

and funded by State and Federal agencies; and (3) assist Federal and State agencies with the coordination of alternative sea lamprey control research to advance the state of the science in Lake Champlain and the Great Lakes.

The Secretary will appoint up to 20 members who can effectively represent the varied interests associated with the Lake Champlain Long-term Sea Lamprey Control Program. Members will represent Federal and State agencies and stakeholders. These members will be representatives of their respective constituent groups. In addition, the Secretary will appoint up to five members as special Government employees, selected for their scientific expertise. All members will be knowledgeable about Lake Champlain fishery management issues, including sea lamprey control. The Secretary will appoint Workgroup members based on nominations submitted by interested parties, including but not limited to: Vermont and New York State agencies; recreational and charter fishermen; sportfishing organizations; environmental organizations; research institutions; and the general public residing within the Lake Champlain area.

We expect that the Workgroup will meet two to four times per year. The Service will provide necessary support services to the Workgroup. All Workgroup meetings will be open to the public. The Service will publish a notice announcing each Workgroup meeting in the **Federal Register** at least 15 days before the date of the meeting. The public will have the opportunity to provide input at all meetings.

Fifteen days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, a copy of the Workgroup's charter will be filed with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration; Committee on Environment and Public Works, United States Senate; Committee on Resources, United States House of Representatives; and the Library of Congress.

The Certification for establishment is published below.

Certification

I hereby certify that the Lake Champlain Sea Lamprey Control Alternatives Workgroup (Workgroup) is necessary and is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department of the Interior through the Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for a Long-term Program of Sea Lamprey Control in Lake Champlain as published in 2001 (66 FR 46651, September 6, 2001). The Workgroup will assist the

Department of the Interior by providing recommendations and policy and technical consensus advice on the development and implementation of sea lamprey control techniques alternative to lampricides in Lake Champlain.

Dated: March 30, 2006.

Gale A. Norton,

Secretary of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-922-06-1310-FI; COC64115]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of proposed reinstatement of terminated oil and gas lease.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of 30 U.S.C. 188(d) and (e), and 43 CFR 3108.2-3(a) and (b)(1), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease COC64115 from Elm Ridge Exploration Company, LLC for lands in Moffat County, Colorado. The petition was filed on time and was accompanied by all the rentals due since the date the lease terminated under the law.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bureau of Land Management, Milada Krasilinec, Land Law Examiner, Branch of Fluid Minerals Adjudication, at 303-239-3767.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The lessee has agreed to the amended lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$5.00 per acre or fraction thereof, per year and 16½ percent, respectively. The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee and \$155 to reimburse the Department for the cost of this **Federal Register** notice. The lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in Section 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), and the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate lease COC64115 effective September 1, 2005, under the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

Dated: April 4, 2006.

Milada Krasilinec,

Land Law Examiner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-922-06-1310-FI; COC64225]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of proposed reinstatement of terminated oil and gas lease.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of 30 U.S.C. 188(d) and (e), and 43 CFR 3108.2-3(a) and (b)(1), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease COC64225 from Elm Ridge Exploration Company, LLC for lands in Moffat County, Colorado. The petition was filed on time and was accompanied by all the rentals due since the date the lease terminated under the law.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bureau of Land Management, Milada Krasilinec, Land Law Examiner, Branch of Fluid Minerals Adjudication, at 303-239-3767.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The lessee has agreed to the amended lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$10.00 per acre or fraction thereof, per year and 16 percent, respectively. The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee and \$155 to reimburse the Department for the cost of this **Federal Register** notice. The lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in section 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), and the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate lease COC64225 effective December 1, 2005, under the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

Dated: April 4, 2006.

Milada Krasilinec,

Land Law Examiner.

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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 extension of an information collection (1010-0091).

SUMMARY: To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), MMS is inviting comments on a collection of information that we will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The information collection request (ICR) concerns the paperwork requirements in the regulations under 30 CFR 254, "Oil-Spill Response Requirements for Facilities Located Seaward of the Coast Line."

DATES: Submit written comments by June 9, 2006.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods listed below. Please use the Information Collection Number 1010-0091 as an identifier in your message.

- Public Connect on-line commenting system, <https://ocsconnect.mms.gov>. Follow the instructions on the Web site for submitting comments.

