

2013–0118); and *Gulf of Mexico OCS Oil and Gas Lease Sales: 2014–2016; Western Planning Area Lease Sales 238, 246, and 248, Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement* (WPA 238/246/248 Supplemental EIS; OCS EIS/EA BOEM 2014–009). The 2012–2017 WPA/CPA Multisale EIS was completed in July 2012. The WPA 233/CPA 231 Supplemental EIS was completed in April 2013. The WPA 238/246/248 Supplemental EIS was completed in March 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gary D. Goeke, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, Office of Environment (GM 623E), 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard, New Orleans, Louisiana 70123–2394, by telephone at 504–736–3233 or email at wpa246@boem.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: BOEM developed this Final Supplemental EIS for proposed WPA Lease Sales 246 and 248 to consider new information made available since completion of the 2012–2017 WPA/CPA Multisale EIS, WPA 233/CPA 231 Supplemental EIS, and WPA 238/246/248 Supplemental EIS, and to consider new information on the *Deepwater Horizon* explosion, oil spill, and response. This Final Supplemental EIS provides updates on the baseline conditions and potential environmental effects of oil and natural gas leasing, exploration, development, and production in the WPA. BOEM conducted an extensive search for new information in consideration of the *Deepwater Horizon* explosion, oil spill, and response, reviewing scientific journals and available scientific data and information from academic institutions and Federal, State, and local agencies; and interviewing personnel from academic institutions and Federal, State, and local agencies. BOEM has examined the potential impacts of routine activities, accidental events, and the proposed lease sales' incremental contribution to the cumulative impacts on environmental and socioeconomic resources. BOEM has also examined the potential impacts associated with a low-probability catastrophic event. The oil and gas resource estimates and scenario information for this Final Supplemental EIS are presented as a range that would encompass the oil and gas resources and activities estimated for a proposed WPA lease sale.

BOEM has printed and will be distributing a limited number of paper copies of the Final Supplemental EIS. In keeping with the Department of the Interior's mission of the protection of natural resources and to limit costs while ensuring availability of the

document to the public, BOEM will primarily distribute digital copies of the Final Supplemental EIS on compact discs. However, if you require a paper copy, BOEM will provide one upon request if copies are still available.

1. You may obtain a copy of the Final Supplemental EIS from the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, Public Information Office (GM 335A), 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard, Room 250, New Orleans, Louisiana 70123–2394 (1–800–200–GULF).

2. You may download or view the Final Supplemental EIS on BOEM's Web site at <http://www.boem.gov/>.

Several libraries along the Gulf Coast have been sent copies of the Final Supplemental EIS. To find out which libraries have copies of the Final Supplemental EIS for review, you may contact BOEM's Public Information Office or visit BOEM's Web site at <http://www.boem.gov/>.

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

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Outer Continental Shelf, 2017–2022 Oil and Gas Leasing Program

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

ACTION: Notice of additional public scoping meetings for the programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the 2017–2022 Oil and Gas Leasing Program.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management is announcing three additional public scoping meetings for the EIS on the 2017–2022 Oil and Gas Leasing Program.

Additional Scoping Meetings

Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina

○ March 16, 2015; Ramada Plaza Nags Head Oceanfront, 1701 S. Virginia Dare Trail, Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina; 3:00–7:00 p.m.; free parking.

Atlantic City, New Jersey

○ March 18, 2015; Sheraton Atlantic City, 2 Convention Blvd., Atlantic City, New Jersey; 3:00–7:00 p.m.; validated participant parking at hotel.

Savannah, Georgia

○ March 24, 2015; Hyatt Regency Savannah, Two West Bay St., Savannah, Georgia; 3:00–7:00 p.m.; validated participant parking at hotel.

DATES: Comments should be submitted by March 30, 2015. Please see boemoceaninfo.com/get-involved/comments/ or www.regulations.gov (search “BOEM–2014–0085”) for information on how to comment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the EIS, the submission of comments, or BOEM's policies associated with this Notice, please contact Mr. Geoffrey L. Wikel, Acting Chief, Division of Environmental Assessment, Office of Environmental Programs, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (HM 3107), 381 Elden Street, Herndon, VA 20170–4817, telephone (703) 787–1283.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 29, 2015, BOEM published a Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) to inform decisions that will be made during the preparation and implementation of the 2017–2022 Oil and Gas Leasing Program (2017–2022 Program) (80 FR 4939). The EIS will analyze the potential direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts of possible outer continental shelf oil and gas activities that could result from lease sales proposed under the 2017–2022 Program. The scope of the EIS will be based on the 2017–2022 Draft Proposed Program (DPP) after consideration of public input received during the scoping period for the EIS (for details, see the DPP at <http://www.boem.gov/Five-Year-Program/>). The January 29, 2015, announcement included a schedule of EIS public scoping meetings, providing dates and locations, and this Notice is adding three new meetings.

Authority: This Notice is published pursuant to the regulations (40 CFR 1501.7) implementing the provisions of NEPA.

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