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#### **Paperwork Reduction Act**

This Notice does not contain new or revised information collection for which Office of Management and Budget approval is required under the Paperwork Reduction Act. The referenced information collection is covered by an existing OMB approval, and has been assigned clearance No. 1018-0093, Form 3-200-32, with an expiration date of January 31, 2001; implementing regulations for the CITES documentation appear in 50 CFR 23. The Service may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information request unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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Dated: April 16, 1999.

**Jamie Rappaport Clark,**  
*Director.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

### **Bureau of Land Management**

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#### **Science Advisory Board**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces a public meeting of the Science Advisory Board to examine the use of science for improving the management of the Nation's public land and resources. Topics of discussion will include the BLM's National Applied Resource Sciences Center, long-term monitoring, and update on wild horses and burros management.

**DATES:** BLM will hold the public meeting on Tuesday, May 25, 1999, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, local time.

**ADDRESSES:** BLM will hold the public meeting in the East and Center Conference Rooms of the Denver Federal Center at 6th Street and Kipling Street, Denver, Colorado. Receptionist: (303) 236-6454.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christine Jauhola, Bureau of Land

Management, 1849 C Street, NW, LSB-204, Washington, D.C. 20240, (202) 452-7761.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice is published in accordance with Section 9(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (Public Law 920463).

#### **I. The Agenda for the Public Meeting is as Follows:**

8:30 am—Welcome, introductions  
Review Minutes of Previous Meeting,  
Report from Deputy Assistant  
Secretary for Land and Minerals  
Management (Acting).  
9:00 am—Report from the Bureau of  
Land Management Director.  
9:30 am—Inventory and Long-term  
Monitoring.  
10:15 am—Update on Executive Order  
on Weeds.  
10:45 am—Break.  
11:00 am—Wild Horse and Burro  
Advisory Committee.  
11:30 am—Review of Military  
Withdrawal and Status of Area A.  
12:00 Noon—Future Science Advisory  
Board Meetings, Dates and Places.  
12:30 pm—Lunch: The Nature  
Conservancy Ecoregional Planning.  
1:30 pm—National Applied Resource  
Sciences Center.  
4:30 pm—Adjourn.

#### **II. Public Comment Procedures**

Participation in the public meeting is not a prerequisite for submittal of written comments from all interested parties. Your written comments should be specific and explain the reason for any recommendation. BLM appreciates any and all comments, but those most useful and likely to influence decisions on BLM's use of science are those that are either supported by quantitative information or studies or those that include citations to and analyses of applicable laws and regulations. Except for comments provided in electronic format, commenters should submit two copies of their written comments, where practicable. BLM will not necessarily consider comments received after the time indicated under the **DATES** section or at locations other than that listed in the **ADDRESSES** section.

In the event there is a request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) for a copy of your comments, we intend to make them available in their entirety, including your name and address (or your e-mail address if you file electronically). However, if you do not want us to release your name and address (or e-mail address) in response to a FOIA request, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will honor your wish to

the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations of businesses, will be released in their entirety, including names and addresses (or e-mail addresses).

Electronic Access and Filing Address: Commenters may transmit comments electronically via the Internet to: [cjauhola@wo.blm.gov](mailto:cjauhola@wo.blm.gov). Please include the identifier "Science4" in the subject of your message and your name and address in the body of your message.

#### **III. Accessibility**

The meeting sites are accessible to individuals with disabilities. An individual with a disability who will need an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the hearing, such as interpreting service, assistive listening device, or materials in an alternate format, must notify the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** two weeks before the scheduled meeting date. Although BLM will attempt to meet a request received after that date, the requested auxiliary aid or service may not be available because of insufficient time to arrange it.

Dated: April 20, 1999.

**Peggy Olwell,**

*Acting Group Manager, Fish, Wildlife and Forest Group.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

### **Minerals Management Service**

#### **Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for Office of Management and Budget Review; Comment Request; Extension**

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of a currently approved information collection.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), we are notifying you that MMS is planning to submit an information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to request an extension of a currently approved collection. Under the PRA, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed

extension of an existing collection of information and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on requirements relating to Directed Third Party Communications Between Operators and Purchasers of Royalty-in-Kind (RIK)—Federal Oil and Gas Purchase System (OMB Control Number 1010-0126).

