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### Notice of Public Comment Period for the Southern Ute Oil and Gas Environmental Impact Statement

**AGENCIES:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is proposing to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for oil and gas leasing and operations on Southern Ute Indian Tribal lands and to hold a public scoping meeting and comment period in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Title 40 CFR Part 1500.

**ADDRESSES:** Mail all comments to the Area Manager, San Juan Resource Area, 701 Camino del Rio, Durango, Colorado 81301.

A mailing list for interested public and agencies is being maintained in the San Juan Resource Area office. The list will be used to provide information about opportunities for public input and for distribution of the draft and final EIS.

**DATES:** The scoping period opens September 26, 1995, and comments must be received by the close of business, October 26, 1995.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with Section 102 of NEPA, an EIS for oil and gas leasing and operations on lands of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe will be prepared by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe (SUIT) Energy and Minerals Division (project lead), the U.S. Bureau of Land Management (lead federal agency), and the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with Title 40, CFR, Part 1506.3(c), the SUIT, the BLM and the BIA are preparing the EIS for the purposes of evaluating impacts associated with federal approval of tribally issued oil and gas leases and approving exploration and production operations on lands subject to federal jurisdiction within the boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal lands.

Comments and concerns of the Southern Ute people, the public and interested federal, state, and local agencies will be solicited as part of the

EIS scoping process. The 30-day scoping period will begin September 26, 1995, with a public meeting in Ignacio, Colorado, from 7 to 9 p.m. in Rolling Thunder Hall at the Southern Ute Casino. The comment period will be open for 30 days thereafter, through October 26, 1995.

Comments may be presented verbally at the meeting or by telephone to the contacts provided below. Comments may also be submitted in written form at the scoping meeting, to the contacts shown below, and by telefax.

#### Preliminary Issues

How best can oil and gas development revenues continue to be received and maximized for benefiting the Southern Ute Indian Tribe while at the same time protecting Tribal lands and the environment from injurious impacts.

#### Preliminary Alternatives

At least two alternatives present themselves before scoping takes place.

*No-Action Alternative*—Continuation of current oil and gas management actions and conditions of approval in line with the existing BIA Environmental Analysis (EA), BLM field and site development EAs, and existing policies and practices. This alternative would maintain the status quo and is used as the baseline for comparison of impacts from additional proposed actions.

*Enhanced Development*—This alternative would modify existing development to allow for new injection technologies and down-spacing based on reasonably foreseeable development.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Don Englishman, San Juan Resource Area, 701 Camino del Rio, Durango, Colorado 81301, Telephone: (970) 247-4082; Telefax: (970) 385-4818; TDD\*: (970) 385-5121. \*(Telephone Device for the Deaf)

Documents pertinent to this proposal may be examined at the San Juan Resource Area Office during the business hours from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. MST, Monday through Friday.

Dated: September 5, 1995.

**Donald R. Glaser,**

*State Director, Colorado.*

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### Resource Advisory Councils, Meetings

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Resource Advisory Councils—Notice of Meeting Locations and Times.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), 5 U.S.C. Appendix, the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), has established Resource Advisory Councils for the States of Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, and Wyoming.

The Councils are: Alaska, Alaska Resource Advisory Council; Arizona, Arizona Resource Advisory Council; California, Bakersfield Resource Advisory Council, Susanville Resource Advisory Council, and Ukiah Resource Advisory Council; Colorado, Front Range Resource Advisory Council, Northwest Resource Advisory Council, and Southwest Resource Advisory Council; Idaho, Lower Snake River Resource Advisory Council, Upper Columbia-Salmon/Clearwater Resource Advisory Council, and Upper Snake River Resource Advisory Council; Montana/North and South Dakota, Butte Resource Advisory Council, Lewistown Resource Advisory Council, Miles City Resource Advisory Council, and Dakotas Resource Advisory Council; Nevada, Mojave-Southern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council, Northeastern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council, and Sierra Front-Northwestern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council; New Mexico, New Mexico Resource Advisory Council; Oregon/Washington, John Day-Snake Resource Advisory Council, Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council, and Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council; Utah, Utah Resource Advisory Council; and Wyoming, Wyoming Resource Advisory Council.

These Councils will provide representative counsel and advice to BLM on the planning and management of the public lands. Members of these Councils are appointed by the Secretary of the Interior.

Concurrent meetings of the Councils will be held on September 21-22, 1995. The agenda for each meeting includes Council orientation, prioritization of new business for consideration by each Council, election of Council officers and decisions on other operational issues, discussion of new business, and a meeting evaluation.

All meetings are open to the public. The public may present written