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Grouse Partnership Enters into Formal Agreement with BLM

The North American Grouse Partnership {NAGP} will sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Bureau of Land Management at the 70th North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference being held in Arlington, Virginia, March 16-29. This agreement will focus on improving grouse management through protection and restoration of habitats to meet public demand for both viewing and hunting as well as other resource values.

“The BLM manages over half of the sage-grouse habitat in the Western United States, so we are pleased to form this partnership with them,” said James Mosher, Executive Director of the NAGP. “Under this MOU we will be expanding our cooperation with the BLM for the primary purposes of improving the productivity of grouse populations and enhancing the quality of habitat throughout BLM-administered lands.

As a non-profit conservation organization, the NAGP works at the national and local levels to assure that sound science guides grouse management. The NAGP emphasizes cooperative conservation strategies and works with all public and private stakeholders to accomplish its mission. NAGP recognizes the many benefits produced by our public lands and supports multiple use of those lands when appropriate standards and guidelines are applied to prevent net declines in suitable grouse habitat.

“All BLM activities are guided by a multiple-use mandate, and this agreement with NAGP will further that mission by maintaining or improving healthy prairie and sage populations on BLM public lands,” said Clarke. “This will also give us a basis to initiate additional local agreements that focus on site-specific habitat improvement or research.”

***Our mission is to promote the conservation of grouse and the
habitats necessary for their survival and reproduction.***