

**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****National Park Service**

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**Notice of Availability of Record of Decision for Restoration of Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias, Yosemite National Park, California**

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.  
**ACTION:** Notice of Availability of Record of Decision.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to § 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (Pub. L. 91-190, as amended) and the regulations promulgated by the Council on Environmental Quality (40 CFR part 1505.2), the Department of the Interior, National Park Service (NPS), has prepared and approved a Record of Decision for the Final Environmental Impact Statement (Final EIS) for the Restoration Plan for Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias. The requisite no-action "wait period" was initiated on November 1, 2013, with the Environmental Protection Agency's Federal Register notice of the filing of the Final EIS.

*Decision:* The NPS has selected Alternative 2 (identified as "preferred" in the Final EIS) for implementation as the approved Restoration Plan for Mariposa Grove. Key components of the approved plan are as follows: (1) The existing parking lot in the lower Mariposa Grove area will be relocated to a visitor contact area at the South Entrance to the park, about two miles from the Grove; (2) parking will be consolidated into a 295-space parking and transit hub, with a park shuttle available to transport visitors from the South Entrance to the lower Grove area; (3) a hiking trail to the Grove and new accessible trails within the lower Grove area and near the Grizzly Giant tree will be constructed; (4) adverse effects to cultural resources will be ameliorated according to a Memorandum of Agreement executed with the State Historic Preservation Officer; and (5) ecological restoration actions will be undertaken to improve hydrologic flows, water infiltration, and reduce erosion.

Three other alternatives were evaluated, the full range of foreseeable environmental consequences was assessed, and appropriate mitigation measures were identified. Alternative 2 (selected for implementation) was deemed to be the "environmentally preferred" course of action.

Interested parties desiring to review the Record of Decision may obtain a

copy by contacting the Superintendent, Attn: Division of Project Management, Yosemite National Park, P.O. Box 700-W, 5083 Foresta Road, El Portal, CA 95318 or via telephone request at (209) 379-1202.

Signed: December 16, 2013.

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Ocean Energy Management**

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**Information Collection: Leasing of Sulphur or Oil and Gas in the Outer Continental Shelf and Pipeline Rights of Way; Submitted for OMB Review; Comment Request**

**ACTION:** 30-day notice.

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) is notifying the public that we have submitted an information collection request (ICR) 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 Part 556, Leasing of Sulphur or Oil and Gas in the OCS; 30 CFR Part 550, Subpart J, Pipelines and Pipeline Rights-of-Way; and 30 CFR Part 560, OCS Oil and Gas Leasing. This notice provides the public a second opportunity to comment on the paperwork burden of this collection.

**DATES:** Submit written comments by March 5, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments on this ICR to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior at OMB-OIRA at (202) 395-5806 (fax) or *OIRA\_submission@omb.eop.gov* (email). Please provide a copy of your comments to the BOEM Information Collection Clearance Officer, Arlene Bajusz, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, 381 Elden Street, HM-3127, Herndon, Virginia 20170 (mail) or *arlene.bajusz@boem.gov* (email). Please reference ICR 1010-0006 in your comment and include your name and return address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Arlene Bajusz, Office of Policy, Regulations, and Analysis at *arlene.bajusz@boem.gov* (email) or (703) 787-1025 (phone). You may review the ICR online at <http://www.reginfo.gov>. Follow the instructions to review

Department of the Interior collections under review by OMB.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* 30 CFR Part 556, Leasing of Sulphur or Oil and Gas in the OCS; 30 CFR Part 550, Subpart J, Pipelines and Pipeline Rights-of-Way; and 30 CFR Part 560 OCS Oil and Gas Leasing.

*Forms:* BOEM-0150, 0151, 0152, 2028, 2028A, 2030.

*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 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; balance orderly energy resource development with protection of human, marine, and coastal environments; ensure the public a fair and equitable return on the resources of the OCS; and preserve and maintain free enterprise competition. Also, the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975 (EPCA) prohibits certain lease bidding arrangements (42 U.S.C. 6213(c)).

The Independent Offices Appropriations Act (31 U.S.C. 9701), the Omnibus Appropriations Bill (Pub. L. 104-133, 110 Stat. 1321, April 26, 1996), and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-25 authorize Federal agencies to recover the full cost of services that provide special benefits. Under the Department of the Interior's (DOI) implementing policy, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) is required to charge the full cost for services that provide special benefits or privileges to an identifiable non-Federal recipient above and beyond those that accrue to the public at large. Instruments of transfer of a lease or interest are subject to cost recovery, and BOEM regulations specify the filing fee for these transfer applications.

This notice concerns the reporting and recordkeeping requirements of BOEM regulations at 30 CFR 556, Leasing of Sulphur or Oil and Gas in the OCS; 30 CFR 550, Subpart J, Pipelines and Pipeline Rights-of-Way; 30 CFR 560, OCS Oil and Gas Leasing; as well as the related Notices to Lessees and Operators (NTLs) that clarify and provide additional guidance on some aspects of these regulations. This ICR also concerns the use of the following forms to process bonds, transfer interest in leases, and file relinquishments: