# BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT FILM PERMITS

# When Do I Need a Film Permit?

Casual use activities which normally involve noncommercial still photography or recreational videotaping would not require a permit or fees. Casual use means noncommercial activities occurring on an occasional or irregular basis that ordinarily result in little or no impact to public lands, resources, or improvements.

### Still Photography

Most professional and amateur photographers are allowed to take still photographs on public lands without a permit or the payment of any fees. Public land visitors and recreational, professional and amateur photographers do NOT need a permit to take still photographs unless the still photography will:

- Use models, sets or props that are not part of the site's natural or cultural resources or administrative facilities;
- · Take place where members of the public are generally not allowed; or
- Take place at a location where additional administrative costs are likely.

#### **Commercial Filming**

A permit is required for all commercial filming activities on public lands. Commercial filming is defined as the use of motion picture, videotaping, sound recording, or other moving image or audio recording equipment on public lands that involves the advertisement of a product or service, the creation of a product for sale, or the use of actors, models, sets, or props, but not including activities associated with broadcasts for news programs. For purposes of this definition, creation of a product for sale includes a film, videotape, television broadcast, or documentary of participants in commercial sporting or recreation event created for the purpose of generating income.

Commercial filming or still photography will NOT be permitted if it is determined that any of the following criteria apply:

- · There is likelihood of resource damage that cannot be mitigated;
- There would be an unreasonable disruption of the public's use and enjoyment of the site (beyond short-term interruption of use of the site); or
- The activity poses health or safety risks to the public that cannot be mitigated;

Commercial photographers and filming companies should contact the local BLM office to advise them of their activity and determine whether or not a permit or fees are required. Each local BLM Field Office authorizes filming on public lands within its jurisdiction. Each location is unique and is subject to different conditions.

# **The Permitting Process**

Contact the local BLM office (or State and/or local Film Commission) before submitting an application. The permitting process and items needed may vary depending on the location chosen and the type of filming proposed.

For minimal impact filming in "popular filming locations", complete the following and submit by mail or by fax to the appropriate office:

- 1. Land Use Application Form 2920 . Complete only the application section and sign the form. BLM will complete the "permit" portion.
- Detailed description of filming activity (pdf file 54KB). Use this form and submit with application.
- Provide a map showing the specific location(s) requested (consult BLM contact for map of area if needed).
- 4. Cost recovery and rental fees (as discussed with the local BLM film permit coordinator).
- 5. Certificate of Insurance naming Department of the Interior BLM as co insured. Contact the appropriate BLM office for specific dollar amount.

Depending on the location, time of production, and type of production, BLM may impose additional requirements, such as bonding, reimbursement for overtime costs, etc.

**PAYMENT OF FEES:** Fees may be paid by credit card or checks payable to U.S.D.I. – BLM. The public contact specialist in each BLM office will assist in accepting credit card payments.

**BONDING:** Permittees may be required to provide cash bonds to assure reclamation of sets or sensitive locations.

**LARGE PRODUCTIONS AND REQUESTS TO FILM OUTSIDE POPULAR LOCATIONS** will usually require an onsite pre-application conference with BLM personnel. Although the permitting process may not vary, the time to process will usually be at least 30 - 60 days. Contact the appropriate BLM office for details.

## **FEES**

## UTAH/COLORADO RENTAL SCHEDULE

Motion	n Pictures/Videos	Commercial Still Photography		
1 - 30 people	\$250/location/day	1 - 10 people	\$100/location/day	
31 - 60 people	\$500/location/day	11 - 30 people	\$150/location/day	
Over 60 people	\$600/location/day	Over 30 people	\$250/location/day	

**INSURANCE:** All applications must include a certificate of insurance naming the United States Department of the Interior - BLM as co-insured. Contact the appropriate BLM Field Office for specific dollar amount.

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Bureau of Land Management

# Filming on Public Lands



Required Form -DETAILED
DESCRIPTION OF
FILMING ACTIVITY

\*\*\*Print this form, fill it in, and send it to the appropriate BLM office.\*\*\*

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3. Alternate Cor	ntact &Pho	one #:	
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4. Site Location	/Name:		

5. Specific location (ie, what part of lake bed/dunes,	etc.):
6. Dates &hours of use:	
7. Number of personnel to be on location (include ev	veryone):
8. Animals to be on location:	
9. Describe activity to occur in detail (if possible, atta	ach a copy of the story board):
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10. List numbers and type of equipment, vehicles, ar	nd aircraft to be on location:
# Cameras:	
# Small vehicles ( <than one="" td="" ton):<=""><td>ŷ.</td></than>	ŷ.
# Large vehicles:(>than one ton):	

# Aircraft:(numbers and type):	
11. Describe props and sets to	be used/constructed:
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12. Describe any explosives to l	be used:
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IGNATURE:	DATE:	

Form 2920-1 (March 2011)

# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT LAND USE APPLICATION AND PERMIT

FORM APPROVED OMB NO.1004-0009 Expires: March 31, 2014

FOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT (BLM) USE ONLY

**Application Number** (Sec. 302(b) of P.L. 94-579, October 21, 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1732) 1. Name (first, middle initial, and last) Address (include zip code) Phone (include area code) 2. Attach map or sketch showing public lands for which you are applying 3. Proposed date(s) of use: from to 4. Give legal basis for holding interest in lands in Resident Partnership the State of Corporation County (Check appropriate box at right and explain.) Local Government State Government Other 5. Are the lands now improved, occupied or used? Yes No (If "yes," describe improvements and purposes, identify users and occupants.) 6. Do you need access to the land? Yes No (Describe needed or existing access) 7a. What do you propose to use the lands for? b. What improvements and/or land development do you propose? (To complete application processing, engineering and construction drawings may be required) What is the estimated capital cost? d. What is the source of water for the proposed use? I CERTIFY That the information given by me in this application is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and is given in good faith. (Signature of Applicant) (Date) Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001, makes it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States

