

## Bureau of Land Management, Interior

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AUTHORITY: 42 U.S.C. 6508 and 43 U.S.C.1701 *et seq.*

SOURCE: 46 FR 55497, Nov. 9, 1981, unless otherwise noted.

### Subpart 3130—Oil and Gas Leasing, National Petroleum Reserve, Alaska: General

#### § 3130.0-1 Purpose.

These regulations establish the procedures under which the Secretary of the Interior will exercise the authority granted to administer a competitive leasing program for oil and gas within the National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska.

#### § 3130.0-2 Policy.

The oil and gas leasing program within the National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska shall be conducted in accordance with the purposes and policy directions provided by the Department of the Interior Appropriations Act, Fiscal Year 1981 (Pub. L. 96-514), and other executive, legislative, judicial and Department of the Interior guidance.

#### § 3130.0-3 Authority.

(a) The Department of the Interior Appropriations Act, Fiscal year 1981 (Pub. L. 96-514);

(b) The Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. 6504, *et seq.*); and

(c) The Federal Lands Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*), except that sections 202 and 603 are not applicable.

#### § 3130.0-5 Definitions.

As used in this part, the term:

(a) *Act* means the Department of the Interior Appropriations Act, Fiscal Year 1981 (Pub. L. 96-514).

(b) *Bureau* means the Bureau of Land Management.

(c) *Constructive operations* means the exploring, testing, surveying or otherwise investigating the potential of a lease for oil and gas or the actual drilling or preparation for drilling of wells therefor.

(d) *NPR-A* means the area formerly within Naval Petroleum Reserve Numbered 4 Alaska which was redesignated as the National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska by the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. 6501).

(e) *Reworking operations* means all operations designed to secure, restore or improve production through some use of a hole previously drilled, including, but not limited to, mechanical or chemical treatment of any horizon, deepening to test deeper strata and plugging back to test higher strata.

(f) *Special Areas* means the Utokok River, the Teshekpuk Lake areas and other areas within NPR—A identified by the Secretary as having significant subsistence, recreational, fish and wildlife or historical or scenic value.

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#### § 3130.0-7 Cross references. [Reserved]

#### § 3130.1 Attorney General review.

(a) Prior to the issuance of any lease, contract or operating agreement under this subpart, the Secretary shall notify the Attorney General of the proposed issuance, the name of the successful bidder, the terms of the proposed lease, contract or operating agreement and any other information the Attorney General may require to conduct an antitrust review of the proposed action. Such other information shall include, but is not limited to, information to be provided the Secretary by the successful bidder or its owners.

(b) In advance of the publication of any notice of sale, the Attorney General shall notify the Secretary of his/her preliminary determination of the information each successful bidder shall be required to submit for antitrust review purposes. The Secretary