

activities consistent with an area's VRM Management Class as established in the RMP. It is not BLM policy to determine, at the RMP level, which land uses or activities to restrict based on VRM Management Class. Rather, BLM must consider, at the site specific activity level, all uses proposed for an area with a given VRM Management Class and determine if those uses would be consistent with the objectives for that Class.

Therefore, the RMP will be clarified by removing the following restrictions (this will not impact RMP decisions related to designated critical habitat, Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs), or Areas of Environmental Concern (ACECs)):

- VRM Management Class II areas are closed to leasable mineral entry under the Proposed Plan (PRMP/FEIS p. 2-77). Removal of this restriction will result in an additional 27,387 acres open to leasable mineral entry in the planning area (34,993 acres total).

- VRM Management Class II areas are exclusion areas for renewable energy under the Proposed Plan (PRMP/FEIS p. 2-110). Removal of this restriction will result in an additional 27,327 acres available for renewable energy in the planning area (34,259 acres total).

- VRM Management Class II areas are avoidance areas for all land use authorizations under the Proposed Plan (other than renewable energy which is described above) (PRMP/FEIS p. 2-110). Removal of this restriction will allow BLM to consider issuing land use authorizations on approximately 31,600 acres of land designated as VRM Management Class II in the planning area, outside of designated critical habitat, WSAs, and ACECs.

All future development in the planning area would adhere to the VRM Management Class objectives established in the RMP (PRMP/FEIS p. 2-57). For example, VRM Class II objectives require that the existing character of the landscape be retained and that the level of change to be low. In order to meet these objectives, BLM expects that the level of development in VRM Management Class II would be very minimal. BLM will utilize visual resource design techniques and best management practices to mitigate the potential visual impacts. Visual contrast ratings will be required for all major projects proposed for VRM Management Class I, II, and III areas which have high sensitivity levels. In areas where VRM Management Class objectives cannot be met through design techniques and/or best management practices, BLM has the

authority to deny the project. (PRMP/FEIS p. 2-57 and 2-58).

**Mike Pool,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

**[ES-956-1420-BJ-TRST; Group No. 186, Minnesota]**

#### Eastern States: Filing of Plat of Survey

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Filing of Plat of Survey; Minnesota.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will file the plat of survey of the lands described below in the BLM-Eastern States, Springfield, Virginia, 30 calendar days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bureau of Land Management, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153. Attn: Cadastral Survey.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This survey was requested by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The lands we surveyed are:

#### Fifth Principal Meridian, Minnesota

*T. 146 N., R. 39 W.*

The plat of survey represents the dependent resurvey of a portion of the east, south and west boundaries and a portion of the subdivisional lines; and the survey of the subdivision of sections 23-26, 31, 32, and 35, Township 146 North, Range 39 West, Fifth Principal Meridian, Minnesota, and was accepted July 10, 2008. We will place a copy of the plat we described in the open files. It will be available to the public as a matter of information.

If BLM receives a protest against this survey, as shown on the plat, prior to the date of the official filing, we will stay the filing pending our consideration of the protest.

We will not officially file the plat until the day after we have accepted or dismissed all protests and they have become final, including decisions on appeals.

Dated: July 14, 2008.

**Ronald J. Eberle,**

*Acting Chief Cadastral Surveyor.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

**MMS Information Collection Activity: 1010-0082, 30 CFR Part 281, Leasing of Minerals Other Than Oil, Gas and Sulphur in the Outer Continental Shelf, Reinstatement—Not Violation of a Collection; Submitted for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review; Comment Request**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of a reinstatement of an information collection (1010-0082).

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are notifying the public that we have submitted to OMB an information collection request (ICR) to renew approval of the paperwork requirements in the regulations under 30 CFR part 281, Leasing of Minerals Other than Oil, Gas, and Sulphur in the Outer Continental Shelf. This notice also provides the public a second opportunity to comment on the paperwork burden of these regulatory requirements.

**DATES:** Submit written comments by August 27, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** You should submit comments directly to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior (1010-0082), either by fax (202) 395-6566 or e-mail ([OIRA\\_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov)).

Please also send a copy to MMS by mail or hand-carry comments to the Department of the Interior, Minerals Management Service, Attention: Cheryl Blundon, 381 Elden Street, MS-4024, Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817. Please reference "Information Collection 1010-0082" in your subject line and mark your message for return receipt. Include your name and return address in your message text.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cheryl Blundon, Regulations and Standards Branch, (703) 787-1607. You may also contact Cheryl Blundon to obtain a copy, at no cost, of the regulations that require the subject collection of information.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* 30 CFR part 281, Leasing of Minerals Other than Oil, Gas, and Sulphur in the Outer Continental Shelf.

*OMB Control Number:* 1010-0082.

*Abstract:* Section 8(k) of the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1337), authorizes the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary)