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Outer Continental Shelf Central Gulf of Mexico; Notice of Leasing System, Sale 152

Section 8(a)(8) (43 U.S.C. 1337(a)(8)) of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (OCSLA) requires that, at least 30 days before any lease sale, a Notice be submitted to the Congress and published in the **Federal Register**:

1. Identifying the bidding systems to be used and the reasons for such use; and

2. Designating the tracts to be offered under each bidding system and the reasons for such designation.

This Notice is published pursuant to these requirements.

1. *Bidding systems to be used.* In the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Sale 152, blocks will be offered under the following two bidding systems as authorized by section 8(a)(1) (43 U.S.C. 1337(a)(1)): (a) Bonus bidding with a fixed 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ -percent royalty on all unleased blocks in less than 400 meters of water; and (b) bonus bidding with a fixed 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ -percent royalty on all remaining unleased blocks.

a. *Bonus Bidding with a 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ -Percent Royalty.* This system is authorized by section (8)(a)(1)(A) of the OCSLA. This system has been used extensively since the passage of the OCSLA in 1953 and imposes greater risks on the lessee than systems with higher contingency payments but may yield more regards if a commercial field is discovered. The relatively high front-end bonus payments may encourage rapid exploration.

b. *Bonus Bidding with a 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ -Percent Royalty.* This system is authorized by section (8)(a)(1)(A) of the OCSLA. It has been chosen for certain deeper water blocks proposed for Central Gulf of Mexico (GOM) (Sale 152) because these blocks are expected to require substantially higher exploration, development, and production costs, as well as longer times before initial production in comparison to shallow-water blocks. Department of the Interior analyses indicated that the minimum economically developable discovery on a block in such high-cost areas under a 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ -percent royalty system would be less than for the same blocks under a 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ -percent royalty system. As a result, more blocks may be explored and developed. In addition, the lower royalty rate system is expected to

encourage more rapid production and higher economic profits. It is not anticipated, however, that the larger cash bonus bid associated with a lower royalty rate will significantly reduce competition, since the higher costs for exploration and development are the primary constraints to competition.

2. *Designation of Blocks.* The selection of blocks to be offered under the two systems was based on the following factors:

a. Lease terms on adjacent, previously leased blocks were considered to enhance orderly development of each field.

b. Blocks in deep water were selected for the 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ -percent royalty system based on the favorable performance of this system in these high-cost areas as evidenced in our analyses.

The specific blocks to be offered under each system are shown on the "Stipulations, Lease Terms, and Bidding Systems Map" for Central GOM Lease Sale 152. This map is available from the Minerals Management Service, GOM Region, 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard, New Orleans, Louisiana 70123-2394.

Dated: April 4, 1995.

Carolita U. Kallaur,

Acting Deputy Director, Minerals Management Service.

Bob Armstrong,

Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management.

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National Park Service

Glacier National Park General Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement, Glacier National Park, Montana

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to prepare Environmental Impact Statement for the General Management Plan, Glacier National Park.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act, the National Park Service is preparing an environmental impact statement for the General Management Plan for Glacier National park. This statement will be approved by John Cook, Regional Director for the Rocky Mountain Region. The purpose of this federal action is to facilitate management of visitor use, natural and cultural resources, development, and operation of Glacier National Park according to the enabling legislation and other laws and regulations affecting management of this

National Park area. The general management plan (GMP) and implementation plans that result from this process will guide the management of Glacier National Park for the next 10 to 15 years. The GMP will replace an existing master plan that has been guiding management of the park since 1977 and contains actions that have either been completed or are no longer appropriate to do. All previously approved development concept and implementation plans will be reviewed and assessed to insure that their proposals are appropriate in light of the new general management plan.

Major issues that will be addressed in the plan include ecosystem management, visitor experience and resource protection, role and management of historic structures and other cultural resources, the Secretary of Interior's trust responsibilities to Native Americans and relationships with Native Americans and park resources, land protection strategies for private lands within the park to insure protection of park resources, administrative facilities and the concept of sustainability as it relates to park infrastructure and visitor use.

A scoping brochure is being prepared that explains, in more detail, the issues identified to date and outlines the public involvement for this planning effort. Copies of this brochure will be available in mid April and can be obtained by writing GMP/EIS Project, Glacier National Park, West Glacier, Mt 59936 (406) 888-5441

The National Park Service is seeking information and comments from individuals and organizations who may be interested in, or affected by the proposed action, as well as Federal, State and local agencies. Scoping will include the following: a scoping brochure that will be mailed out to interested individuals, groups and federal, state and local agencies asking for comments, identification of issues, concerns to interested and potentially affected individuals, groups, Federal, State, and local governments; newsletters, public meetings; and news releases.

The first set of public meetings were held as Open Houses, during early March. Open houses were held in Missoula, Kalispell, Helena, West Glacier, Browning, St. Mary and Great Falls Montana, and in Lethbridge and Fernie Canada. A summary of issues identified to date is being compiled following those meetings.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for information and to be added to the General Management Plan

mailing list should be directed to GMP/EIS Project, Glacier National Park. Comments on the General Management Plan should be sent to David A. Mihalic, Superintendent, Glacier National Park, West Glacier, MT 59936-0128, telephone (406) 888-5441.