- E-mail MMS at rules.comments@mms.gov. Identify with Information Collection Number 1010-0091 in the subject line.

- Fax: 703-787-1093. Identify with Information Collection Number 1010-0091.

- Mail or hand-carry comments to the Department of the Interior; Minerals Management Service; Attention: Rules Process Team (RPT); 381 Elden Street, MS-4024; Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817. Please reference "Information Collection 1010-0091" in your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cheryl Blundon, Rules Processing Team at (703) 787-1600. 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 254, Oil-Spill Response Requirements for Facilities Located Seaward of the Coast Line.

OMB Control Number: 1010-0091.

Abstract: The Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (OPA), requires that a spill-response plan be submitted for offshore facilities prior to February 18, 1993. The OPA specifies that after that date, an offshore facility may not handle, store, or transport oil unless a plan has been submitted. This authority and responsibility have been delegated to the Minerals Management Service (MMS). Regulations at 30 CFR 254 establish requirements for spill-response plans for oil-handling facilities seaward of the coast line, including associated pipelines.

The MMS uses the information collected under 30 CFR 254 to determine compliance with OPA by owners/operators. Specifically, MMS needs the information to:

- Determine effectiveness of the spill-response capability of owners/operators;
- Review plans prepared under the regulations of a State and submitted to MMS to satisfy the requirements of this rule to ensure that they meet minimum requirements of OPA;
- Verify that personnel involved in oil-spill response are properly trained and familiar with the requirements of

the spill-response plans and to witness spill-response exercises;

- Assess the sufficiency and availability of contractor equipment and materials;

- Verify that sufficient quantities of equipment are available and in working order;

- Oversee spill-response efforts and maintain official records of pollution events; and

- Assess the efforts of owners/operators to prevent oil spills or prevent substantial threats of such discharges.

We will protect information from respondents considered proprietary under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and its implementing regulations (43 CFR part 2) and under regulations at 30 CFR parts 250, 251, and 252. Responses are mandatory or required to obtain or retain a benefit.

Frequency: On occasion and annual.

Estimated Number and Description of Respondents: Approximately 193 owners or operators of facilities located in both State and Federal waters seaward of the coast line.

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden: The currently approved annual reporting burden for this collection is 38,322 hours. The following chart details the individual components and respective hour burden estimates of this ICR. In calculating the burdens, we assumed that respondents perform certain requirements in the normal course of their activities. We consider these to be usual and customary and took that into account in estimating the burden.

Citation 30 CFR 254	Reporting requirement	Hour burden
254.1(a) thru (d); 254.2(a); 254.3 thru 254.5; 254.7; 254.20 thru 254.29; 254.44(b).	Submit spill response plan for OCS facilities and related documents	120
254.1(e)	Request MMS jurisdiction over facility landward of coast line (no recent request received).	0.5
254.2(b)	Submit certification of capability to respond to worst case discharge or substantial threat of such.	15
254.2(c); 254.30	Submit revised spill response plan—or notify MMS of no change—for OCS facilities at least every 2 years.	36
254.2(c)	Request deadline extension for submission of revised plan	4
254.8	Appeal MMS orders or decisions. (Exempt under 5 CFR 1320.4)	0
254.40	Make records of all OSRO-provided services, equipment, personnel available to MMS.	5
254.41	Ensure attendance of annual training; retain training records for 2 years	50
254.42(a) thru (e)	Conduct triennial response plan exercise; retain exercise records for 3 years	110
254.42(f)	Inform MMS of the date of any exercise (triennial)	1
254.43	Inspect response equipment monthly; retain inspection & maintenance records for 2 years.	3.5
254.46(a)	Notify NRC of all oil spills from owner/operator facility. (Burden would be included in NRC inventory.).	0
254.46(b)	Notify MMS of oil spills of one barrel or more from owner/operator facility; submit follow-up report.	2
254.46(c)	Notify MMS & responsible party of oil spills from operations at another facility	2
254.50; 254.51	Submit response plan for facility in State waters by modifying existing OCS plan ..	42
254.50; 254.52	Submit response plan for facility in State waters following format for OCS plan	100

Citation 30 CFR 254	Reporting requirement	Hour burden
254.50; 254.53	Submit response plan for facility in State waters developed under State requirements.	89
254.54	Submit description of oil-spill prevention procedures	5

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost"

Burden: We have identified no non-hour cost burdens for this collection.

