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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Meeting of the Pinedale Anticline Working Group's Air Quality Task Group

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (1976) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (1972), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Pinedale Anticline Working Group (PAWG) Air Quality Task Group (subcommittee) will meet in Pinedale, Wyoming, for a business meeting. Task Group meetings are open to the public.

**DATES:** The PAWG Air Quality Task Group will meet November 30, 2004, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting of the PAWG Air Quality Task Group will be held in the conference room of the BLM Pinedale Field Office at 432 E. Mill St., Pinedale, WY.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Susan Caplan, BLM/Air Quality TG Liaison, Bureau of Land Management, Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone Rd., Cheyenne, WY 82009, or PO Box 1828, Cheyenne, WY 82003; 307-775-6031.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Pinedale Anticline Working Group (PAWG) was authorized and established with release of the Record of Decision (ROD) for the Pinedale Anticline Oil and Gas Exploration and Development Project on July 27, 2000. The PAWG advises the BLM on the development and implementation of monitoring plans and adaptive management decisions as development of the Pinedale Anticline Natural Gas Field (PAPA) proceeds for the life of the field.

After the ROD was issued, Interior determined that a Federal Advisory

Committees Act (FACA) charter was required for this group. The charter was signed by Secretary of the Interior, Gale Norton, on August 15, 2002, and renewed on August 13, 2004. An announcement of committee initiation and call for nominations was published in the **Federal Register** on February 21, 2003 (68 FR 8522). PAWG members were appointed by Secretary Norton on May 4, 2004.

At their second business meeting, the PAWG established seven resource- or activity-specific Task Groups, including one for Air Quality. Public participation on the Task Groups was solicited through the media, letters, and word-of-mouth.

The agenda for this meeting will include information gathering and discussion related to developing an air quality monitoring plan to assess the impacts of development in the Pinedale Anticline gas field, and identifying who will do and who will pay for the monitoring. Task Group recommendations are due to the PAWG in February, 2005. At a minimum, public comments will be heard just prior to adjournment of the meeting.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[NV-010-05-1020PH]

#### Notice of Public Meetings: Northeastern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Fiscal Year 2005 Meetings Locations and Times for the Northeastern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council (Nevada).

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Nevada Northeastern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council (RAC), will meet as indicated below. Topics for discussion at each meeting will include, but are not limited to: January 28, 2005 (Reno, Nevada)—Ely Resource Management Plan, Water Resources Transportation Panel discussion, and Sage Grouse Status and Governor's Plan update;

March 31, 2005 (Eureka, Nevada)—Ely Resource Management Plan follow-up, Wildland/Urban Interface Fire Projects, Elko Field Office Land Sale Parcels presentation, and Wind and Alternative Energy; May 20, 2005 (Elko, Nevada)—Elko Land Sales Parcels selection, Transportation Planning, and Off-Highway Vehicle; July 14 & 15, 2004 (Battle Mountain, Nevada)—Rangeland Health-Carrico Lake Tour and NEPA streamlining discussion. Managers' reports of field office activities will be given at each meeting. The council may raise other topics at any of the four planned meetings.

**DATES:** The RAC will meet four times in Fiscal Year 2005: on January 28, 2005 at the BLM Nevada State Office, 1340 Financial Boulevard, Reno, Nevada; on March 31, 2005 at the Eureka Opera House, 31 South Main, Eureka, Nevada; on May 20, 2004 at the BLM Elko Field Office, 3900 East Idaho Street, Elko, Nevada; and on July 14 & 15, 2004 at the BLM Battle Mountain Field Office, 50 Bastian Road, Battle Mountain, Nevada. All meetings are open to the public. Each meeting will last from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will include a general public comment period, where the public may submit oral or written comments to the RAC. Each public comment period will begin at approximately 1 p.m. unless otherwise listed in each specific, final meeting agenda.

Final detailed agendas, with any additions/corrections to agenda topics, locations, field trips and meeting times, will be available on the Internet at least 14 days before each meeting, at <http://www.nv.blm.gov/rac>; hard copies can also be mailed or sent via FAX. Individuals who need special assistance such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, or who wish a hard copy of each agenda, should contact Mike Brown, Elko Field Office, 3900 East Idaho Street, Elko, Nevada 89801, telephone (775) 753-0386 no later than 10 days prior to each meeting.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mike Brown, Public Affairs Officer, Elko Field Office, 3900 E. Idaho Street, Elko, NV 89801. Telephone: (775) 753-0386. E-mail: [mbrown@nv.blm.gov](mailto:mbrown@nv.blm.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The 15-member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Nevada. All meetings are open to the public. The public may present written comments to the Northeastern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council.

Dated: November 5, 2004.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection, Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of a revision of a currently approved information collection (OMB Control Number 1010-0073).

