

BIA rate remains unchanged at \$1.50/acre.

Note #3—The FY 2014 rate was established by final notice in the **Federal Register** on January 23, 2014 (79 FR 3862). The Construction Water Rate Schedule was established by final notice in the **Federal Register** on January 23, 2014 (79 FR 3862). The FY 2015 rate was proposed by notice in the **Federal Register** on January 22, 2014 (79 FR 3614). This notice establishes the final rate of \$35/acre for FY 2015.

Note #4—The 2014 O&M rate for the San Carlos Irrigation Project—Indian Works has three components. The first component is the O&M rate established by the San Carlos Irrigation Project—Indian Works, the owner and operator of the Project; this rate is proposed to be \$45 per acre. The second component is for the O&M rate established by the San Carlos Irrigation Project—Joint Works and is determined to be \$30.00 per acre. The third component is the O&M rate established by the San Carlos Irrigation Project Joint Control Board and is estimated to be \$6 per acre.

Consultation and Coordination With Tribal Governments (Executive Order 13175)

To fulfill its consultation responsibility to tribes and tribal organizations, BIA communicates, coordinates, and consults on a continuing basis with these entities on issues of water delivery, water availability, and costs of administration, operation, maintenance, and rehabilitation of projects that concern them. This is accomplished at the individual irrigation project by Project, Agency, and Regional representatives, as appropriate, in accordance with local protocol and procedures. This notice is one component of our overall coordination and consultation process to provide notice to, and request comments from, these entities when we adjust irrigation assessment rates.

Actions Concerning Regulations That Significantly Affect Energy Supply, Distribution, or Use (Executive Order 13211)

The rate adjustments will have no adverse effects on energy supply, distribution, or use (including a shortfall in supply, price increases, and increase use of foreign supplies) should the proposed rate adjustments be implemented. This is a notice for rate adjustments at BIA-owned and operated irrigation projects, except for the Fort Yuma Irrigation Project. The Fort Yuma Irrigation Project is owned and operated by the Bureau of Reclamation with a

portion serving the Fort Yuma Reservation.

Regulatory Planning and Review (Executive Order 12866)

These rate adjustments are not a significant regulatory action and do not need to be reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Order 12866.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

These rate adjustments are not a rule for the purposes of the Regulatory Flexibility Act because they establish “a rule of particular applicability relating to rates.” 5 U.S.C. 601(2).

Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995

These rate adjustments do not impose an unfunded mandate on State, local, or tribal governments in the aggregate, or on the private sector, of more than \$130 million per year. The rule does not have a significant or unique effect on State, local, or tribal governments or the private sector. Therefore, the Department is not required to prepare a statement containing the information required by the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (2 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

Takings (Executive Order 12630)

The Department has determined that these rate adjustments do not have significant “takings” implications. The rate adjustments do not deprive the public, state, or local governments of rights or property.

Federalism (Executive Order 13132)

The Department has determined that these rate adjustments do not have significant Federalism effects because they will not affect the States, the relationship between the national government and the States, or the distribution of power and responsibilities among various levels of government.

Civil Justice Reform (Executive Order 12988)

In issuing this rule, the Department has taken the necessary steps to eliminate drafting errors and ambiguity, minimize potential litigation, and provide a clear legal standard for approved conduct, as required by section 3 of Executive Order 12988.

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

These rate adjustments do not affect the collections of information which have been approved by the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, under the Paperwork Reduction Act of

1995. The OMB Control Number is 1076–0141 and expires March 31, 2016.

National Environmental Policy Act

The Department has determined that these rate adjustments do not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and that no detailed statement is required under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321–4370(d)).

Data Quality Act

In developing this notice, we did not conduct or use a study, experiment, or survey requiring peer review under the Data Quality Act (Pub. L. 106–554).

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Kevin K. Washburn,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

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Outer Continental Shelf, Gulf of Mexico, Oil and Gas Lease Sales, Western Planning Area Lease Sales 246 and 248

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

ACTION: Notice of availability of the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: BOEM has prepared a Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for proposed Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) oil and gas Lease Sales 246 and 248, which are tentatively scheduled to be held in August 2015 and 2016, respectively, in the Gulf of Mexico (GOM) Western Planning Area (WPA) offshore the States of Texas and Louisiana. This Final Supplemental EIS updates the environmental and socioeconomic analyses for proposed WPA Lease Sales 246 and 248 evaluated in the *Gulf of Mexico OCS Oil and Gas Lease Sales: 2012–2017; Western Planning Area Lease Sales 229, 233, 238, 246, and 248; Central Planning Area Lease Sales 227, 231, 235, 241, and 247, Final Environmental Impact Statement* (2012–2017 WPA/CPA Multisale EIS; OCS EIS/EA BOEM 2012–019); *Gulf of Mexico OCS Oil and Gas Lease Sales: 2013–2014; Western Planning Area Lease Sale 233; Central Planning Area Lease Sale 231, Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement* (WPA 233/CPA 231 Supplemental EIS; OCS EIS/EA BOEM

