

preliminary or planned drilling activities; to monitor progress and activities in the OCS; to acquire G&G data and information collected under a Federal permit offshore; and to determine eligibility for reimbursement from the Government for certain costs. The information is necessary to determine if the applicants for permits or filers of notices meet the qualifications specified by the OCS Lands Act. MMS uses information collected to understand the G&G characteristics of oil-and-gas bearing physiographic regions of the OCS. It aids the Secretary in obtaining a proper balance among the potentials for environmental damage, the discovery of oil and gas, and adverse impacts on affected coastal states. Information from permittees is necessary to determine the propriety and amount of reimbursement.

We will protect information from respondents considered proprietary under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and its implementing regulations (43 CFR part 2) and under regulations at 30 CFR parts 250, 251, and 252. No items of a sensitive nature are collected. Responses are mandatory or required to obtain or retain a benefit.

Frequency: The frequency of reporting is on occasion, annually, or as specified in permits.

Estimated Number and Description of Respondents: Primarily, approximately 200 Federal OCS permittees or notice filers.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden: The currently approved annual reporting burden for this collection is 10,604 hours, which averages 53 hours per respondent. There are no recordkeeping burdens.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost" Burden: We have identified no cost burdens for this collection.

Comments: We will summarize written responses to this notice and address them in our submission for OMB approval. As a result of your comments and our consultations with a representative sample of respondents, we will make any necessary adjustments to the burden in our submission to OMB. In calculating the burden, we assumed that respondents perform many of the requirements in the normal course of their activities. We consider these to be usual and customary and took that into account in estimating the burden.

(1) We specifically solicit your comments on the following questions:

(a) Is the proposed collection of information necessary for us to properly

perform our functions, and will it be useful?

(b) Are the estimates of the burden hours of the proposed collection reasonable?

(c) Do you have any suggestions that would enhance the quality, clarity, or usefulness of the information to be collected?

(d) Is there a way to minimize the information collection burden on respondents, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology?

(2) In addition, the PRA requires agencies to estimate the total annual reporting "non-hour cost" burden to respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information. We need to know if you have costs associated with the collection of this information for either total capital and startup cost components or annual operation, maintenance, and purchase of service components. Your estimates should consider the costs to generate, maintain, and disclose or provide the information. You should describe the methods you use to estimate major cost factors, including system and technology acquisition, expected useful life of capital equipment, discount rate(s), and the period over which you incur costs. Capital and startup costs include, among other items, computers and software you purchase to prepare for collecting information; monitoring, sampling, drilling, and testing equipment; and record storage facilities. Generally, your estimates should not include equipment or services purchased: (i) before October 1, 1995; (ii) to comply with requirements not associated with the information collection; (iii) for reasons other than to provide information or keep records for the Government; or (iv) as part of customary and usual business or private practices.

MMS Information Collection Clearance Officer: Jo Ann Lauterbach, (202) 208-7744.

Dated: November 4, 1999.

Elmer P. Danenberger,

Chief, Engineering and Operations Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Boundary Revision, Beaumont Unit, Big Thicket National Preserve

DATES: The effective date of this Order shall be November 12, 1999.

SUMMARY: Section 1 of the Act of October 11, 1974, Pub. L. 93-439, 88 Stat. 1254, codified as amended at 16 U.S.C. 698 (1994), authorizes the Secretary of the Interior, after advising the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives, in writing, of his intention to do so and of the reasons therefor, to accept title to any lands or interests in lands located outside the boundaries of the preserve which any private person, organization, or public or private corporation may offer to donate to the United States, if he finds that such lands would make a significant contribution to the purposes for which the preserve was created.

Notice is hereby given that, effective on the date of publication of this notice, the boundary of the Beaumont Unit of Big Thicket National Preserve is being revised pursuant to the above-cited act to include those lands owned by Citgo Pipeline Co., comprised of 26.20 acres of land, depicted as Tract No. 189-38 on land acquisition status map, segment 189, having drawing number 175-30,009, dated May 27, 1999, prepared by Land Resources Program Center, Intermountain Region of the National Park Service.

This map is on file and available for inspection in the office of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior, Land Resources Program Center, Intermountain Region, and the office of the Superintendent, Big Thicket National Preserve.

Dated: September 9, 1999.

John H. King,

Acting Regional Director, Intermountain, National Park Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Availability of an Abbreviated Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Homestead National Monument of America General Management Plan, Gage County, Nebraska

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy

Act (NEPA) of 1969, the National Park Service (NPS) announces the availability of an abbreviated Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Homestead National Monument of America General Management Plan (GMP). This document in conjunction with the Draft General Management Plan/Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) describes and analyzes the environmental impacts of a proposed action and two action alternatives for the future management of the park. A no action alternative also is evaluated. The DEIS for the proposal was on 60-day public review from May 4, 1999 to July 10, 1999. The abbreviated final document includes responses to public comments on the DEIS and factual corrections to the DEIS.

