

support of conservation and management efforts and is applicable locally, regionally and nationally. The standard builds on and integrates with existing classification standards. The CMECS domain extends from the coastal tidal splash zone to the deep ocean, including all substrate and water column features of the oceans as well as the deep waters of the Great Lakes.

CMECS describes the defining features of individual habitats via five component classifications. The surface geology component describes the geological composition of surface and near-surface substrates including biogenic structures. The benthic biotic component is a hierarchical classification of the biological composition of coastal and marine benthos. The sub-benthic component classifies characteristics of the sediments and soils below the surface providing detailed information on the composition of the sediment column. The geofom component describes the major geomorphic and structural characteristics of the coasts, islands and the seafloor. The water column component defines and organizes the structure, characteristics and processes of the water column and associated biota. A comprehensive set of modifiers allows the inclusion of additional information on environmental, structural, physical, chemical and biotic features in addition to required elements of the classification. Each component can be used and mapped independently or combined as needed to address specific questions or applications. The proposed standard was developed to be technology- and scale-neutral; users may choose the operational scale and level of detail suited for their purpose. CMECS is a dynamic content standard that will allow additional types and refinement of the classification with improvements in technology and information.

Dated: August 13, 2010.

**Ivan DeLoatch,**

*FGDC Executive Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Environmental Impact Statement for Oil and Gas Development Activities on the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation, Utah

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent.

**SUMMARY:** This notice advises the public that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), in cooperation with the Ute Indian Tribe, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), U.S. Forest Service (USFS), U.S. Army Corp of Engineers (ACE), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the State of Utah, and Duchesne County, intends to gather information necessary for preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that evaluates proposed oil and gas development activities on the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation (Reservation), Utah. The Proposed Action consists of drilling up to 4,899 oil and/or natural gas wells over the next 15 years, with a life-of-project of 40 years. In addition to well pad development, linear developments would include roads, pipelines, and power lines. The Proposed Action would also include the development of ancillary facilities such as compressor stations, water treatment facilities, and storage areas. This notice also announces public scoping meetings that will be held to identify potential issues and alternatives to be considered in the EIS.

**DATES:** The dates of the public scoping meetings will be included in notices posted in the *Vernal Express*, *Basin Standard*, and *Salt Lake Tribune*, 15 days prior to the meeting. Written comments on the scope of the EIS or implementation of the proposal must arrive within 30 days following the public scoping meeting.

**ADDRESSES:** You may mail or hand carry written comments to Bucky Secakuku, Realty Specialist, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Uintah and Ouray Agency, 988 South 7500 East, P.O. Box 130, Fort Duchesne, Utah 84026; telephone: (435) 722-4331; e-mail: *Ute.Tribe.EIS@buysandassociates.com*. The locations of the public scoping meetings will be included in notices posted in the *Vernal Express*, *Basin Standard*, and *Salt Lake Tribune*, 15 days prior to the meeting. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for instructions for submitting comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Manuel Moyre, Acting Energy Minerals Director, Ute Indian Tribe, Energy and Minerals Department, 988 South 7500 East Annex Building, P.O. Box 70, Fort Duchesne, Utah 84026; telephone: (435) 725-4967; e-mail: *ManuelM@utetribes.com*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The goals of this EIS are to provide agency decision makers, the Ute Tribe, and the

general public with a comprehensive analysis and understanding of oil and gas development alternatives on the Reservation, and their existing and potential future impacts; to provide a better understanding of the cumulative impacts of increased development on the Reservation; to identify and propose mitigation measures that would minimize or prevent significant adverse impacts; to provide a programmatic National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) document from which to tier future site-specific environmental analyses of oil and gas development proposals; and to provide a framework for approval of oil and gas operations for the next 15 years.

This EIS analyzes oil and gas development strategies on the Reservation over the next 15 years. For the purposes of this EIS the "Analysis Area" will include a total of 1,886,770 acres. This acreage includes a non-congruent combination of Tribal surface (1,064,570 acres) and estate (873,540 acres) that intermittently overlap across the Reservation.

The Proposed Action consists of drilling up to 4,899 oil and/or natural gas wells over the next 15 years, with a life-of-project of 40 years. Approximately 10 percent of the wells would be drilled on existing pads. Economic conditions and the evaluation of the drilling results would determine the actual number of wells that would be drilled. In addition to well pad development, linear developments would include roads, pipelines, and powerlines. Surface disturbance would also occur as a result of development of ancillary facilities such as compressor stations, water treatment facilities, and storage areas. Initial disturbance from construction of these components is estimated to be approximately 23,254 acres.

The purpose for the activities proposed in this EIS is to economically extract, in an efficient and environmentally compatible manner, the oil and gas resources known to exist in mineral estates held in trust by the United States for the benefit of the Ute Indian Tribe and individual Indians. The action is proposed to meet the Ute Indian Tribe's need to maximize their economic benefit from this trust source.

The BIA will have authority over decisions regarding the EIS and these decisions will be documented in a Record of Decision. Cooperating agencies will provide expertise and data for their resources of interest and will aid in the development of alternatives and mitigation measures that will minimize or prevent significant adverse impacts.

### Directions for Submitting Public Comments

Please include your name, return address, and the caption "EIS, Uintah and Ouray Oil and Gas Development," on the first page of your written comments. You may also submit comments at the public scoping meetings.

### Public Availability of Comments

Comments, including names and addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the BIA address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section, during business hours, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail 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.

### Authority

This notice is published in accordance with sections 1503.1 of the Council of Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500 through 1508) implementing the procedural requirements of NEPA, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4371 *et seq.*), Department of the Interior Manual (516 DM 1–6), and is in the exercise of authority delegated to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, by part 209 of the Departmental Manual.

Dated: August 6, 2010.

**George T. Skibine,**

*Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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### State of Arizona Resource Advisory Council Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Arizona Resource Advisory Council meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management

Act of 1976 and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Arizona Resource Advisory Council (RAC), will meet on September 23, 2010, at the BLM National Training Center located at 9828 North 31st Avenue in Phoenix from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Agenda items include: BLM State Director's update on statewide issues; Presentation on water processes, issues and strategies affecting public lands in Arizona; State Director Update on the BLM Arizona National Landscape Conservation System (NLCS), Update on the Renewable Energy Strategy and RAC discussion and recommendations on factors BLM should consider as these strategies are implemented; RAC questions on BLM District Managers' Reports; and reports by RAC working groups. A public comment period will be provided at 11:30 a.m. on September 23, 2010, for any interested members of the public who wish to address the Council on BLM programs and business.

Under the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act, the RAC has been designated as the Recreation Resource Advisory Council (RRAC), and has the authority to review all BLM and Forest Service (FS) recreation fee proposals in Arizona. The afternoon meeting agenda on September 23, will include a brief review of the Recreation Enhancement Act (REA) Working Group Report, REA Working Group meeting schedule and future BLM/FS recreation fee proposals. The RRAC will review any recreation fee proposals at this meeting.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* August 23, 2010.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dorothea Boothe, Bureau of Land Management, Arizona State Office, One North Central Avenue, Suite 800, Phoenix, Arizona 85004–4427, 602–417–9504.

**James G. Kenna,**

*Arizona State Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

### National Register of Historic Places; Notification of Pending Nominations and Related Actions

Nominations for the following properties being considered for listing or related actions in the National Register were received by the National Park Service before July 31, 2010. Pursuant to section 60.13 of 36 CFR Part

60, written comments are being accepted concerning the significance of the nominated properties under the National Register criteria for evaluation. Comments may be forwarded by United States Postal Service, to the National Register of Historic Places, National Park Service, 1849 C St., NW., 2280, Washington, DC 20240; by all other carriers, National Register of Historic Places, National Park Service, 1201 Eye St., NW., 8th floor, Washington DC 20005; or by fax, 202–371–6447. Written or faxed comments should be submitted by September 7, 2010.

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail 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.

**Alexandra M. Lord,**

*Acting Chief, National Register of Historic Places/National Historic Landmarks Program.*

### ARIZONA

#### Gila County

Tonto National Monument Visitor Center, Arizona State Highway 188, Gila, 10000734

#### Pima County

Don Martin Apartment House, (Architecture and Planning of Josias Joesler and John Murphey in Tucson, AZ MPS), 605 E 9th St, Tucson, 10000748

Eleven Arches, The, (Architecture and Planning of Josias Joesler and John Murphey in Tucson, AZ MPS), 5201 N. Hacienda Del Sol, Tucson, 10000740

Erskine P. Caldwell House, (Architecture and Planning of Josias Joesler and John Murphey in Tucson, AZ MPS), 1915 E. Camino Miraval, Tucson, 10000747

First Joesler House, (Architecture and Planning of Josias Joesler and John Murphey in Tucson, AZ MPS), 3408 E. Fairmount St, Tucson, 10000741

Gabel, House, (Architecture and Planning of Josias Joesler and John Murphey in Tucson, AZ MPS), 5445 N. Camino Escuela, Tucson, 10000742

Haynes Building, (Architecture and Planning of Josias Joesler and John Murphey in Tucson, AZ MPS), 312–314 E. Sixth St, Tucson, 10000743

Hecker House, (Architecture and Planning of Josias Joesler and John Murphey in Tucson, AZ MPS), 2635 N. Camino Principal, Tucson, 10000744

Type A at 2101 E. Water St, (Architecture and Planning of Josias Joesler and John Murphey in Tucson, AZ MPS), 2101 E. Water St, Tucson, 10000745

Type B at 2019 E. Water St, (Architecture and Planning of Josias Joesler and John