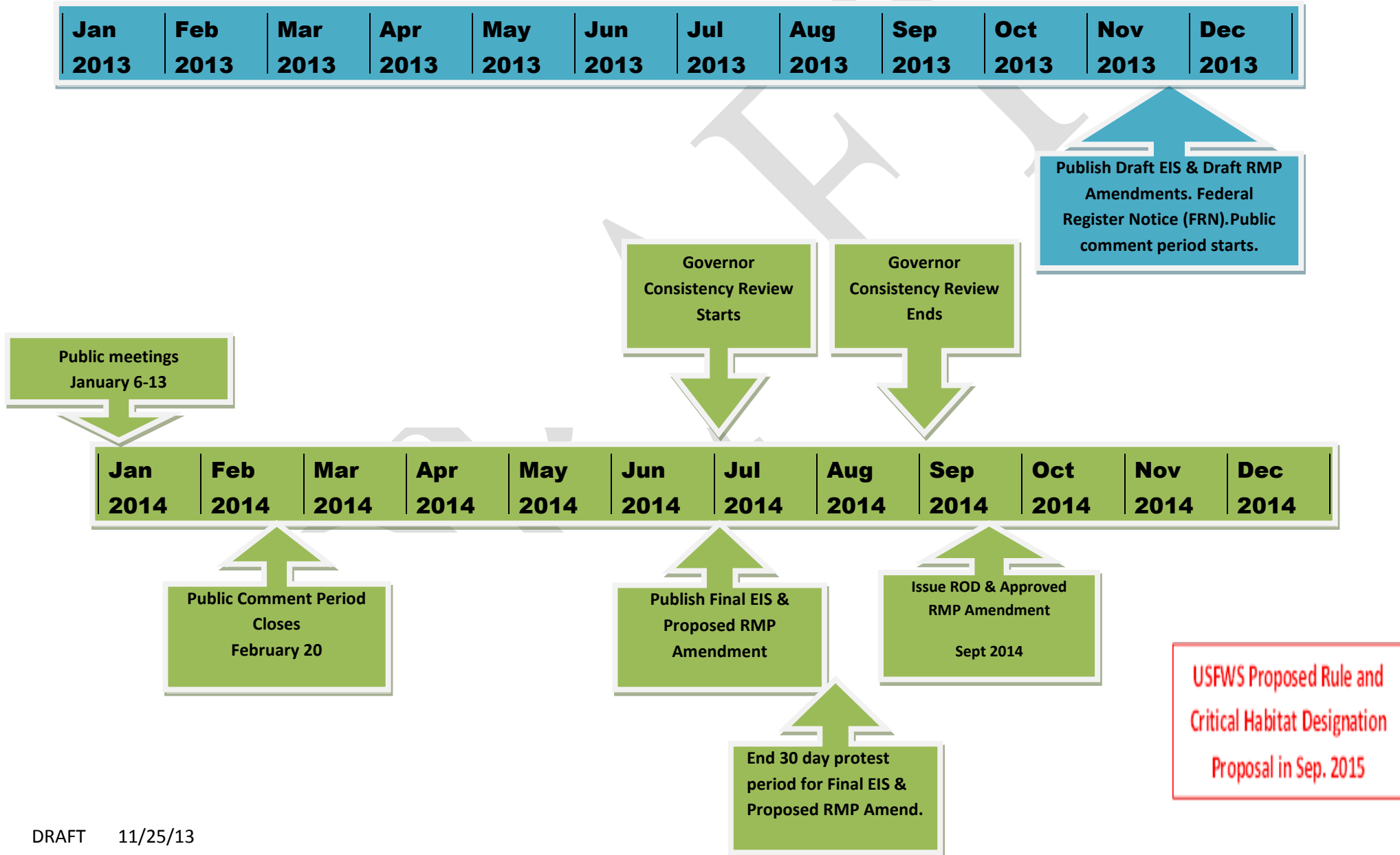


## Draft 2013-2014 BLM State Sage Grouse Planning Process Timeline



## Key Dates

**November 22, 2013** - The **Draft EIS** should be available for a **90-day public comment period** starting on November 22. The public comment period will be triggered by publication of a Notice of Availability in the Federal Register on that date. Find the link to the documents here:

<http://www.blm.gov/or/energy/opportunity/sagebrush.php>

**January 2014** - **Public meetings will be held to discuss the Draft EIS**, first part of January (January 6 - 13) in the same towns that BLM held scoping meetings. The public meetings will be from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm at each of these locations with venue information to be updated on BLM's website. See tentative dates and locations below:

- Jan. 6 in Prineville (Crook County Library, 175 NW Meadow Lakes Dr.)
- Jan. 7 in Burns (Harney County Senior Center, 17 S. Alder Ave.)
- Jan. 8 in Ontario (Four Rivers Cultural Center, 676 SW 5th Ave.)
- Jan. 9 in Baker City (Baker County Events Center, 2600 E St.)
- Jan. 13 in Lakeview (Lakeview Interagency Office, 1301 South G. St.)

**September 2014** - The Final EIS and Record of Decision (ROD) are still scheduled for September 2014.

**Governor's Consistency Review** (60 days; BLM can negotiate a shorter review period with the Governor):

- Prior to approval of the proposed plan amendment, the BLM State Director will submit the proposed plan amendment to the Governor and identify any known inconsistencies with approval state or local plans, policies, or programs.
- The Governor has 60 days to identify inconsistencies and to provide written recommendations to the BLM State Director. If the State Director does not accept the Governor's recommendations, the BLM State Director must notify the Governor in writing; the Governor has another 30 days from receipt of the State Director's letter in which to submit a written appeal to the BLM Director.
- Note: BLM typically runs the Consistency Review period around the same time that it publishes a Notice of Availability of the Proposed RMP Amendment/Final EIS in the Federal Register, which triggers a 30-day protest period for the public.

Once the 60-day Governor's consistency review and the 30-day protest period on the proposed RMP Amendment/Final EIS are complete, BLM will move forward with signing the Record of Decision (ROD).