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 at Morgan Hall, Edward J. Lopez State Land Office Building, Santa Fe, New Mexico, at 9:30 a.m., on February 19, 2013 for the tracts of land herein described. The sale will be held and conducted in accordance with the following terms and conditions:

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, and a separate remittance made for each bid.

Sealed bids must be plainly marked, "Oil and Gas Sealed Bid" on the outside of the envelope, along with the date and hour to be opened. Sealed bids may be submitted by mail or otherwise to the Commissioner of Public Lands. All bids submitted will be opened at 9:30 a.m. for the Regular Sale, and at the specified time for the Special Sale on said date. The lease will be awarded to the highest bidder, if the offer made is deemed to be satisfactory.

Sealed bids must be on the proper form issued by the New Mexico State Land Office, complete, and notarized, and must be accompanied by a check, money order, or certified check drawn on a solvent bank. This payment must include the amount bid, plus the application fee of \$30.00.

Each tract on which no sealed bid is received in the Special Sale may then be offered for oral bidding at the public auction, and awarded to the highest bidder.

The successful bidder in every case of oral bidding will be required to deposit forthwith, in cash or by check, money order or certified check drawn on a solvent bank, the amount bid, plus the application fee of \$30.00, and to file application in due form before the close of business on said date.

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. Application forms will be furnished upon request. Form 0-00 (formerly No. OG-57) Bid Application, is applicable to all Lease Forms advertised in this Sale Notice.

Disabled individuals who require aids to participate in the Oil & Gas Lease Sale may call (505) 827-5744, e-mail Debbie Tise at dtise@slo.state.nm.us, or contact Relay New Mexico at (505) 292-0454 or the AT&T Operator Service for TTY at (800) 855-1155.

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. ENVELOPES CONTAINING BIDS SHOULD BE MARKED, "OIL AND GAS SEALED BID."

RAY POWELL, MS, DVM COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

NOTICE OF SALE

OIL AND GAS LEASES

BY AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME, I, RAY POWELL, COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS, WILL OFFER FOR SALE TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, OIL AND GAS LEASES ON THE TRACTS OF LAND LISTED BELOW, UNDER THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

- 1. NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR LESS THAN THE MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE BID AS LISTED IN THE SALE NOTICE, PLUS A \$30.00 APPLICATION FEE.
- 2. EACH BID MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR THE WHOLE OF ANY TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED.
- 3. SEPARATE BIDS MUST BE MADE ON EACH TRACT, ACCOMPANIED BY A SEPARATE REMITTANCE.
- 4. PAYMENT SHALL BE MADE THE DAY OF THE SALE IN CASH, BY CHECK, MONEY ORDER, OR CERTIFIED CHECK ON A SOLVENT BANK.
- 5. ENVELOPES CONTAINING BIDS SHOULD BE PLAINLY MARKED "OIL AND GAS SEALED BID," GIVING DATE AND TIME OF SALE.
- 6. IN ALL CASES, LEASES WILL BE ISSUED ON THE APPROPRIATE STATUTORY LEASE FORM AS SET FORTH IN THE SALE NOTICE.
- 7. APPLICATION FORMS WILL BE MAILED UPON REQUEST. THE APPLICATION FORM MUST ACCOMPANY EACH SEALED BID.
- 8. ALL MONEY TENDERED BY BIDDERS WILL BE RETURNED IF THEIR BIDS ARE UNSUCCESSFUL.
- 9. SALE WILL BE HELD IN MORGAN HALL, EDWARD J. LOPEZ STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, 310 OLD SANTA FE TRAIL, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO.
- 10. THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS.

RAY POWELL, M.S., D.V.M COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Regular Sale - DEADLINE FOR SEALED BIDS IS 9:30 AM - FEBRUARY 19, 2013

NOTE: THE FOLLOWING TRACTS WILL BE OFFERED FOR SEALED BID PURSUANT TO THE NOTICES. LEASES FOR THE FOLLOWING TRACTS WILL BE ISSUED ON SECTION 19-10-4.2 NMSA 1978, DISCOVERY LEASE FORM, FIVE(5) YEAR TERM, 1/6th ROYALTY, AND HAVE BEEN CLASSIFIED AND CATEGORIZED IN COMPLIANCE WITH 19-10-3 NMSA 1978.

