

existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law. All valid applications received at or prior to 9 a.m. on February 14, 2002, shall be considered as simultaneously filed at that time. Those received thereafter shall be considered in the order of filing.

3. At 9 a.m. on, February 14, 2002, the land described in Paragraph 1 will be opened to nonmetalliferous location and entry under the United States mining laws, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law. Appropriation of any of the land described in this order to nonmetalliferous mining under the general mining laws prior to the date and time of restoration is unauthorized. Any such attempted appropriation, including attempted adverse possession under 30 U.S.C. 38 (1994), shall vest no rights against the United States. Acts required to establish a location and to initiate a right of possession are governed by State law where not in conflict with Federal law.

The Bureau of Land Management will not intervene in disputes between rival locators over possessory rights since Congress has provided for such determinations in local courts.

Dated: December 13, 2001.

J. Steven Griles,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Public Land Order No. 7507; Partial Revocation of Waterpower Withdrawals and Opening of Public Lands Under Section 24 of the Federal Power Act; Colorado

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public land order.

SUMMARY: This order revokes an Executive Order and a Secretarial Order insofar as they affect 439.24 acres of public lands withdrawn for two Bureau of Land Management waterpower withdrawals. This action will open the lands to surface entry. These lands have been open to mineral leasing, and, under the provisions of the Mining Claims Rights Restoration Act of 1955, to mining. These provisions are no longer required. This order opens

412.40 acres of public lands to disposal, subject to section 24 of the Federal Power Act. This order also opens 42.62 acres of lands withdrawn by Power Project 2035, subject to section 24 of the Federal Power Act to allow for disposal to the Power Project licensee. This action will allow for consummation of pending land disposals.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 15, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Doris E. Chelius, BLM Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215-7093, 303-239-3706.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1994), and pursuant to the determination by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in DVCO-557-000, it is ordered as follows:

1(a). Executive Order dated July 2, 1910, which established Powersite Reserve No. 78, and Secretarial Order dated October 31, 1944, which established Powersite Classification No. 372, are hereby revoked insofar as they affect the following described public lands:

Sixth Principal Meridian

T. 1 S., R. 71 W., Tracts 53, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 65, 139, 148, and 150.

The areas described aggregate 439.24 acres in Boulder County.

(b). At 9 a.m. on April 15, 2002, the lands described in paragraph 1(a), will be opened to operation of the public land laws generally subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, and the requirements of applicable law. All valid applications received on or prior to 9 a.m. on April 15, 2002, shall be considered as simultaneously filed at that time. Those received thereafter shall be considered in the order of filing.

(c). The lands described in paragraph 1(a) have been open to mining under the provisions of the Mining Claims Rights Restoration Act of 1955, 30 U.S.C. 621 (1994), and these provisions are no longer required.

2. By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by the Act of June 10, 1920, section 24, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 818 (1994), and pursuant to the determination by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in DVCO-557-000, it is ordered as follows:

(a) At 9 a.m. on April 15, 2002, the following described public lands withdrawn by Executive Order dated July 2, 1910, which established Powersite Reserve No. 78, and

Secretarial Order dated October 31, 1944, which established Power Site Classification No. 372, will be opened to disposal, subject to the provisions of section 24 of the Federal Power Act. The opening is subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law:

Sixth Principal Meridian

T. 1 S., R. 71 W., Tracts 54, 127, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 149, and 154.

The area described contains 412.40 acres of public lands in Boulder County.

(b). At 9 a.m. on April 15, 2002, Tract 49, T. 1 S., R.71 W., Sixth Principal Meridian, in Power Project No. 2035 is hereby open to disposal to the Power Project licensee only. The Commission imposed annual charges shall continue and any use not authorized by the License is prohibited without the consent of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. This parcel contains 42.62 acres in Boulder County.

3. The State of Colorado, with respect to the lands described in paragraph 1(a) and 2(a), has a preference right for public highway rights-of-way or material sites until April 15, 2002 and any location, entry, selection, or subsequent patent shall be subject to any rights granted the State as provided by the Act of June 10, 1920, section 24, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 818 (1994).

Dated: December 13, 2001.

J. Steven Griles,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Environmental Documents Prepared for Proposed Oil and Gas Operations on the Gulf of Mexico Outer Continental Shelf (OCS)

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of the availability of environmental documents. Prepared for OCS mineral proposals on the Gulf of Mexico OCS.

SUMMARY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), in accordance with Federal Regulations that implement the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), announces the availability of NEPA-related Site-Specific Environmental Assessments (SEA) and Findings of No Significant Impact (FONSI), prepared by

MMS for the following oil and gas activities proposed on the Gulf of Mexico OCS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Public Information Unit, Information Services Section at the number below. Minerals Management Service, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, Attention: Public Information Office (MS 5034), 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard, Room 114, New Orleans, Louisiana 70123-2394, or by calling 1-800-200-GULF.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: MMS prepares an SEA and FONSI for

proposals that relate to exploration for and the development/production of oil and gas resources on the Gulf of Mexico OCS. The EA examines the potential environmental effects of activities described in the proposals and present MMS conclusions regarding the significance of those effects.

Environmental Assessments are used as a basis for determining whether or not approval of the proposals constitutes major Federal actions that significantly affect the quality of the human environment in the sense of NEPA section 102(2)(C). A FONSI is

prepared in those instances where MMS finds that approval will not result in significant effects on the quality of the human environment. The FONSI briefly presents the basis for that finding and includes a summary or copy of the EA.

This notice constitutes the public notice of availability of environmental documents required under the NEPA Regulations.

This listing includes all proposals for which the Gulf of Mexico OCS Region prepared a FONSI in the period subsequent to publication of the preceding notice.

Activity/Operator	Location	Date
Murphy Exploration & Production Company, Supplemental Development Operations, SEA Nos. S-05676, P-13457 and P-13458.	South Timbalier Area, Block 86, Lease OCS-G 00605, 18 miles south of Lafourche Parish, Louisiana.	09/10/01
TotalFinaElf, Inc., Williams Field Services-Gulf Coast Company, L.P., Right-of-Use and Easement and Pipeline Activity, SEA Nos. P-13233-13260, 13355-13358 and RUE-1.	Canyon Express and Canyon Station Projects, Camden Hill, Aconagua and King's Peak Field Development from Mississippi Canyon and DeSoto Canyon, through Viosca Knoll and Main Pass to Main Pass 261, 89 miles south of Mobile County Alabama, and 68 to 93 miles east and southeast of Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.	09/13/01
Marathon Oil Company, Initial Exploration Plan, SEA No. N6974	Desoto Canyon Area, Block 927, Lease OCS-G 10480, 104 miles off the coast of Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.	10/18/01
El Paso Production Oil & Gas Company, Pipeline Activity, SEA No. P-13114.	High Island Area, Block A-368, Lease OCS-G 02433, 118 miles off the coast of Texas, and 123 miles from Cameron, Louisiana.	12/06/01
Forest Oil Company, Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 00-038A.	West Cameron Area, Block 212, Lease OCS-G 04758, 39 miles south of Cameron, Louisiana, and 37 miles south of Cameron Parish, Louisiana.	09/07/01
RME Petroleum Company, Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-049A.	Ship Shoal Area, Block 204, Lease OCS-G 01520, 81 miles south of Morgan City, Louisiana, and 38 miles south-southwest of Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.	09/05/01
Callon Petroleum Company, Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-070A.	Main Pass (South and East Addition) Area, Block 165, Lease OCS-G 05705, 26 miles southeast of Chandeleur Islands, Louisiana, and 66 miles south-southwest of Theodore, Alabama.	09/17/01
Hall-Houston Oil Company, Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-072.	West Delta Area, Block 94, Lease OCS-G 00839, 29 miles southeast of Fourchon, Louisiana, and 25 miles southeast of LaFourche Parish, Louisiana.	08/27/01
Agip Petroleum, Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-073A.	Grand Isle Area, Block 102, Lease OCS-G 05662, 46 miles south-southeast of LaFourche Parish, Louisiana, and 48 miles south-southeast of Fourchon, Louisiana.	08/29/01
Amerada Hess Corporation, Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-074.	East Cameron Area, Block 188, Lease OCS-G 13586, 73 miles south-southeast of Cameron, Louisiana, and 57 miles south-southwest of Cameron Parish, Louisiana.	08/24/01
Callon Petroleum Company, Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-071A.	Main Pass (South and East Addition) Area, Block 165, Lease OCS-G 05705, 26 miles east-southeast of Chandeleur Islands, Louisiana, and 64 miles south-southwest of Theodore, Alabama.	09/04/01
Energy Resource Technology, Inc., Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-077.	Eugene Island Area, Block 128A, Lease OCS-G 00442, 30 miles southwest of Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and 58 miles south-southwest of Morgan City, Louisiana.	09/17/01
El Paso Production GOM, Inc., Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-078.	West Cameron (South Addition) Area, Block 509, Lease OCS-G 15101, 95 miles south-southeast of Cameron, Louisiana, and 83 miles south-southwest of Cameron Parish, Louisiana.	09/26/01
Kelley Oil Company, Structure Removal Activity, SEA Nos. ES/SR 01-079 and 01-080.	Mobile Area, Blocks 822 and 865, Leases OCS-G 05056 and 06847, Platform B lies 7 miles south of Dauphin Island, Alabama, and 41 miles south-southwest of Mobile, Alabama. Platform A lies 6 miles south of Dauphin Island, Alabama, and 39 miles south-southwest of Mobile, Alabama.	10/04/01
Amerada Hess Corporation, Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-081.	Breton South Area, Block 55, Lease OCS-G 04492, 6 miles southeast of Breton Island, and 23 miles northeast of Venice, Louisiana.	10/04/01
Forest Oil Corporation, Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-082.	High Island Area, Block A20, Lease OCS-G 06178, 34 miles southeast of Galveston, Texas, and 76 miles southwest of Cameron, Louisiana.	10/17/01

