

623-1500; address 5100 E. Winnemucca Boulevard, Winnemucca, Nevada 89445; email [wfoweb@blm.gov](mailto:wfoweb@blm.gov). 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:** Hycroft Resources Development Inc., (HRDI) proposes to expand mining activities at the existing Hycroft Mine on BLM-managed public land and on private land in Humboldt and Pershing counties, approximately 55 miles west of Winnemucca, Nevada, on the west flank of the Kamma Mountains. HRDI submitted an amended Plan of Operations to the BLM for approval, which proposes to expand the existing project boundary of 8,858 acres an additional 5,895 acres for a total project area of approximately 14,753 acres of public and private land. The Hycroft Mine employs approximately 205 workers. The proposed expansion would increase the mine life by approximately 12 years and increase employment to approximately 537 mine personnel.

The EIS analyzes the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed expansion of 5,895 acres, which includes 2,172 acres of new surface disturbance. The existing open pit operation and associated disturbance would be increased by 2,057 acres from 1,371 acres of public land to 3,428 acres of public land. Disturbance on private land controlled by HRDI would be increased 115 acres from 1,692 acres to 1,807 acres. The additional acreage in the project boundary would be used for exploration.

The FEIS analyzes two alternatives; the Proposed Action and the No Action Alternative. Three other alternatives were considered then eliminated: Daylight Hours Operation, Modified Exploration Activities, and Different Waste Rock Dump and Heap Leach Pad Configurations. Based on the analysis in the EIS, the BLM has selected a Preferred Alternative. This Preferred Alternative is the alternative that best fulfills the agency's statutory mission and responsibilities, giving consideration to economic, environmental, technical, and other factors. The BLM has determined that the Preferred Alternative is the Proposed Action as outlined in Chapter 2 of the EIS, with the inclusion of the

identified recommended mitigation measures to the Proposed Action as specified in Chapter 3 of the EIS.

The proposed project would expand the plan boundary and use of the entire project area for exploration; incorporate five rights-of-way; expand four existing open pits; backfill all or portions of three open pits; build a dispatch center and expand maintenance facilities; expand haul and secondary roads, waste rock facilities, and heap leach facilities; expand existing and construct two ready line and heavy equipment fueling areas; operate a portable crusher with conveyors at the south heap leach facility; construct, operate, and then close the south heap leach facility, Merrill-Crowe process plant, and solution ponds; relocate a segment of the Seven Troughs Road to bypass the south heap leach facility; expand the existing refinery and the Brimstone Merrill-Crowe plant; construct storm water diversions, install culverts, and other storm water controls; close the existing Class III landfill and construct a new Class III landfill; drill one potable water well and one process water well; relocate the existing Brimstone substation, upgrade the existing Crofoot substation, and extend power lines to new process areas; construct growth media stockpiles; and reclaim the project consistent with the proposed reclamation plan.

Under the No-Action Alternative the BLM would not approve the proposed plan of operations and there would be no expansion. HRDI would continue mining activities under previously approved plans of operation.

A Notice of Availability of the Draft EIS for the Proposed Hycroft Mine Expansion was published in the **Federal Register** on January 27, 2012. Seventy-nine comment letters were received during a 45-day period. The majority of the comments centered on the economic benefits of the project. There were five comment letters that included concerns on impacts to night skies, to public access roads, to water and air, to Native American sites and cultural resources, and on the proximity to the Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon-Emigrant Trails National Conservation Area. These comments were considered and addressed in Chapter 8 (Public Involvement) of the Final EIS. No changes to the analysis resulted in response to public comments, only the addition of clarifying text or minor corrections.

**Authority:** 40 CFR 1506.6, 40 CFR 1506.10.

**Gene Seidnitz,**  
*District Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

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#### Notice of Intent To Modify Schedule of Fees for Reviewing Historic Preservation Certification Applications; Correction

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice; Correction.

**SUMMARY:** This notice corrects the address and fax number that the public should use in making comments on the changes to the fees the National Park Service (NPS) charges for reviewing Historic Preservation Certification Applications, and extends the period for making comments.

**DATES:** Written comments will be accepted until August 6, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any of the following methods: email: [michael\\_auer@nps.gov](mailto:michael_auer@nps.gov); fax: 202-371-1961. Attention: Michael Auer Mail: Michael Auer, Technical Preservation Services, National Park Service, 1201 "Eye" St. NW., Org Code 2255, Washington, DC 20005.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The notice published in Vol. 77, No. 121, Friday, June 22, 2012, page 37708, column 2, had incorrect information in the **ADDRESSES** section. This notice provides a corrected address for sending comments by mail and a corrected fax number. It also extends the period for making comments.

Dated: June 27, 2012.