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001	V0-001		Harding	36 22N 29E	ALL	640.00	\$0.25	\$10,000.00
002	V0-002	(D, E)	Lea	27 10S 34E	ALL	640.00	\$0.50	\$10,000.00
003	V0-003	(E)	Lea	04 11S 38E	LOT(S) 1, 2, 3, 4, S2 (ALL)	391.36	\$0.50	\$6,500.00
004	V0-004	(D)	Lea	20 14S 33E	E2, NW4	480.00	\$0.50	\$7,500.00
005	V0-005	(D)	Lea	08 16S 33E	ALL	640.00	\$1.00	\$10,000.00
006	v0-006		Lea	29 16S 38E	SW4SW4, SE4SE4	80.00	\$1.00	\$1,500.00
007	V0-007		Union	03 25N 30E	LOT(S) 1, 2, 3, 4, S2N2, S2	643.52	\$0.25	\$10,000.00
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800	V0-008		Union	13 25N 30E	W2NW4, SE4NW4, W2SW4	200.00	\$0.25	\$3,500.00
009	V0-009		Union	33 25N 30E	SW4SW4	40.00	\$0.25	\$1,000.00

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0	11 VB-002		Lea	13 14S 33E	N2	320.00	\$0.50	\$5,000.00
0	12 VB-003		Lea	13 16S 33E	SW4	160.00	\$1.00	\$2,500.00

D: ALL OR PORTION OF SURFACE NON-STATE

E: SUBJECT TO 3/2012 CONSERVATION AGREEMENT

B: DRILLING RESTRICTED DUE TO POTASH

Regular Sale - ORAL BID FEBRUARY 19, 2013

NOTE: THE FOLLOWING TRACTS WILL BE OFFERED FOR ORAL BID PURSUANT TO THE NOTICES. LEASES FOR THE FOLLOWING TRACTS WILL BE ISSUED ON SECTION 19-10-4.2 NMSA 1978, DISCOVERY LEASE FORM, FIVE(5) YEAR TERM, 1/6th ROYALTY, AND HAVE BEEN CLASSIFIED AND CATEGORIZED IN COMPLIANCE WITH 19-10-3 NMSA 1978.

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013	VO-0-001 (D)	Lea	34 10s 34E	ALL	640.00	\$0.50	\$10,000.00
014	V0-0-002	Lea	03 11s 38E	LOT(S) 1, 2, 3, 4, S2 (ALL)	391.92	\$0.50	\$6,500.00
015	VO-0-003 (D)	Lea	05 16S 33E	S2	320.00	\$1.00	\$5,000.00
016	V0-0-004	Union	02 25N 30E	LOT(S) 1, 2, 3, 4, S2N2, W2SW4, N2SE4, SE4SE4	525.24	\$0.25	\$8,500.00
017	V0-0-005	Union	11 25N 30E	N2NW4, SW4NW4, S2S2	280.00	\$0.25	\$4,500.00
018	V0-0-006	Union	32 25N 30E	N2	320.00	\$0.25	\$5,000.00

Regular Sale - ORAL BID FEBRUARY 19, 2013

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, 3/16th ROYALTY, AND HAVE BEEN CLASSIFIED AND CATEGORIZED IN COMPLIANCE WITH 19-10-3 NMSA 1978.

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019	VB-0-001	(D)	Lea	08 14S 33E	E2, NW4	480.00	\$0.50	\$7,500.00
020	VB-0-002	(D)	Lea	21 14S 33E	\$2	320.00	\$0.50	\$5,000.00
021	VB-0-003		Lea	31 16S 33E	LOT(S) 1, 2, 3, 4, NE4, E2W2, NE4SE4	521.12	\$1.00	\$8,500.00
022	VB-0-004	(E)	Lea	36 20s 38E	N2NE4	80.00	\$1.00	\$1,500.00

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Filling out the Bid Application Form

This guide follows the blanks on the Bid Application Form from top to bottom.

OGRID No. Enter your OGRID number here. If you do not have one, contact Paulette Lucero-Romero at (505) 827-5714 or <u>plucero@slo.state.nm.us</u>.

