

§ 550.211

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CONTENTS OF EXPLORATION PLANS (EP)

§ 550.211 What must the EP include?

Your EP must include the following:

(a) *Description, objectives, and schedule.* A description, discussion of the objectives, and tentative schedule (from start to completion) of the exploration activities that you propose to undertake. Examples of exploration activities include exploration drilling, well test flaring, installing a well protection structure, and temporary well abandonment.

(b) *Location.* A map showing the surface location and water depth of each proposed well and the locations of all associated drilling unit anchors.

(c) *Drilling unit.* A description of the drilling unit and associated equipment you will use to conduct your proposed exploration activities, including a brief description of its important safety and pollution prevention features, and a table indicating the type and the estimated maximum quantity of fuels, oil, and lubricants that will be stored on the facility (see definition of “facility” under § 550.105(3)).

(d) *Service fee.* You must include payment of the service fee listed in § 550.125.

§ 550.212 What information must accompany the EP?

The following information must accompany your EP:

(a) General information required by § 550.213;

(b) Geological and geophysical (G&G) information required by § 550.214;

(c) Hydrogen sulfide information required by § 550.215;

(d) Biological, physical, and socioeconomic information required by § 550.216;

(e) Solid and liquid wastes and discharges information and cooling water intake information required by § 550.217;

(f) Air emissions information required by § 550.218;

(g) Oil and hazardous substance spills information required by § 550.219;

(h) Alaska planning information required by § 550.220;

(i) Environmental monitoring information required by § 550.221;

(j) Lease stipulations information required by § 550.222;

(k) Mitigation measures information required by § 550.223;

(l) Support vessels and aircraft information required by § 550.224;

(m) Onshore support facilities information required by § 550.225;

(n) Coastal zone management information required by § 550.226;

(o) Environmental impact analysis information required by § 550.227; and

(p) Administrative information required by § 550.228.

§ 550.213 What general information must accompany the EP?

The following general information must accompany your EP:

(a) *Applications and permits.* A listing, including filing or approval status, of the Federal, State, and local application approvals or permits you must obtain to conduct your proposed exploration activities.

(b) *Drilling fluids.* A table showing the projected amount, discharge rate, and chemical constituents for each type (*i.e.*, water-based, oil-based, synthetic-based) of drilling fluid you plan to use to drill your proposed exploration wells.

(c) *Chemical products.* A table showing the name and brief description, quantities to be stored, storage method, and rates of usage of the chemical products you will use to conduct your proposed exploration activities. List only those chemical products you will store or use in quantities greater than the amounts defined as Reportable Quantities in 40 CFR part 302, or amounts specified by the Regional Supervisor.

(d) *New or unusual technology.* A description and discussion of any new or unusual technology (see definition under § 550.200) you will use to carry out your proposed exploration activities. In the public information copies of your EP, you may exclude any proprietary information from this description. In that case, include a brief discussion of the general subject matter