

the January 2006 ROD and enjoined the Secretary from further action in the Northeast NPR-A under that ROD. The primary deficiency identified by the court concerned the failure to adequately address certain cumulative impacts associated with development in the adjacent Northwest NPR-A. The supplemental IAP/EIS will provide additional analysis necessary to fully address the deficiencies noted by the court and update relevant sections of the document with any new information. Any final decision will consider the full range of alternatives contained in the January 2005 Amended IAP/EIS, as informed by this new analysis.

While scoping is not required for supplements to environmental impact statements (40 CFR 1502.9(c)(4)), BLM is inviting comments on the supplement. Commenters are especially encouraged to identify measures that could reduce impacts to resources or uses that could be impacted by oil and gas and other activities in both the Northeast and Northwest NPR-A planning areas. The agency seeks specific, rather than general, recommendations as to stipulations, operating procedures, and other mitigating measures that the BLM could consider to further its goal of reducing impacts.

Authority: Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*), as amended; the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), as amended; Title I of the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. 6501 *et seq.*), as amended by the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1981, Pub. L. 96-514, 94 Stat. 2957, 2964 (codified in 42 U.S.C. 6508); the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, Pub. L. 96-487, 94 Stat. 2371, section 810, 16 U.S.C. 3120; and the regulations governing protection of resources in the NPR-A at 43 CFR parts 2360 and the regulations governing oil and gas leasing in the NPR-A at 43 CFR part 3130.

Julia Dougan,

Acting State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV912-07-1020 PH-006F]

Notice of Public Meetings, Mojave Southern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Resource Advisory Council meetings, locations and times.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Mojave Southern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The Mojave Southern Great Basin RAC meetings will be held January 11-12, 2007; March 8-9, 2007; June 14-15, 2007; and August 16-17, 2007.

ADDRESSES: The Mojave Southern Great Basin RAC meetings will be held January 11-12, and March 8-9 at the BLM Las Vegas Field Office, located at 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, NV; June 14-15, 2007 at the (Meeting location TBD), Ely, NV; August 16-17, 2007, (Meeting location TBD) Tonopah, NV. Generally Mojave Southern Great Basin RAC meetings begin at 8 and 9 a.m. and adjourn at approximately 4-5 p.m.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Mojave Southern Great Basin RAC advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, on a variety of public land issues in Nevada.

Topics of discussion during Mojave Southern Great Basin RAC meetings will likely include: Recreation, fire management, land use planning, invasive species management, energy and minerals management, travel management, water, wilderness, wild horse herd management, cultural resource management, the Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act, and other issues as appropriate.

Final agendas, with any additions/corrections to agenda topics, the starting and ending times of each meeting, and details of any planned field trips, will be determined/posted at least two weeks before each two-day meeting on the BLM-Nevada State Office Web site at <http://www.nv.blm.gov/rac>; hard copies of the agendas can also be mailed or sent via fax. Individuals who need special assistance such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, or those who wish a hard copy of the agenda, should contact Hillerie C. Patton, Las Vegas Field Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Dr, Las Vegas, NV 89130, 702-515-5046, or hillerie_c_patton@blm.gov no later than two weeks before each two-day meeting.

These meetings are open to the public. Each formal RAC meeting will also have time allocated for hearing

public comments. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. Also, the public may present written comments to the RAC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Hillerie C. Patton, Mojave Southern Great Basin RAC Coordinator at 702-515-5046 or hillerie_c_patton@blm.gov.

Dated: November 24, 2006.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ES-960-1430-ET; MNES 17056]

Public Land Order No. 7672; Extension of Public Land Order No. 6630; Minnesota

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public Land Order.

SUMMARY: This order extends Public Land Order No. 6630 for an additional 20-year period. This extension is necessary to allow the National Park Service to continue to manage the land as part of the Voyageurs National Park.

DATES: Effective Date: November 18, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ida Doup, BLM Eastern States Office, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153, 703-440-1541.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of Proposed Withdrawal Extension and Opportunity for Public Meeting; Minnesota was published in the **Federal Register** on September 1, 2006 (71 FR 52143).

Order

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (2000), it is ordered as follows:

1. Public Land Order No. 6630 (51 FR 41627, November 18, 1986), which withdrew 49.26 acres of public land comprised of 61 islands and one waterfront lot in St. Louis County, Minnesota from surface entry and transferred jurisdiction from the Bureau of Land Management to the National Park Service, is hereby extended for an additional 20-year period.