Dated: March 30, 1995.

David A. Mihalic,

Superintendent, Glacier National Park.

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Bureau of Reclamation

Privacy Act of 1974—Notice of Establishment of System of Records

Pursuant to the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (5 U.S.C. 552a), notice is hereby given that the Department of the Interior proposes to establish a new system of records to be maintained by the Bureau of Reclamation. The system, entitled "Lower Colorado River Well Inventory—Interior, BOR-48," will include information pertaining to individuals and/or their lessees who have at least one well on their property that may pump mainstream Colorado River water. The information contained in this system will be used to protect and manage water entitlement holders' rights to use Colorado River water in the lower Colorado River basin. The notice is published in its entirety below.

As required by the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (5 U.S.C. 552a(r)), the Office of Management and Budget, the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, and the House Committee on Government Reform and Oversight have been notified of this action.

5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(11) requires that the public be provided a 30-day period in which to comment on the intended use of the information in the system of records. The Office of Management and Budget, in its Circular A-130, requires a 40-day period in which to review such proposals. Written comments on this proposal can be addressed to the Departmental Privacy Act Officer, Office of the Secretary, Office of Administrative Services, 1849 "C" Street NW, Mail Stop 5412 MIB, Washington, DC 20240, telephone (202) 208-6045, fax (202) 208-7971. Comments received within 40 days of publication in the **Federal Register** (May 17, 1995) will be considered. The system will be effective as proposed at the end of the comment period, unless comments are received which would require a contrary determination.

Dated: March 28, 1995.

Albert C. Camacho,

Director, Office of Administrative Services.

INTERIOR/BOR-48

SYSTEM NAME:

Lower Colorado River Well Inventory—Interior, BOR-48.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

Bureau of Reclamation, Division of Water, Land, and Power, Lower Colorado Region, Boulder City, Nevada 89006-1470.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Individuals and/or their lessees who have at least one well on their property that may pump mainstream Colorado River water. **Note:** This system also contains records pertaining to corporations and other public entities. Only those records relating to individuals are covered by the Privacy Act.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Names, addresses, and telephone numbers of covered individuals; Assessor Parcel Numbers; contract numbers; categories of uses to which the water is put; methods of disposal of unconsumed portions of water pumped; volumes of water pumped; physical characteristics and locations of wells; water purveyor, municipal, or other administrative boundaries within which wells are located; and water levels of wells located in hydraulically connected areas adjacent to the floodplain.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

Reclamation Act of June 17, 1902 (32 Stat. 388, 43 U.S.C. 391), as amended and supplemented; the Colorado River Front Work and Levee System Adjacent to Yuma Project Act of March 3, 1925 (Pub. L. 79-469, 43 Stat. 1186, 1198), as amended and supplemented; the Boulder Canyon Project Act of December 21, 1928 (45 Stat. 1057, 43 U.S.C. 617), as amended and supplemented; the Reclamation Project Act of August 4, 1939 (53 Stat. 1187, 43 U.S.C. 485); the Colorado River Basin Project Act of September 30, 1968 (82 Stat. 885); the Reclamation Reform Act of October 12, 1982 (96 Stat. 1261, 43 U.S.C. 390); and the Supreme Court opinion rendered June 3, 1963 (373 U.S. 546), and Decrees entered March 9, 1964 (376 U.S. 340), January 9, 1979 (439 U.S. 419), and April 16, 1984 (466 U.S. 144), in *Arizona v. California et al.*

PURPOSE(S):

The primary purposes of the records are: (a) To assist in the administration

and negotiation of water use contracts with individual landowners, lessees, or other classes of water users; and (b) to support the annual compilation and publication of records of consumptive use of mainstream Colorado River water.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

Disclosure outside the Department of the Interior may be made: (1) To the States of Arizona, California, and Nevada to assist them in administering their apportionments of mainstream Colorado River water; (2) to the U.S. Department of Justice or to a court or adjudicative body with jurisdiction when (a) the United States, the Department of the Interior, a component of the Department, or, when represented by the Government, an employee of the Department is a party to litigation or anticipated litigation or has an interest in such litigation, and (b) the Department of the Interior determines that the disclosure is relevant or necessary to the litigation and is compatible with the purpose for which the records were compiled; (3) to a congressional office in response to an inquiry the individual has made to the congressional office; (4) to appropriate Federal, State, tribal, territorial, local or foreign agencies responsible for investigating or prosecuting the violation of, or for enforcing, implementing, or administering a statute, rule, regulation, program, facility, order, lease, license, contract, grant, or other agreement, of information indicating a violation or potential violation of a statute, rule, regulation, program, facility, order, lease, license, contract, grant or other agreement will be disclosed; (5) to interested parties upon written request, of data pertaining to volumes of water pumped, consumptive uses of water, and points of diversion.

DISCLOSURE TO CONSUMER REPORTING AGENCIES:

Disclosures pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(12). Disclosures may be made from this system to consumer reporting agencies as defined in the Fair Credit Reporting Act (15 U.S.C. 168a(f)) or the Federal Claims Collection Act of 1966 (31 U.S.C. 3701(a)(3)).

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Records are stored in automated form on computer databases and in manual form in file folders.