

## Public Notice

On August 10, 2012, President Obama signed the La Pine Land Conveyance Act (the Act), Public Law 112-164, which transfers (conveys) the ownership of about 910 acres of public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to Deschutes County and the City of La Pine. The lands will be conveyed subject to valid and existing rights.

The Act transfers three separate parcels of land within and adjacent to the City of La Pine, in southern Deschutes County. Parcel A is 150 acres and will be conveyed for outdoor recreation, open space, or public parks, including a rodeo ground. Parcel B is approximately 750 acres and will be conveyed for a public sewer system. Parcel C is 3.26 acres and will be conveyed for a public library, public park, or open space. According to the Act, if the land is not used for the purposes described above, the ownership shall, at the discretion of the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, revert to the United States.

The Act allows the Secretary of Interior to include terms and conditions in the conveyance that are appropriate to protect the interests of the United States. The City of La Pine will host a public meeting to accept comments regarding the need for additional terms and conditions. The meeting is scheduled for 6pm, Thursday, November 8, 2012 at the La Pine City Hall.

The La Pine Land Conveyance Act was first proposed in 2009 and is the result of the collaborative efforts of the La Pine community, the Deschutes County Commissioners and the Congressional delegation.

An information package is available on the internet at:

<http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/prineville/plans/index.php> - or upon request from the Prineville District Office (541) 416-6700. The BLM is accepting public comments regarding project related issues until November 30, 2012. Comments may be faxed (541-416-6798), emailed (blm\_or\_pr\_mail@blm.gov) or send to 3050 NE Third St., Prineville, OR 97754. Please direct all comments to the attention of: La Pine Land Conveyance Act. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment – including your personal identifying information – may be made 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. The BLM will hold an informational meeting in John Day during the comment period; contact the BLM for details on time and location.