Activity/Operator	Location	Date
Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas, Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-083.	West Cameron (West Addition) Area, Block 408, Lease OCS-G 10508, 64 miles south-southwest of Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and 83 miles southeast of Sabine Pass, Texas.	10/17/01
Texaco Exploration and Production, Inc., Structure Removal Activity, SEA Nos. ES/SR 01-084, 01-085, 01-086, 01-087 and 01-088.	South March Island (North Addition) Area, Blocks 217, 218, 238 and 239, Lease OCS 00310, between 8 to 11 miles southwest and 6 miles south-southwest of Iberia Parish, Louisiana, and 23 to 36 miles southeast of Intracoastal City, Louisiana.	11/14/01
Texaco Exploration and Production, Inc., Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-089.	Vermilion Area, Block 30, Lease OCS-G 04785, 7 miles south-southeast of Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, and 21 miles south of Intracoastal City, Louisiana.	11/27/01
Vastar Offshore, Inc., Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-090.	South Pelto Area, Block 11, Lease OCS-G 00071, 8 miles south of Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and 33 miles south-southwest of Fourchon, Louisiana.	11/08/01
Denbury Resources Inc., Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-091.	High Island (East Addition South Extension) Area, Block A-286, Lease OCS-G 03486, 91 miles south-southeast of Galveston County, Texas, and 105 miles south-southwest of Cameron, Louisiana.	11/15/01
Maritech Resources, Inc., Structure Removal Activity, SEA Nos. ES/SR 01-092, 01-093, 01-094, 01-095, 01-096, 01-097, 01-098, 01-099 and 01-100.	West Delta Area, Block 32, Leases OCS-G 00367 and 01332, 19 miles east-southeast of Grand Isle, Louisiana, and 10 miles south-southwest of Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.	11/28/01
Seneca Resources Corporation, Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-101.	Vermilion Area (South Addition), Block 296, Lease OCS-G 09511, 114 miles southwest of Morgan City, Louisiana, and 78 miles south-southwest of Iberia Parish, Louisiana.	11/27/01
BP America, Inc., Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-102.	South Pelto Area, Block 11, Lease OCS-G 00071, 8 miles south of Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and 33 miles south-southwest of Fourchon, Louisiana.	11/16/01
Apex Oil & Gas, Inc., Structure Removal Activity, SEA No. ES/SR 01-103.	East Cameron Area, Block 24, Lease OCS-G 04098, 5 miles south-southwest of Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and 35 miles east-southeast of Cameron, Louisiana.	12/10/01

Persons interested in reviewing environmental documents for the proposals listed above or obtaining information about EAs and FONSI's prepared for activities on the Gulf of Mexico OCS are encouraged to contact MMS at the address or telephone listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION** section.

Dated: December 18, 2001.

Chris C. Oynes,

Regional Director, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Review of Existing Coordinate Long Range Operating Criteria for Colorado River Reservoirs

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Operating Criteria for Colorado River Reservoirs (Operating Criteria), promulgated pursuant to Public Law 90-537, were published in the **Federal Register** on June 10, 1970. The Operating Criteria state that the Secretary will sponsor a formal review of the Operation Criteria at least every 5 years. As part of that 5-year review process, the Bureau of Reclamation

invites written comments regarding whether the Operating Criteria should be modified, and if so, how they should be modified. The existing Operating Criteria are included at the end of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before March 18, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be mailed to: Regional Director, Attn: BCOO-4600, Lower Colorado Region, Bureau of Reclamation, P.O. Box 61470, Boulder City, NV 89006-1470.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jayne Harkins at (702) 293-8190 or in writing at Bureau of Reclamation, Lower Colorado Region, P.O. Box 61470, Boulder City, NV 89006-1470 or by faxogram at (702) 293-8042 or Tom Ryan at (801) 524-3732 or in writing at Bureau of Reclamation, Upper Colorado Region, 125 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84138-1102. E-mail can be sent to LROC_Review@lc.usbr.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Operating Criteria provided for the coordinated long-range operation of the reservoirs constructed and operated under the authority of the Colorado River Storage Project Act, the Boulder Canyon Project Act, and the Boulder Canyon Project Adjustment Act for the purposes of complying with and carrying out the provisions of the Colorado River Compact, the Upper

Colorado River Basin Compact, and the Mexican Water Treaty.

The Operating Criteria provide for a review at least every 5 years with participation by Colorado River Basin state representatives as each Governor may designate and other parties and agencies as the Secretary of the Interior may deem appropriate. As provided in Public Law 102-575 (The Grand Canyon Protection Act of 1992), the Secretary also consults in this review process with the general public including representatives of academic and scientific communities, environmental organizations, the recreation industry, and contractors for the purchase of Federal power produced at Glen Canyon Dam. This will be the sixth 5-year review of the Operating Criteria since their initial promulgation in 1970. The Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation shall be the authorized agent of the Secretary of the Interior for the purposes of conducting and coordinating this review.

The Record of Decision, Colorado River Interim Surplus Guidelines Final Environmental Impact Statement (Interim Surplus Guidelines) states that 5-year reviews of the Interim Surplus Guidelines may be conducted and if so, such reviews would be coordinated with the Operating Criteria review. The Interim Surplus Guidelines were signed by former Secretary Bruce Babbitt on January 16, 2001, became effective in