

United States District Court for the District of Alaska in settlement of *United States of America v. State of Alaska*, Civil Action No. A91-081 CV. The meeting agenda will include review of the draft fiscal year 2009 invitation for restoration project proposals.

**Willie R. Taylor,**

*Director, Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

#### Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Advisory Committee—Notice of Renewal

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Renewal of the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains Advisory Committee.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is published in accordance with Section 9(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (Pub. L. 92-463). Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture have renewed the Bureau of Land Management's Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Advisory Committee.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretaries with respect to the preparation and implementation of the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Management Plan.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Douglas Herrema, National Landscape Conservation System (WO-170), Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C Street, NW., Room 5618, Washington, DC 20240, telephone (202) 208-3516.

#### Certification Statement

I hereby certify that the renewal of the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Advisory Committee is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the Secretary of the Interior's and the Secretary of Agriculture's responsibilities to manage the lands, resources, and facilities administered by the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service.

**Dirk Kempthorne,**

*Secretary of the Interior.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

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

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

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of an information collection (1010-0112).

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are notifying the public that we have submitted to OMB an information collection request (ICR) to renew approval of the paperwork requirements in Form MMS-131, Performance Measures Data. This notice also provides the public a second opportunity to comment on the paperwork burden of these regulatory requirements.

**DATE:** Submit written comments by January 17, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments either by fax (202) 395-6566 or email (*OIRA\_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov*) directly to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior (1010-0112). Mail or hand carry a copy of your comments to the Department of the Interior; Minerals Management Service; Attention: Cheryl Blundon; Mail Stop 4024; 381 Elden Street; Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817. If you wish to e-mail your comments to MMS, the address is: *rules.comments@mms.gov*. Reference Information Collection 1010-0112 in your subject line and mark your message for return receipt. Include your name and return address in your message text.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cheryl Blundon, Regulations and Standards Branch, (703) 787-1607. You may also contact Cheryl Blundon to obtain a copy, at no cost, of the form that requires the subject collection of information.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title/Form:* Form MMS-131, Performance Measures Data.

*OMB Control Number:* 1010-0112.

*Abstract:* The Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.*), as amended, requires the Secretary of the Interior to preserve, protect, and develop OCS oil, gas, and sulphur resources; make such resources available to meet the Nation's energy needs as rapidly as possible; balance orderly energy resource development

with protection of the human, marine, and coastal environments; ensure the public a fair and equitable return on the resources of the OCS; and preserve and maintain free enterprise competition. These responsibilities are among those delegated to MMS. The MMS generally issues regulations to ensure that operations in the OCS will meet statutory requirements; provide for safety and protect the environment; and result in diligent exploration, development, and production of OCS leases.

In 1991 MMS began promoting, on a voluntary basis, the implementation of a comprehensive Safety and Environmental Management Program (SEMP) for the offshore oil and gas industry as a complement to current regulatory efforts to protect people and the environment during OCS oil and gas exploration and production activities. From the beginning, MMS, the industry as a whole, and individual companies realized that at some point they would want to know the effect of SEM on safety and environmental management of the OCS. The natural consequence of this interest was the establishment of performance measures. We are requesting OMB approval for a routine renewal of Form MMS-131, Performance Measures Data.

The responses to this collection of information are voluntary, although we consider the information to be critical for assessing the effects of the OCS Safety and Environmental Management Program. We can better focus our regulatory and research programs on areas where the performance measures indicate that operators are having difficulty meeting MMS expectations. We are more effective in leveraging resources by redirecting research efforts, promoting appropriate regulatory initiatives, and shifting inspection program emphasis. The performance measures give us valuable quantitative information to use in judging the reasonableness of company requests for alternative compliance or departures under 30 CFR 250.141 and 250.142. We also use the information collected to work with industry representatives to identify and request "pacesetter" companies make presentations at periodic workshops.

Knowing how the offshore operators as a group are doing, and where their own company ranks, provides company management with information to focus their continuous improvement efforts. This leads to more cost-effective prevention actions and, therefore, better cost containment. This information also provides offshore operators and organizations with a credible data