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WLCI Executive Committee Meeting and Tour Scheduled

Wyoming Landscape Conservation Initiative's (WLCI) Executive Committee (EC) will be holding its quarterly meeting on July 13 at the Bureau of Land Management Pinedale Field Office. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in landscape conservation focusing on wildlife, riparian, or habitat issues to see the collaborative efforts underway in southern Wyoming through federal, state, county and local efforts.

The Executive Committee will review ranking of proposed WLCI projects for fiscal year 2012, hear presentations on the U.S. Geological Survey's Energy and Minerals Mission, long-term monitoring, committee and team reports. The full agenda can be found on WLCI's website at <http://www.wlci.gov/>.

The day before the meeting, the EC will be touring the Big Piney area to view WLCI projects including Trumpeter Swan ponds, Aspen and Conifer treatments, Mule Deer habitat enhancements, and hear an update on LiDAR, the latest technology in satellite imagery.

The BLM Pinedale Field Office is located at 1625 West Pine in Pinedale, Wyo. The EC meeting is scheduled from 8:30 a.m. until approximately 2:00 p.m.

WLCI is a long-term, science-based effort to assess and enhance aquatic and terrestrial habitats at a landscape scale in southwest Wyoming, while facilitating responsible development of the region's valuable energy resources. The WLCI Executive Committee is comprised of representatives from the Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Geological Survey, Wyoming Department of Agriculture, Wyoming Game & Fish Department, conservation districts, and county commissioners. Sweetwater County Conservation District Chair Mary Thoman is currently serving as chairman of the committee. BLM Wyoming State Director Don Simpson and Wyoming Department of Agriculture Director Jason Fearneyhough serve respectively as first vice chair and second vice chair. For more information visit: <http://www.wlci.gov/>.

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