**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management,**

**Four Rivers Field Office**

**Notice of Exchange Proposal**

**Proposed Exchange of Lands in Ada and Gem Counties, Idaho**

**IDI-37603**

Notice is hereby given that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is considering a land exchange proposal that would convey to Don L. Dewey, a married man dealing with his sole and separate property, and Paul D. Levie and Rae Levie, as Trustees of the Paul D. and Rae Levie Trust, the surface and mineral estate on the following-described Federal land pursuant to Section 206 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1716), as amended.

T. 1 N., R. 3 E., Boise Meridian, Ada County, Idaho

 Sec. 3: N½SW¼.

Containing 80 acres, more or less

In exchange for the above-described Federal land, the United States would acquire the surface and mineral estate in the following-described non-Federal land.

That part of the S½NW¼ of Section 13 and that part of the N½SW¼ of Section 13 lying South of the Black Canyon Canal in T. 6 N., R. 3 W., Boise Meridian, Gem County, Idaho. Containing 78 acres, more or less.

On October 21, 2013, the BLM segregated the above Federal land from appropriation under the public land and mineral laws for a period of five years or until the exchange is completed.

The parties to the exchange would convey both the Federal and non-Federal lands subject to valid existing rights and encumbrances of record.

The exchange proposal is consistent with the 1988 Cascade Resource Management Plan (RMP) and the 1983 Kuna Management Framework Plan (MFP). The non-Federal land meets acquisition criteria contained in the Cascade RMP because it supports key long-billed curlew habitat that the RMP emphasizes for acquisition. The Kuna MFP identifies the Federal land as suitable for disposal by exchange.

Completion of the exchange is in the public interest as it would:

* Dispose of an isolated parcel of Federal land with no legal access
* Consolidate Federal land ownership
* Acquire and protect nesting long-billed curlew populations and habitat
* Preclude the construction of an access road through the long-billed curlew ACEC
* Prevent future private development adjacent to the ACEC

The parties will complete the land exchange subject to equal value considerations, as required by Federal regulations.

You may obtain detailed information concerning the proposed exchange, Serial Number IDI-37603, from John Sullivan, Realty Program Lead, BLM Boise District, 3948 Development Ave., Boise, ID 83705. Contact phone number: 208-384-3300

Interested parties may submit comments or concerns about the exchange proposal, including information on liens, encumbrances, or other claims relating to the exchange lands.

The BLM will only consider written comments mailed to John Sullivan at the above address, and postmarked or delivered within 45 days after the initial date of publication of this Notice in the newspaper. Facsimiles, e-mails, and telephone calls are unacceptable means of comment submission.

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that the BLM may make your entire comment,­ including your personal identifying information, publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

/s/ *Tate Fischer July 13, 2015*

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Tate Fischer Date

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