

#### 4. Description of the Call Area

A detailed description of the Call Area can be found in the Call that is being published concurrently with this Notice.

##### *Map of the Call Area*

A map of the Call Area can be found at the following URL: <http://boem.gov/Renewable-Energy-Program/State-Activities/Massachusetts.aspx>

A large-scale map of the Call Area showing its boundaries and with numbered blocks is available from BOEM at the following address: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Office of Renewable Energy Programs, 381 Elden Street, HM 1328, Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817, Phone: (703) 787-1320.

#### 5. Cooperating Agencies

BOEM invites Federal, state, and local government agencies, as well as tribal governments, to consider becoming cooperating agencies in the preparation of this EA. CEQ regulations implementing the procedural provisions of NEPA define cooperating agencies as those with "jurisdiction by law or special expertise" (40 CFR 1508.5). Potential cooperating agencies should consider their authority and capacity to assume the responsibilities of a cooperating agency and remember that an agency's role in the environmental analysis neither enlarges nor diminishes the final decision-making authority of any other agency involved in the NEPA process.

Upon request, BOEM will provide potential cooperating agencies with a draft Memorandum of Agreement that includes a schedule with critical action dates and milestones, mutual responsibilities, designated points of contact, and expectations for handling predecisional information. Agencies should also consider the "Factors for Determining Cooperating Agency Status" in Attachment 1 to CEQ's January 30, 2002, Memorandum for the Heads of Federal Agencies: Cooperating Agencies in Implementing the Procedural Requirements of the NEPA. A copy of this document is available at: <http://ceg.hss.doe.gov/nepa/regis/cooperating/cooperatingagenciesmemorandum.html> and at: <http://ceg.hss.doe.gov/nepa/regis/cooperating/cooperatingagencymemofactors.html>.

BOEM, as the lead agency, will not provide financial assistance to cooperating agencies. Even if an organization is not a cooperating agency, opportunities will exist to provide information and comments to BOEM during the normal public input phases of the NEPA/EA process.

#### 6. Comments

Federal, state, local government agencies, tribal governments, and other interested parties are requested to send their written comments regarding environmental issues and the identification of reasonable alternatives related to the proposed action described in this Notice in one of the following ways:

1. *Electronically:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. In the entry titled "Enter Keyword or ID," enter BOEM-2011-0116, then click "search." Follow the instructions to submit public comments and view supporting and related materials available for this document.

2. In written form, delivered by hand or by mail, enclosed in an envelope labeled "Comments on Massachusetts EA" to Program Manager, Office of Renewable Energy Programs, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, 381 Elden Street, HM 1328, Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817. Comments should be submitted no later than March 22, 2012.

Dated: February 1, 2012.

**Tommy P. Beaudreau,**

*Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

##### Bureau of Land Management

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##### Conveyance of Federally-Owned Mineral Interests; Renewal of OMB Control Number

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

**ACTION:** 60-Day notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is announcing its intention to request approval to continue the collection of information from owners of surface estates who apply for underlying Federally-owned mineral interests. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) previously approved this information collection activity, and assigned it control number 1004-0153.

**DATES:** Submit comments on the proposed information collection by April 6, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted by mail, fax, or electronic mail.

Mail: U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C Street NW., Room 2134LM, Attention: Jean Sonneman, Washington, DC 20240.

Fax: to Jean Sonneman at (202) 245-0050.

Electronic mail: [Jean\\_Sonneman@blm.gov](mailto:Jean_Sonneman@blm.gov).

Please indicate "Attn: 1004-0153" regardless of the form of your comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To receive a copy of the information collection request, contact Marilyn A. Roth, at (202) 912-7345. Persons who use a telecommunication device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1 (800) 877-8339, to leave a message for Ms. Roth.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** OMB regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521, require that interested members of the public and affected agencies be given an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8 (d) and 1320.12(a)). This notice identifies an information collection that the BLM will be submitting to OMB for approval. The Paperwork Reduction Act provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Until OMB approves a collection of information, you are not obligated to respond.

The BLM will request a 3-year term of approval for this information collection activity. Comments are invited on: (1) The need for the collection of information for the performance of the functions of the agency; (2) the accuracy of the agency's burden estimates; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the information collection burden on respondents, such as use of automated means of collection of the information. A summary of the public comments will accompany our submission of the information collection requests to OMB.