**Jonathan B. Jarvis,**  
*Director, National Park Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)

#### Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for the Proposed Final Five-Year Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Oil and Gas Leasing Program for 2012-2017

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

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**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act, BOEM announces the availability of the OCS Oil and Gas Leasing Program 2012–2017 Final PEIS prepared by BOEM to support the Proposed Final 5-Year OCS Oil and Gas Leasing Program for 2012–2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Headquarters, 381 Elden Street, Herndon, VA 20170; Attention: Mr. James F. Bennett, Chief of the Division of Environmental Assessment, telephone: (703) 787–1660.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This Final PEIS assesses the potential impacts of, and the scheduling for, proposed lease sales during the years 2012 to 2017 in six planning areas on the OCS. These areas are the Western, Central and Eastern Gulf of Mexico; Cook Inlet; the Beaufort Sea; and the Chukchi Sea. Federal regulations (40 CFR 1502.4(b)) recommend analyzing effects of broad programs within a single programmatic EIS.

*EIS Availability:* Persons interested in reviewing the Final PEIS for the Proposed Final 5-Year OCS Oil and Gas Leasing Program for 2012–2017, OCS EIS/EA BOEM 2012–030, can locate it on the Internet at [www.boem.gov/5-year/2012-2017](http://www.boem.gov/5-year/2012-2017) or you may contact Mr. James F. Bennett at the address listed above to request a hard copy or a CD-ROM version. Please specify if you wish a CD or paper copy. If neither is specified, a CD containing the Final PEIS will be forwarded.

*Library Availability:* The Final PEIS will also be available for review at libraries in states near the proposed lease sales. These libraries are listed at the BOEM Web site at [www.boem.gov/5-Year/2012-2017/libraries](http://www.boem.gov/5-Year/2012-2017/libraries) or a list of libraries can be provided by contacting the contact person listed above.

Dated: June 20, 2012.

**Willie R. Taylor,**

*Director, Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

#### Gulf of Mexico, Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), Western Planning Area (WPA) and Central Planning Area (CPA), Oil and Gas Lease Sales for 2012–2017

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability (NOA) of the Multisale Final Environmental Impact Statement (Multisale FEIS).

**Authority:** This NOA is published pursuant to the regulations (40 CFR 1503) implementing the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.* (1988)).

**SUMMARY:** BOEM has prepared a Multisale FEIS on oil and gas lease sales tentatively scheduled during the period 2012–2017 in the WPA and CPA offshore the States of Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama. Under the *Proposed Final Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program: 2012–2017* (Five-Year Program), five annual areawide lease sales are scheduled for the WPA and five annual areawide lease sales are scheduled for the CPA. The proposed WPA lease sales are Lease Sale 229 in 2012, Lease Sale 233 in 2013, Lease Sale 238 in 2014, Lease Sale 246 in 2015, and Lease Sale 248 in 2016; the proposed CPA lease sales are Lease Sale 227 in 2013, Lease Sale 231 in 2014, Lease Sale 235 in 2015, Lease Sale 241 in 2016, and Lease Sale 247 in 2017.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Multisale FEIS covers the five WPA and five CPA Gulf of Mexico lease sales scheduled for 2012–2017 in the Five-Year Program. The Multisale FEIS presents the baseline conditions and potential environmental effects of oil and natural gas leasing, exploration, development, and production in the WPA and CPA. In an effort to better understand the environmental impacts resulting from the *Deepwater Horizon* event, BOEM conducted an extensive search for information. BOEM surveyed scientific journals and available scientific data and information from academic institutions and Federal, state, and local agencies; and interviewed personnel from academic institutions and Federal, state, and local agencies. BOEM examined potential impacts of routine activities and accidental events, including a low-probability catastrophic event associated with a proposed lease sale and a proposed lease sale's incremental contribution to the cumulative impacts on environmental and socioeconomic resources. The oil and gas resource estimates and scenario information for the Multisale FEIS are presented as a range that would encompass the resources and activities estimated for a WPA and CPA proposed lease sale.

*Final EIS Availability:* To obtain a single, printed or CD-ROM copy of the Multisale FEIS, you may contact the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, Public

Information Office (MS 5034), 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard, Room 250, New Orleans, Louisiana 70123–2394 (1–800–200–GULF). An electronic copy of the Multisale FEIS is available on BOEM's Internet Web site at <http://www.boem.gov/Environmental-Stewardship/Environmental-Assessment/NEPA/nepaprocess.aspx>. Several libraries along the Gulf Coast have been sent copies of the Multisale FEIS. To find out which libraries have copies of the Multisale FEIS for review, you may contact BOEM's Public Information Office or visit BOEM's Internet Web site at <http://www.boem.gov/Environmental-Stewardship/Environmental-Assessment/NEPA/nepaprocess.aspx#EIS> Mailing List.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For more information on the Multisale FEIS, you may contact Mr. Gary D. Goeke, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard (MS 5410), New Orleans, Louisiana 70123–2394, or by email at [MultisaleEIS@BOEM.gov](mailto:MultisaleEIS@BOEM.gov). You may also contact Mr. Goeke by telephone at (504) 736–3233.

Dated: June 19, 2012.

**Tommy P. Beaudreau,**

*Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

#### Notice of Proposed Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is announcing its intention to request approval to continue the collections of information under 30 CFR Part 740, Surface Coal Mining and Reclamation Operations on Federal Lands. This information collection activity was previously approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), and assigned clearance numbers 1029–0027.

**DATES:** Comments on the proposed information collection must be received by September 4, 2012, to be assured of consideration.