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Semiannual Regulatory Agenda

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Interior.

ACTION: Semiannual regulatory agenda.

SUMMARY: This notice provides the semiannual agenda of rules scheduled

for review or development between fall 2010 and spring 2011. The Regulatory Flexibility Act and Executive Order 12866 require publication of the agenda.

ADDRESS: Unless otherwise indicated, all Agency Contacts are located at the Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20240.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: With this publication, the Department satisfies the requirement of Executive Order 12866 that the Department publish an agenda of rules that we have issued or expect

to issue and of currently effective rules that we have scheduled for review.

Simultaneously, the Department meets the requirement of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) to publish an agenda in April and October of each year identifying rules that will have significant economic effects on a substantial number of small entities. We have specifically identified in the agenda rules that will have such effects.

This edition of the Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions includes The Regulatory Plan, which appears in both the online Unified Agenda and in part II of today's **Federal Register**. The Department's Statement of Regulatory Priorities is included in the plan.

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United States Fish and Wildlife Service—Proposed Rule Stage

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
390	National Wildlife Refuge System; Oil and Gas Regulations	1018-AX36

United States Fish and Wildlife Service—Completed Actions

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
391	Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Revision of Regulations That Establish Exemptions for Certain Antelope Species	1018-AX19

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation, and Enforcement—Proposed Rule Stage

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
392	Revised Requirements for Well Plugging and Platform Decommissioning	1010-AD61

Department of the Interior (DOI)

Proposed Rule Stage

United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)

390. • NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM; OIL AND GAS REGULATIONS

Legal Authority: 16 USC 668dd-ee; 42 USC 7401 *et seq.*; 16 USC 1131 to 1136; 40 CFR 51.300 to 51.309

Abstract: We propose regulations that ensure that all operators conducting oil or gas operations within a National

Wildlife Refuge System unit do so in a manner as to prevent or minimize damage to National Wildlife Refuge System resources, visitor values, and management objectives. FWS does not intend these regulations to result in a taking of a property interest, but rather to impose reasonable controls on operations that affect federally owned or controlled lands and/or waters.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/00/10	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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**Department of the Interior (DOI)
United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)**

Completed Actions

391. ENDANGERED AND THREATENED WILDLIFE AND PLANTS; REVISION OF REGULATIONS THAT ESTABLISH EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTAIN ANTELOPE SPECIES

Legal Authority: 16 USC 1531 et seq

Abstract: We are publishing a final rule to repeal section (h) from 50 CFR 17.21.

This final rule is in response to a judicial decision that 50 CFR 17.21(h) was promulgated in contradiction to the Endangered Species Act.

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Withdrawn	08/12/10	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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**Department of the Interior (DOI)
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation, and Enforcement (BOEM)**

Proposed Rule Stage

392. REVISED REQUIREMENTS FOR WELL PLUGGING AND PLATFORM DECOMMISSIONING

Legal Authority: 31 USC 9701; 43 USC 1334

Abstract: This rule would establish timely submission requirements for decommissioning and abandonment plans, and establish deadlines for decommissioning permits. The rule would also implement timeframes and clarify requirements for plugging and

abandonment of idle wells and decommissioning idle facilities.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/00/11	
NPRM Comment Period End	04/00/11	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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