

STATE LAND OFFICE

Notice of Public Hearing To Consider Proposed Amendments To State Land Office Rule 19.2.100 NMAC

The New Mexico State Land Office (“SLO”) will hold a public hearing on Thursday, October 6, 2016, at 9:00 a.m., and continuing thereafter as necessary, in Morgan Hall, Room 101, 310 Old Santa Fe Trail, Santa Fe, New Mexico. Any change to the location or time will be posted with a final agenda on the SLO webpage (<http://www.nmstatelands.org>) at least 72 hours prior to the date and time specified above.

The purpose of the hearing is to consider proposed amendments to 19.2.100 NMAC to add a section, pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 19-10-6, allowing oil wells on SLO leases to be temporarily shut in (at the option of the lessee or operator) due to a severe reduction in the price of oil. Adoption of the proposed amendments would be based on a determination by the commissioner of public lands that the beneficiaries of state trust lands will be better served if the lessee or operator is permitted to shut wells in temporarily rather than producing at a low price.

The proposed rule change is available on the SLO website (<http://nmstatelands.org>) and at the SLO building located at 310 Old Santa Fe Trail, Santa Fe, New Mexico. To request a hard copy, contact Stephanie LeMaster at (505) 827-5761 or slemaster@slo.state.nm.us.

Written comments may be submitted by mail to: Stephanie LeMaster, New Mexico State Land Office, Attention: Rulemaking Comments, P.O. Box 1148, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-1148, or by email to slemaster@slo.state.nm.us. Written comments will be accepted until noon on September 30, 2016.

If you are an individual with a disability and you require assistance or an auxiliary aid (such as a sign language interpreter) to participate in any aspect of this process, please contact Selena Romero by September 16, 2016 at (505) 827-5790 or sromero@slo.state.nm.us.