

production at the camp would not exceed 500 gallons per day.

- Limited boating would be allowed through the Grand Canyon of the Tuolumne, from Pothole Dome to Pate Valley. Overnight boating would be permitted under the Wilderness overnight trailhead quota system used to manage the user capacity in Wilderness zones; only noncommercial boating would be permitted. The NPS would provide for such use on a trial basis, monitoring and adjusting the management of this recreational opportunity as needed.

- Twenty-one campsites in Loop A of the Tuolumne Meadows Campground that are within 100 feet of the river would be relocated within the campground to protect riparian vegetation along the Lyell Fork.
- The mountaineering school function would be retained and accommodated at the Tuolumne Meadows Lodge.

- The NPS would seek to move the dining hall and kitchen at Tuolumne Meadows Lodge upslope within the Tuolumne Meadows Lodge complex, more than 150 feet from the banks of the Dana Fork. This move would be dependent on identification of a suitable site and consultation with the California State Historic Preservation Officer.

- The grazing capacity for meadows along the Lyell Fork would be adjusted from a capacity of 192 grazing-nights per season to a flexible capacity of 167–249 grazing-nights per season, depending on snowfall and rainfall patterns.

- The percentage of total use allocated to commercial use in Wilderness portions of the Tuolumne River Corridor would be adjusted to a slightly higher percentage. Such uses would consist of no more than 15% of total use in the Lyell Canyon portion of the river corridor.

- The Draft EIS mistakenly showed that the ranger station in Tuolumne Meadows would be relocated to the existing visitor center. The Final EIS confirms that the ranger station would remain in its existing location. The maintenance offices would occupy the old visitor center once the new visitor contact station is constructed.

- An employee fuel station would be provided at the maintenance yard. Visitors who ran out of gas could also obtain fuel.

Decision Process: The Record of Decision will be prepared not sooner than 30 days after release of the Final Tuolumne River Plan/EIS. As a delegated EIS process, the official responsible for final approval of the Tuolumne River Plan is the Regional

Director, Pacific West Region, NPS; subsequently the official responsible for implementation of the approved Tuolumne River Plan is the Superintendent, Yosemite National Park.

Dated: November 22, 2013.

Martha J. Lee,

Acting Regional Director, Pacific West Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

[OMB Number 1010—New]

Information Collection: Social Indicators in Coastal Alaska: Arctic Communities Survey; Proposed Collection for OMB Review; Comment Request; MMAA104000

ACTION: 60-Day notice.

SUMMARY: To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) is inviting comments on a new collection of information that we will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The information collection request (ICR) pertains to a survey conducted in northern coastal Alaska communities.

DATES: Submit written comments by May 13, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Please send your comments on this ICR to the BOEM Information Collection Clearance Officer, Arlene Bajusz, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, 381 Elden Street, HM–3127, Herndon, Virginia 20170 (mail); or arlene.bajusz@boem.gov (email); or 703–787–1209 (fax). Please reference ICR 1010—New Alaska Survey in your comment and include your name and return address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Arlene Bajusz, Office of Policy, Regulations, and Analysis at (703) 787–1025. You may also request a free copy of the survey. For more information on the survey, contact Chris Campbell in the BOEM Alaska Regional Office at (907) 334–5264.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 1010—New.
Title: Social Indicators in Coastal Alaska: Arctic Communities Survey.

Abstract: This is a new collection that involves a survey of the Alaska coastal

area along the Arctic. Section 20 of the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act (OCSLA) requires the Secretary of the Department of the Interior (DOI) to monitor and assess the impacts of resource development activities in Federal waters on human, marine, and coastal environments. The OCSLA authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to conduct studies in areas or regions of lease sales to ascertain the “environmental impacts on the marine and coastal environments of the outer Continental shelf and the coastal areas which may be affected by oil and gas development” (43 U.S.C. 1346) (Pub. L. 95–372).

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321–4347) requires that all Federal agencies use a systematic, interdisciplinary approach to ensure the integrated use of the natural and social sciences in any planning and decision making that may have an effect on the human environment. The Council on Environmental Quality’s Regulations for Implementing Procedural Provisions of NEPA (40 CFR 1500–1508) state that the “human environment” is to be “interpreted comprehensively” to include “the natural and physical environment and the relationship of people with that environment” (40 CFR 1508.14). An action’s “aesthetic, historic, cultural, economic, social or health” effects must be assessed, “whether direct, indirect, or cumulative” (40 CFR 1508.8).

The BOEM is the DOI agency that conducts OCS lease sales and monitors and mitigates adverse impacts that might be associated with offshore resource development. The BOEM Environmental Studies Program implements and manages the responsibilities of research. This new survey will facilitate the meeting of DOI/BOEM information needs by quantifying measures of well-being and the living conditions of residents in coastal Alaska areas, with specific focus on six Iñupiat coastal Alaska Native communities in the North Slope Borough (Barrow, Point Hope, Wainwright, Nuiqsut, Kaktovik, Point Lay).

