

Advisory Committees covered by this request for nominations are identified below. The BLM will accept public nominations for 30 days after the publication of this notice.

DATES: All nominations must be received no later than July 21, 2014.

ADDRESSES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for the address of respective BLM Offices accepting nominations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lauren Luckey, U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, WO-610, Public Affairs Division, 20 M Street SE., #6281, Washington, DC 20003, 202-912-7422.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) directs the Secretary of the Interior to involve the public in planning and issues related to management of lands administered by the BLM. Section 309 of FLPMA (43 U.S.C. 1739) directs the Secretary to establish 10- to 15-member citizen-based advisory councils that are consistent with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). As required by FACA, Resource Advisory Council (RAC) membership must be balanced and representative of the various interests concerned with the management of the public lands. The rules governing RACs are found at 43 CFR subpart 1784 and include the following three membership categories:

Category One—Holders of Federal grazing permits and representatives of organizations associated with energy and mineral development, timber industry, transportation or rights-of-way, developed outdoor recreation, off-highway vehicle use, and commercial recreation;

Category Two—Representatives of nationally or regionally recognized environmental organizations, archaeological and historic organizations, dispersed recreation activities, and wild horse and burro organizations; and

Category Three—Representatives of State, county, or local elected office, employees of a State agency responsible for management of natural resources, representatives of Indian tribes within or adjacent to the area for which the council is organized, representatives of academia who are employed in natural sciences, and the public-at-large.

Individuals may nominate themselves or others. Nominees must be residents of the state in which the RAC has jurisdiction. The BLM will evaluate nominees based on their education, training, experience, and knowledge of the geographical area of the RAC.

Nominees should demonstrate a commitment to collaborative resource decision-making. The Obama Administration prohibits individuals who are currently federally registered lobbyists from being appointed or re-appointed to FACA and non-FACA boards, committees, or councils.

This request for public nominations also applies to the Steens Mountain Advisory Council (SMAC) in Oregon established pursuant to Section 131 of the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Act of 2000. The SMAC advises the Secretary of the Interior in managing the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area.

The following must accompany all nominations for the RACs and SMAC:

- Letters of reference from represented interests or organizations;
- A completed Resource Advisory Council application; and
- Any other information that addresses the nominee's qualifications.

Simultaneous with this notice, BLM state offices will issue press releases providing additional information for submitting nominations, with specifics about the number and categories of member positions available for each RAC in the state and the Steens Mountain Advisory Council in Oregon. If you have already submitted your RAC nomination materials for 2014 you will not need to resubmit. Nominations for the following RACs should be sent to the appropriate BLM offices as noted below:

Montana and Dakotas

Central Montana RAC

Jonathan Moor, Lewistown Field Office, BLM, 920 Northeast Main Street, Lewistown, Montana 59457, (406) 538-1943.

Western Montana RAC

David Abrams, Butte Field Office, BLM, 106 North Parkmont, Butte, Montana 59701, (406) 533-7617.

Oregon/Washington

Eastern Washington RAC; Southeast Oregon RAC; Steens Mountain Advisory Council, Stephen Baker, Oregon State Office, BLM, 1220 SW. 3rd Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97204, (503) 808-6306.

Authority: 43 CFR 1784.4-1.

Dated: June 12, 2014.

Steve Ellis,

Deputy Director, Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

[Docket No. BOEM-2014-0042]

Notice of Determination of No Competitive Interest for the Pacific Marine Energy Center South Energy Test Site Project Offshore Newport, Oregon MMAA104000

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice provides BOEM's determination that there is no competitive interest in the area requested by the Northwest National Marine Renewable Energy Center at Oregon State University (NNMREC-OSU) to acquire an Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) marine hydrokinetic (MHK) research lease as described in the *Potential Marine Hydrokinetic (MHK) Research Lease on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Offshore Oregon, Request for Competitive Interest (RFCI)* that BOEM published on March 24, 2014 (79 FR 16050). The RFCI described NNMREC-OSU's request to obtain a lease for renewable energy research activities approximately five nautical miles offshore Newport, Oregon and provided an opportunity for the public to submit comments about the proposal.

DATES: Effective June 20, 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Jean Thurston, Renewable Energy Specialist, BOEM, Pacific OCS Region, Office of Strategic Resources, 770 Paseo Camarillo, Second Floor, Camarillo, California 93010, Phone: (805) 389-7585.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

This Determination of No Competitive Interest (DNCI) is published pursuant to subsection 8(p)(3) of the OCS Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1337(p)(3)), and the implementing regulations at 30 CFR Part 585. Subsection 8(p)(3) of the OCS Lands Act requires that OCS renewable energy leases, easements, or rights-of-way (ROW) be issued "on a competitive basis unless the Secretary [of the Interior] determines after public notice of a proposed lease, easement, or ROW that there is no competitive interest." The Secretary delegated the authority to make such determinations to BOEM.

Determination and Next Steps

This DNCI provides notice to the public that BOEM has determined there is no competitive interest in the

proposed lease area, as no indications of competitive interest were submitted in response to the RFCI.

