

technical capacity to increase their production in the future.

Helium did not meet the criteria for inclusion on the 2022 final list of critical minerals (87 FR 10381). However, the USGS has noted that several factors make helium a commodity that warrants watching. The Helium Stewardship Act of 2013 directed the sale of the Federal Helium System by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The global shift from conventional natural gas toward shale gas, which lacks recoverable quantities of helium, has the potential to reduce the supply of helium. While the United States has significant domestic helium-production capacity, recent geopolitical events may impact foreign production capacity.

Given the factors described above related to helium, the USGS is soliciting public comments that will aid the USGS in analyzing:

(1) whether there is an increasing risk of supply disruption,

(2) whether that risk stems from supply from countries that may be unwilling or unable to continue to supply the United States,

(3) whether those risks pose a significant likelihood of increasing the Nation's import reliance or create a concentration and risk of permanent or intermittent supply disruptions from a small number of international or domestic supply sources,

(4) potential disruptions to helium supply due to foreign geopolitical uncertainty, military conflict, civil unrest, or anti-competitive behaviors, and

(5) whether such supply disruption would jeopardize manufacturing or use of products vital to the defense, healthcare, aerospace, consumer electronics, and other industries.

In conjunction with the sale of the Federal Helium System, the BLM is returning responsibility for collecting data and reporting helium production and consumption statistics to the USGS. Therefore, the USGS is also seeking comments that will aid the USGS in:

(1) conducting comprehensive analyses of the helium supply chain,

(2) determining domestic helium consumers and their primary uses for helium,

(3) identifying points of contact for helium producers, suppliers, and consumers who might collaborate with the USGS in data collection and survey development, and

(4) identifying additional types of information that might aid in future USGS data collection on helium.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other

personally identifiable information (PII) in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your PII, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your PII from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. Please be aware that public comments submitted in response to this **Federal Register** notice will have no bearing on the closure of the federally managed helium reserve by the BLM as directed by the Helium Stewardship Act of 2013. Additionally, no person is required to respond to this request for comments. Consistent with 5 CFR 1320.3(h)(4), no person is asked to supply specific information pertaining to themselves other than information necessary for self-identification to receive USGS's full consideration of their comment(s). The U.S. Government will not pay for any comments or administrative costs incurred by those responding to this request for comments.

Authority: Energy Act of 2020, (div. Z, Pub. L. 116–260; 30 U.S.C. 1606).

James D. Applegate,

Director, U.S. Geological Survey.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Geological Survey

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Agency Information Collection Activities; Production Estimate

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Information Collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) is proposing to renew an Information Collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before March 31, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on this Information Collection Request (ICR) by mail to U.S. Geological Survey, Information Collections Officer, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive MS 159, Reston, VA 20192; or by email to gs-info_collections@usgs.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 1028–0065 in the subject line of your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Elizabeth S. Sangine by

email at escottsangine@usgs.gov, or by telephone at 703–648–7720. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States. You may also view the ICR at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the PRA, we provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on new, proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

We are soliciting comments on the proposed ICR that is described below. We are especially interested in public comments addressing the following issues: (1) is the collection necessary to the proper functions of the USGS minerals information mission; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the USGS enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the USGS minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information (PII) in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your PII—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your PII from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Abstract: This collection is needed to provide data on mineral production for annual reports published by commodity for use by Government agencies, Congressional offices, educational institutions, research organizations, financial institutions, consulting firms, industry, academia, and the general public. This information will be published in the “Mineral Commodity

Summaries,” the first preliminary publication to furnish estimates covering the previous year’s nonfuel mineral industry.

Title of Collection: Production Estimate.

OMB Control Number: 1028–0065.

Form Number: USGS Forms 9–4042–A and 9–4124–A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Businesses or other For-Profit Institutions; U.S. nonfuel mineral producers.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 1,100.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 1,100.

Estimated Completion Time per Response: 15 minutes.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 275.

Respondent’s Obligation: Voluntary.

Frequency of Collection: Annually.

Total Estimated Annual Non-hour Burden Cost: There are no “non-hour cost” burdens associated with this ICR.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, nor is a person required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The authorities for this action are the PRA, the National Materials and Minerals Policy, Research and Development Act of 1980 (30 U.S.C. 1601 *et seq.*), the National Mining and Minerals Policy Act of 1970 (30 U.S.C. 21(a)), and the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98 *et seq.*).

