

5. Use of Information From the Request for Information

Information submitted in response to this request for information will be used for several purposes. Responses will be used to:

- Help to further identify areas of potential oil and gas development;
- Identify environmental effects and potential use conflicts not previously addressed in the final EIS and CD for Sales 186, 195, and 202 (OCS EIS/EA, MMS 2003-0010);
- Develop any additional lease terms and conditions/mitigating measures that may be necessary; and
- Identify any potential conflicts between oil and gas activities and the Alaska coastal management plan not addressed in the CD for Sale 186.

6. Existing Information

The MMS has acquired a substantial amount of information, including that gained through the use of traditional knowledge, on the issues and concerns related to oil and gas leasing in the Beaufort Sea.

An extensive environmental, social, and economic studies program has been underway in this area since 1975. The emphasis has been on geologic mapping, environmental characterization of biologically sensitive habitats, endangered whales and marine mammals, physical oceanography, ocean-circulation modeling, and ecological and socio-cultural effects of oil and gas activities.

Information on the Studies program, completed studies, and a program status report for continuing studies in this area may be obtained from the Chief, Environmental Studies Section, Alaska OCS Region, by telephone request at (907) 271-6577, or by written request at the address stated under Description of Area. A request may also be made via the Alaska OCS Region Web site at <http://www.mms.gov/alaska/ref/pubindex/pubsindex.htm>.

7. Tentative Schedule

The following is a list of tentative milestone dates applicable to Beaufort Sea Sale 195 covered by this call:

Request for Information published.	December 2003
Area Identification NEPA/Environmental Assessment Review (or Supplemental EIS) published.	February 2004 August 2004
Proposed Notice and CD.	October 2004
Final Notice of Sale Tentative Sale Date	February 2005 March 2005

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Analysis

1. Authority

The NOI is published pursuant to the regulations (40 CFR 1501.7) implementing the provisions of the NEPA of 1969 as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.* (1988)).

2. Purpose of Notice of Intent

Pursuant to the regulations (40 CFR 1501.7) implementing the procedural provisions of the NEPA of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), MMS is announcing its intent to prepare an environmental assessment for Beaufort Sea Oil and Gas Lease Sale 195, scheduled for March 2005. The environmental assessment will be prepared to determine if there are significant new issues or impacts not previously addressed in the EIS for Sales 189, 195, and 202. If no significant new issues or impacts are identified, a finding of no new significant impacts will be issued. If information is submitted in response to this request for information that identifies significant new issues and/or impacts not previously addressed, a supplemental EIS may be prepared.

3. Instructions on Notice of Intent

Federal, State, tribal, and local governments and other interested parties are requested to send their written comments on new information and issues that should be addressed in the environmental assessment to the Regional Supervisor, Leasing and Environment, Alaska OCS Region, at the address stated under Request for Information, Item 4. Comments should be enclosed in an envelope labeled "Comments on the Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment for Beaufort Sea Sale 195." Comments are due no later than 45 days from publication of this notice.

Dated: December 2, 2003.

R.M. "Johnnie" Burton,

Director, Minerals Management Service.

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ACTION: Notice of intended submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and request for comments.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507 *et seq.*) and 5 CFR part 1320, the National Park Service (NPS) invites comments on its intention to request OMB to approve an existing collection in use with an OMB control number (1024-0245) associated with the United States Park Police Personal History Statements Questionnaire. The purpose of the United States Park Police Personal History Statement Questionnaire is to collect detailed information that will be used principally as a basis for an investigation to determine suitable applicants for the position of United States Park Police Officer.

DATES: To assure that the NPS considers your comments on this notice; NPS must receive the comments on or before February 17, 2004.

SEND COMMENTS TO: Lieutenant Charles A. Orton, Assistant Commander Human Resources Office, United States Park Police, 1100 Ohio Drive, SW., Washington, DC 20024, via fax at 202-619-7479, or via e-mail at Charles_A_Orton@nps.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lieutenant Charles A. Orton, Assistant Commander Human Resources Office, United States Park Police, 1100 Ohio Drive, SW., Washington, DC 20024, via fax at 202-619-7479, or via e-mail at Charles_A_Orton@nps.gov or via telephone at 202-619-7001.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: United States Park Police Personal History Statements Questionnaire.

OMB Number: 1024-0245.

Expiration Date of Approval: 2/29/04.

Type of Request: Existing collection in use with an OMB Control number.

Abstract: This information collection has an impact on individuals that apply to the position of United States Park Police Officer. The NPS uses the information collections to hire adequately screened applicants for the position of United States Park Police Officer.

Respondents: Individual applicants to the position of United States Park Police Officer.

Estimate of Burden: NPS estimates that the public burden for the United States Personal History Statements Questionnaire collection of information will average 8 hours per applicant. This estimate of burden includes time for reviewing instructions, searching information sources, and gathering and reporting the information.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

60-Day Notice of Intent To Request Clearance of Collection of Information; Opportunity for Public Comment

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of Interior.