DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of February 28, 2013, Teleconference Meeting of the National Park System Advisory Board

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Meeting Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. Appendix, that the National Park System Advisory Board will conduct a teleconference meeting on February 28, 2013. Members of the public may attend the meeting in person in Washington, DC.

DATES: The teleconference meeting will be held on February 28, 2013, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, inclusive.

ADDRESS: The teleconference meeting will be conducted in Conference Room 3121 of the Stewart Lee Udall Department of the Interior Building, 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20240, telephone (202) 208–3818. Photo identification is required for entry to this Federal building.

Agenda: During this teleconference, the Board will deliberate the report of its National Historic Landmarks Committee, American Latins and the Making of the United States: A Theme Study.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information concerning the National Park System Advisory Board or to request to address the Board, contact Shirley Sears Smith, National Park Service, 1201 I Street NW., 12th Floor, Washington, DC 20005, telephone (202) 354–3935, email shirley_s_smith@nps.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Due to the limited scope of this meeting, the National Park Service has determined that a teleconference will be the most efficient way to convene the Board members. The Board meeting will be open to the public in the same way that other Board meetings have been open to the public. Space and facilities to accommodate the public are limited and attendees will be accommodated on a first-come basis. Opportunities for oral comment will be limited to no more than 3 minutes per speaker and no more than 15 minutes total. The Board’s Chairman will determine how time for oral comments will be allotted. Anyone may file with the Board a written statement concerning matters to be discussed. Before including your address, telephone 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.

Draft minutes of the meeting will be available for public inspection about 12 weeks after the meeting in the 12th floor conference room at 1201 I Street NW., Washington, DC.


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Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

Gulf of Mexico, Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), Central Planning Area (CPA) Oil and Gas Lease Sale 227

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

ACTION: Notice of Availability (NOA) of a Record of Decision (ROD) for CPA Lease Sale 227 in the Gulf of Mexico OCS Oil and Gas Lease Sales: 2012–2017 Western Planning Area Lease Sales 229, 233, 238, 246, and 248; and Central Planning Area Lease Sales 227, 231, 235, 241, and 247; Final Environmental Impact Statement (Multisale FEIS).

SUMMARY: BOEM has prepared a ROD for oil and gas CPA Lease Sale 227 scheduled for March 20, 2013. CPA Lease Sale 227 is the first CPA lease sale in the 2012–2017 OCS Oil and Gas Leasing Program. The proposed lease sale is in the Gulf of Mexico’s CPA off the States of Louisiana, Alabama, and Mississippi. In making its decision, BOEM considered alternatives to the proposed action and the potential impacts as presented in the Multisale FEIS and all comments received throughout the NEPA process. The Multisale FEIS evaluated the environmental and socioeconomic impacts for CPA Lease Sale 227.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the Multisale FEIS, BOEM evaluated three alternatives, which are summarized below:

Alternative A—The Proposed Action: This is BOEM’s preferred alternative. This alternative would offer for lease all unleased blocks within the CPA for oil and gas operations with the following exceptions:

1. Whole and portions of blocks deferred by the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006;
2. Blocks that are beyond the United States Exclusive Economic Zone in the area known as the northern portion of the Eastern Gap; and
3. Whole and partial blocks that lie within the 1.4 nautical mile buffer zone north of the maritime boundary between the United States and Mexico.

The proposed CPA lease sale area encompasses about 63 million acres of the total CPA area of 66.45 million acres. As of October 2012, approximately 38 million acres of the CPA lease sale area are currently unleased. The estimated amount of resources projected to be developed as a result of proposed CPA Lease Sale 227 is 0.460–0.894 billion barrels of oil and 1.939–3.903 trillion cubic feet of gas.

Alternative B—The Proposed Action Excluding the Unleased Blocks Near Biologically Sensitive Topographic Features: This alternative would offer for lease all unleased blocks in the CPA, as described for the proposed action (Alternative A), with the exception of any unleased blocks subject to the Topographic Features Stipulation.

Alternative C—No Action: This alternative would cancel the proposed CPA Lease Sale 227 and is identified as the environmentally preferred alternative.

After careful consideration, BOEM has selected a subset of the proposed action, identified as BOEM’s preferred alternative (Alternative A) in the Multisale FEIS with a change to exception 2 above to read, blocks that are adjacent to the southern extent of or beyond the United States Exclusive Economic Zone. BOEM’s selection of this alternative balances the need for orderly resource development with protection of the human, marine, and
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Office of Natural Resources Revenue
[Docket No. ONRR–2011–0001]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submitted for Office of Management and Budget Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of an extension of a currently approved information collection (OMB Control Number 1012–0010).

