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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 spring 2011 and fall 2011. The Regulatory Flexibility Act and Executive Order 12866 require publication of the agenda.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You should direct all comments and inquiries about these rules to the appropriate Agency Contact. You should direct general comments relating to the agenda to the Office of Executive Secretariat, Department of the Interior, at the address above or at 202-208-3181.

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.

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UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE—PROPOSED RULE STAGE

Sequence No.	Title	Regulation Identifier No.
224	National Wildlife Refuge System; Oil and Gas Regulations	1018-AX36

UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE—FINAL RULE STAGE

Sequence No.	Title	Regulation Identifier No.
225	Injurious Wildlife Evaluation; Constrictor Species From Python, Boa, and Eunectes Genera	1018-AV68

BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT, REGULATION, AND ENFORCEMENT—PROPOSED RULE STAGE

Sequence No.	Title	Regulation Identifier No.
226	Revised Requirements for Well Plugging and Platform Decommissioning	1010-AD61

OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING RECLAMATION AND ENFORCEMENT—PROPOSED RULE STAGE

Sequence No.	Title	Regulation Identifier No.
227	Stream Protection Rule	1029-AC63

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR (DOI)

United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)

Proposed Rule Stage

224. National Wildlife Refuge System; Oil and Gas Regulations

Legal Authority: 16 U.S.C. 668dd-ee; 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*; 16 U.S.C. 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	12/00/11	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR (DOI)

United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)

Final Rule Stage

225. Injurious Wildlife Evaluation; Constrictor Species from Python, Boa, and Eunectes Genera

Legal Authority: 18 U.S.C. 42

Abstract: We are reviewing public comments, peer review comments, and revised economic analysis from the

proposed rule in preparation for making a final determination to list any of the nine species of large constrictor snakes as injurious wildlife under the Lacey Act. The species are: Indian python (including Burmese python), reticulated python, Northern African python, Southern African python, boa constrictor, yellow anaconda, DeSchauensee's anaconda, green anaconda, and Beni anaconda.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	01/31/08	73 FR 5784
ANPRM Comment Period End.	04/30/08	
NPRM	03/12/10	75 FR 11808
NPRM Comment Period End.	05/11/10	
NPRM Comment Period Re-opened.	07/01/10	75 FR 38069
NPRM Comment Period End.	08/02/10	
Final Action	06/00/11	

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

226. Revised Requirements for Well Plugging and Platform Decommissioning

Legal Authority: 31 U.S.C. 9701; 43 U.S.C. 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	12/00/11	
NPRM Comment Period End.	02/00/12	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR (DOI)

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE)

Proposed Rule Stage

227. Stream Protection Rule

Legal Authority: 30 U.S.C. 1201 *et seq.*

Abstract: On August 12, 2009, the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia denied the Government's request that the court vacate and remand the Excess Spoil/Stream Buffer Zone rule published on December 12, 2008. Therefore, the Department intends to initiate notice and comment rulemaking to address issues arising from previous rulemakings. The agency also intends to prepare a new environmental impact statement.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	11/30/09	74 FR 62664
ANPRM Comment Period End.	12/30/09	
NPRM	12/00/11	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes.

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