

2022 Current Fiscal Year Report: Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council

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1. Department or Agency	2. Fiscal Year
Department of the Interior	2022
3. Committee or Subcommittee	3b. GSA Committee No.
Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council	2067

4. Is this New Fiscal Year?	5. Current Charter	6. Expected Renewal Date	7. Expected Term Date
No	11/08/2021	11/08/2023	

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?	8b. Specific Termination Authority	8c. Actual Term Date
No		

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year	10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?	10b. Legislation Pending?
Continue	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific Establishment Authority	13. Effective Date	14. Committee Type	14c. Presidential?
Federal Land Policy and Management Act, Sec. 309; 43 U.S.C. 1739	10/21/1976	Continuing	No

15. Description of Committee Non Scientific Program Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports No Reports for this Fiscal Year

17a. Open	17b. Closed	17c. Partially Closed	Other Activities	17d. Total
3	0	0	0	3

Meetings and Dates

Purpose	Start	End
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Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 3

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$4,918.00	\$13,275.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$15,000.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00

18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$604.00	\$300.00
18d. Total	\$5,522.00	\$28,575.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.20	0.20

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council (RAC) makes recommendations for consideration by BLM officials when planning key management actions. Members are proactive about getting information from resource managers and stakeholder groups so that they can provide informed feedback on programs and projects. Members have specific interest areas and geographic zones that they speak for during RAC discussions.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory council is composed of 15 members distributed in a balanced fashion among the following groups and within those groups. Specific interests include: Category I includes those holding Federal grazing permits or leases, interests associated with transportation or rights-of-way, developed outdoor recreation, OHV users, or commercial recreation activities, commercial timber industry, or energy and mineral development. Category II includes nationally or regionally recognized environmental organizations, dispersed recreation activities, archaeological and historical interests, or nationally or regionally recognized wild horse and

burro interest groups. Category III includes state, county, or locally elected office-holders, employee of a State agency responsible for the management of natural resources, 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 public-at-large.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The RAC generally meets 3-4 times per year.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

This group is chartered by the Secretary of the Interior who has tasked it with independently reviewing land management practices and plans, and among the balanced members (in terms of interest), make formal recommendations which represent an agreed-upon perspective of a diverse group. There are numerous special-interest groups which make similar recommendations, but as a whole, the RAC themselves represent no single interest. As such, this is an invaluable tool with which to review land management practices and to make appropriate recommendations without fear of undue influence by one singular interest or another.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

N/A

21. Remarks

The Southeast Oregon RAC met on January 19-20, 2022, April 20-21, 2022, and June 22-23, 2022.

Designated Federal Officer

Darrel Wayne Monger Vale District Manager

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Albertson, Mark	09/10/2020	09/10/2023	Elected Official	Representative Member
Austin, Jeremy	05/07/2019	05/07/2022	Environmental advocacy	Representative Member
Batty, Thomas	04/28/2022	04/28/2025	Owner/Operator, Tall Town Bike and Camp	Representative Member
Davis, Timothy	01/19/2022	01/19/2025	Director, Friends of the Owyhee	Representative Member
Doverspike, Mark	09/10/2020	09/10/2023	Rancher	Representative Member
Hedrick, Mary Jo	04/28/2022	04/28/2025	Wildlife Consultant for Ecotrust Forest Management	Representative Member
Hodge, Don	05/07/2019	05/07/2022	Retired	Representative Member
Kestner, Kenneth	05/17/2019	05/17/2022	Retired	Representative Member
Milburn, Philip	01/19/2022	01/19/2025	Wildlife Biologist	Representative Member
O'Casey, Michael	04/28/2022	04/28/2025	Oregon Field Representative for the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership	Representative Member
Oleary, Thomas	04/28/2022	04/28/2025	Rancher	Representative Member
Poole, Kenneth	04/28/2022	04/28/2025	Sales and Operations Manager, Campo & Poole Distributing	Representative Member
Shepardson, Stanley	01/19/2022	01/19/2025	Rancher	Representative Member
Teufel, Kirsi	09/10/2020	09/10/2023	Rancher	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 14

Narrative Description

The Bureau of Land Management strives to manage public lands for numerous interests. In an effort to achieve that balance, RACs serve an important role in tempering public input and formulating well-thought-out and balanced recommendations to the land management agencies. Additionally, as RAC meetings are open to

the public, members of the public are able to attend, allowing for transparency, and to directly address the RAC with specific concerns. Also, the RAC model allows for self-nomination and general nomination of representatives of numerous interests which affect, and are affected by, public lands. This allows public, special interest groups and others to have an avenue to serve their respective interest while contributing to a collaborative solution which is in turn endorsed and recognized by the land management agencies.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

	Checked if Applies
Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

The RAC facilitates dialogue between agency managers and the general public. RAC members bring an array of viewpoints to resource discussions and share policy changes and updates with their stakeholder groups and others.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

	Checked if Applies
None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>

\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000

Over \$10,000,000

Cost Savings Other

Cost Savings Comments

There has been no formal exploration of any associated cost-savings associated with the Southeast Oregon RAC. However, there is immeasurable value to the land management agencies, as input by way of the representatives can serve to substitute for official surveys of public sentiment related to any number of land management issues. Similarly, the collaborative and consultative service that the RAC provides as a means of interacting with the public also serves to better inform land management agencies of sentiments associated with certain groups or members of the public.

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

45

Number of Recommendations Comments

No recommendations were made in FY22.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

64%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

No recommendations for FY 2022.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

36%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

The recommendations to the agency by the Southeast Oregon RAC were well received and implementation is in process for both.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes No Not Applicable

Agency Feedback Comments

Land management agency representatives routinely address the Southeast Oregon RAC on activities on their respective districts and areas of responsibility. This includes answering questions associated with any land management practices or plans as well as keeping the RAC apprised of the progress, or lack thereof, of any recommendations made by the group--to include updates on implementation.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Reorganized Priorities | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Reallocated resources | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Issued new regulation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Proposed legislation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Approved grants or other payments | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Action Comments

N/A

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

N/A

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

- | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Contact DFO | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online Agency Web Site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online Committee Web Site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online GSA FACA Web Site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Publications | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Access Comments

The BLM provides information to RAC members through as many avenues as possible. Public access is available at BLM offices and online.