2. This Public Land Order will expire on November 17, 2026, unless, as a result of a review conducted prior to the

expiration date pursuant to Section 204(f) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714(f) (2000), the Secretary determines that the withdrawal shall be extended. (Authority: 43 CFR 2310.4)

Dated: November 15, 2006.

C. Stephen Allred,

Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of extension of an information collection (1010-0142).

SUMMARY: To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), MMS is inviting comments on a collection of information that we will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The information collection request (ICR) concerns the paperwork requirements in the regulations under 30 CFR 250, Subpart Q, "Decommissioning Activities."

DATES: Submit written comments by February 2, 2007.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods listed below. Please use the Information Collection Number 1010-0142 as an identifier in your message.

- Public Connect online commenting system, <https://ocscconnect.mms.gov>. Follow the instructions on the Web site for submitting comments.

- E-mail MMS at rules.comments@mms.gov. Identify with Information Collection Number 1010-0142 in the subject line.

- Fax: 703-787-1093. Identify with Information Collection Number 1010-0142.

- Mail or hand-carry comments to the Department of the Interior; Minerals Management Service; Attention: Rules Process Team (RPT); 381 Elden Street, MS-4024; Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817. Please reference "Information

Collection 1010-0142" in your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cheryl Blundon, Regulations and Standards Branch at (703) 787-1607. You may also contact Cheryl Blundon to obtain a copy, at no cost, of the regulations that require the subject collection of information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 30 CFR Part 250, Subpart Q, Decommissioning Activities.

OMB Control Number: 1010-00142.

Abstract: The Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.* and 43 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), authorizes the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) to prescribe rules and regulations to administer leasing of the OCS. Such rules and regulations will apply to all operations conducted under a lease. Operations on the OCS must preserve, protect, and develop oil and natural gas resources in a manner that is consistent with the need to make such resources available to meet the Nation's energy needs as rapidly as possible; to balance orderly energy resource development with protection of human, marine, and coastal environments; to ensure the public a fair and equitable return on the resources of the OCS; and to preserve and maintain free enterprise competition.

Section 1332(6) states that "operations in the [O]uter Continental Shelf should be conducted in a safe manner by well trained personnel using technology, precautions, and other techniques sufficient to prevent or minimize the likelihood of blowouts, loss of well control, fires, spillages, physical obstructions to other users of the waters or subsoil and seabed, or other occurrences which may cause damage to the environment or to property or endanger life or health."

MMS uses the information collected under subpart Q primarily for the following reasons:

- To determine the necessity for allowing a well to be temporarily abandoned, the lessee/operator must demonstrate that there is a reason for not permanently abandoning the well and the temporary abandonment will not constitute a significant threat to fishing, navigation, or other uses of the seabed. We use the information and documentation to verify that the lessee is diligently pursuing the final

disposition of the well, and the lessee has performed the temporary plugging of the wellbore.

- The information submitted in "initial" decommissioning plans in the Alaska and Pacific OCS Regions will permit MMS to become involved on the ground floor planning of the world-class platform removals anticipated to occur in these OCS regions.

- Site clearance and platform or pipeline removal information ensures that all objects (wellheads, platforms, etc.) installed on the OCS are properly removed using procedures that will protect marine life and the environment during removal operations, and the site cleared so as not to conflict with or harm other uses of the OCS.

- Decommissioning a pipeline in place is needed to ensure that it will not constitute a hazard to navigation and commercial fishing operations, unduly interfere with other uses of the OCS, or have adverse environmental effects.

- The information is necessary to verify that decommissioning activities comply with approved applications and procedures and are satisfactorily completed.

We will protect information from respondents considered proprietary under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and its implementing regulations (43 CFR part 2) and under regulations at 30 CFR 250.197, "Data and information to be made available to the public." No items of a sensitive nature are collected. Responses are mandatory.

Frequency: On occasion, annually and varies by requirement.

Estimated Number and Description of Respondents: Approximately 236 Federal OCS oil, gas, and sulphur lessees and holders of pipeline rights-of-way.

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden: The currently approved annual reporting burden for this collection is 8,579 hours. The following chart details the individual components and respective hour burden estimates and fees of this ICR. In calculating the burdens, we assumed that respondents perform certain requirements in the normal course of their activities. We consider these to be usual and customary and took that into account in estimating the burden.