

PUBLIC NOTICE
SALE OF OIL AND GAS LEASES

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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 21 November 2017, 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 MST on November 21. The open bidding portion closes sequentially by tract beginning at 10:30 am MST on November 21. 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.

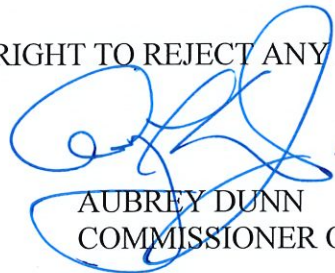
No bids will be considered for less than the whole of any tract, nor for less than the specified minimum acceptable bid. Separate bids must be made for each tract. Leases will be awarded to the highest bidder, if the offer made is deemed to be satisfactory.

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.



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COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

November oil & gas lease sale

The New Mexico State Land Office Oil & Gas lease sale for 21 November 2017 will be held online in sealed and open bidding formats. Online bidding will commence November 14, one week prior to the lease sale date. Sealed bidding will close at 8:30 am MST on November 21. Open bidding closes sequentially by tract, with bidding for the first tract closing at 10:30 am MST on November 21.

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. Prospective bidders must register with EnergyNet at https://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 by COB of the State Land Office on the day of the sale.

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.)

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.

NEW MEXICO STATE LAND OFFICE
LEASE SALE NOTICE

***** ONLINE SEALED TRACTS *****

Regular Sale - ONLINE SEALED BIDDING COMMENCES 14 November 2017. BIDDING FOR THE SEALED TRACTS WILL CLOSE 8:30am MST ON 21 NOVEMBER 2017. 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	(E)	Chaves	14	14S	29E W2SW4	80.00	\$0.50	\$3,000.00
002	VC-002	(D, E)	Lea	16	09S	32E N2	320.00	\$0.50	\$10,000.00
003	VC-003		Lea	18	15S	32E LOT(S) 1, 2, NE4, E2NW4	331.71	\$0.50	\$11,000.00
004	VC-004		Lea	19	15S	32E LOT(S) 1, 2, NE4, E2NW4	331.72	\$0.50	\$11,000.00
005	VC-005	(D)	Lea	09	16S	33E N2	320.00	\$1.00	\$10,000.00
006	VC-006		Lea	30	16S	36E LOT(S) 2, S2NE4, SE4NW4	156.84	\$1.00	\$5,000.00
007	VC-007	(D)	Lea	30	16S	36E LOT(S) 3, 4, E2SW4, N2SE4, SW4SE4	273.75	\$1.00	\$9,000.00
008	VC-008	(D)	Lea	12	17S	35E S2	320.00	\$1.00	\$10,000.00
009	VC-009	(D)	Lea	11	17S	36E NW4	160.00	\$1.00	\$5,000.00
010	VC-010	(D)	Lea	16	17S	36E NE4	160.00	\$1.00	\$5,000.00
011	VC-011	(D)	Lea	20	17S	36E NW4, N2SW4, SW4SW4	280.00	\$1.00	\$9,000.00
012	VC-012	(D)	Lea	27	17S	36E N2	320.00	\$1.00	\$10,000.00
013	VC-013	(D)	Lea	27	17S	36E S2	320.00	\$1.00	\$10,000.00
014	VC-014		Lea	28	17S	36E S2	320.00	\$1.00	\$10,000.00
015	VC-015		Lea	32	17S	36E N2	320.00	\$1.00	\$10,000.00
016	VC-016	(D)	Lea	35	17S	36E N2	320.00	\$1.00	\$10,000.00
017	VC-017	(D)	Lea	27	21S	35E N2NE4	80.00	\$1.00	\$3,000.00
018	VC-018	(D)	Lea	27	21S	35E W2SW4	80.00	\$1.00	\$3,000.00

D: ALL OR PORTION OF SURFACE NON-STATE
E: SUBJECT TO 3/2012 CONSERVATION AGREEMENT

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***** ONLINE OPEN BIDDING TRACTS *****

