

is considering two proposals to exchange lands pursuant to Section 206 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1716), as amended by the Federal Land Exchange Facilitation Act of August 20, 1988. This also serves as a Notice of Intent to prepare two Environmental Impact Statements (EIS's). The proposals are two separate land exchanges involving the BLM, the Pueblo of San Felipe and the Pueblo of Santo Domingo. These proposals supersede the three-way exchange proposal between the BLM, the State of New Mexico, and the two pueblos.

Under Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the BLM Albuquerque Field Office will be directing the EIS preparation by a third-party contractor. The proposal is to exchange approximately 7,376.34 acres of federal surface and subsurface to the Santo Domingo Pueblo and approximately 9,459.03 acres to the San Felipe Pueblo. The lands are contiguous and located east of San Felipe and south of the Santo Domingo Reservations. The San Felipe and Santo Domingo Pueblos would then acquire, or cause to be acquired, BLM high-priority acquisition lands adding up to the fair market value of the federal lands. An escrow account may be used to purchase private or other lands of equal value, from a list of lands to be acquired for the BLM.

The lands to be acquired by the pueblos will be selected from the BLM's high-priority acquisition zones and may be within and adjacent to Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs), Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACECs), riparian areas and/or other Special Management Areas (SMAs) for the benefit of the BLM.

The following described public lands are being considered for disposal to the San Felipe Pueblo by the United States:

#### New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 13 N., R. 6 E.,  
 Sec. 1, lots 8 to 12, inclusive, and lot 14;  
 Sec. 3, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 7, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 8, E $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Secs. 9 and 10;  
 Sec. 14, N $\frac{1}{2}$  and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 15;  
 Sec. 16, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 17, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 21, lots 10 to 13, inclusive, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 22, N $\frac{1}{2}$  and N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 23, W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 25, NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 26, S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 27, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 28, lots 1 to 9, inclusive, E $\frac{1}{2}$ ;

Sec. 34, E $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 35, N $\frac{1}{2}$  and W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 36, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ .  
 T. 14 N., R. 6 E.,  
 Sec. 22, lots 2, 3, 4, and lots 7 to 10, inclusive, W $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 23, lot 5, N $\frac{1}{2}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 26, lots 3, 4, 5, and lots 10 to 14, inclusive, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 27, N $\frac{1}{2}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 34, N $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 35, lots 3, 4, 9 and 10, W $\frac{1}{2}$ .  
 T. 13 N., R. 7 E.,  
 Sec. 6, lot 13;  
 Sec. 7, lots 8, 9, 10, 12 and 13;  
 Sec. 18, lots 1, 2, 3, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 31, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ .  
 The areas described aggregate 9,459.03 acres.

The following described public lands are being considered for disposal to the Santo Domingo Pueblo by the United States:

#### New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 13 N., R. 6 E.,  
 Sec. 1, lots 5, 6, 7, and 13.  
 T. 14 N., R. 6 E.,  
 Sec. 9, lots 9, 10, S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 10, lots 10 to 13, inclusive, S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 11, lots 9, 10 and 11;  
 Sec. 13, lots 5 to 8, inclusive, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 14, lot 2, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 15;  
 Sec. 22, lots 1, 5, and 6;  
 Sec. 23, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, N $\frac{1}{2}$  and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Secs. 24 and 25;  
 Sec. 26, lots 1, 2, 6 to 9, inclusive, and lots 15, and 16, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 35, lots 1, 2, 5 to 8, inclusive, and lot 11.  
 T. 13 N., R. 7 E.,  
 Sec. 6, lots 5 to 12, inclusive;  
 Sec. 7, lots 5, 6, 7, and 11.  
 T. 14 N., R. 7 E.,  
 Sec. 17, lots 10 and 11;  
 Sec. 18, lots 5 to 8, inclusive, SW $\frac{1}{4}$  and S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 19;  
 Sec. 20, lots 1 to 4, inclusive;  
 Sec. 29, lots 1 and 2;  
 Sec. 30, lots 1 to 5, inclusive, N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 31, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ .  
 The areas described aggregate 7,376.34 acres.

