**Secretary’s Orders 3347, 3356 and 3366**

**National Recreation, TTM and NCL Training for Program Managers Update 5/23/2018**

**Key Messages**

* The BLM has a wide variety of projects, programs and initiatives planned or underway both in the Field, and also at the National Policy Level to Implement SO 3347, 3356 and3366. WO-250 is coordinating, and WO-400, 230, and 350 are all involved.
* By aggregating information about all the work that has been done that contributes to accomplishment of these goals, we are trying to minimize extra workload to the field, and focus attention on the parts of the Orders where BLM can make the biggest impact.

**Talking Points**

1. **Reporting events, data cleanup.** The Division of Recreation and Visitor Services has prepared 4 reports in response to SO 3356, identifying over 90 milestones for completion. Approximately 12 of these will require action from field offices. The action takes the form of reporting on events, creating and documenting partnerships, or cleaning up existing datasets.
2. **Identifying SO Coordinators.** Both S.O. 3356 and S.O. 3362 on Wildlife Migration Corridors require identification of BLM staff to serve as collateral duty coordinators and liaisons in execution of the Orders. IM 2018-057 was distributed to request States to identify these coordinators.
3. **Streamline SRP permitting.** WO-250 is issuing an IM which identifies various ways field offices can lessen SRP workload though flexibilities in existing guidance.
4. **Categorical Exclusions.** SO 3356 called for creation of a CX for habitat restoration. The BLM made recommendations for clarifying the SRP CX in Special Areas, and rewriting Travel Management CXs, and creating a new CX for trail construction, maintenance and rehab. CXs are being pursued through SO 3355 NEPA streamlining.
5. **Public Lands Access Project.** One of the major efforts will be to come up with recommendations to identify barriers to access to BLM lands. Staff from wildlife, recreation, and realty programs are working to develop a proposal for a new effort to identify public lands access issues across the country.
6. **Wide Range of Activities.** Other efforts range from amending monument management plans to include hunting, fishing and shooting, creating a one stop searchable public database for these opportunities, working with States and Tribes to incorporate wildlife habitat objectives and carry out joint projects, improve access for the disabled, youth and veterans, , carry out deferred maintenance projects to restore/improve access.
7. **BLM Responses are BLM focused.** While S.O. 3356 was written with direction to FWS, NPS, and BLM, and the BLM is coordinating with FWS and NPS, BLM is currently focused on identifying what it can do to address SO 3356 on the public lands.
8. **Synergy with SO 3366.** SO 3366 on enhancing recreational access and opportunities has many similarities to 3356, and we are using much of the same work to address both efforts.