

(2) Method 7500—Ra D—“Sequential Precipitation Method,” which is contained in “Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater,” 20th Ed., which is incorporated by reference in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. The availability of this incorporation by reference is given in the introductory text of paragraph (b)(5)(ii) of this section.

(B) Gross alpha particle radioactivity shall be measured using the following method: Method 7110 C—“Coprecipitation Method for Gross Alpha Radioactivity in Drinking Water,” which is contained in “Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater,” 20th Ed., which is incorporated by reference in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. The availability of this incorporation by reference is given in the introductory text of paragraph (b)(5)(ii) of this section.

(C) Beta particle and photon radioactivity shall be measured using the following methods:

(1) Method 7500—Sr B—“Precipitation Method,” which is contained in “Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater,” 20th Ed., which is incorporated by reference in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. The availability of this incorporation by reference is given in the introductory text of paragraph (b)(5)(ii) of this section.

(2) Method 7500—<sup>3</sup>H B—“Liquid Scintillation Spectrometric Method,” which is contained in “Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater,” 20th Ed., which is incorporated by reference in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. The availability of this incorporation by reference is given in the introductory text of paragraph (b)(5)(ii) of this section.

(3) Method 7120 B—“Gamma Spectroscopic Method,” which is contained in “Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater,” 20th Ed., which is incorporated by reference in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. The availability of this incorporation by reference is given in the introductory text of paragraph (b)(5)(ii) of this section.

(D) Uranium shall be measured using the following methods:

(1) Method 7500—U B—“Radiochemical Method,” which is contained in “Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater,” 20th Ed., which is incorporated by reference in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. The

availability of this incorporation by reference is given in the introductory text of paragraph (b)(5)(ii) of this section.

(2) Method 7500—U C—“Isotopic Method,” which is contained in “Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater,” 20th Ed., which is incorporated by reference in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. The availability of this incorporation by reference is given in the introductory text of paragraph (b)(5)(ii) of this section.

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**William K. Hubbard,**

*Associate Commissioner for Policy and Planning.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

#### 43 CFR Parts 4100

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**RIN: 1004-AD42**

#### Grazing Administration—Exclusive of Alaska

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Advance notice of proposed rulemaking for proposed amendments to the BLM's Grazing Administration Regulations and announcement of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) requests comments and suggestions to assist us in amending our regulations governing how the BLM administers livestock grazing on public lands. The current regulations, issued in 1995, require amendment to comply with court decisions, provide greater flexibility to managers and permittees, and improve existing administrative procedures and business practices, and promote conservation of public lands. We encourage the public to participate in planned public meetings and to provide comments and suggestions to help us clearly define needed changes to the Grazing Administration Program.

**DATES:** You must submit your comments by May 2, 2003. BLM may not necessarily consider or include in the Administrative Record for the proposed rule comments that BLM receives after the close of the comment period or comments delivered to an address other than those listed below (see **ADDRESSES**).

See the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for the dates of the public meetings.

**ADDRESSES:** Mail: Director (630), Bureau of Land Management, Eastern States Office, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153, Attention: RIN 1004-AD42.

Personal or messenger delivery: 1620 L Street NW., Room 401, Washington, DC 20036.

Direct Internet response: [www.blm.gov/nhp/news/regulatory/index.html](http://www.blm.gov/nhp/news/regulatory/index.html) or go to BLM's external Home page at <http://www.blm.gov/nhp/index.htm> and click on the link.

You may also comment via email to [WOCComment@blm.gov](mailto:WOCComment@blm.gov). We intend this address for use by those who want to keep their electronic comments confidential and for those who are unable, for whatever reason, to use the Internet site. Please submit email comments as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Please also include “Attn: AD42” and your name and return address in your email message.

You may examine documents pertinent to this proposal at the L Street address. Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review on the Internet address above and may be published as part of the EIS. Individual respondents may request confidentiality.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kenneth Visser at (202) 452-7743, for information relating to the grazing program or the substance of the regulations to be proposed, or Ted Hudson at (202) 452-5042 or Cynthia Ellis at (202) 452-5012 for information relating to the rulemaking process. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8330, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact the above individuals.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

- I. Public Comment Procedures
- II. Background
- III. Description of Information Requested

#### **I. Public Comment Procedures**

Your written comments should:

1. Be specific;
  2. Explain the reason for your comments and suggestions;
  3. Be about the issues outlined in this notice; and,
  4. Where possible, reference the specific section or paragraph of existing regulations that you are addressing.
- The comments and recommendations that are most useful and likely to