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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

Information Collections Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for Review Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

The proposal for collection of information listed below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for approval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). An expedited review has been requested in accordance with the Act, since allowing for the normal review period would adversely affect the public interest for the reasons given below. Approval has been requested by May 1, 1995. Comments and suggestions on the proposal should be made directly to the bureau clearance officer and to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (1004-0011), Washington, D.C. 20503, telephone 202-395-7340.

Title: Jobs-in-the-Woods Employment Evaluation

OMB approval number:

Abstract: Four items of information will be requested in each Jobs-in-the-Woods contract issued, for the contractor to respond to at the close of the contract:

- (1) Number of workers employed on the contract including managers, supervisors and support.
- (2) Number of days these workers worked on the contract (total based on an eight hour work day).
- (3) Total amount of wages and benefits paid to these workers.
- (4) Number of workers, if any, considered to be displaced timber workers.

The information collected will be used by Federal land management agencies, Department-level officials in the Departments of Agriculture and Interior, White House officials, and Congress to gauge the effectiveness in achieving the intent of Federal appropriations for the Jobs-in-the-Woods program. The consequence of not having the information is that the outcome of the Jobs-in-the-Woods program will remain unknown and speculative. Adjustments to the program cannot be knowledgeably made in the absence of this information.

Reason for expedited review: To be able to include the contract clause into all Jobs-in-the-Woods contracts beginning in Fiscal Year 1995.

Bureau form number: Not applicable

Frequency: Once

Description of respondents: Businesses awarded Jobs-in-the-Woods contracts under the President's Northwest Economic Adjustment Initiative.

Estimated completion time: One half hour

Annual responses: 400

Annual burden hours: 200

Bureau clearance officer: Wendy Spencer, 303-236-6642

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Expanded Moxa Arch Area Natural Gas Development Project, Sweetwater, Lincoln, and Uinta Counties, WY; Availability of Draft Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior—Lead Agency; Bureau of Reclamation, Interior—Cooperating Agency.

ACTION: Notice of availability of Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the availability of the Expanded Moxa Arch Area Natural Gas Development Project Draft EIS which analyzes the environmental consequences of the Moxa Arch operators proposal to continue to drill additional development wells in their leased acreage within the Moxa Arch oil and gas development area of southwestern Wyoming. The Moxa analysis area includes portions of western Sweetwater, southwestern Lincoln, and northeastern Uinta Counties, Wyoming. The project area is generally located within Townships 15 through 23 North, Ranges 111 through 113 West, 6th Principal Meridian. The area is accessed by Interstate 80 and U.S. Highway 30. Access to the interior of the Moxa analysis area is provided by an extensive road network developed to service prior and on-going drilling and production activities.

DATES: Comments on the draft EIS will be accepted for 45 days following the date that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) publishes their Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. The EPA notice is expected to be published

on April 28, 1995. There are presently no plans to hold a public hearing on the Expanded Moxa Arch Area Natural Gas Development Project draft EIS because of apparent lack of unresolved substantial environmental controversy concerning the proposed project. Reviewers are encouraged to visit the local BLM offices in Cheyenne, Rock Springs, and Kemmerer, Wyoming, and talk with the managers about any concerns. If enough people indicate a desire to testify by returning the tear-out sheet provided in the draft EIS, a public hearing(s) will be scheduled. Information on the hearing(s) will be published in State and local newspapers and other media sources, and direct mailing to the recipients of the draft EIS to give the public enough notice.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the draft EIS should be sent to Bureau of Land Management, Bill McMahan (Project Coordinator), P.O. Box 1869, Rock Springs, WY 82902-1869.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The draft EIS analyzes a proposed action, one development alternative, and the no action alternative. The proposal by the Moxa Arch operators is to continue to drill additional development wells in their leased acreage within the Moxa Arch oil and gas development area of southwestern Wyoming. The Moxa Arch operators include Amoco Production Company, Union Pacific Resources Company, Wexpro/Celsius Energy Company, Bannan Energy, Marathon Oil Company, Presidio Exploration, and other companies (collectively referred to as the Moxa Operators). Lands associated with the additional drilling program include those previously analyzed in the Amoco Production Company Moxa Arch Natural Gas Production Environmental Assessment (EA) and Decision Record (DR) (USDI-BLM 1991) and the supplemental EA and DR to the Amoco Production Company Moxa Arch Natural Gas Production Project (USDI-BLM 1992). Additional areas analyzed in the EIS include lands north and south of the area analyzed in the previous EAs. The additional area combined with the lands analyzed in the previous two environmental analysis documents form the Expanded Moxa Arch Natural Gas Development (Moxa) analysis area (approximately 476,261 acres).

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