

the human, marine, and coastal environments is maintained. Alternatives not recommended in the feasibility study, but identified by various involved parties during the EIS process, may also be included for analysis. Various aspects related to the EIS cannot be definitively determined until a scoping meeting, required under 40 CFR 1501.7, is conducted in the State of Louisiana.

Scoping Process: This notice constitutes the beginning of the public scoping process. Interested individuals, organizations, and other agencies are encouraged to provide written comments within 45 calendar days of this notice to the address below. Respondents should mark their submittal "Comments Regarding Preparation of a Louisiana Barrier Island Restoration EIS." The MMS will review all comments received for the purpose of determining the scope of the EIS.

As of the writing of this notice, a public scoping meeting was scheduled to be held May 14, 1996, beginning at 7:00 P.M., at the Municipal Auditorium in Houma, Louisiana. Written notice providing final details on the location, date, and times of this meeting will be published in local and regional newspapers, as appropriate. Persons interested in attending the scoping meeting may also call the number below for exact details and final arrangements.

Comments and Questions: Please direct written comments and written or verbal questions on the proposed action and EIS to Mr. Barry S. Drucker, Project Coordinator, U. S. Department of the Interior, Minerals Management Service, 381 Elden Street, Mail Stop 4030, Herndon, Virginia, 22070. Phone: (703-787-1300), Fax: (703-787-1284).

Dated: April 22, 1996.

Cynthia Quarterman,

Director, Minerals Management Service.

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Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Policy Committee of the Minerals Management Advisory Board; Notice and Agenda for Meeting

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service, Interior.

SUMMARY: The OCS Policy Committee of the Minerals Management Advisory Board will meet at the McLean Hilton in McLean, Virginia on May 21-22, 1996.

The agenda will cover the following principal subjects:

- 5-Year Proposed Program
- National Resource Assessment
- Marine Minerals Panel

—Can the Gulf of Mexico Remain the Backbone of the U.S. Natural Gas Deliverability?

—Advances in Technology on the OCS

—Alaska Regional Stakeholders Task Force Report

—G&G Data Preservation and its Application to Policy

The meeting is open to the public.

Upon request, interested parties may make oral or written presentations to the OCS Policy Committee. Such requests should be made no later than May 10, 1996, to the Office of Advisory Board Support, Minerals Management Service, 381 Elden Street, MS-4110, Herndon, Virginia, 22070, Attention: Terry Holman.

Requests to make oral statements should be accompanied by a summary of the statement to be made. For more information, call Terry Holman at (703) 787-1211.

Minutes of the OCS Policy Committee meeting will be available for public inspection and copying at the Minerals Management Service in Herndon, Virginia.

DATES: Tuesday, May 21 and Wednesday, May 22, 1996.

ADDRESSES: The McLean Hilton at Tysons Corner, 7920 Jones Branch Drive, McLean, Virginia 22102; (703) 847-5000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Terry Holman at the address and phone number listed above.

Authority: Federal Advisory Committee Act, P.L. No. 92-463, 5 U.S.C. Appendix 1, and the Office of Management and Budget's Circular No. A-63, Revised.

Thomas Gernhofer,

Associate Director for Offshore Minerals Management.

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National Park Service

Niobrara National Scenic River Advisory Commission

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets the schedule for the forthcoming meeting of the Niobrara Advisory Commission. Notice of this meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463).

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, May 8, 1996; 1:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: American Legion Hall, Bassett, Nebraska.

The meeting is open to the public. Interested persons may make oral/

written presentation to the Commission or file written statements. Requests for time for making presentations may be made to the Superintendent prior to the meeting or to the Chairman at the beginning of the meeting. In order to accomplish the agenda for the meeting, the Chairman may want to limit or schedule public presentations.

The meeting will be recorded for documentation and a summary in the form of minutes will be transcribed for dissemination. Minutes of the meeting will be made available to the public after approval by the Commission members. Copies of the minutes may be requested by contacting the Superintendent. An audio tape of the meeting will be available at the headquarters office of the Niobrara/Missouri National Scenic Riverways in O'Neill, Nebraska.

Agenda Topics Include

1. Final review of the Niobrara National Scenic River draft general management plan and environmental impact statement.

2. Review of written comments submitted during the public review period for the draft plan.

3. Discussion and preparation of advisory commission comments to be included with the plan when it is submitted for final selection of the management alternative.

4. The opportunity for public comment and proposed agenda, date, and time, of the next advisory group meeting.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Advisory Commission was established by the law that established the Niobrara National Scenic River, Public Law 102-50. The purpose of the group, according to its charter, is to advise the Secretary of the Interior on matters pertaining to the development of a management plan and management and operation of the Scenic River. The Niobrara National Scenic River includes the 40-mile segment from Borman Bridge southeast of Valentine, Nebraska to its confluence with Chimney Creek; and the 30-mile segment from the confluence with Rock Creek downstream to State Highway 137.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Warren Hill, Superintendent, Niobrara/Missouri National Scenic Riverways, P.O. Box 591, O'Neill, Nebraska 68763-0591 or telephone 402-336-3970.

Dated: April 6, 1996.

David N. Given,

Acting Field Director, Midwest Field Area.

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