

**OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF BLAINE COUNTY
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAY 2014 SESSION
JOINT MEETING WITH CUSTER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

BOULDER-WHITE CLOUDS PROPOSED NATIONAL MONUMENT DESIGNATION

Third Day – Special Evening Meeting

Wednesday, May 7, 2014

Pursuant to Statutory Provisions, the Board of Blaine County Commissioners (BCC) met this evening at 6:00 p.m. at Carol's Dollar Mountain Lodge in Sun Valley, Idaho. Present were Blaine County Commission Chairman Lawrence Schoen, Blaine County Vice-Chairman Jacob Greenberg, Blaine County Commissioner Angenie McCleary; Blaine County Administrator Derek Voss; Custer County Commissioner Wayne Butts; Custer County Commissioner Doyle Lamb; Custer County Commissioner Lin Hintze; and Blaine County Recording Secretary Sunny Grant.

Also present: Stanley Mayor Herb Mumford; Ketchum Mayor Nina Jonas; Ketchum Councilmember Michael David; Ketchum Councilmember Anne Corrock; Ketchum Fire Chief Mike Elle; Ketchum Parks and Recreation Director Jen Smith; United States Forest Service Acting Supervisor Monte Williams; Sawtooth National Forest Ketchum District Ranger Kurt Nelson; US Forest Service Area Ranger Joby P. Timm; Sun Valley Economic Development Executive Director Harry Griffith; Idaho Conservation League (ICL) Central Idaho Associate Dani Mazzotta; The Wilderness Society (TWS) Central Idaho representative Rob Mason; TWS Idaho Regional Director Craig Gehrke; Wood River Land Trust Stewardship Coordinator Chad Stoesz; Blaine County Land, Water and Wildlife Levy Advisory Board Coordinator Clare Swanger; Blaine County Land, Water and Wildlife Board member Tom Page; Idaho Farm Bureau representative John Thompson; Sawtooth Society Executive Director Gary O'Malley; Wood River Bike Coalition Executive Director Brett Stevenson; Idaho State Snowmobile Association representative Gary Cvelich; Idaho Outdoor Business Council Policy Director Cailin O'Brien-Feeney; Idaho Outdoor Business Council representative Steve Stuebner; Elephant's Perch owner Bob Rosso; Sturtevant's owner Olin Glenne; Backwoods Mountain sports owner Andy Munter; Campbell Gardett; Roxanne Gardett; Rodney Haulsing; David Butterfield; Carol Eleazer; John Kelley; Mickey Garcia; Dale Ewersen; Jim Rinehurt; Charlie Thompson; Paul May; Sharon May; Bruce Smith; Scott Calhoun; Dia Torese-Denner; Gary Gadwa; Laurii Gadwa; Ken Hantz; Bernice Hantz; Ellen Roche Libertine; Len Harlig; Jack Brown; Steve Mitchell; Brent Robinson; Sarah Michael; Bob Jonas; Robert Boren; Evelyn Phillips; Stacey Clark; Bart and Lois Adrian; Margaret Walker; Jordan Carr; Suzanne Orb; Charlotte Unger; Len Harlig; Richard Loseke; Kim Loseke; Samuel Mollner; Kaz Thea; Josh Thornton; David Sundholm; Amy D. Whither; Eric Grootveld; Gerrit Rietveld and his son; Jenny Seyfried; Ron Hawkins; *Times-News* enterprise reporter Brian Smith; and *Idaho Mountain Express* reporter Greg Moore.

Chairman Schoen called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

Blaine County and Custer County Commissioners made opening comments.

The Wilderness Society Central Idaho representative Rob Mason described the national monument proposal.

Sun Valley Economic Development Executive Director Harry Griffith presented a report on the economic potential in both counties of national monument designation for the Boulder-White Clouds area.

Idaho Outdoor Business Council Policy Director Cailin O'Brien-Feeney suggested significant economic potential of outdoor recreation could be a result of national monument designation for the Boulder-White Clouds.

PUBLIC COMMENT made by Sun Valley Economic Development Executive Director Harry Griffith; Idaho Outdoor Business Council Policy Director Cailin O'Brien-Feeney; Robert Boren; Campbell Gardett; Bruce Smith; Mickey Garcia; Charlie Thompson; David Sundholm; Wood River Bike Coalition Executive Director Brett Stevenson; David Butterfield; Sturtevant's owner Olin Glenne; Ron Hawkins; Idaho Conservation League (ICL) Central Idaho Associate Dani Mazzotta; Gerrit Rietveld and his young son; Sawtooth Society Executive Director Gary O'Malley; The Elephant's Perch owner Bob Rosso; Kaz Thea; Jenny Seyfried; and Josh Thornton. Most comments were against designation of the Boulder-White Clouds as a national monument, for many different reasons.

Commissioners made closing comments.

Blaine County Commission Chairman Larry Schoen will draft a letter to be sent jointly by Blaine County and Custer County commissioners to Idaho federal legislators and to officials in the Department of Agriculture, Department of Interior and Council on Environmental Quality requesting they visit Blaine and Custer Counties to hear concerns and answer questions about the process of creating a national monument in the Boulder-White Clouds region.

The Custer County Commissioners and BCC will host another joint meeting in Challis, Idaho at the Challis Event Center on Thursday, May 29, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURN

At the hour of 8:22 p.m., the BCC finding no more business before them adjourned.

Attest: _____ Approved _____
JoLynn Drage
County Clerk
Lawrence Schoen
Chairman