The following information is provided for the information collection:

*Title:* Conveyance of Federally-Owned Mineral Interests (43 CFR Part 2720).

*OMB Control Number:* 1004-0153.

*Abstract:* The respondents in this information collection are owners of surface estates who apply for underlying Federally-owned mineral interests. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) needs to conduct the information collection to determine if the applicants are eligible to receive title to the

Federally-owned minerals lying beneath their lands. When certain specific conditions have been met, the United States will convey legal title to the Federally-owned minerals to the owner of the surface estate.

*Frequency of Collection:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number and Description of Respondents:* 11 businesses, 10 individuals, and 3 State/Local/Tribal Governments annually.

*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden:* 240 hours annually.

*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost" Burden:* \$1,200 annually.

The following table details the individual components and respective hour burdens of this information collection request:

A. Type of response	B. Number of responses	C. Hours per response	D. Total hours (Column B × Column C)
Conveyance of Federally-Owned Mineral Interests—Businesses .....	11	10	110
Conveyance of Federally-Owned Mineral Interests—Individuals .....	10	10	100
Conveyance of Federally-Owned Mineral Interests—State/Local/Tribal Governments .....	3	10	30
Totals .....	24	.....	240

Before including your address, telephone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comments, be advised that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask in your comment to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**Jean Sonneman,**

*Bureau of Land Management, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Bureau of Land Management.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

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**Notice of Availability of the Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Allocation of Oil Shale and Tar Sands Resources on Lands Administered by the Bureau of Land Management in Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (NEPA), and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared Draft Resource Management Plan (RMP) Amendments and a Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Allocation of Oil Shale and Tar Sands Resources on Lands Administered by the BLM in Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming, and by this notice

is announcing the opening of the comment period.

**DATES:** To ensure that comments will be considered, the BLM must receive written comments on the Draft RMP Amendments and Draft Programmatic EIS within 90 days following the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes its Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. The BLM will hold public meetings on the Draft Programmatic EIS. The locations of the public meetings are listed in the "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION" section below. The public will be notified of the dates and times of these meetings at least 15 days in advance via local media and the project Web site listed in the "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION" section below.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments related to the Draft Programmatic EIS by any of the following methods:

- *Web site:* Using the online comment form available on the project Web site: <http://ostseis.anl.gov>. This is the preferred method of commenting.
- *Mail:* Addressed to: Oil Shale and Tar Sands Resources Draft Programmatic EIS, Argonne National Laboratory, 9700 South Cass Avenue—EVS/240, Argonne, Illinois 60439.

A complete, printed copy is available for review at the addresses listed in the "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION" section below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests for additional information on the Draft Programmatic EIS should be directed to Sherri Thompson, BLM Oil Shale and Tar Sands Resources Programmatic EIS Project Manager, BLM Washington Office, by email at [sthompso@blm.gov](mailto:sthompso@blm.gov), or by telephone at (303) 239-3758. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during

normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Draft Programmatic EIS, references, and additional information regarding oil shale and tar sands resources allocation are available at the project Web site: <http://ostseis.anl.gov>. An electronic copy of the Draft Programmatic EIS can be viewed in any BLM State Office public room in the three state study area and will be available through the BLM Web site at <http://www.blm.gov>. A complete, printed copy is available for review at the following BLM offices:

- Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215.
- Northwest District Office, 2815 H Road, Grand Junction, Colorado 81506.
- Colorado River Valley Field Office, 2300 River Frontage Road, Silt, Colorado 81652.
- White River Field Office, 220 East Market Street, Meeker, Colorado 81641.
- Utah State Office, 440 West 200 South, Suite 500, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101.
- Green River District Office, 170 South 500 East, Vernal, Utah 84078.
- Price Field Office, 125 South 600 West, Price, Utah 84501.
- Color Country District Office, 176 East D.L. Sargent Drive, Cedar City, Utah 84721.
- Richfield Field Office, 150 East 900 North, Richfield, Utah 84701.
- Canyon Country District Office, 82 East Dogwood, Moab, Utah 84532.
- Monticello Field Office, 365 North Main, Monticello, Utah 84535.
- Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone Road, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82009.
- High Desert District Office, 280 Highway 191 North, Rock Springs, Wyoming 82901.