DATES: A 30-day no action period will begin following release of the abbreviated FEIS. A Record of Decision will be made after this period; no sooner than December 12, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the abbreviated FEIS are available by request from the Superintendent, Homestead National Monument of America, 8523 West State Highway 4, Beatrice, Nebraska 68310-6743. Telephone 402-223-3514.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent, Homestead National Monument of America, at the address or telephone number above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The GMP for Homestead National Monument is intended to provide a blueprint to guide park management decisions for the next 10-20 years. In keeping with National Park Service planning policy, the GMP is a holistic, long-term, policy-level view for the future of the monument. The plan does not address site-specific actions, which will be deferred to future implementation planning.

Dated: November 5, 1999.

Catherine A. Damon,

Acting Regional Director, Midwest Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Announcement of Subsistence Resource Commission Meeting

SUMMARY: The Superintendent of Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve and the Chairperson of the Subsistence Resource Commission for Gates of the Arctic National Park announce a forthcoming meeting of the Gates of the Arctic National Park Subsistence

Resource Commission. The following agenda items will be discussed:

- (1) Call to Order (Chairman).
- (2) Roll Call.
- (3) Approval of summary of meeting in Fairbanks.
- (4) Review Agenda.
- (5) Superintendent's introductions of guests and staff and review of Commission function and purpose.
- (6) Superintendent's Management/Research Report Summary.
 - a. Administration and Management.
 - b. Park Operations.
 - c. Resource Management.
 - d. Subsistence Program.
- (7) Public and other agency comments.
- (8) Old Business:
 - a. October 1999 SRC Chairs Meeting Report.
 - (1) Customary Trade.
 - (2) One year residency for eligibility.
 - (3) Firearm use under a trapping license.
 - (4) Secretarial delegation of signature authority for Hunting Plan recommendations.
 - (5) SRC information sharing.
 - b. SRC information sharing.
 - (9) New Business:
 - a. Federal Subsistence Fisheries Management.
 - b. Review Regional Advisory Council Actions.
 - c. Hunting Plan Work Session (if necessary)
 - (10) Set time and place of next SRC meeting.
 - (11) Adjournment.

DATES: The meeting will begin at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, November 15, 1999, and conclude at approximately 5 p.m. The meeting will reconvene at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, November 16, 1999, and adjourn at approximately 12:00 p.m. The meeting will adjourn earlier if the agenda items are completed.

LOCATION: The meeting location is: Wedgewood Resort in Fairbanks, Alaska.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Steve Ulvi, Management Assistant, 201 First Avenue, Doyon Bldg., Fairbanks, Alaska 99701. Phone (907) 456-0352.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Subsistence Resource Commissions are authorized under Title VIII, Section 808, of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, Pub. L. 96-487, and operate in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committees Act. Note that under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), transcripts of any person giving public

comments may be made available under a FOIA request.

Darwin Aho,

Acting Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Announcement of Subsistence Resource Commission Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Acting Superintendent of Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve and the Chairperson of the Subsistence Resource Commission for Wrangell-St. Elias National Park announce a forthcoming meeting of the Wrangell-St. Elias National Park Subsistence Resource Commission. The following agenda items will be discussed:

- (1) Call to Order (Chairman).
- (2) Roll Call: Confirmation of Quorum.
- (3) Introduction of Commission members, staff, and guests.
- (4) Review Agenda.
- (5) Review and approval of minutes from April 20-21, 1999 meeting.
- (6) Acting Superintendent's welcome and review of the Commission purpose—Hunter.
- (7) Commission membership status.
- (8) Public and other agency comments.
- (9) Report on October 1999 Chair Workshop.
- (10) Acting Superintendent's report.
 - a. Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve Superintendent and Yakutat District Ranger Positions.
 - (11) Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve staff reports.
 - a. Mentasta Herd Update.
 - (12) Old Business:
 - a. Status report on inclusion of Healy Lake as a resident zone community.
 - b. Status of EA/rulemaking to add Northway, Tetlin, Tanacross and Dot Lake as resident zone communities.
 - c. Cordova Public Meeting.
 - (1) Status of C & T proposals.
 - (2) Request for resident zone status.
 - d. Status of Malaspina Forelands ATV study project.
 - e. Possible restrictions of the harvest of ewe sheep.
 - f. Subsistence Hunting Program Recommendation 97-01: establish minimum residency requirement for resident zone communities.
 - g. SRC Chairs Customary Trade Concerns.
 - h. Status report on Hunting Plan Recommendation 96-1 and 96-2: