SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following described public land in Washakie County, Wyoming, is proposed for direct sale under the authority of Section 203 of the FLPMA, (43 U.S.C. 1713):

Sixth Principal Meridian
T. 47 N., R. 88 W., sec. 21, lot 10.

The area described contains 22.98 acres, in Washakie County.

The 1988 BLM Washakie Resource Management Plan identified this parcel of public land as suitable for disposal. Conveyance of the identified public land will be subject to valid existing rights and encumbrances of record, including but not limited to, rights-of-way for roads and public utilities. All minerals will be reserved to the United States. On April 26, 2012, the above-described land will be segregated from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws, except the sale provisions of the FLPMA. Until completion of the sale, the BLM is no longer accepting land use applications affecting the identified public land, except applications for the amendment of previously-filed right-of-way applications or existing authorizations to increase the term of the grants in accordance with 43 CFR 2807.15 and 2886.15. The segregative effect will terminate upon issuance of a patent, publication in the Federal Register of a termination of the segregation, or April 28, 2014, whichever comes first unless extended by the BLM Wyoming State Director in accordance with 43 CFR 2711.1–2(d), prior to the termination date.

The public land will not be sold until at least June 25, 2012, at the appraised market value of $55,000. The patent, if issued, will be subject to the following terms, conditions and reservations:

1. A reservation if a right-of-way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by the United States under the authority of the Act of August 30, 1890 (43 U.S.C. 945).

2. All minerals, together with the right to prospect for, mine, and remove such deposits from the same under applicable law and such regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe shall be reserved to the United States.


4. An appropriate indemnification clause protecting the United States from claims arising out of the lessee/patentee’s use, occupancy, or operations on the leased/patented lands.

5. The patent will be subject to all valid existing rights documented on the official public land records at the time of patent issuance.

This land is being offered by direct sale to the Town of Ten Sleep pursuant to 43 CFR 2711.3–3. A competitive sale is not appropriate and the public interest would be best served by a direct sale because the tract has been identified for transfer to a local government for a project of public importance. Adjoining public land uses will not be impacted by the sale.

Interested parties may submit written comments to the BLM Worland Field Manager at the address above. Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the BLM Worland Field Office during regular business hours. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the BLM Wyoming State Director who may sustain, vacate, or modify this remedy action and issue a final determination. In the absence of any objections, this remedy action will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior.

Authority: 43 CFR 2711.1–2.

Donald A. Simpson, Wyoming State Director.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
National Park Service

Plan of Operations, Environmental Assessment, Big Thicket National Preserve, Texas

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of a Plan of Operations and Environmental Assessment for a 30-day public review.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 9.52(b) of Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 9, Subpart B, that the National Park Service (NPS) has received from Cimarex Energy Company (Cimarex), a Plan of Operations to conduct the Rivers Edge 3-D Seismic Survey within the Beaumont, Little Pine Island—Pine Island Bayou Corridor, Lower Neches River Corridor, and Village Creek Corridor Units of Big Thicket National Preserve (Preserve), in Hardin, Jasper, Jefferson, and Orange Counties, Texas. The NPS has prepared an Environmental Assessment of this proposal. The Environmental Assessment evaluates two alternatives: A No Action alternative under which there would be no new impacts, and the NPS preferred alternative under which Cimarex would conduct a 3-D seismic survey within the Preserve using a combination of helicopter-portable and tracked drilling equipment.

DATES: The above documents are available for public review and comment through May 29, 2012.

ADDRESSES: The Plan of Operations and Environmental Assessment are available for public review and comment at http://parkplanning.nps.gov/ and in the Office of the Superintendent, Douglas Neighborhood, Big Thicket National Preserve, 6044 FM 420, Kountze, Texas 77625. Copies of the Plan of Operations and Environmental Assessment are available upon request from the contact listed below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Stephanie Burgess, Oil and Gas Program Manager, Big Thicket National Preserve, 6044 FM 420, Kountze, Texas 77625, Telephone: 409 951–6822, email at Stephanie_M_Burgess@nps.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: If you wish to comment on the Plan of Operations and Environmental Assessment, you may mail comments to the name and address above or post comments online at http://parkplanning.nps.gov/. The documents will be on public review for 30 days. Please note that the comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
National Park Service

Final General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement for the South Unit of Badlands National Park, South Dakota

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C)), the National Park Service (NPS) announces the availability of the Final General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement (GMP/EIS) for the South Unit of Badlands National Park, South Dakota.