SUMMARY: To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are inviting comments on a collection of information requests that we will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. OMB formerly approved this information collection request (ICR) under OMB Control Number 1012–0010. On March 6, 2011, OMB approved a new series number for ONRR and renumbered our ICRs. This ICR pertains to royalty and production reporting on solid minerals and geothermal leases on Federal and Indian lands. This ICR covers the paperwork requirements in the regulations under title 30, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), parts 1202, 1206, 1210, 1212, 1217, and 1218. The title of this ICR is “30 CFR Parts 1202, 1206, 1210, 1212, 1217, and 1218, Solid Minerals and Geothermal Resources.” There are three forms associated with this information collection.

DATES: Submit written comments on or before April 12, 2013 in order to assure consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on this ICR to ONRR by any of the following methods (please use “ICR 1012–0010” as an identifier in your comment):

• Electronically go to http://www.regulations.gov. In the entry titled “Enter Keyword or ID,” enter “ONRR–2011–0001,” and then click “Search.” Follow the instructions to submit public comments.

• Mail comments to Stephen Chubb, Regulatory Specialist, Office of Natural Resources Revenue, P.O. Box 25165, MS 64000A, Denver, Colorado 80225.

• Hand-carry comments, or use an overnight courier service to ONRR. Our courier address is Building 85, Room A–614, Denver Federal Center, West 6th Ave. and Kipling St., Denver, Colorado 80225.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen Chubb, Regulatory Specialist, email Stephen.Chubb@onrr.gov. You may also contact Mr. Chubb to obtain copies, at no cost, of (1) the ICR, (2) any associated forms, and (3) the regulations that require us to collect the information. You may also review the information collection online at http://www.reginfo.gov/public/PRAINDEX and select “Information Collection Review,” then select “Department of the Interior” in the drop-down box under “Currently Under Review.”

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 30 CFR Parts 1202, 1206, 1210, 1212, 1217, and 1218, Solid Minerals and Geothermal Collections.

OMB Control Number: 1012–0010.

Bureau Form Number: Forms MMS–4430, MMS–4292, and MMS–4293.

Note: ONRR will publish a rule updating our form numbers to Forms ONRR–4430, ONRR–4292, and ONRR–4293.

Abstract: The Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior is responsible for mineral resource development on Federal and Indian lands and the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS). The Secretary’s responsibility, according to various laws, is to manage mineral resource production from Federal and Indian lands and the OCS, collect the royalties and other mineral revenues due, and distribute the funds collected under those laws. We have posted those laws pertaining to mineral leases on Federal and Indian lands and the OCS at http://www.onrr.gov/Laws_R_D/PublicLawsAMR.htm. The Secretary also has a trust responsibility to manage Indian lands and seek advice and information from Indian beneficiaries. ONRR performs the minerals revenue management functions for the Secretary and assists the Secretary in carrying out the Department’s trust responsibility for Indian lands.

Effective October 1, 2010, ONRR reorganized and transferred their regulations from chapter II to chapter XII in title 30 of the Code of Federal Regulations, resulting in a change to our citations. You can find the information collections covered in this ICR at 30 CFR part 1202, subpart H, which pertains to geothermal resources royalties; part 1206, subparts F, H, and J, which pertain to product valuation of Federal coal, geothermal resources, and Indian coal; part 1210, subparts E and H, which pertain to production and royalty reports on solid minerals and geothermal resources leases; part 1212, subparts E and H, which pertain to audits and inspections of coal, other solid minerals, and geothermal resources leases; and part 1218, subparts E and F, which pertain to royalty, rental, bonuses, and other monies payment for solid minerals and geothermal resources. All data reported is subject to subsequent audit and adjustment.

I. General Information

When a company or an individual enters into a lease to explore, develop, produce, and dispose of minerals from Federal or Indian lands, that company or individual agrees to pay the lessee a share in an amount or value of production from the leased lands. The lessee, or designee, must report various kinds of information relative to the disposition of the leased minerals. Such information is generally available within the records of the lessee or others involved in developing, transporting, processing, purchasing, or selling of such minerals.

II. Information Collections

ONRR, acting for the Secretary, uses the information that we collect to ensure that lessees accurately value and appropriately pay all royalties based on correct product valuation. ONRR and other Federal Government entities,