Resource Area at the above address, phone (541) 573–4400.

Dated: November 7, 2000.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management [NM-030-1310-DB]

Draft Resource Management Plan Amendment (RMPA) and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Federal Fluid Minerals Leasing and Development in Sierra and Otero Counties, New Mexico

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability and public hearings.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations (40 CFR 1500–1508), and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) of 1976, the BLM Las Cruces Field Office (through Dames and Moore, Inc., a qualified consultant) has prepared a Draft RMPA/EIS. The RMPA/EIS addresses Federal fluid minerals (oil, gas, and geothermal) leasing and subsequent activities (e.g., exploration, development, or production) in Sierra and Otero Counties, New Mexico.

DATES: Written comments on the Draft RMPA/EIS must be postmarked on or before February 20, 2001. Public hearings will be held at the times and

places listed under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to: Tom Phillips, RMPA/EIS Team Leader, BLM, Las Cruces Field Office, 1800 Marquess, Las Cruces, NM 88005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tom Phillips, RMPA/EIS Team Leader, (505) 525–4377.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public hearings will be held at the following times and locations.

Date	Time	City	Location
January 9, 2001	7:00 p.m.	Roswell, New Mexico	Sally Port Inn, 2000 N. Main St.
January 10, 2001	7:00 p.m	Alamogordo, New Mexico.	County Commission Chambers, 1000 New York Ave.
January 11, 2001	7:00 p.m	Truth or Con- sequences, New Mexico.	County Commission Chambers, 100 N. Date St.

Both oral and written comments may be given at the hearings. Written comments may also be submitted to the BLM, Las Cruces Field Office, 1800 Marquess, Las Cruces, NM 88005 on or before February 20, 2001.

A time limit for oral testimony at the hearings will be established by the presiding hearings officer, based on the number of people wishing to make comments at each hearing. Written text of prepared comments may be filed at the hearing whether or not the speaker has been able to complete the oral delivery in the allotted time.

All oral and written comments on the adequacy of the Draft RMPA/EIS will receive consideration in the Proposed RMPA/Final EIS.

Copies of the Draft RMPA/EIS have been distributed to a mailing list of identified interested parties. Single copies of the Draft RMPA/EIS may be obtained from the BLM Las Cruces Field Office, 1800 Marquess, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Public reading copies are available for review at public and university libraries in Las Cruces, Alamogordo, Truth or Consequences, Roswell, and Santa Fe, New Mexico and El Paso, Texas.

The RMPA amends the 1986 RMP for the White Sands Resource Area. The objective of the RMPA is to determine (1) which lands overlying Federal fluid minerals are suitable and available for leasing and subsequent development and (2) how those leased lands will be managed. The EIS identifies the potential impacts that alternative plans for fluid minerals leasing and subsequent activities could have on the environment and identifies appropriate measures to mitigate those impacts.

Dated: November 7, 2000.

Amy L. Lueders,

 $Field Manager, Las \ Cruces. \\ [FR \ Doc. \ 00-29315 \ Filed \ 11-15-00; \ 8:45 \ am] \\ \textbf{BILLING CODE 4310-VC-P}$

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA-942-5700-BJ-044B]

Filing of Plats of Survey; California

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to inform the public and interested state and local government officials of the

latest filing of Plats of Survey in California.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Unless otherwise noted, filing was effective at 10 a.m. on the next federal work day following the plat acceptance date.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lance J. Bishop, Chief, Branch of Geographic Services, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), California State Office, 2800 Cottage Way, Room W– 1834, Sacramento, CA 95825; (916) 978– 4310.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The plats of Survey of lands described below have been officially filed at the California State Office of the Bureau of Land Management in Sacramento, California.

Humboldt Meridian, California

T. 5 N., R. 1 W.

Supplemental Plat of a portion of the south half of sections 31 and 32, accepted June 27, 2000, to meet certain administrative needs of the BLM, Arcata Field Office.

Ts. 4 and 5 N., R. 1 W.

Dependent resurvey, corrective resurvey, and survey Group 1313, accepted June 27, 2000, to meet certain administrative needs of the BLM, Arcata Field Office.

T. 3 S., R. 2 W.