Public Disclosure Statement: The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) 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.

Comments: Before submitting an ICR to OMB, PRA section 3506(c)(2)(A) requires each agency " * * * to provide notice * * * and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information * * * ". Agencies must specifically solicit comments to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Agencies must also estimate the "non-hour cost" burdens to respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information. Therefore, if you have costs to generate, maintain, and disclose this information, you should comment and provide your total capital and startup cost components or annual operation, maintenance, and purchase of service components. You should describe the methods you use to estimate major cost factors, including system and technology acquisition, expected useful life of capital equipment, discount rate(s), and the period over which you incur costs. Capital and startup costs include, among other items, computers and software you purchase to prepare for collecting information, monitoring, and record storage facilities. You should not include estimates for equipment or services purchased: (i) Before October 1, 1995; (ii) to comply with requirements not associated with the information collection; (iii) for reasons other than to provide information or keep records for the Government; or (iv) as part of

customary and usual business or private practices.

We will summarize written responses to this notice and address them in our submission to OMB approval. As a result of your comments, we will make any necessary adjustments to the burden in our submission to OMB.

Public Comment Procedures: MMS's practice is to make comments, including names and addresses of respondents, available for public review. If you wish your name and/or address to be withheld, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. MMS will honor this request to the extent allowable by law; however, anonymous comments will not be considered. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

MMS Information Collection Clearance Officer: Arlene Bajusz, (202) 208-7744.

Dated: March 30, 2006.

E.P. Danenberger,
Chief, Office of Offshore Regulatory Programs.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Northwest Area Water Supply Project, North Dakota

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public open-house scoping meetings associated with an environmental impact statement (EIS) being prepared for the completion of the Northwest Area Water Supply Project.

SUMMARY: The original notice of intent to prepare this EIS was published in the **Federal Register** on March 6, 2006 (71 FR 43, 11226-11227). This notice is being published to notify interested parties of the dates, times and locations of the public scoping meetings scheduled to solicit public comments. These public scoping meetings will be conducted in an open-house format with displays and Reclamation representatives who will be available for

visitation or to accept a written comment. Reclamation is engaging in this planning and EIS effort to address the relevant issues related to completion and operation of the NAWS Project. We are seeking input from the public on the development of reasonable alternatives to the proposed action and analysis of their environmental effects that will be described in the EIS.

Reclamation invites all interested parties to submit verbal or written comments related to the significant issues, potential impacts and reasonable alternatives to the proposed action during the scoping period.

DATES: The public scoping meetings will be held on:

- Tuesday, April 25, 2006, 6:30 p.m., Bismarck, North Dakota.
- Thursday, April 27, 2006, 6:30 p.m., Fort Yates, North Dakota.
- Monday, May 1, 2006, 6:30 p.m., Minot, North Dakota.
- Tuesday, May 2, 2006, 6:30 p.m., New Town, North Dakota.
- Wednesday, May 3, 2006, 6:30 p.m., Bottineau, North Dakota.
- Thursday, May 4, 2006, 6:30 p.m., Mohall, North Dakota.

To be most helpful to Reclamation, scoping comments should be received on or before the close of the formal scoping period, May 6, 2006. Comments received after May 6, 2006 will be considered to the extent possible in the development of the Draft EIS.

ADDRESSES: The open-house, public scoping meetings will be held at:

- Best Western Doublewood Inn, Executive Suite 114, 1400 Interchange Avenue, Bismarck, ND.
- Prairie Knights Casino and Resort, 7932 Highway 24, Fort Yates, ND.
- Sleep Inn—Inn and Suites, 2400 10th Street NW., Minot, ND.
- 4 Bears Casino & Lodge, Mandan Hidatsa Room, 202 Frontage Road, New Town, ND.
- MSU—Bottineau, Nelson Science Center Room 125, 105 Simrall Boulevard, Bottineau, ND.
- Mohall City Hall, 203 Main Street East, Mohall, ND.
- Send written comments to Alicia Waters, Northwest Area Water Supply Project EIS, Bureau of Reclamation, Dakotas Area Office, P.O. Box 1017, Bismarck ND 58502.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alicia Waters, Northwest Area Water