<u>Name of legal entity or personal name</u> –This is the name in which the lease will be issued; it will be the <u>lessee of record</u>. This can be the name of a company or of an individual.

<u>Mailing address</u> – This is the address of the potential <u>leaseholder</u>.

The <u>following five blanks</u> require information that you find in the SLO monthly Oil and Gas Lease Sale Notice. The information <u>describes the tract</u> on which you are bidding: the name of the county in which it lies, the tract number in the sale, the legal land description, whether it is in the regular sale or a special sale, and how many acres the tract contains.

The amount of dollars that you enter in the next blank is your bid. Notice that your first year's rental is included in your bid. Your bid on a 320-acre tract may be \$10,000; if the rental rate on that tract is \$1/acre, we will apply \$320 of your \$10,000 to the first year's rental.

The amount of dollars that you enter in the "Total remittance" blank is your bid <u>plus</u> the \$30.00 application fee. In the above example, you would remit \$10,0<u>30</u>.

<u>Name of applicant or agent</u> – This blank is for the <u>printed name</u> of either the applicant or the agent of the applicant.

<u>Signature</u> – The form must be signed in the presence of a notary public. The signature here is of the person named in the previous, "printed name" blank.

<u>Acknowledgment section</u> – Your notary public will complete the remainder of the form.

Remember that the bid application and your remittance must be in the Accounting office of the State Land Office before 9:30 a.m. the day of the oil and gas lease sale.

NEW MEXICO STATE LAND OFFICE

BID APPLICATION FOR A STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL AND GAS LEASE

OGRID No. ___ TO: Commissioner of Public Lands P.O. Box 1148 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-1148 (Please print the name of the legal entity, or, if applying as an individual, the personal name.) whose address is _ (mailing address) (state) a corporation qualified to do business in New Mexico, OR a citizen (or eligible to become a citizen) of the United States, over the age of twenty-one years hereby makes application for an oil and gas lease for the exploration, development and production of oil and natural gas thereon, upon the following described land situated in the County of ____ _____, State of New Mexico, to-wit: LAND DESCRIPTION TRACT NUMBER REGULAR SALE ___ acres, more or less. _____, plus an application fee of \$30.00; Tendered herewith as bonus and first year's rental thereon is the sum of \$ _____ Total remittance sum of (a) and (b)......\$_____. (Please print name of applicant or of attorney in fact / authorized agent.) do solemnly swear that every statement made in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. (Signature of individual or of attorney in fact / authorized agent) Acknowledgment in an Individual Capacity: State of County of _ This instrument was acknowledged before me on __ Ву _ Name of Person Signature of Notarial Officer (Seal) My commission expires: ____ Acknowledgment in a Representative Capacity: State of __ County of _ This instrument was acknowledged before me on __ Type of authority; e.g., officer, trustee, etc. (Seal) Signature of Notarial Officer My commission expires:

HOW TO MAKE A FEDWIRE DEPOSIT TO NEW MEXICO STATE LAND OFFICE

Direct any questions concerning this type of payment to Margaret Sena in the State Land Office Accounting Office at 505-827-5705

When you intend to pay by a wire transfer, please let the SLO Accounting Office know by filling out the form below. You can include the form inside any sealed bid you offer to the SLO. You can get copies of the form by calling the Accounting Office at (505) 827-5700.

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NOTICE

Roswell, in May!

We're getting out of Santa Fe,

For the Lease Sale, we'll be there.

May 21,2013 Daniels Leadership Center, NMMI, 201 W. 19thStreet,Roswell

TRACT # LEASE #	SEC TWP RGE DESCRIPTION	ACRES BIDDER	BID AMOUNTS	PRICE/ACR
VO-S-001 V09337 00	27 10S 26E S2	320.00 THE BLANCO COMPANY DURANGO PRODUCTION CORP	\$16,000.00 \$5,030.00	\$50.00
VO-S-002 V09338 00	31 15s 29e E2sW4, s2sE4	160.00 CHASE OIL CORPORATION YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION FEATHERSTONE DEVELOPMENT CORP DURANGO PRODUCTION CORP	\$64,030.00 \$28,371.20 \$11,200.00 \$3,360.00	\$400.19
VO-S-003 V09339 00	4 16S 29E LOT(S) 1	41.60 CHASE OIL CORPORATION FEATHERSTONE DEVELOPMENT CORP THE BLANCO COMPANY YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION DURANGO PRODUCTION CORP	\$16,670.00 \$5,657.60 \$4,000.00 \$1,820.42 \$1,539.20	\$400.72
VO-S-004 V09340 00	15 20s 21E SW4NE4, SW4SW4	80.00 DURANGO PRODUCTION CORP	\$1,550.00	\$19.38
VO-S-005 V09341 00	13 21S 21E SE4NE4	40.00 THE BLANCO COMPANY DURANGO PRODUCTION CORP	\$2,000.00 \$1,000.00	\$50.00
VO-S-006 V09342 00	35 13s 32E N2, SW4, E2SE4	560.00 THE BLANCO COMPANY YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION DURANGO PRODUCTION CORP	\$14,000.00 \$12,353.60 \$11,760.00	\$25.00
VO-S-007 V09343 00	12 15\$ 32E E2	320.00 YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION DURANGO PRODUCTION CORP	\$8,774.40 \$5,760.00	\$27.42
v0-s-008 v09344 00	5 16S 38E S2	320.00 YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION DURANGO PRODUCTION CORP	\$9,484.80 \$5,760.00	\$29.64
VO-S-009 V09345 00	31 16S 38E LOT(S) 2, 3, 4, SE4NW4, E2SW4	228.68 YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION DURANGO PRODUCTION CORP	\$26,945.36 \$4,117.00	\$117.83
VO-S-010 V09346 00	9 24S 38E LOT(S) 1, 2, 3, 4, W2 (ALL)	347.76 THE BLANCO COMPANY DURANGO PRODUCTION CORP	\$8,000.00 \$6,260.00	\$23.00
v0-s-011 v09347 00	33 22N 01W SW4SW4	40.00 KHL, INC., A NEW MEXICO CORPO THE BLANCO COMPANY	\$12,456.80 \$6,000.00	\$311.42
VB-S-001 VB2233 00	3 19S 31E SW4SE4	40.00 DANIEL E GONZALES FEATHERSTONE DEVELOPMENT CORP CHASE OIL CORPORATION THE BLANCO COMPANY YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION DURANGO PRODUCTION CORP	\$401,213.33 \$60,520.00 \$40,030.00 \$10,000.00 \$7,478.40 \$1,480.00	\$10,030.33
VB-S-002 VB2234 00	7 25S 28E LOT(S) 1, 2, 3, E2NW4	LEGEND NATURAL GAS III LIMITE	\$1,515,775.51 \$1,500,436.00 \$1,015,222.56 \$437,235.18 \$157,931.10 \$7,463.00	\$7,515.00

TRACT # LEASE #	SEC TWP RGE DESCRIPTION	ACRES BIDDER	========= BID	PRICE/ACR
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VB-S-003 VB2235 00	18 13S 33E LOT(S) 1, 2, 3, 4, E2, E2W2	639.68 YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION	\$15,620.99	\$24.42
	(ALL)	THE BLANCO COMPANY DURANGO PRODUCTION CORP	\$12,000.00 \$11,515.00	
VB-S-004 VB2236 00	3 14S 33E LOT(S) 3, SE4NW4	80.14 DURANGO PRODUCTION CORP	\$1,685.00	\$21.03
V0-0-001 V09348 00	36 14S 24E ALL	640.00 THE BLANCO COMPANY	\$10,000.00	\$15.63
V0-0-002	4 10S 37E S2NE4, S2	WITHDRAWN		
V0-0-003 V09349 00	36 13S 32E S2	320.00 YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION	\$9,000.00	\$28.13
V0-0-004 V09350 00	12 15S 32E W2	320.00 YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION	\$5,000.00	\$15.63
V0-0-005 V09351 00	9 16S 38E W2	320.00 YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION	\$5,000.00	\$15.63
V0-0-006 V09352 00	32 16S 38E SW4, W2SE4	240.00 YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION	\$7,000.00	\$29.17
V0-0-007 V09353 00	8 24s 38E S2	320.00 THE BLANCO COMPANY	\$5,000.00	\$15.63
V0-0-008 V09354 00	16 24S 38E LOT(S) 1, 2, 3, NW4, E2SW4	261.03 THE BLANCO COMPANY	\$4,500.00	\$17.24
V0-0-009 V09355 00	16 20N 01W ALL	640.00 KHL, INC., A NEW MEXICO CORPO	\$10,000.00	\$15.63
V0-0-010	31 20N 01W LOT(S) 3, 4, 5, SE4NW4, E2SW4	WITHDRAWN		
V0-0-011 V09356 00	32 22N 01W LOT(S) 6, 7	44.07 KHL, INC., A NEW MEXICO CORPO	\$4,000.00	\$90.76
VB-O-001 VB2237 00	24 15S 31E N2NE4, SE4NE4, E2NW4, N2SE4	280.00 THE BLANCO COMPANY	\$9,000.00	\$32.14
VB-O-002 VB2238 00	35 18S 27E SW4NE4, N2SW4, SE4SW4, N2SE4	240.00 DANIEL E GONZALES	\$205,000.00	\$854.17
VB-0-003 VB2239 00	5 14S 33E SW4	160.00 THE BLANCO COMPANY	\$2,500.00	\$15.63

**** END OF REPORT ****

HIGHEST BID ANALYSIS REGULAR SALE January 15, 2013

Total \$2,390,206.19 for 27 tracts covering 7,204.66 Acres...\$331.76 per acre.

Sealed (Five Year) \$2,114,206.19 for 15 tracts covering 3,419.56 Acres...\$618.27 per acre.

Oral (Five Year) \$276,000.00 for 12 tracts covering 3,785.10 Acres...\$72.92 per acre.

Total of 28 tracts were offered.... 27 tracts were sold.

Highest Sealed Bid (Five Year Term) Tract No. VB-002 \$ 1,515,775.51 LOT (S) 1, 2, 3, E2NW4 of Section 07, Township 25 South, Range 28 East, containing 201.70 acres, more or less, in Eddy County, approximately 10 miles south of Loving, New Mexico, by Doug J. Schutz of Santa Fe, NM.

Highest Sealed Bid (Five Year Term) Per Acre Tract No. VB-001 \$ 10,030.33 SW4SE4 of Section 03, Township 19 South, Range 31 East, containing 40.00 acres, more or less, in Eddy County, approximately 13 miles southwest of Maljamar, New Mexico, by Daniel E. Gonzales of Santa Fe, NM.

Highest Oral Bid (Five Year Term) Tract No. VB-O-002 \$ 205,000.00 SW4NE4, N2SW4, SE4SW4, N2SE4 of Section 35, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, containing 240.00 acres, more or less, in Eddy County, approximately 13 miles southeast of Artisa, New Mexico, by Daniel E. Gonzales, of Santa Fe, NM.

Highest Oral Bid (Five Year Term) Per Acre Tract No. VB-O-002 \$ 854.17 SW4NE4, N2SW4, SE4SW4, N2SE4 of Section 35, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, containing 240.00 acres, more or less, in Eddy County, approximately 13 miles southeast of Artesia, New Mexico, by Daniel E. Gonzales, of Santa Fe, NM.

January 2012 Regular Sale was \$6,443,224.68 for 7,715.18 acres or \$4,053,018.49 more than the January 2013 Regular Sale.

No Special Sale

Total Sale was \$2,390,206.19



Ray Powell, M.S., D.V.M. COMMISSIONER

State of New Mexico Commissioner of Public Lands

310 OLD SANTA FE TRAIL P.O. BOX 1148 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-1148 COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE

Phone (505) 827-5760 Fax (505) 827-5766 www.nmstatelands.org

July 25, 2012

Dear representatives of the oil and gas industry:

As you may be aware, on March 2, 2012, I signed 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 USFWS cited this and similar agreements between industry and the federal government as being instrumental in its June 2012 decision not to list the Dunes Sagebrush Lizard (DSL) under the Endangered Species Act.

