

T. 3 N., R. 15 E.,
Sec. 16, that portion lying southwesterly of
the Cadiz Dunes Wilderness Area.

T. 5 N., R. 15 E.,
Sec. 16, all;
Sec. 36, all.

Northern Expansion Area

T. 7 N., R. 7 E.,
Sec. 36, all.

The areas described aggregate 7,779 acres,
more or less.

In the event that these non-federally
owned lands return to public ownership
in the future, they would be subject to
the terms and conditions described
above in "1. Federally owned surface
and mineral estate."

The purpose of the proposed
legislative withdrawal is to withdraw
and reserve the lands for use as a
military training range, involving live-
fire exercises, necessary for national
security. The legislative withdrawal
would provide sufficient area for
realistic integrated training to a Marine
Expeditionary Brigade (MEB) sized
Marine Air Ground Task Force, the
USMC's premier force for responding to
smaller scale contingencies. Effective
training of MEBs is critical to ensuring
the full spectrum of military operations.
The withdrawal would be established
by an Act of Congress, and approved by
the President. The duration of the
legislative withdrawal would be
determined by Congress. The
Department of the Navy has indicated
that the use of a right-of-way or
cooperative agreement would not
provide adequate authorization for
safety and control of access for the
use of these lands due to the broad scope
of military training exercises.

The USMC analyzed alternative sites
in three regions of the United States
(i.e., Middle Atlantic Coast—North
Carolina and Virginia; Gulf of Mexico—
Florida and Louisiana; and Southwest—
California and Arizona). The USMC
concluded that expanding the USMC's
MCAGCC, located in Twentynine
Palms, California was the only
reasonable and feasible option. The
lands hereinabove described, have been
selected by the USMC for the proposed
legislative withdrawal, because they are
located adjacent to the existing exterior
boundaries of the USMC's MCAGCC,
located in Twentynine Palms,
California. The application and the
records relating to the application can
be examined by interested persons at
the BLM Barstow Field Office, 2601
Barstow Road, Barstow, California
92311.

On or before December 15, 2008, all
persons who wish to submit comments,
suggestions, or objections in connection

with the proposed legislative
withdrawal may present their views in
writing to the BLM, Field Manager,
Barstow Field Office, 2601 Barstow
Road, Barstow, California 92311.

Comments, including names and
street addresses of respondents, will be
available for public review at the BLM
Barstow Field Office at the address
above during regular business hours.

Before including your address,
telephone number, e-mail address, or
other personal identifying information
in your comment, you should be aware
that your entire comment—including
your personal identifying information—
may be made publicly available at any
time. While you can ask us in your
comment to withhold from public
review your personal identifying
information from public review, we
cannot guarantee that we will be able to
do so.

This withdrawal proposal will be
processed in accordance with the
regulations set forth in 43 CFR part
2300.

Until September 15, 2010, the lands
will be segregated as specified above
unless the withdrawal application is
denied or canceled or the withdrawal is
approved prior to that date. Land uses
currently authorized or permitted may
continue during the segregation period.
If the proposed legislative withdrawal
has been submitted to Congress but not
enacted into law by the end of the 2-
year segregation period, consideration
will be given to entertaining an
application for a temporary withdrawal
in aid of pending legislation.

During the segregation period, BLM
may, after consulting with the USMC,
allow uses of a temporary nature that
are compatible with the military
purposes for which the land is being
withdrawn.

(Authority: 43 CFR 2310.3-1(b)(1))

Dated: September 9, 2008.

Thomas Pogacnik,

*Acting Deputy State Director, Natural
Resources (CA-930), Bureau of Land
Management.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NM-920-1310-08; TXNM 118200]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease TXNM 118200

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management,
Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Reinstatement of
Terminated Oil and Gas Lease.

SUMMARY: Under the Class II provisions
of Title IV, Public Law 97-451, the
Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
received a petition for reinstatement of
oil and gas lease TXNM 118200 from the
lessee, Woodward Development LLC,
for lands in Houston County, Texas. The
petition was filed on time and was
accompanied by all the rentals due
since the date the lease terminated
under the law.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Lourdes B. Ortiz, BLM, New Mexico
State Office, at (505) 438-7586.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: No valid
lease has been issued that affect the
lands. The lessee agrees to new lease
terms for rentals and royalties of \$10.00
per acre or fraction thereof, per year,
and 16⅔ percent, respectively. The
lessee paid the required \$500.00
administrative fee for the reinstatement
of the lease and \$166.00 cost for
publishing this Notice in the **Federal
Register**. The lessee met all the
requirements for reinstatement of the
lease as set out in Sections 31(d) and (e)
of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30
U.S.C. 188). We are proposing to
reinstatement lease TXNM 118200, effective
the date of termination, June 1, 2008,
under the original terms and conditions
of the lease and the increased rental and
royalty rates cited above.

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 your
personal identifying information—may
be made publicly available at any time.
While you can ask us in your comment
to withhold your personal identifying
information from public review, we
cannot guarantee that we will be able to
do so.

Dated: September 9, 2008.

Lourdes B. Ortiz,

*Land Law Examiner, Fluids Adjudication
Team.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NM-920-1310-08; TXNM 118211]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease TXNM 118211

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management,
Interior.