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any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

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Permission is hereby granted to of to use the following described lands:						Permit Number	
T	OWNSHIP	RANGE	SECTION		SU	BDIVISION	
Me	ridian		State		County	Acres (number)	
and		ollowing condition					
1.	<ol> <li>This permit is issued for the period specified below. It is revocable at the discretion of the BLM, at any time upon notice. This permit is subject to valid adverse claims heretofore or hereafter acquired.</li> <li>This permit is subject to all applicable provisions of the regulations (ADCEP 2000) which are all applicable provisions of the regulations.</li> </ol>			is may be required if a rental adjustment is of land under this permit will commend	made. e within		
2.			months from date hereof and must be exercised at least days each year.				
3.	(43 CFR 2920) which are made a part hereof.  3. This permit may not be assigned without prior approval of the BLM.			<ol> <li>Permittee must take all reasonable precautions to prevent and suppres forest, brush, and grass fires and prevent pollution of waters on or in the vicinity of the lands.</li> <li>Permittee must not cut any timber on the lands or remove other resources from the land without prior written permission from the BLM. Such permission may be conditioned by a requirement to pay fair market value for the timber or other resources.</li> <li>Permittee agrees to have the serial number of this permit marked or painted on each advertising display or other facility erected or maintained under the authority of such permit.</li> </ol>			
	<ol> <li>Permittee must not enclose roads or trails commonly in public use.</li> <li>Authorized representatives of the Department of the Interior, other Federal agencies, and State and local law officials will at all times have the right to enter the premises on official business.</li> <li>Permittee must pay the United States for any damage to its property resulting from the use.</li> <li>Permittee must notify the BLM of address change immediately.</li> <li>Permittee must observe all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations applicable to the premises and to erection or maintenance of signs or advertising displays including the regulations for the protection of game birds and game animals, and must keep the premises in a neat, orderly, and sanitary condition.</li> </ol>						
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#### INSTRUCTIONS

- Submit, in *duplicate*, to any local office of the Bureau of Land Management having jurisdiction of the lands.
- 2. Applications for Land Use Permits will not be accepted unless a notification of the availability of the land for non-BLM use (Notice of Realty Action) has been published in the Federal Register and for 3 weeks thereafter in a newspaper of general circulation. This provision does not apply in those situations where the publication of
- a (Notice of Realty Action) has been waived by the BLM.
- Costs of processing the application must be paid by the applicant in advance.
- The BLM may require additional information to process an application. Processing will be deferred until the required information is furnished by the applicant.

#### NOTICES

The Privacy Act and 43 CFR 2.48(d) require that you be furnished with the following information in connection with the information required by this form.

AUTHORITY: 43 U.S.C. 1732 and 43 CFR Part 2920 permit collection of the information requested by this form.

PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: The BLM uses the information in this form to process your application. ROUTINE USES: In accordance with the System of Records titled, "Land and Minerals Authorization Tracking System--Interior, LLM-32," disclosure outside the Department of the Interior may be made: (1) To appropriate Federal agencies when concurrence or supporting information is required prior to granting or acquiring a right or interest in lands or resources, (2) To Federal, State, or local agencies or a member of the general public in response to a specific request for pertinent information, (3) To the U.S. Department of Justice or in a proceeding before a court or adjudicative body when (a) the United States, the Department of the Interior, a component of the Department, or when represented by the government, an employee of the Department is a party to litigation or anticipated litigation or has an interest in such litigation, and (b) the Department of the Interior determines that the disclosure is relevant or necessary to the litigation and is compatible with the purpose for which the records were compiled, (4) To an appropriate Federal, State, local, or foreign agency responsible for investigating, prosecuting, enforcing, or implementing a statute, regulation, rule, or order, where the disclosing agency becomes aware of an indication of a violation or potential violation of civil or criminal law or regulation, (5) To a member of Congress or a Congressional staff member from the record of an individual in response to an inquiry made at the request of that individual, (6) To the Department of the Treasury to effect payment to Federal, State, and local government agencies, nongovernmental organizations, and individuals, and (7) To individuals involved in responding to a breach of Federal data. The BLM will only disclose this information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the Privacy Act, and the provisions at 43 CFR 2.56(c).

#### The Paperwork Reduction Act requires us to inform you that:

The BLM collects this information to process applications for land use authorizations, in accordance with 43 CFR Part 2920.

You do not have to respond to this or any other Federal agency-sponsored information collection unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

EFFECT OF NOT PROVIDING INFORMATION: Submission of the requested information is necessary to obtain or retain a benefit. Failure to submit all of the requested information or to complete this form may result in delay or preclude the BLM's acceptance of your form.

BURDEN HOURS STATEMENT: The estimated public reporting burden for this form is 1 hour per response for the majority of responses, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. For more complex responses, the estimated public reporting burden is 120 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. You may submit comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this form to: U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (1004-0009), Bureau Information Collection Clearance Officer (WO-630), 1849 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20240.