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| COUNTY  If different from written on document   | Humboldt  |
| TITLE If not obvious  | Western Lithium Corp. Kings Valley Exploration Project                |
| AUTHOR  | Eduards, R.   |
| DATE OF DOC(S)  | 2008  |
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| QUAD_NAME   | Thacker Pace 7's'   |
| P_M_C_NAME (mine, claim & company names)  | Western Lithian Corp.   |
| COMMODITY  If not obvious   | Lithium   |
| NOTES   | Scoping document; location mup; correspondence                        |
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## Dear Interested Public:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Winnemucca District Office, Humboldt River Field Office (WDO/HRFO) is seeking public input as it initiates an environmental analysis process for Western Lithium Corporation's Kings River Exploration Project plan of operations to expand their existing notice-level activities near Thacker Pass, south of the Montana Mountains, approximately fifty-four miles north-northwest of Winnemucca in Humboldt County, Nevada (T.44 N., R. 35 E., Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 17).

Western Lithium Corporation's existing operation is approximately 5 acres in size, and consists of exploration roads and drilling activities, all on public land. The newly proposed plan of operations project area would cover approximately 1210 acres, of which only 70 acres (in addition to the 5 already disturbed under their current Notice) are planned to be disturbed. They propose to continue their exploration by drilling, constructing new roads, and creating trenches for bulk sampling. The project would be conducted in phases and is planned to run for approximately 5 years. The total surface disturbance (existing and proposed) would be up to 75 acres, all on public land, and within the Plan of Operations boundary (see attached maps). Reclamation would include recontouring the surface disturbances and revegetation.

In accordance with Council on Environmental Quality Regulations at 40 CFR 1500, for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the BLM WDO/HRFO, will be preparing an environmental analysis of the proposed project. This analysis will disclose the environmental impacts expected to occur should the project be implemented. The BLM is seeking your input in identifying issues and concerns or applicable knowledge to assist us with the NEPA process.

The public is invited to submit comments on the proposal through December 31, 2008. Please send written comments to Ms. Kathleen Rehberg, project lead, at the above address or e-mail <a href="MV\_WFO\_Webmail@blm.gov">MV\_WFO\_Webmail@blm.gov</a> with "Kings River Lithium Project (Rehberg)" in the subject line. This letter and map are also available on our NEPA webpage at <a href="https://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/wfo/blm\_information/nepa0.html">www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/wfo/blm\_information/nepa0.html</a>. In addition, a copy of their plan of operations is available for review at the Winnemucca District Office during regular business hours for 30 days from the date of this letter.

Public comments submitted for this project, including names and addresses of commenters, will be available for public review at the WDO during regular business hours 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. 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 personal identifying information -- may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathleen Rehberg at (775) 623-1739 or at the above address.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Edwards

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