The BOEM will use the information collected from this survey to learn about local social systems and well-being in a way that may shape development strategies and serve as an interim baseline for impact mitigation and/or monitoring to compare against future research in these areas. Without these data, BOEM will not have sufficient information to make informed oil and gas leasing and development decisions for these areas. The studies will help

BOEM identify and mitigate impacts of offshore oil and gas exploration and development on Alaska Native communities.

Survey Instrument: The Social Indicators survey is voluntary and will be given to the head of each selected household in the study communities. The survey instrument was developed through collaborative discussions with key community members tasked to serve on the North Slope Management Board, specifically established to deal with this study.

Interview Methods: The interviews will be conducted in person in a setting most comfortable for the respondents. This personal method is more expensive and time consuming for the researchers, but these drawbacks are outweighed by improvements in the quality of information obtained and the rapport established between the surveyor and the person interviewed. Telephone interviews have not been successful on the North Slope. Each respondent will be paid an honorarium for taking part in the study. Responses are voluntary.

Frequency: One-time event.

Description of Respondents: Respondents are members of the Alaskan coastal communities in the North Slope Borough.

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: We estimate 1,001 respondents and expect each interview to last 1 hour for a total of 1,001 burden hours.

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

Public Disclosure Statement: The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Until OMB approves a collection of information, you are not obligated to respond.

Comments: We invite comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

We will summarize written responses to this notice and address them in our submission for OMB approval. As a result of your comments, we will make

any necessary adjustments to the burden in our submission to OMB.

Public Availability of Comments: Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Dated: March 5, 2014.

Deanna Meyer-Pietruszka,
Chief, Office of Policy, Regulations, and Analysis.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

[Docket No. BOEM-2014-0009]

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for Proposed Wind Energy-Related Research Activities on the Atlantic Outer Continental Shelf Offshore Virginia and Notice of Public Scoping Meeting MMAA104000

AGENCY: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4231 *et seq.*), BOEM intends to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) to consider the reasonably foreseeable environmental consequences associated with the approval of wind energy-related research activities offshore Virginia as proposed by the Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy (DMME). BOEM is seeking public input regarding important environmental issues and the identification of reasonable alternatives that should be considered in the EA.

In addition to the request for written comments, BOEM is holding a public scoping meeting to solicit comments on the scope of the EA. The meeting will be held from 5:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m. EDT on Thursday, April 3, 2014, at the Virginia Aquarium and Marine Science Center, 717 General Booth Boulevard, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23451.

Authority: The Notice of Intent to prepare an EA is published pursuant to 43 CFR 46.305.

DATES: Comments should be submitted no later than April 14, 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michelle Morin, BOEM, Environment Branch for Renewable Energy, 381 Elden Street, HM 1328, Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817; (703) 787-1340 or michelle.morin@boem.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. Background

On December 9, 2013, BOEM published a Determination of No Competitive Interest (78 FR 73882) for a research lease requested by DMME. BOEM may issue DMME a research lease. A lease issued to DMME would be considered under BOEM's Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and EA for Lease Issuance and Site Assessment Activities on the Atlantic Outer Continental Shelf Offshore New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland and Virginia, which can be found at <http://www.boem.gov/Renewable-Energy-Program/Smart-From-The-Start/index.aspx>. DMME has submitted a Research Activities Plan (RAP) to BOEM. The RAP describes the proposed construction, operation, maintenance, and decommissioning of the Virginia Offshore Wind Technology Advancement Project (VOWTAP), and includes the results of site characterization studies, such as geophysical, geotechnical, archaeological, and biological surveys. The RAP can be found at the following URL: <http://www.boem.gov/Renewable-Energy-Program/State-Activities/Virginia.aspx>.

DMME's proposed project, VOWTAP, would consist of two 6-MW wind turbine generators (WTGs), a 34.5-kilovolt (kV) alternating current (AC) submarine cable interconnecting the WTGs (inter-array cable), a 34.5 kV AC submarine transmission cable (export cable), and a 34.5 kV underground cable (onshore interconnection cable) that would connect the VOWTAP with existing infrastructure located in the City of Virginia Beach. Interconnection with the existing infrastructure also would require an onshore switch cabinet, an underground fiber optic cable, and a new interconnection station to be located entirely within the boundaries of the Camp Pendleton State Military Reservation (Camp Pendleton), in the City of Virginia Beach.

The offshore components of the VOWTAP, including the WTGs and inter-array cable, would be located on the Outer Continental Shelf approximately 24 nautical miles offshore Virginia Beach, Virginia, while the export cable would traverse both