

Activity/Operator	Location	Date
Ocean Energy, Inc., Structure Removal Activity, SEA ES/SR No. 03-127.	Main Pass Area, Block 63, Lease OCS-G 18086, located 16 miles from the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	06/20/03
Maritech Resources, Inc., Structure Removal Activity, SEA ES/SR No. 03-128, 03-129 and 03-130.	Eugene Island Area, Block 215, Lease OCS-G 00580, 37 miles from the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	06/18/03
Hunt Oil Company, Structure Removal Activity, SEA ES/SR No. 03-131.	Eugene Island Area, Block 76, Lease OCS-G 04823, located 17 miles from the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	06/11/03
Union Oil Company of California, Structure Removal Activity, SEA ES/SR No. 03-132.	South March Island Area, Block 11, Lease OCS-G 01182, located 35 miles southwest from the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	06/09/03
Torch Energy Services, Inc., Structure Removal Activity, SEA ES/SR No. 03-133.	Main Pass Area, Block 100, Lease OCS-G 04910, located 13 miles east-southeast of the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	06/16/03
EOG Resources, Structure Removal Activity, SEA ES/SR No. 03-137.	East Cameron Area, Block 118, Lease OCS-G 14362, located 36 miles south-southwest from the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	06/16/03
Nexen Petroleum U.S.A., Inc., Structure Removal Activity, SEA ES/SR No. 03-134.	Eugene Island Area, Block 295, Lease OCS-G 02104, located 70 miles from the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	06/18/03
Walter Oil & Gas Corporation, Structure Removal Activity, SEA ES/SR No. 03-135 and 03-136.	Padre Island Area, Blocks 976 and 996, OCS-G 05954 and 08962, located 25 miles from the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	06/23/03

Persons interested in reviewing environmental documents for the proposals listed above or obtaining information about SEAs and FONSI's prepared for activities on the Gulf of Mexico OCS are encouraged to contact MMS at the address or telephone listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION** section.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Lake Casitas Resource Management Plan, Ventura County, CA

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to prepare a draft environmental impact statement (EIS).

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2) (c) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Bureau of Reclamation proposes to prepare a draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) for Lake Casitas Resource Management Plan (RMP), which will be issued concurrent with the DEIS. Reclamation will be conducting two public scoping meetings to elicit comments on the scope and issues to be addressed in both the RMP and EIS. The date and time of these meetings are listed below. Reclamation is also seeking written comments, as noted below. The Draft RMP and DEIS are expected to be issued in late 2004.

DATES: Submit written comments on or before September 23, 2003.

The two scoping meetings will be held as follows:

- September 24, 2003, at 7 p.m., Ojai, CA 93023
- September 25, 2003, at 7 p.m., Ventura, CA 93001

ADDRESSES: Written comments on the scope of the RMP and DEIS should be sent to Mr. Dan Holsapple, Bureau of Reclamation, South-Central California Area Office, 1243 N Street, Fresno, CA 93721-1813; or by telephone at 559-487-5409; or faxed to 559-487-5130 (TDD 559-487-5933).

The meeting locations are:

- Ojai, California, at the Soule Golf Course, Banquet Room, 1033 East Ojai Avenue
- Ventura, California, at the E.P. Foster Library, Topping Room, 651 East Main Street

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Dan Holsapple, Bureau of Reclamation, 559-487-5409.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Casitas Project (originally called the Ventura Project) was constructed in the early 1950's by Reclamation on behalf of Ventura County and Casitas Municipal Water District (Casitas). The project includes Casitas Dam, Lake Casitas, the developed Recreation Area at the north end of the lake, and the Open Space Lands north of the lake, purchased in the late 1970's. Casitas operates the dam and manages the Open Space Lands under contracts with Reclamation. Casitas manages the Recreation Area, although a formal contract has not been established with Reclamation to date.

Reclamation is preparing a RMP for government lands associated with the Casitas Project, including the Recreation Area. The RMP will include long-term management actions to protect natural resources while maintaining and enhancing recreational opportunities. The RMP will be used to guide the

development of a long-term recreation contract between Reclamation and the non-Federal Managing Partner, Casitas.

The RMP will specifically address the Recreation Area, the entire lake, and all government land surrounding the lake. The objective of an RMP is to establish management objectives, guidelines, and actions to be implemented by Reclamation directly, or through its recreation contract with Casitas, that will protect the water supply and water quality functions of Lake Casitas; protect and enhance natural and cultural resources in the Recreation Area consistent with Federal law and Reclamation policies; and provide recreational opportunities and facilities consistent with the Project purposes and Reclamation policies.

The development of the RMP will be performed within the authorities provided by the Congress through the Reclamation Act, Federal Water Project Recreation Act, Reclamation Recreation Management Act, and applicable agency and Department of the Interior policies.

The RMP will be developed based on a comprehensive inventory of environmental resources and Project facilities. It will include an analysis of the natural resources of the area, the identification of land use suitability and capability, and the development of management policies, objectives, responsibilities, guidelines, and plans. The overall purpose of an RMP is to foster stewardship of Reclamation lands. The RMP will enable managers to make land-use and resource decisions that are consistent with the overall management objectives of Reclamation land and water areas and the needs of the public. The RMP will assist Reclamation in minimizing conflicts among the competing interests and types of use at Lake Casitas.