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are inviting comments on a collection of information that we will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. We changed the title of this information collection request (ICR) to clarify the regulatory language we are covering under 30 CFR Part 220. The previous title of this ICR was "30 CFR Part 220, Accounting Procedures for Determining Net Profit Share Payment for Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leases." The new title of this ICR is "30 CFR Part 220, Accounting Procedures for Determining Net Profit Share Payment for Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leases, § 220.010 NPSL capital account, § 220.030 Maintenance of records, § 220.031 Reporting and payment requirements, § 220.032 Inventories, and § 220.033 Audits."

**DATES:** Submit written comments on or before January 18, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments to Sharron L. Gebhardt, Lead Regulatory Specialist, Minerals Management Service, Minerals Revenue Management, P.O. Box 25165, MS 302B2, Denver, Colorado 80225. If you use an overnight courier service, our courier address is Building 85, Room A-614, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225. You may also e-mail your comments to us at [mrm.comments@mms.gov](mailto:mrm.comments@mms.gov). Include the title of the information collection and the OMB control number in the "Attention" line of your comment. Also include your name and return address. Submit electronic comments as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. If you do not receive a confirmation that we have received your e-mail, contact Ms. Gebhardt at (303) 231-3211.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sharron L. Gebhardt, telephone (303) 231-3211, FAX (303) 231-3781, or e-mail [sharron.gebhardt@mms.gov](mailto:sharron.gebhardt@mms.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* 30 CFR Part 220, Accounting Procedures for Determining Net Profit Share Payment for Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leases, § 220.010 NPSL Capital Account, § 220.030 Maintenance of Records, § 220.031 Reporting and Payment Requirements, § 220.032 Inventories, and § 220.033 Audits.

*OMB Control Number:* 1010-0073.

*Bureau Form Number:* None.

*Abstract:* The Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior is responsible for collecting royalties from lessees who produce minerals from leased Federal and Indian lands. The Secretary is required by various laws to manage mineral resources production on Federal and Indian lands, collect the royalties due, and distribute the funds in accordance with those laws. The MMS performs the royalty management functions for the Secretary.

Applicable citations of the laws are Public Law 97-451—Jan. 12, 1983 (Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act of 1982) and Public Law 212—Aug. 7, 1953 (Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act of 1953, as amended by Public Law 93-627—Jan. 3, 1975; Public Law 95-372—Sept. 18, 1978; and Public Law 98-498—Oct. 19, 1984). These citations can be viewed on our Web site at [http://www.mrm.mms.gov/Laws\\_R\\_D/PublicLawsAMR.htm](http://www.mrm.mms.gov/Laws_R_D/PublicLawsAMR.htm).

#### General Information

When a company or an individual enters into a lease to explore, develop, produce, and dispose of minerals from Federal or Indian lands, that company or individual agrees to pay the lessor a share of the value received from production from the leased lands. The lease creates a business relationship between the lessor and the lessee. The lessee is required to report various kinds of information to the lessor relative to the disposition of the leased minerals. Such information is similar to data reported to private and public mineral interest owners and is generally available within the records of the lessee or others involved in developing, transporting, processing, purchasing, or selling of such minerals. The information collected includes data necessary to ensure royalties or net profit share payments are properly valued and appropriately paid. Proprietary information submitted to MMS under this collection is protected,

and no items of a sensitive nature are collected.

#### Net Profit Share Lease Bidding System

To encourage exploration and development of oil and gas leases on submerged Federal lands on the Outer Continental Shelf, regulations were promulgated at 30 CFR 260, Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing. Specific implementation regulations for the net profit share lease (NPSL) bidding system are promulgated at 30 CFR 260.110(d) (covered under ICR 1010-0143, expires December 31, 2006). The MMS established the NPSL bidding system to properly balance a fair market return to the Federal Government for the lease of its lands, with a fair profit to companies risking their investment capital. The system provides an incentive for early and expeditious exploration and development and provides for sharing the risks by the lessee and the Federal Government. The NPSL bidding system incorporates a fixed capital recovery system as a means through which the lessee recovers costs of exploration and development from production revenues, along with a reasonable return on investment.

The Federal Government does not receive a profit share payment from an NPSL until the lessee shows a credit balance in its capital account; that is, cumulative revenues and other credits exceed cumulative costs. The credit balance is multiplied by the net profit share rate (30 to 50 percent), resulting in the amount of net profit share payment due the Federal Government.

The MMS requires lessees to maintain an NPSL capital account for each lease, which transfers to a new owner when sold. Following the cessation of production, lessees are also required to provide either an annual or a monthly report to the Federal Government, using data from the capital account. In addition, NPSL lessees must notify MMS of their intent to perform an inventory and file a report after each inventory of controllable material. Further, when non-operators of an NPSL call for an audit, they must notify MMS. When MMS calls for an audit, the lessee must notify all non-operators on the lease. These requirements are located at 30 CFR Part 220, §§ 220.010, 220.030, 220.031, 220.032, and 220.033. This collection of information is necessary in order to determine when net profit share payments are due and to determine the proper amount of payment.

We are revising this ICR to add citations related to records management (30 CFR 220.030(a)) and inventories (30 CFR 220.032(b)). We added a new citation for a PRA-exempt requirement