well as tribal and public input.

"The Standards and Guides were developed to ensure healthy use of public lands for future generations," said Michelle Chávez, New Mexico State Director. "Healthy public lands also contribute to the social and economic well being and health of many New Mexico communities," she added.

"I am pleased that the Resource Advisory Council has decided to incorporate the human dimension in the Proposed Standards and Guidelines and the impacts of the human environment have been analyzed in the RMPA/EIS" said Lt. Governor Walter Bradley. The Lt. Governor went on to state "this is critical to rural New Mexico."

A limited number of copies are available from BLM Offices in Farmington, Taos, Santa Fe, Albuquerque, Socorro, Las Cruces, Roswell and Carlsbad. The document can be downloaded from the internet at www.nm.blm.gov. Copies are also available by calling J.W. Whitney at (505) 438-7348.