Steven Fortier,

Director, National Minerals Information Center, U.S. Geological Survey.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

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Land Acquisitions; Tohono O’odham Nation, Far West Valley Site, Maricopa County, Arizona

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs made a final agency determination to acquire in trust 110.34 acres, more or less, of land known as the Far West Valley Site in Maricopa County, Arizona, (Site) for the Tohono

O’odham Nation, (Nation) for gaming and other purposes.

DATES: This final determination was made on January 24, 2023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Paula L. Hart, Director, Office of Indian Gaming, Mailstop 3543, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20240, paula.hart@bia.gov, (202) 219–4066.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On the date listed in the **DATES** section of this notice, the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs made a final agency determination to acquire the Site, consisting of 110.34 acres, more or less, in trust for the Nation under the authority of the Gila Bend Indian Reservation Lands Replacement Act, Public Law 99–503, 100 Stat. 1798 (1986), and Department regulations.

The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, on behalf of the Secretary of the Interior, will immediately acquire title to the Site in the name of the United States of America in trust for the Nation upon fulfillment of all Departmental requirements. The legal description for the Site is as follows:

Legal Description of Property

A portion of the Southeast Quarter of Section 36, Township 3 North, Range 2 West of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Maricopa County, Arizona, more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the South Quarter Corner of said Section 36, being marked, as witnessed, by a 3” Arizona Department of Transportation brass cap in handhole, North 89 degrees 48 minutes 26 seconds West, 15.00 feet from the calculated position, from which the Southeast Corner of said Section 36, being marked by a 3” Maricopa County brass cap in handhole, bears South 89 degrees 56 minutes 32 seconds East, 2632.60 feet;

thence along the South line of said Southeast Quarter, South 89 degrees 56 minutes 32 seconds East, 1601.49 feet;

thence North 0 degrees 03 minutes 28 seconds East, 33.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING;

thence along the Easterly right-of-way of State Route 303, as dedicated by Document 2014–0611509 of Maricopa County Records, the following courses:

thence North 85 degrees 37 minutes 53 seconds West, 286.30 feet;

thence North 0 degrees 03 minutes 28 seconds East, 75.64 feet;

thence North 89 degrees 56 minutes 32 seconds West, 996.07 feet;

thence North 10 degrees 50 minutes 52 seconds West, 101.01 feet;

thence North 0 degrees 15 minutes 47 seconds East, 504.14 feet;

thence North 5 degrees 21 minutes 18 seconds East, 916.34 feet;

thence North 32 degrees 20 minutes 04 seconds East, 159.39 feet;

thence North 48 degrees 30 minutes 08 seconds East, 493.37 feet;

thence North 63 degrees 51 minutes 13 seconds East, 481.52 feet;

thence South 89 degrees 48 minutes 01 seconds East, 1207.87 feet;

thence along the Southerly right-of-way of West Northern Parkway, as dedicated by Document 2017–0799438 of Maricopa County Records, the following courses:

thence South 0 degrees 15 minutes 32 seconds West, 52.65 feet;

thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes 28 seconds East, 54.46 feet;

thence South 44 degrees 44 minutes 22 seconds East, 35.13 feet;

thence along a line 80.00 feet West of and parallel with the East line of said Southeast Quarter, South 0 degrees 15 minutes 32 seconds West, 275.17 feet;

thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes 28 seconds East, 47.00 feet;

thence departing said Southerly right-of-way, along a line 33.00 feet West of and parallel with said East line, South 0 degrees 15 minutes 32 seconds West, 1931.50 feet;

thence along a line 33.00 feet North of and parallel with said South line, North 89 degrees 56 minutes 32 seconds West, 998.23 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Contains 4,806,640 square feet or 110.3453 acres, more or less.

Authority

This notice is published in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 Departmental Manual 8.1, and is published to comply with the requirements of 25 CFR 151.12(c)(2)(ii) that notice of the decision to acquire land in trust be promptly provided in the **Federal Register**.

Bryan Newland,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Surface Management Activities Under the General Mining Law

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) proposes to renew an information collection.