PUBLIC NOTICE SALE OF OIL AND GAS LEASES

Office of the Commissioner of Public Lands P.O. Box 1148 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-1148

Public Notice is hereby given pursuant to New Mexico Law 1929, Chapter 125, Section B, as amended, and rules and regulations of the State Land Office, that the Commissioner of Public Lands will hold a sale of oil and gas leases on 17 Aptil 2018, for the tracts of land herein described.

The sale will be held online, in two formats. The sealed bid portion will close at 8:30 am MDT on April 17. The open bidding portion closes sequentially by tract beginning at 10:30 am MDT on April 17. Bidding will commence one week prior to lease sale day.

The sale will be held and conducted in accordance with the following terms and conditions:

The online auction will be conducted by the State Land Office contract auction house, EnergyNet. To view the online tract listing go to www.energynet.com. Prospective bidders must register with EnergyNet at https://www.energynet.com/govt_listing.pl and abide by the terms and conditions therein.

No bids will be considered for less than the whole of any tract, nor for less than the specified minimum acceptable bid. Separate bids must be made for each tract. Leases will be awarded to the highest bidder, if the offer made is deemed to be satisfactory.

The successful bidder in every case of bidding will be required to deposit forthwith, the amount bid, plus the application fee of \$100.00, and to file application in due form before the close of business on said date. The successful bidder in online bidding will be required to make the deposit via electronic fund transfer, as specified on the EnergyNet auction site.

The applications received pursuant hereto will be deemed to have been filed simultaneously. In all cases, leases will be made on the specified Lease Form as set forth in the Sale Notice.

The State Land Office makes no warranty as to the conditions of the lands. Lessees must comply with all applicable federal and state laws or regulations.

THE COMMISSIONER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS.

OMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

April oil & gas lease sale

The New Mexico State Land Office Oil & Gas lease sale for 17 April 2018 will be held online in sealed and open bidding formats. Online bidding will commence April 10, one week prior to the lease sale date. Sealed bidding will close at 8:30 am MDT on April 17. Open bidding closes sequentially by tract, with bidding for the first tract closing at 10:30 am MDT on April 17.

The online auction will be conducted by the State Land Office auction house contractor, EnergyNet. When posted, the online tract listing can be viewed at www.energynet.com/govt listing.pl and abide by the terms and conditions therein.

PAYMENT FOR ALL WINNING ONLINE LEASES SHALL BE MADE THE DAY OF THE SALE BY WIRE TRANSFER, OR

IN-PERSON AT THE NEW MEXICO STATE LAND OFFICE BY CASH, CHECK, MONEY ORDER, CERTIFIED CHECK, OR ELECTRONIC TRANSFER ON A SOLVENT BANK.

LATE PAYMENTS WILL BE REJECTED AND NO LEASE WILL BE ISSUED FOR THAT TRACT

("The successful bidders shall file proper applications for the leases purchased and shall complete the payment of any balance due on their bids before the closing of the office of the commissioner on the day of the sale." §19-10-17 NMSA 1978.)

To verify wire transfer payment, submit copies of the dated wire instructions (sent to your bank) to swust@slo.state.nm.us; msena@slo.state.nm.us; slopez@slo.state.nm.us; slopez@slop

When you provide a check as payment, you authorize the State of New Mexico to either use information from your check to make a one-time electronic fund transfer from your account or to process the payment as a check transaction. Please be advised that payments will be drafted from your account immediately upon receipt. ("The successful bidders shall file proper applications for the leases purchased and shall complete the payment of any balance due on their bids before the closing of the office of the commissioner on the day of the sale." §19-10-17 NMSA 1978.)

NEW MEXICO STATE LAND OFFICE LEASE SALE NOTICE

Regular Sale - ONLINE SEALED BIDDING COMMENCES 10 APRIL 2018. BIDDING FOR THE SEALED TRACTS WILL
CLOSE 8:30 am MDT ON 17 APRIL 2018. THE ONLINE AUCTION WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE SLO CONTRACTOR ENERGYNET.
NOTE: THE FOLLOWING TRACTS WILL BE OFFERED FOR SEALED BID PURSUANT TO THE NOTICES. LEASES FOR THE FOLLOWING TRACTS WILL
BE ISSUED ON SECTION 19-10-4.3 NMSA 1978, DEVELOPMENT LEASE FORM, FIVE(5) YEAR TERM, 1/5th ROYALTY, AND HAVE BEEN
CLASSIFIED AND CATEGORIZED IN COMPLIANCE WITH 19-10-3 NMSA 1978.

TRACT	COUNTY	SEC TWP RGE	DESCRIPTION	ACRES. (MORE OR LESS)	PRIMARY RENTAL	MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE BID
001 VC-001	Eddy	11 16S 31E	ne4sw4	40.00	\$1.00	\$2,000.00
002 VC-002	Eddy	09 24S 25E	E2	320.00	\$1.00	\$10,000.00
003 VC-003	Eddy	16 24S 25E	S2	320.00	\$1.00	\$10,000.00
004 VC-004	Eddy	17 24S 25E	E2	320.00	\$1.00	\$10,000.00
005 VC-005	Eddy	18 24S 25E	E2	320.00	\$1.00	\$10,000.00

Regular Sale - ONLINE OPEN BIDDING COMMENCES 10 APRIL 2018. BIDDING FOR THE ONLINE OPEN BIDDING TRACTS WILL CLOSE SEQUENTIALLY ON 17 APRIL 2018, WITH BIDDING FOR THE FIRST TRACT CLOSING AT 10:30 AM MDT. THE ONLINE AUCTION WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE SLO CONTRACTOR ENERGYNET.

NOTE: THE FOLLOWING TRACTS WILL BE OFFERED FOR ORAL BID PURSUANT TO THE NOTICES. LEASES FOR THE FOLLOWING TRACTS WILL BE ISSUED ON SECTION 19-10-4.3 NMSA 1978, DEVELOPMENT LEASE FORM, FIVE(5) YEAR TERM, 1/5th ROYALTY, AND HAVE BEEN CLASSIFIED AND CATEGORIZED IN COMPLIANCE WITH 19-10-3 NMSA 1978.

TRACT COUNTY SEC TWP RGE DESCRIPTION ACRES	PRIMARY	MINIMUM					
# (MORE OR LESS) RENTAL	ACCEPTABLE BID					
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006 VC-O-001 Eddy 05 248 25E LOT(S) 4, S2NW4 119.87	\$1.00	\$4,000.00					
007 VC-O-002 Eddy 17 24S 25E W2 320.00	\$1.00	\$10,000.00					
007 VC-0-002 Eddy 17 245 25E W2 320.50	\$1.00	\$10,000.00					
008 VC-O-003 Eddy 18 24S 25E LOT(S) 1, 2, 3, 4, E2W2 318.72	\$1.00	\$10,000.00					

POLICY ON COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING OIL & GAS LEASE SALE NOMINATIONS

Because the listing of oil & gas lease tracts to be offered for bid is neither finalized nor public prior to publication, the State Land Office will not provide notification of whether submitted or internal nominations will be included in a lease sale prior to publication. Notification of inclusion will be in the form of the published lease sale listing.

Acknowledgement of receipt of nominations does not constitute a notification that such nominations will or will not be included in a lease sale.

The State Land Office will no longer track submitted nominations beyond the month they are submitted. Nominated tracts will only be considered for the following month's lease sale. If a nominated tract does not appear in the lease listing, it must be resubmitted the next month in order to be considered for a subsequent lease sale.

To nominate, submit a locational description of the nominated tract to swust@slo.state.nm.us. To be considered for the next month's lease sale, nominations must be submitted two Fridays before the current month's lease sale. Lease sales are held the third Tuesday of each month.

If a nominated tract is included in a lease sale, the nominator must ensure that at least a minimum bid is submitted for the nominated tract. If a nominated tract receives no bids and is withdrawn, no further nominations will be accepted from that nominator.

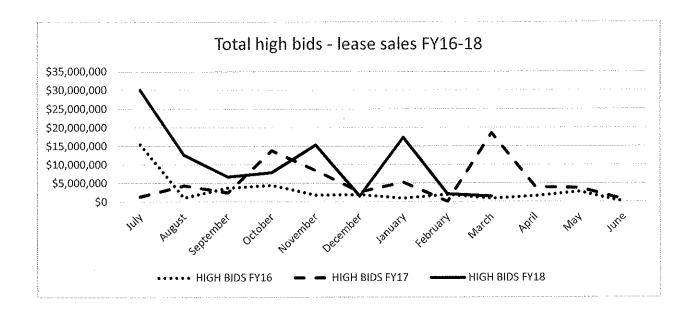
March 2018 Oil & Gas Lease Sale

The March lease sale was held online, in open and sealed bidding formats.

There were 15 tracts offered, for a total of 2807 acres, in Lea and Sandoval Counties. All tracts were sold.

Total high bids: \$1,496,162 from 4 different bidders, for an average per acre price of \$533. There were 20 registered bidders from 8 states.

Sale Month	Total sale	High tracts	Bid type	Rest		S	T	R
20-Mar	\$1,496,162	\$284,232	S			20	16S	35E
		\$442,000	S			27	16S	35E
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Total		\$1,026,282			sealed	\$726,232		
	% Total	69%		\$469,880	open	\$300,050		



