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BURNS BUTTE SHOOTING RANGE LAND SALE PROPOSED

The U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is considering a proposal to sell a 240 acre tract of public land located near the Hines logging road, just West of Hines to the Burns Butte Sportsman's Club reports Joan Suther, BLM's Three Rivers Resource Area Field Manager. The Club has leased 140 acres of the tract for the past 10 years to operate its popular shooting range and has expressed interest in purchasing the land for operating the range on a permanent basis. The additional 100 acres proposed for sale is currently committed to the Shooting range as a safety buffer.

The shooting range has been managed by the Club under provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act of June 14, 1926 (The Act) and has filed an application with the Burns District Office to acquire the property.

"Conveyance of the land will require the BLM to complete an amendment of the current Three Rivers Resource Management Plan (RMP), a process which the agency's Burns District will be undertaking over the next several months," says Suther. "The shooting range has been a valuable asset to the local community, and the BLM has an interest in working closely with the residents of Harney County to meet needs where possible," she says.

Suther encourages anyone who has questions about the proposed sale or who would like to comment during the RMP amendment process to call the BLM Burns District Office at (541) 573-4400 weekdays between 7:45 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or stop in at the office at 28910 Highway 20 West, Hines.

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