

Application Kit, please contact: The Violence Against Women Grants Office, Office of Justice Programs, Room 442, 633 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20531. Telephone: (202) 307-6026.

(b) *Programs.* Applications must set forth programs and projects that meet the purposes and criteria of the Grants to Encourage Arrest program set out in §§ 90.62 and 90.63 of this part.

(c) *Requirements.* Applicants in their applications shall, at a minimum:

(1) Describe plans to further the purposes stated in § 90.62 of this part;

(2) Identify the agency or office or groups of agencies or offices responsible for carrying out the program. Examples of these agencies or offices include police departments, prosecution agencies, courts and probation or parole departments; and

(3) Include documentation from nonprofit, private sexual assault and domestic violence programs demonstrating their participation in developing the application, and explain how these groups will be involved in the development and implementation of the project.

(d) *Certifications.* (1) As required by Section 2102(a) of the Omnibus Act, 42 U.S.C. 3796hh-1(a), each State, Indian tribal government or unit of local government must certify in its application that it has met the eligibility requirements set out in § 90.63 of this part.

(2) Each State, Indian tribal government or unit of local government must certify that all the information contained in the application is correct. All submissions will be treated as a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed, and any false or incomplete representation may result in suspension or termination of funding, recovery of funds provided, and civil and/or criminal sanctions.

#### **§ 90.65 Evaluation.**

(a) The National Institute of Justice will conduct evaluations and studies of programs funded through this Program. The Office of Justice Programs will set aside a small portion of the overall funds authorized for the Program for this purpose. Recipients of funds must agree to cooperate with such federally-sponsored research and evaluation studies of their projects. In addition, grant recipients are required to report to the Attorney General on the effectiveness of their project(s). Section 2103, codified at 42 U.S.C. 3796hh-2.

(b) Recipients of program funds are strongly encouraged to develop a local evaluation strategy to assess the impact and effectiveness of their programs.

Applicants should consider entering into partnerships with research organizations that are submitting simultaneous grant applications to the National Institute of Justice for this purpose.

#### **§ 90.66 Review of applications.**

(a) *Review criteria.* (1) The provisions of Part U of the Omnibus Act and of the regulations in this subpart provide the basis for review and approval or disapproval of applications and amendments in whole or in part.

Priority will be given to applicants that

(i) Do not currently provide for centralized handling of cases involving domestic violence by police, probation and parole officers, prosecutors, and courts; and

(ii) Demonstrate a commitment to strong enforcement of laws, and prosecution of cases, involving domestic violence. Omnibus Act § 2102(b)(1)-(2), 42 U.S.C. 3796hh-1(b)(1)-(2) (1994).

(2) Commitment may be demonstrated in a number of ways including: Clear communication from top departmental management that domestic violence prevention is a priority; strict enforcement of arrest policies; innovative approaches to officer supervision in domestic violence matters; acknowledgment of officers who consistently enforce domestic violence arrest policies and sanctions for those who do not; education and training for all officers and supervisors on enforcement of domestic violence arrest policies and the phenomenon of domestic violence; and the creation of special units to investigate and monitor spousal and partner abuse cases.

(3) Priority also will be given to applicants who provide evidence of meaningful attention to victims' safety and those who demonstrate a strong commitment to provide victims with information on the status of their cases from the time the complaint is filed through sentencing.

(b) *Intergovernmental review.* This program is covered by Executive Order 12372 (Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs) and implementing regulations at 28 CFR part 30. A copy of the application submitted to the Office of Justice Programs should also be submitted at the same time to the State's Single Point of Contact, if there is a Single Point of Contact.

#### **§ 90.67 Grantee reporting.**

Each grantee receiving funds under this subpart shall submit a report to the Attorney General evaluating the effectiveness of projects developed with funds provided under this subpart and

containing such additional material as the Assistant Attorney General of the Office of Justice Programs may prescribe.

Dated: July 30, 1996.

Laurie Robinson,

*Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

### **Minerals Management Service**

#### **30 CFR Part 203**

#### **RIN 1010-AC13**

### **Royalty Relief for Producing Leases and Certain Existing Leases in Deep Water**

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

**ACTION:** Extension of comment period for interim rule.

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**SUMMARY:** This notice extends to September 30, 1996, the deadline for the submission of comments on the interim rule governing royalty relief for producing leases and certain existing leases in deep water that was published May 31, 1996.

**DATES:** MMS will consider all comments we receive by September 30, 1996. We will begin reviewing comments at that time and may not fully consider comments we receive after September 30, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Mail or hand-carry comments to the Department of the Interior; Minerals Management Service; Mail Stop 4700; 381 Elden Street; Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817; Attention: Chief, Engineering and Standards Division.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Marshall Rose, Economic Evaluation Branch, telephone (703) 787-1536.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The MMS has been asked to extend the deadline for respondents to submit comments to the interim regulations governing royalty relief on producing and certain existing leases in deep water that were published May 31, 1996 (61 FR 27263). The request explains that more time is needed to allow respondents time to work on certain aspects and problem areas of the interim rule and guidelines for royalty relief for existing deep water leases.

Dated: July 30, 1996.

Lucy R. Querques,

Acting Associate Director for Offshore  
Minerals Management.

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## Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

### 30 CFR Part 950

[SPATS No. WY-022]

### Wyoming Regulatory Program

**AGENCY:** Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM), Interior.

**ACTION:** Final rule; approval of amendment.

**SUMMARY:** OSM is approving, with additional requirements, a proposed amendment to the Wyoming regulatory program (hereinafter, the "Wyoming program") under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (SMCRA). The proposed amendment consists of addition and revision of statutes and rules pertaining to shrub density stocking requirements and wildlife habitat. The amendment was intended to revise the Wyoming program to be consistent with SMCRA and the corresponding Federal regulations.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** August 6, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Guy V. Padgett, Director, Casper Field Office, Telephone: (307) 261-5824, Internet address: GPADGETT@CWYGW.OSMRE.GOV.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background on the Wyoming Program

On November 26, 1980, the Secretary of the Interior conditionally approved the Wyoming program. General background information on the Wyoming program, including the Secretary's findings, the disposition of comments, and the conditions of approval of the Wyoming program can be found in the November 26, 1980, Federal Register (45 FR 78637). Subsequent actions concerning Wyoming's program and program amendments can be found at 30 CFR 950.12, 950.15, 950.16, and 950.20.

##### II. Proposed Amendment

By letter dated November 29, 1995, Wyoming submitted a proposed amendment to its program (administrative record No. WY-031-1) pursuant to SMCRA (30 U.S.C. 1201 et

seq.). Wyoming submitted the proposed amendment in response to the required program amendments at 30 CFR 950.16(q) and (bb) through (hh). The provisions of the Wyoming Environmental Quality Act that Wyoming proposed to revise were: Wyoming Statute (W.S.) 35-11-103, definitions, and W.S. 35-11-402, establishment of reclamation standards. The provisions of the coal rules and regulations of the Department of Environmental Quality, Land Quality Division, that Wyoming proposed to revise were: chapter I, section 2, definitions; chapter II, section 2, permit application requirements for surface coal mining operations; chapter IV, section 2, general environmental protection performance standards for surface coal mining operations; chapter X, section 4, coal exploration and reclamation performance standards; chapter XI, section 5, self-bonding; chapter XIII, section 3, notice and opportunity for public hearing on surface coal mining permit revisions; chapter XVII, section 1, definitions for designation of areas unsuitable for surface coal mining; and appendix A, vegetation sampling methods and reclamation success standards for surface coal mining operations.

OSM announced receipt of the proposed amendment in the December 18, 1995, Federal Register (60 FR 65048), provided an opportunity for a public hearing or meeting on its substantive adequacy, and invited public comment on its adequacy (administrative record No. WY-31-02). Because no one requested a public hearing or meeting, none was held.

During its review of the amendment, OSM identified concerns relating to the proposed provisions of the rule at chapter I, section 2(v), critical habitat for threatened and endangered species; the rules at chapter I, sections 2(ac) and (bc)(xi), and chapter IV, section 2(d)(x)(E)(I), definitions for "eligible land" and "treated grazingland" and reclamation success standard for shrub density: the rule at chapter II, section 2(a)(vi)(G)(II), consultation by the Wyoming Land Quality Division on critical habitat; W.S. 35-11-402(b) and the rules at chapter II, section 2(b)(iv)(C), and chapter IV, section 2(d)(x)(E)(III), approval of reclamation standards by the Wyoming Game and Fish Department; the rules at chapter II, section 2(b)(vi)(B)(III) and chapter IV, sections 2(c)(xi)(F)(II) and 2(r), permit application requirements and performance standards for protection of important and crucial habitats for fish and wildlife; the rule at chapter X, section 4(e), disturbance of important

habitat by exploration operations; the rule at chapter XIII, section 2(b), notice and opportunity for public hearing on permit revision; appendix A, section VIII.E. and the rule at chapter IV, section 2(d)(x)(E)(I), programwide or permit-specific consultation and approval by the Wyoming Game and Fish Department; and appendix A, appendix IV, plant species of special concern. OSM notified Wyoming of the concerns by letter dated March 8, 1996 (administrative record No. WY-31-17).

Wyoming responded by letter on April 9, 1996, to each of the issues (administrative record No. WY-31-18). For some of the issues, Wyoming submitted specific revisions that it intends to pursue in the State rulemaking process. This process is expected to produce a formal amendment that would be submitted to OSM by mid-1997. OSM acknowledges these revisions but, because they have not yet been promulgated, does not in the following findings make determinations on their effectiveness.

##### III. Director's Findings

As discussed below, the Director, in accordance with SMCRA and 30 CFR 732.15 and 732.17, finds, with additional requirements, that the proposed program amendment submitted by Wyoming on November 29, 1995, is no less stringent than SMCRA and no less effective than the corresponding Federal regulations. Accordingly, the Director approves, with additional requirements, the proposed amendment.

##### 1. Substantive Revisions to Wyoming's Rules That Are Substantively Identical to the Corresponding Provisions of the Federal Regulations

Wyoming proposed revisions to the following rules that are substantive in nature and contain language that is substantively identical to the requirements of the corresponding Federal regulation provisions (listed in parentheses).

Chapter I, section 2(bc)(viii) (30 CFR 701.5), land use definition for "fish and wildlife habitat," and

Chapter XI, section 5(a) (30 CFR 800.23(g)), substitution of a surety bond for a self-bond.

Because these proposed Wyoming rules are substantively identical to the corresponding provisions of the Federal regulations, the Director finds that they are no less effective than the Federal regulations. The Director approves these proposed rules.