

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.2, the following acts are prohibited on public lands within the Spokane District, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) including Juniper Forest/Juniper Dunes Recreation Area, and areas surrounding Hog Canyon, Miller Ranch/Fishtrap, Pacific Lake, Twin Lakes, Coffeepot, Yakima River Canyon, Douglas Creek, Chopaka/Palmer Mountain, Split Rock, Liberty, Saddle Mountains, Lakeview Ranch/Lake Creek, Horse Heaven Hills, Duffy Creek Management Area, Boundary Dam, and Escure Ranch/Rock Creek recreation sites, beginning at noon July 15, 2000 until further notice.

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire or stove fire, including charcoal briquette fire (43 CFR 9212.1(h)).

Note: Liquified and bottled gas stoves and heaters are permitted provided that they are within an area at least 10 feet in diameter that is barren or clear of all flammable material.

2. Smoking while traveling in timber, brush or grass areas, except in vehicles on roads, on barren or cleared areas at least 3 feet in diameter or boats on rivers and lakes. (43 CFR 9212.1(h)).

3. Operating any type of motorized vehicle off developed roadways. Parking of vehicles off roadways must be done in an area barren of flammable materials (43 CFR 9212.1(g)).

Note: Developed roadways are those which are clear of flammable debris, berm to berm. *Juniper Dunes Recreation Area is Exempt.*

Pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.2(3) the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a permit that specifically authorized the otherwise prohibited act or omission 43 CFR 9212.3(a)).

2. Any Federal, State or local officer or a member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty 43 CFR 9212.2(3).

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or to imprisonment of not more than 12 months, or both 43 CFR 9212.4.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Scott Boyd, Fire Management Officer, Bureau of Land Management, Spokane District Officer, 1103 N. Fancher Road, Spokane, Washington 99212; or call (509) 536-1200.

Dated: July 28, 2000.

Gary J. Yeager,
Acting District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NM-080-1430-EU; Serial No. NMNM 104295]

Resource Management Plan Amendment (RMPA) and Environmental Assessment (EA) for Possible Disposal of Public Land in Eddy County, NM

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, DOI

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Carlsbad Field Office, is initiating the preparation of an RMPA which will include an EA for the possible disposal by direct sale at fair market value of 40 acres of BLM-administered public land in Eddy County in southeastern New Mexico. The land is located in T. 23 S., R. 25 E., Section 12, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$. The RMPA will allow for direct sale of the land if that is the alternative chosen by the BLM New Mexico State Director. The public is invited to participate in the scoping process to identify issues and planning criteria to be considered in the development of the RMPA/EA. The BLM will maintain a mailing list of parties and persons interested in being kept informed about the RMPA/EA.

DATES: Comments related to this action will be accepted on or before September 18, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to Bobbe Young, Lead Realty Specialist, P.O. Box 1778, Carlsbad, NM 88220.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Jo Rugwell, Assistant Field Manager at (505) 234-5907 or Bobbe Young at (505) 234-5963.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The City of Carlsbad has proposed to acquire 40 acres of BLM-administered land adjacent to their #6 water well for expansion/upgrade to accommodate two new City reservoirs and a new disinfection station as part of the City's \$20 million water/sewer bond projects. This land was identified for retention in Federal ownership in the Carlsbad RMP completed in 1988. In order to consider direct sale of the land, the RMP must be amended.

The RMPA/EA will be prepared by an interdisciplinary team of BLM resource specialists including realty, recreation, cultural, minerals, and hazardous materials specialists. Additional technical support will be provided by other specialists as needed.

Dated: July 24, 2000.

Douglas A. Melton,
Acting Field Manager.

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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 revision of an information collection (OMB Control Number 1010-0120).

SUMMARY: To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are soliciting comments on an information collection titled, Solid Minerals Production and Royalty Report, MMS-4430. We will submit an information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval after this comment period closes.

DATES: Submit written comments on or before October 2, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to David S. Guzy, Chief, Rules and Publications Staff, Minerals Management Service, Royalty Management Program, P.O. Box 25165, MS 3021, Denver, Colorado 80225. If you use an overnight courier service, our courier address is Building 85, Room A-613, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225.

PUBLIC COMMENT PROCEDURE: Submit your comments to the offices listed in the **ADDRESSES** section, or email your comments to us at RMP.comments@mms.gov. Include the title of the information collection and the OMB Control Number in the "Attention" line of your comment; also, include your name and return address. Submit electronic comments as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. If you do not receive a confirmation that we have received your email, contact Mr. Guzy at (303) 231-3432, FAX (303) 231-3385. We will post all comments at <http://www.rmp.mms.gov> for public review.

Also, contact Mr. Guzy to review paper copies of the comments. The comments, including names and addresses of respondents, are available for public review during regular business hours at our offices in Lakewood, Colorado. Individual respondents may request that we

withhold their home address from the public record, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There also may be circumstances in which we would withhold from the public record a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. If you request that we withhold your name and/or address, state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dennis C. Jones, Rules and Publications Staff, phone (303) 231-3046, FAX (303) 231-3385, email

Dennis.C.Jones@mms.gov. A copy of the ICR will be available to you without charge upon request.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Solid Minerals Production and Royalty Report

OMB Control Number: 1010-0120.

Bureau Form Number: MMS-4430.

Abstract: The Department of the Interior (DOI) is responsible for matters relevant to mineral resource development on Federal and Indian Lands and the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS). The Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) is responsible for managing the production of minerals from Federal and Indian Lands and the OCS; for collecting royalties from lessors who produce minerals; and for distributing the funds collected in accordance with applicable laws. The Secretary also has an Indian trust responsibility to manage Indian lands and seek advice and information from Indian beneficiaries. We perform the royalty management functions and assist the Secretary in carrying out DOI's Indian trust responsibility.

When a company or an individual enters into a contract or lease to develop, mine, and dispose of Federal or Indian minerals, that company or individual (the respondent) agrees to pay the appropriate royalty due based upon gross proceeds received from the sale of production from the leased lands. Royalty rates are specified in the lease agreement.

Specific lease language varies; however, respondents agree by the lease terms to furnish statements providing the details of all operations conducted on a lease and the quantity and quality of all production from the lease at such times and in such form as the Secretary may prescribe. Rules require

respondents to provide accurate, complete, and timely reports for all minerals produced, in the manner and form prescribed by MMS in 30 CFR 210 Subpart E and 216.21. In January 1999, we introduced the Production and Royalty Report, Form MMS-4430, to collect the required information from respondents participating in the solid minerals operational model. Because of the success of this streamlined reporting method, we are proposing to expand the use of this report to all solid mineral operators.

Submission of this information collection will be mandatory. Proprietary information that is submitted is protected, and there are no questions of a sensitive nature included in this information collection.

Frequency: Monthly.

Estimated Number and Description of Respondents: 290 solid mineral operators.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden: 1 hour.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-hour Cost" Burden: n/a.

Comments: The Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 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.

The PRA also require agencies to estimate the total annual reporting "non-hour cost" burden to respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information. We have not identified non-hour cost burdens and need to know if there are other costs associated with the collection of this information for either total capital and startup cost components or annual operation, maintenance, and purchase of service components. Your estimates should consider the costs to generate, maintain, and disclose or provide the information. You should describe the methods you use to estimate major costs 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, sampling, drilling, and testing equipment; and record storage facilities.

Your estimates should not include 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.

The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 provides that an agency shall not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

Dated: July 31, 2000.

R. Dale Fazio,

Acting Associate Director for Royalty Management.

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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.