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before June 25, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information to the Minerals Management Service, Royalty Management Program, Rules and Publications Staff, P.O. Box 25165, MS-3021, Denver, Colorado 80225-0165; courier address is Building 85, Room A613, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225; e-mail address is RMP.comments@mms.gov.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions concerning this collection of information, please contact Larry Barker, RIK Study Team, telephone (303) 231-3157. You may also obtain copies of this collection of information by contacting MMS's Information Collection Clearance Officer at (202) 208-7744.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA, Federal agencies must obtain approval from OMB for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, MMS is publishing notice of the proposed collection of information listed below.

With respect to the following collection of information, MMS invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of MMS's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of MMS's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques, when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

In addition, the PRA requires agencies to estimate the total annual reporting and recordkeeping "cost" burden to

respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information. We need to know if you have 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 cost 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. Generally, 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.

**Title:** Directed Third Party Communications Between Operators and Purchasers of RIK—Federal Oil and Gas Purchase System—Extension.

**OMB Control Number:** 1010-0126.

**Abstract:** The Secretary of the Interior, under the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 192) and the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1353), is responsible for the management of royalties on minerals produced from leased Federal lands. MMS carries out these responsibilities for the Secretary. Most royalties are now paid in value—when a company or individual enters into a contract to develop, produce, and dispose of minerals from Federal lands, that company or individual agrees to pay the United States a share (royalty) of the full value received for the minerals taken from leased lands. MMS has undertaken several pilot programs to study the feasibility of taking the Government's royalty in the form of production, that is, as RIK.

Collection of RIK requires communication between the operators of a lease and the purchaser of RIK from that lease to assure accurate and timely delivery of MMS' royalty share of production volumes. On January 29, 1999, OMB granted emergency approval for MMS to instruct lessees (or their operators), through a letter to operators which contains reporting and recordkeeping requirements, to conduct

all necessary communications with RIK purchasers during RIK pilot activities.

The three kinds of directed communication between operators and purchasers of RIK are: (1) Information about the volumes made available as RIK; (2) information about transportation of the RIK; and (3) information about correcting volumes made available as RIK. Experience with the Wyoming and Texas 8(g) Pilots demonstrates that the directed communication requirements differ according to the needs of each pilot situation. For example, in the Wyoming Pilot, RIK is delivered to the purchaser at the lease. Therefore, the direction to make transportation arrangements was not included in letters issued to those operators. For these reasons, we are not requesting approval of specific letters to operators but, instead, approval for the three kinds of reporting requirements concerning communications between operators and purchasers of RIK. By obtaining approval for these three kinds of reporting requirements, MMS will be able to select the types of directed communications needed for each pilot and include only those types in a letter appropriate to the operation of that pilot.

The types of communication and supporting data MMS will require operators to use in setting up the monthly delivery of RIK to the purchaser are standard business practices in the oil and gas industry. The information in the directed communication is essential to the delivery and acceptance of verifiable quantities and qualities of oil and gas and is exchanged as a normal part of the conduct of those business activities, even when operators are not directed to do so. No proprietary information will be submitted to MMS under this collection. No items of a sensitive nature are collected. The requirement to respond is mandatory.

The PRA provides that an agency may 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.

**Burden Statement:** The reporting burden is estimated to average 2 minutes per response (oral, telefax communication) including the time for reviewing the instructions, gathering and maintaining supporting data (commonly maintained through electronic spreadsheets of balancing accounts).

This direction of RIK communication does not represent a significant increase in burden, as it is standard industry practice to carry out this kind of information exchange when selling oil

and gas production, regardless of whether directed to do so.

In calculating the burden, we assume that respondents perform many of the requirements and maintain records in the normal course of their activities. We consider these usual and customary and take that into account in estimating the burden.

*Respondents/Affected Entities:*

Lessees or operators of Federal oil or gas leases participating in RIK pilot programs.

*Frequency of Collection:* Monthly.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 60 in Year 1; 75 in Year 2; and 120 in Year 3.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 97 hours in Year 1; 280 in Year 2; and 410 in Year 3.

*MMS Information Collection*

*Clearance Officer:* Jo Ann Lauterbach (202) 208-7744.

Dated April 21, 1999.

**Lucy Querques Denett,**

*Associate Director for Royalty Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

#### Minerals Management Service Government Performance and Results Act Strategic Plan; Comment Solicitation

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

**ACTION:** Notice, request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) of 1993 requires that agencies update and revise their strategic plans at least every 3 years. GPRA also states that agencies must consult with the Congress and solicit and consider the views and suggestions of other parties that could be affected by, or are interested in, the agency's plan during the plan's development. Minerals Management Service (MMS) will revise its strategic plan this year, and would welcome comments from interested parties. We will consider these comments while drafting the revision to our strategic plan this summer.