This agreement, the result of years of work with the oil and gas industry, the agricultural community, and the Bureau of Land Management, will protect the health of our natural world while ensuring economic activity that supports communities, universities, hospitals and our other beneficiary institutions while helping keep our taxes down. It represents the largest such accord in the nation -- more than 247,000 acres.

Participation in the CCAA virtually assures that oil and gas activity can continue in areas inhabited by the Lesser Prairie Chicken (LPC) and/or the DSL while meeting conservation objectives for these two species.

In the case of an Endangered Species Act listing in the absence of a CCAA, oil and gas development in the species' range would likely be severely delayed by the requisite USFWS consultation process.

The CCAA¹ agreement is available for your review at the State Land Office website www.nmstatelands.org/ConservationAgreement.aspx. Also available on this page are a habitat map and other information concerning the agreement that may be of interest to you.

I encourage all leaseholders and operators to enroll and participate fully in this voluntary program. By agreeing to conduct certain conservation measures the

¹ The CCAA may also be referred to in Oil and Gas Sale Notices as "Subject to 3/2012 Conservation Agreement" due to system restrictions on the length of footnotes.

USFWS provides regulatory certainty (assurances) concerning land use restrictions that might otherwise apply should the LPC or DSL become listed in the future as threatened or endangered species.

An example of the measures required under the CCAA includes: a requirement that power lines be buried within two miles of LPC lek sites, active at least once in the past five years, or within one mile of historic LPC lek sites. Other requirements include providing escape ramps for open water sources, minimizing surface disturbances, and avoiding DSL habitat.

The health of our state lands and the success of our oil and gas industry are of prime importance to New Mexicans. This agreement helps ensure the future of both.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or my office with any questions or concerns you may have.

Sincerely,

Ray Powell, M.S., D.V.M.

Commissioner of Public Lands

~~~~Do you need New Mexico oil and gas info?~~~~

▶ ▶ ► USEFUL NEW MEXICO OIL AND GAS LINKS ◀ ◀ ◀

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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NEW MEXICO STATE LAND OFFICE



SALE CALENDAR

X X Regularly scheduled sale
(Third Tuesday of each month)

Last day to nominate tracts for next monthly sale

To nominate tracts for an oil and gas lease sale, call the Oil, Gas, and Minerals Division Geologists at 505-827-5774 or 505-827-5748, submit your nomination in writing, or by e-mail to, Dan Fuqua: dfuqua@slo.state.nm.us

TO PRESERVE CONFIDENTIALITY OF YOUR NOMINATION, PLEASE MARK THE OUTSIDE OF YOUR ENVELOPE WITH THE WORDS **CONFIDENTIAL NOMINATION**.

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Oil, Gas and Minerals Division
P.O. Box 1148
Santa Fe, NM 87504-1148.
Fax number is 505-827-4739.
Fax communication may not be confidential.
Our Web page address is www.nmstatelands.org.

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How may our Oil, Gas, and Minerals Division help you?

Unitization & Commingling

Pete Martinez, 505-827-5791 Jerome Maestas, 505-827-5783

<u>Lease Sales, Potash Enclave,</u> Geophysical Permitting, Geology

VACANT, 505-827-5774 Dan Fuqua, 505-827-5748

Bonds, Shut-In Royalty, OGRIDS, Assignments

Paulette Lucero-Romero, 505-827-5714 VACANT, 505-827-5749

Communitization, Reduced Royalty & Engineering

Terry Warnell, 505-827-5745 VACANT, 505-827-6628 Anchor Holm, 505-827-5759

<u>Lease Expirations,</u> Cancellations, Rentals

Stephen Manning, 505-827-5730

Miscellaneous Instruments

Debbie Tise, 505-827-5744

Sand and Gravel, Caliche, General Mining

In Santa Fe (includes Farmington):
Michael Mariano, 505-827-5750
Jack Yates, 505-827-5743
Monica Fresquez, 505-827-5849
In Hobbs Field Office:
VACANT, 505-392-8736
or William Sonnamaker, 505-392-3697

OGMD Office Procedures, Division Administration

Greg Bloom Assistant Commissioner, 505-827-4489 Larry Roybal, Division Director, 505-827-5746 Debbie Tise, Office Administrator, 505-827-5744