In the RFCI, BOEM also solicited public input from interested stakeholders regarding the proposed lease area, the potential environmental consequences of MHK energy development in the area, and multiple uses of the area. In response to the RFCI, BOEM received public comment submissions from six entities. BOEM will use the comments to inform subsequent decisions. After publication of this DNCI, BOEM may proceed with the noncompetitive leasing process for a research lease pursuant to 30 CFR 585.238.

Map of the Area

A map of the area proposed for a research lease can be found at the following Web site: <http://www.boem.gov/State-Activities-Oregon>.

Dated: May 30, 2014.

Walter D. Cruickshank,

Acting Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

[MMAA104000]

Notice of Intent To Prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for Outer Continental Shelf, Alaska OCS Region, Chukchi Sea Planning Area, Oil and Gas Lease Sale 193

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

ACTION: Notice of Intent (NOI) to Prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

SUMMARY: BOEM is giving notice of its intent to prepare a Supplemental EIS for OCS Oil and Gas Lease Sale 193 in the Chukchi Sea Planning Area, Alaska. This Supplemental EIS will provide new analysis in response to a remand by the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: The NOI is published pursuant to the regulations (40 CFR 1508.22) implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*)

Purpose of Notice of Intent: BOEM is announcing its intent to prepare a Supplemental EIS for Oil and Gas Lease

Sale 193 in the Chukchi Sea Planning Area, Alaska. The Supplemental EIS will supplement the analysis from the Oil and Gas Lease Sale 193 Final EIS (OCS EIS/EA MMS 2007-0026) and the Oil and Gas Lease Sale 193 Final Supplemental EIS (OCS EIS/EA BOEMRE 2011-041) by providing an updated oil and gas exploration, development and production scenario and associated environmental effects analysis. The Final EIS for Oil and Gas Lease Sale 193 evaluated the potential effects of four alternatives that included a proposed action, a no action alternative, and two other alternatives with sale area configurations that would defer areas from leasing along the coast adjacent to the proposed sale area. The Final Supplemental EIS evaluated the potential effects of exploration seismic surveying and drilling; oil development, production, and transportation; and accidental crude oil spills. The Final Supplemental EIS also evaluated potential effects of a natural gas development and production scenario, as well as a hypothetical Very Large Oil Spill event. The proposed action and alternatives from the Final EIS and Final Supplemental EIS will be carried forward in this supplemental EIS. The Assistant Secretary will issue a new Record of Decision after evaluating this supplemental EIS and public comments. Implementation of the Secretary's selection among the alternatives will require the Secretary to either reaffirm, modify, or vacate the leases previously sold.

Scoping: In accordance with 40 CFR 1502.9(c)(4), there will be no scoping conducted for this Supplemental EIS. The scope of the Final EIS for Sale 193 and the remand by the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit establish the scope for this Supplemental EIS. The Draft Supplemental EIS will be announced for public review and comment: (1) In the **Federal Register** by BOEM and the Environmental Protection Agency; (2) on the BOEM Alaska OCS Region homepage; and (3) in the local media. Public hearings will be held following release of the Draft Supplemental EIS. Dates and locations will be determined and published at a later date.

Cooperating Agencies: The Department of the Interior's policy is to invite other Federal agencies, and state, tribal, and local governments to become cooperating agencies during the preparation of an EIS. Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations state that qualified agencies and governments are those with "jurisdiction by law or special expertise." Potential cooperating

agencies should consider their authority and capacity to assume the responsibilities of a cooperating agency. Cooperating agency status neither enlarges nor diminishes the final decision making authority of an agency involved in the NEPA process. BOEM invites qualified government entities to inquire about cooperating agency status for this Supplemental EIS. Upon request, BOEM will provide qualified cooperating agencies with a written summary of ground rules for cooperating agencies, including time schedules and critical action dates, milestones, responsibilities, and scope and detail of cooperating agencies' contributions. Potential cooperating agencies should also consider the CEQ's "Factors for Determining Cooperating Agency Status." This document is available on the CEQ Web site at: <http://ceq.hss.doe.gov/nepa/regs/cooperating/cooperatingagencymemofactors.html>. Even if your organization is not a cooperating agency, you will have an opportunity to provide information and comments to BOEM during the comment phase of the Supplemental EIS process. Additional information may be found at the following Web site: <http://www.boem.gov/Alaska-Region>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Frances Mann, Chief, Environmental Analysis Section II, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Alaska OCS Region, 3801 Centerpoint Drive, Suite 500, Anchorage, Alaska 99503-5820, telephone (907) 334-5277.

Dated: June 9, 2014.

Walter D. Cruickshank,

Acting Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

[MMAA 104000]

Central Planning Area Lease Sales 241 and 247, and Eastern Planning Area Lease Sale 226

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

ACTION: Notice of Intent (NOI) to Prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

SUMMARY: Consistent with the regulations implementing the National Environmental Policy Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) (NEPA), BOEM is announcing its intent to prepare a Supplemental EIS for proposed Central