2013–0118); and *Gulf of Mexico OCS Oil and Gas Lease Sales: 2014–2016; Western Planning Area Lease Sales 238, 246, and 248, Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement* (WPA 238/246/248 Supplemental EIS; OCS EIS/EA BOEM 2014–009). The 2012–2017 WPA/CPA Multisale EIS was completed in July 2012. The WPA 233/CPA 231 Supplemental EIS was completed in April 2013. The WPA 238/246/248 Supplemental EIS was completed in March 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gary D. Goeke, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, Office of Environment (GM 623E), 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard, New Orleans, Louisiana 70123–2394, by telephone at 504–736–3233 or email at wpa246@boem.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: BOEM developed this Final Supplemental EIS for proposed WPA Lease Sales 246 and 248 to consider new information made available since completion of the 2012–2017 WPA/CPA Multisale EIS, WPA 233/CPA 231 Supplemental EIS, and WPA 238/246/248 Supplemental EIS, and to consider new information on the *Deepwater Horizon* explosion, oil spill, and response. This Final Supplemental EIS provides updates on the baseline conditions and potential environmental effects of oil and natural gas leasing, exploration, development, and production in the WPA. BOEM conducted an extensive search for new information in consideration of the *Deepwater Horizon* explosion, oil spill, and response, reviewing scientific journals and available scientific data and information from academic institutions and Federal, State, and local agencies; and interviewing personnel from academic institutions and Federal, State, and local agencies. BOEM has examined the potential impacts of routine activities, accidental events, and the proposed lease sales' incremental contribution to the cumulative impacts on environmental and socioeconomic resources. BOEM has also examined the potential impacts associated with a low-probability catastrophic event. The oil and gas resource estimates and scenario information for this Final Supplemental EIS are presented as a range that would encompass the oil and gas resources and activities estimated for a proposed WPA lease sale.

BOEM has printed and will be distributing a limited number of paper copies of the Final Supplemental EIS. In keeping with the Department of the Interior's mission of the protection of natural resources and to limit costs while ensuring availability of the

document to the public, BOEM will primarily distribute digital copies of the Final Supplemental EIS on compact discs. However, if you require a paper copy, BOEM will provide one upon request if copies are still available.

1. You may obtain a copy of the Final Supplemental EIS from the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, Public Information Office (GM 335A), 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard, Room 250, New Orleans, Louisiana 70123–2394 (1–800–200–GULF).

2. You may download or view the Final Supplemental EIS on BOEM's Web site at <http://www.boem.gov/>.

Several libraries along the Gulf Coast have been sent copies of the Final Supplemental EIS. To find out which libraries have copies of the Final Supplemental EIS for review, you may contact BOEM's Public Information Office or visit BOEM's Web site at <http://www.boem.gov/>.

Authority: This Notice of Availability is published pursuant to the regulations (40 CFR part 1503) implementing the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.* [1988]).

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Abigail Ross Hopper,

Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

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Outer Continental Shelf, 2017–2022 Oil and Gas Leasing Program

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

ACTION: Notice of additional public scoping meetings for the programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the 2017–2022 Oil and Gas Leasing Program.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management is announcing three additional public scoping meetings for the EIS on the 2017–2022 Oil and Gas Leasing Program.

Additional Scoping Meetings

Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina

○ March 16, 2015; Ramada Plaza Nags Head Oceanfront, 1701 S. Virginia Dare Trail, Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina; 3:00–7:00 p.m.; free parking.

Atlantic City, New Jersey

○ March 18, 2015; Sheraton Atlantic City, 2 Convention Blvd., Atlantic City, New Jersey; 3:00–7:00 p.m.; validated participant parking at hotel.

Savannah, Georgia

○ March 24, 2015; Hyatt Regency Savannah, Two West Bay St., Savannah, Georgia; 3:00–7:00 p.m.; validated participant parking at hotel.

DATES: Comments should be submitted by March 30, 2015. Please see boemoceaninfo.com/get-involved/comments/ or www.regulations.gov (search “BOEM–2014–0085”) for information on how to comment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the EIS, the submission of comments, or BOEM's policies associated with this Notice, please contact Mr. Geoffrey L. Wikel, Acting Chief, Division of Environmental Assessment, Office of Environmental Programs, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (HM 3107), 381 Elden Street, Herndon, VA 20170–4817, telephone (703) 787–1283.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 29, 2015, BOEM published a Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) to inform decisions that will be made during the preparation and implementation of the 2017–2022 Oil and Gas Leasing Program (2017–2022 Program) (80 FR 4939). The EIS will analyze the potential direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts of possible outer continental shelf oil and gas activities that could result from lease sales proposed under the 2017–2022 Program. The scope of the EIS will be based on the 2017–2022 Draft Proposed Program (DPP) after consideration of public input received during the scoping period for the EIS (for details, see the DPP at <http://www.boem.gov/Five-Year-Program/>). The January 29, 2015, announcement included a schedule of EIS public scoping meetings, providing dates and locations, and this Notice is adding three new meetings.

Authority: This Notice is published pursuant to the regulations (40 CFR 1501.7) implementing the provisions of NEPA.

Dated: March 2, 2015.

Abigail Ross Hopper,

Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.

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