In this proposed exchange, the United States would acquire an equal value of lands, yet to be identified, within or adjacent to BLM WSAs, ACECs, SMAs and/or other BLM high-priority acquisition areas.

The No Action Alternative will be analyzed in each EIS and will consider the effects of not completing the exchange.

The following resources and/or their uses are likely to be issues of concern in these EIS's:

American Indian Traditional Cultural Properties  
 Availability of Land for Public Use  
 Mineral Ownership and Availability  
 Access to Private Lands  
 Grazing Permits  
 Water Resources  
 Rights-of-Way and Utility Corridors

**DATES:** Interested parties may submit comments concerning the proposed exchange and transfer of public lands to the Field Manager, Albuquerque Field Office, at the above address. To be considered in the environmental analysis of the proposed exchange, comments must be in writing to the Field Manager and be postmarked or delivered by December 27, 1999.

An open house/public scoping meeting will be held from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on December 2, 1999, at the BLM Albuquerque Field Office, 435 Montano Rd. NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87107.

The scoping process will consist of a news release announcing the start of the EIS process and a public scoping meeting.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** A detailed map or legal description and information concerning the proposed exchange may be obtained from Debby Lucero, Realty Specialist, Albuquerque Field Office, 435 Montano Rd. NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87107, (505) 761-8787.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Subject to valid existing rights, the public lands identified above were previously segregated from appropriation under the public land and mineral laws for a period of 5 years beginning March 20, 1996.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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### Notice of Realty Action: Lease of Public Lands

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

**ACTION:** Notice of realty action—lease of public lands.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is to advise that the following public lands in Cibola

County, New Mexico, have been examined and found suitable for classification for a long term lease to the Baca/Prewitt Chapter under the provisions of the Federal Land Management Policy Act of 1976, (43 U.S.C. 1701, 1732, and 43 CFR part 2920). The lease is intended to authorize the Baca/Prewitt Chapter to use the land for occupancy.

#### New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 13 N., R. 12 W., NMPM,  
Sec. 24, N1/2NE1/4SE1/4NW1/4  
Contains approximately 5.00 acres.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The site lands will be leased and offered for patent to the Baca/Prewitt Chapter in the future. A lease under section 302 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 is consistent with current BLM land use planning and has been determined to be in the public interest. The lands are not needed for Federal purposes. The term is 30 years, subject to the following: (1) The lease will terminate upon conveyance to the Baca/Prewitt Chapter; (2) or upon non-compliance with the terms and conditions of the lease. If the applicant or holder fails to meet these

requirements, BLM will terminate the lease, require that the premises be vacated and treat the improvements as unauthorized occupancy and use the public lands according to regulations found in 43 CFR Part 9230.

**APPLICATION COMMENTS:** For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice, interested parties may submit comments to the Bureau of Land Management, Field Manager, Albuquerque Field Office, 435 Montano Rd. NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Joe Jaramillo, BLM, Albuquerque Field Office, 435 Montano Rd. NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87107, (505) 761-8779.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

#### Environmental Documents Prepared for Proposed Oil and Gas Operations on the Gulf of Mexico Outer Continental Shelf (OCS)

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of the availability of environmental documents prepared for OCS mineral proposals on the Gulf of Mexico OCS.

**SUMMARY:** The Minerals Management Service (MMS), in accordance with Federal Regulations (40 CFR 1501.4 and 1506.6) that implement the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), announces the availability of NEPA-related Site-Specific Environmental Assessments (SEA's) and Findings of No Significant Impact (FONSI's), prepared by the MMS for the following oil and gas activities proposed on the Gulf of Mexico OCS. This listing includes all proposals for which the FONSI's were prepared by the Gulf of Mexico OCS Region in the period subsequent to publication of the preceding notice.