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TRACT # LEASE #	SEC TWP RGE DESCRIPTION	ACRES BIDDER	BID AMOUNTS	PRICE/ACR
VC-S-001 VC0356 00	10 14S 33E W2NE4, NW4	240.00 FEATHERSTONE DEVELOPMENT CORP	\$72,640.00	\$302.67
VC-S-002 VC0357 00	10 14S 33E N2S2	160.00 FEATHERSTONE DEVELOPMENT CORP	\$45,670.00	\$285.44
VC-S-003 VC0358 00	29 14S 36E S2	320.00 DGP ENERGY LLC	\$147,000.00	\$459.38
VC-S-004 VC0359 00	30 14S 36E S2SE4	80.00 FEATHERSTONE DEVELOPMENT CORP	\$38,870.00	\$485.88
VC-S-005 VC0360 00	20 16S 35E SW4	160.00 ABO EMPIRE, LLC.	\$284,232.00	\$1,776.45
VC-S-006 VC0361 00	27 16S 35E SW4	160.00 DGP ENERGY LLC	\$442,000.00	\$2,762.50
VC-O-001 VC0362 00	29 14S 36E NW4	160.00 DGP ENERGY LLC	\$81,850.00	\$511,56
VC-O-002 VC0363 00	30 14S 36E E2NE4	80.00 DGP ENERGY LLC	\$40,850.00	\$510.63
VC-O-003 VC0364 00	18 16S 35E LOT(S) 3, 4, E2SW4	157.77 DGP ENERGY LLC	\$300,050.00	\$1,901.82
LH-S-001 LH7221 00	36 13N 01E LOT(S) 1, 2, W2NE4, NW4	319.27 COMPOUND PROPERTIES, LLC	\$10,000.00	\$31.32
LH-S-002 LH7222 00	36 13N 01E LOT(S) 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, N2SW4, NW4SE4	209.47 COMPOUND PROPERTIES, LLC	\$7,000.00	\$33.42
LH-S-003 LH7223 00	32 13N 02E N2	320.00 COMPOUND PROPERTIES, LLC	\$10,000.00	\$31.25
LH-S-004 LH7224 00	32 13N 02E LOT(S) 1, 2, 3, 4	224.80 COMPOUND PROPERTIES, LLC	\$8,000.00	\$35.59
LH-S-005 LH7225 00	36 13N 02E E2NE4	80.00 COMPOUND PROPERTIES, LLC	\$3,000.00	\$37.50
LH-S-006 LH7226 00	36 13N 02E LOT(S) 4, W2NW4	135.72 COMPOUND PROPERTIES, LLC	\$5,000.00	\$36.84

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20 January 2015

To the representatives of the oil and gas industry:

In 2012, the New Mexico State Land Office entered into a Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances (CCAA) with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the Center of Excellence for Hazardous Material Management (CEHMM). The agreement was expanded in 2014.

The purpose of the CCAA is to provide protections for the Lesser Prairie Chicken and Dunes Sagebrush Lizard, while allowing industry activities to continue on State Lands. There are now 404,000 acres of State Lands enrolled in the program.

By enrolling State Lands, the New Mexico State Land Office has provided for program eligibility for lease holders on these lands. Enrolled lands are marked on the oil & gas lease sale tract listing with a footnote.

This is a voluntary program entered into by industry through CEHMM. Information on the program can be found at the CEHMM web site: www.cehmm.org/ccaccaa.

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NOTICE: CULTURAL RESOURCE PROTECTION

All oil & gas or mineral leases, assigns, and operators conducting drilling, production, injection, or related operations on state trust lands should be aware that it is a criminal offense for any person to knowingly excavate, injure, or destroy cultural property located on state land. [§ 18-6-9, NMSA 1978]. Applicants and lessees should exercise due caution to ensure that cultural properties are not inadvertently excavated, injured, or destroyed by any person. A cultural resource survey prior to any surface disturbing activity may assist in site identification and avoidance of criminal liability associated with disturbance or destruction of sites. Should any activity reveal suspected cultural property, the activity should cease until a site evaluation is made. For further information, please contact the New Mexico State Land Office Oil & Gas Division at 505-827-5774.

CALICHE PITS ON OIL & GAS LEASES

FROM SLO MINERALS RULE 5:

- 19.2.5.11 USE OF NECESSARILY DISTURBED CALICHE FROM OIL AND GAS LEASE ACREAGE. The commissioner shall make no charge for caliche necessarily moved within the roadbed or within the perimeter of a specific well pad while in the process of developing oil and natural gas under a state oil and gas lease, subject to the following conditions.
- **A.** Only caliche derived from the cellar and reserve pit or cut and fill, which is necessarily disturbed in the process of building an access road and/or that oil and gas well location, may be used without charge.
- **B.** Caliche necessarily disturbed during construction must remain within the boundaries of the oil and gas lease. If excess caliche exists from a necessary disturbance, that caliche may only be moved from that location to another well site within the lease once an operator or lessee of record obtains a permit and compensates the commissioner pursuant to the terms of a community caliche pit permit.
- C. Only caliche excavated during cut and fill construction of a well pad or roads built to 19.2.20 NMAC standards will be considered necessarily disturbed. [5/14/99; 19.2.5.11 NMAC Rn, 19 NMAC 3. SLO 5.11, 09/30/02]

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New Mexico State Land Office, leasing/royalty management agency for state trust lands: www.nmstatelands.org

New Mexico Tech site for State Land Office ONGARD data presentation to the public. http://octane.nmt.edu/slo/

ONGARD database for open acres and a wealth of other state data you didn't know you needed.

http://www.ongard.state.nm.us/

NM Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources, subsurface geology for the state.

Their publications website: http://geoinfo.nmt.edu/

NM Oil Conservation Division, oil industry regulatory agency for operating in New Mexico, plus well and production data: http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/ocd/



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