DATES: The Final GMP/EIS will remain available for public review for 30 days following the publishing of the Notice of Availability in the Federal Register by the Environmental Protection Agency.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the GMP/EIS are available by request by writing to Badlands National Park, P.O. Box 6, Interior, South Dakota 57750; by telephoning 605–433–5361, or by emailing BADL_superintendent@nps.gov. The document is available to be picked up in person at Badlands National Park, 25216 Ben Reifel Road, Interior, South Dakota. The document can be found on the internet on the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment Web site at: http://www.parkplanning.nps.gov/badl. It can also be accessed through the Park’s home page at http://www.nps.gov/badl.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NPS prepared a draft GMP/EIS for the South Unit of Badlands National Park combining the plan and an environmental analysis. The GMP provides a framework for making decisions about and managing the South Unit’s resources and visitor use for the next 15–20 years. The draft was made available for public review for 75 days ending November 1, 2010. During the review period, the NPS distributed over 900 copies of the draft. The GMP team held three public open house-style meetings on Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, plus one each in Wall and Rapid City, South Dakota, and Washington, DC, during the comment period. The draft was also made available at the Park offices, on the Internet, and at area libraries. Over 65 people attended the meetings, where individual comments were recorded. Additional comments were received through letters, comment forms, and electronic messages. A total of 361 comments were received from all sources in response to the Draft GMP. Comments from individuals, groups, and public agencies on the alternatives, the preferred alternative, and the environmentally preferred alternative were considered. No substantive changes were made to the preferred alternative as a result of public comments received on the Draft GMP/EIS. The preferred alternative will provide for the preservation of natural resources, while offering opportunities for visitor enjoyment of natural, cultural, and recreational resources in a scenic outdoor setting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact the Superintendent, Badlands National Park, Interior, South Dakota 57750, telephone 605–4335361.

Dated: September 13, 2011.

Michael T. Reynolds,
Regional Director, Midwest Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

Notice on Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Lease Sales

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

ACTION: List of restricted joint bidders.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authority vested in the Director of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management by the joint bidding provisions of 30 CFR 556.41, each entity within one of the following groups shall be restricted from bidding with any entity in any other of the following groups at Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas lease sales to be held during the bidding period May 1, 2012, through October 31, 2012. The List of Restricted Joint Bidders published in the Federal Register on November 2, 2011, covered the period November 1, 2011, through April 30, 2012. Group I. Exxon Mobil Corporation ExxonMobil Exploration Company

Group II. Shell Oil Company Shell Offshore Inc. SWEPI LP Shell Frontier Oil & Gas Inc. SOI Finance Inc. Shell Gulf of Mexico Inc.

Group III. BP America Production Company BP Exploration & Production Inc. BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc.


Group VI. Statoil ASA Statoil Gulf of Mexico LLC Statoil USA E&P Inc. Statoil Gulf Properties Inc.

Group VII. Petrobras America Inc. Petroleo Brasileiro S.A.

Group VIII. Total E&P USA, Inc.


Tommy P. Beaudreau,
Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

Record of Decision for Authorizing the Use of Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Sand Resources in the Martin County, Florida Hurricane Storm Damage Reduction Project

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

ACTION: Notice of availability of a Record of Decision.

SUMMARY: BOEM has issued a Record of Decision (ROD) to authorize the use of OCS sand resources by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and Martin County Board of Commissioners in the Martin County, Florida Hurricane Storm Damage Reduction (HSDR) Project. The ROD documents the BOEM’s decision in