Activity/Operator	Location	Date
Amoco Pipeline Company, Pipeline Activity, SEA No. P-12255 (G-21277).	Viosca Knoll Area, Blocks 823, 779, and 735; Main Pass Area, South and East Addition, Block 281; Lease OCS-G 21277; 50 miles offshore the Louisiana.	9/20/99
Coast Coastal Oil & Gas Corporation, Pipeline Activity, SEA No. P-12265 (G-21261).	High Island Area, Blocks A-368 through A-370, Lease OCS-G 21261, 118 miles from the nearest Texas shoreline.	8/20/99
Mariner Energy, Inc., Exploration Activity, SEA No. N-6374 .....	High Island Area, Block A-395, Lease OCS-G 18975, 118 miles from the nearest Texas shoreline.	7/29/99
C&C Technologies, Inc., and William's Gas Pipeline—Transco, G&G Activity, SEA No. M99-9.	Mobile Area and Tarpon Springs Area, 15 to 100 miles from the nearest Florida and Alabama Coast.	8/06/99
Vintage Petroleum, Inc., Structure Removal Operations, SEA No. ES/SR 99-081.	Main Pass Area, Block 124, Lease OCS-G 5697, 36 miles east of Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.	7/20/99
Texaco Exploration and Production Inc., Structure Removal Operations, SEA Nos. ES/SR 99-089 through 99-091.	Vermilion Area, Block 31, Lease OCS-G 2868, 8 miles south of Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.	7/20/99
Texaco Exploration and Production Inc., Structure Removal Operations, SEA Nos. ES/SR 99-092 through 99-099.	South Marsh Island Area, Blocks 212 and 218, Lease OCS 310, 7 miles south of of Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.	7/20/99
Snyder Oil Corporation, Structure Removal Operations, SEA Nos. ES/SR 99-102 through 99-104.	South Timbalier Area, Block 226; South Marsh Island Area, Blocks 234 and 235; Leases OCS-G 6771, 4436, and 4523; 15 miles south of Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.	7/19/99
The Houston Exploration Company, Structure Removal Operations SEA No. ES/SR 99-105.	Eugene Island Area, Block 48, Lease OCS-G 7727, 12 miles south of of Iberia Parish, Louisiana.	7/29/99
NCX Company, Inc., Structure Removal Operations, SEA No. ES/SR 99-106.	High Island Area, Block A-486, Lease OCS-G 6227, 73 miles southeast of Brazoria County, Texas.	8/12/99
Basin Exploration, Inc., Structure Removal Operations, SEA No. ES/SR 99-107.	Mustang Island Area, Block 791, Lease OCS 0534, 15 miles southeast of Nueces County, Texas.	8/10/99
Cockrell Oil Corporation, Structure Removal Operations, SEA No. ES/SR 99-108.	Eugene Island Area, Block 24, Lease OCS-G2893, 5 miles south of St. Mary Parish, Louisiana.	8/03/99
Energy Resource Technology, Inc., Structure Removal Operations, SEA Nos. ES/SR 99-109 and 99-110.	High Island Area, Block A-23, Lease OCS-G 13330, 39 miles south of Jefferson County, Texas.	8/30/99
Newfield Exploration Company, Structure Removal Operations, SEA No. ES/SR 99-111.	Ship Shoal Area, Block 322, Lease OCS-G 4877, 67 miles south of Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.	8/30/99
Cockrell Oil Corporation, Structure Removal Operations, SEA No. ES/SR 99-112.	East Cameron Area, Block 200, Lease OCS-G 10628, 74 miles south of Cameron Parish, Louisiana.	8/30/99
Energy Resources Technology, Inc., Structure Removal Operations, SEA No. ES/SR 99-113.	West Cameron Area, Block 177, Lease OCS-G 1471, 32 miles south of Cameron Parish, Louisiana.	8/30/99
Unocal Corporation, Structure Removal Operations, SEA Nos. ES/SR 99-114 and 99-115.	Eugene Island Area, Block 247; High Island Area, Block A-302; Leases OCS-G 2732 and 1888; 61 miles south of St. Mary Parish, Louisiana.	9/28/99