MMS will provide several forums for its customers, stakeholders, and other interested parties to provide input during the revision of its strategic plan, including:

- Commenters may input electronically through the MMS web site presented in the Supplementary Information section.

- Commenters may provide feedback with written correspondence to the addresses in the Addresses section.

- MMS may hold public consultation sessions (see Supplementary Information).

**DATES:** You are requested to provide electronic and written comments no later than June 1, 1999. You should submit your expressions of interest in MMS holding public consultation sessions by May 7, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments to Mr. James McNamee, Minerals Management Service, PO Box 25165, MS 9200, Denver, CO 80225. Send E-mail comments to Strategic.Planning.Team@MMS.Gov (you also may submit comments through the Internet by using the link available at the web site in Supplementary Information). Contact Mr. McNamee at (303) 275-7126 or Mrs. Bernadette Osolnick, Minerals Management Service, 381 Elden Street, Herndon, VA 20170, at (703) 787-1240 to indicate your interest in public consultation sessions.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. James McNamee at (303) 275-7126.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *Strategic Plan Availability:* See the MMS web site at <http://www.mms.gov/eod/stratpln.htm> for the MMS GPRA Strategic Plan, as well as its Fiscal Years 1999 and 2000 Annual Performance Plans. If you do not have electronic access, please request a copy of the plan from the addresses in the Addresses section.

*Public Consultation Sessions:* MMS will schedule public consultation sessions in the latter part of May 1999 in Washington, DC, and Denver, Colorado, if there is sufficient interest. Interested parties should reply to the addresses in the Addresses section no later than May 7, 1999. Session participants should be familiar with the current plan. The intent of the sessions will be to have free-flowing discussions about the direction and goals established in the existing strategic plan and to hear your suggestions and expectations for the revised plan. MMS will establish logistics after expressions of interest have been received, and will notify respondents of dates, locations, and times no later than May 14, 1999.

Dated: April 20, 1999.

**Walter D. Cruickshank,**

*Associate Director, Policy and Management Improvement.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### National Register of Historic Places; Notification of Pending Nominations

Nominations for the following properties being considered for listing in the National Register were received by the National Park Service before April 17, 1999. Pursuant to section 60.13 of 36 CFR Part 60 written comments concerning the significance of these properties under the National Register criteria for evaluation may be forwarded to the National Register, National Park Service, 1849 C St., NW, NC400, Washington, DC 20240. Written comments should be submitted by May 11, 1999.

**Beth Boland,**

*Acting Keeper of the National Register.*

### ARKANSAS

#### Pulaski County

Bush—Dubisson House, (Historically Black Properties in Little Rock's Dunbar School Neighborhood MPS), 1500 S. Ringo St., Little Rock, 99000549

Green House, (Historically Black Properties in Little Rock's Dunbar School Neighborhood MPS), 1224 W. 21st St., Little Rock, 99000544

Henderson House, (Historically Black Properties in Little Rock's Dunbar School Neighborhood MPS), 1510 S. Ringo St., Little Rock, 99000548

Hubble Funeral Home, (Historically Black Properties in Little Rock's Dunbar School Neighborhood MPS), 924 S. Cross St., Little Rock, 99000542

Jones, Scipio A., House, (Historically Black Properties in Little Rock's Dunbar School Neighborhood MPS), 1872 S. Cross St., Little Rock, 99000545

Miller House, (Historically Black Properties in Little Rock's Dunbar School Neighborhood MPS), 1853 S. Ringo St., Little Rock, 99000547

Thornton House, (Historically Black Properties in Little Rock's Dunbar School Neighborhood MPS), 1420 W. 15th St., Little Rock, 99000543

Womack House, (Historically Black Properties in Little Rock's Dunbar School Neighborhood MPS), 1867 S. Ringo St., Little Rock, 99000546

### CALIFORNIA

#### Los Angeles County

Hollywood Memorial Park Cemetery, 6000 Santa Monica Blvd., Los Angeles, 99000550

#### Orange County

French Park Historic District, Roughly bounded by N. Bush, E. Washington, and N. Garfield Sts., and Civic Center Dr. E., Santa Ana, 99000551