Regular Sale - ONLINE OPEN BIDDING COMMENCES 14 NOVEMBER 2017. BIDDING FOR THE ONLINE OPEN BIDDING TRACTS WILL CLOSE SEQUENTIALLY ON 21 NOVEMBER 2017, WITH BIDDING FOR THE FIRST TRACT CLOSING AT 10:30 AM MST. 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 (MORE OR LESS)	PRIMARY RENTAL	MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE BID
019 VC-O-001 (D, E)	Lea	16 09S 32E	S2	320.00	\$0.50	\$10,000.00
020 VC-O-002	Lea	18 15S 32E	LOT(S) 3, 4, E2SW4, SE4	331.77	\$0.50	\$11,000.00
021 VC-O-003	Lea	19 15S 32E	LOT(S) 3, 4, E2SW4, SE4	331.56	\$0.50	\$11,000.00
022 VC-O-004 (D)	Lea	09 17S 35E	E2	320.00	\$1.00	\$10,000.00
023 VC-O-005 (D)	Lea	09 17S 36E	SE4	160.00	\$1.00	\$5,000.00
024 VC-O-006	Lea	28 17S 36E	N2	320.00	\$1.00	\$10,000.00
025 VC-O-007	Lea	32 17S 36E	SW4	160.00	\$1.00	\$5,000.00
026 VC-O-008 (D)	Lea	35 17S 36E	S2	320.00	\$1.00	\$10,000.00

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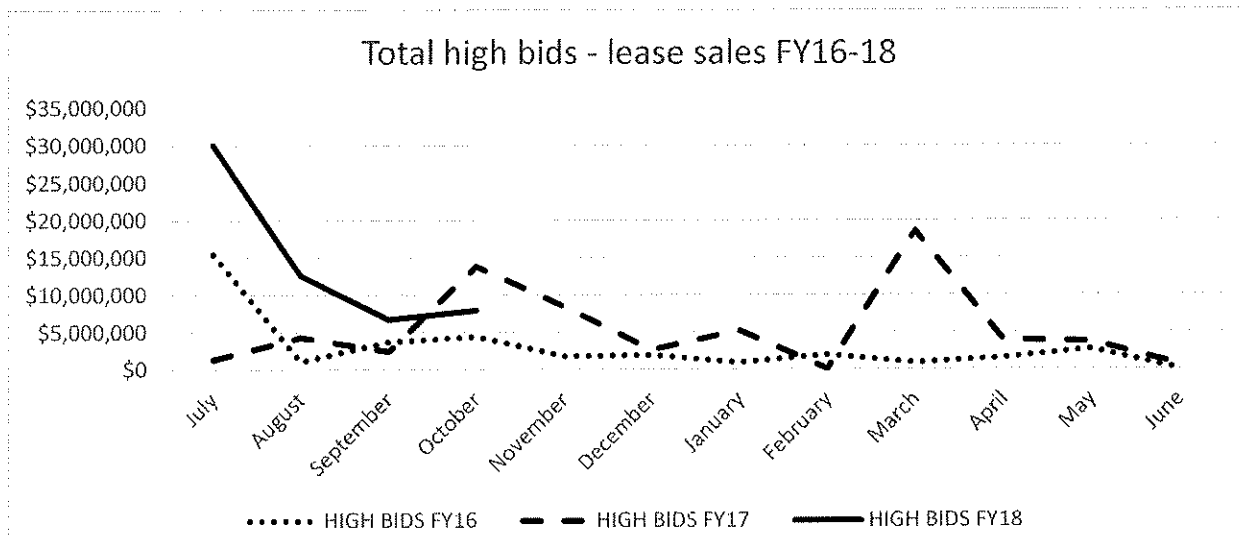
October 2017 Oil & Gas Lease Sale

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

There were 23 tracts offered, for a total of 6877 acres, in Chaves, Roosevelt, Eddy and Lea Counties. All tracts were sold.

Total high bids: \$7,911,312 from 10 different bidders, for an average per acre price of \$1150. There were 30 registered bidders from 7 states.

Sale Month	Total sale	High tracts	Bid type	Rest	S	T	R
17-Oct	\$7,911,312	\$970,560	S		8	15S	35E
		\$970,560	S		8	15S	35E
		\$1,069,946	S		18	17S	36E
		\$855,100	O		18	17S	36E
		\$1,095,100	O		26	17S	36E
Total		\$4,961,266		\$2,950,046			
	% Total	63%			High sealed	\$3,011,066	
					open	\$1,950,200	



TRACT #	LEASE #	SEC	TWP	RGE	DESCRIPTION	ACRES	BIDDER	BID AMOUNTS	PRICE/ACR
VC-S-001	VC0256 00	16	09S	28E	W2	320.00	NEWTEX PARTNERS LLC	\$50,400.00	\$157.50
VC-S-002	VC0257 00	29	18S	24E	E2	320.00	SLASH EXPLORATION LP	\$12,960.00	\$40.50
VC-S-003	VC0258 00	15	09S	32E	W2	320.00	SLASH EXPLORATION LP	\$33,760.00	\$105.50
VC-S-004	VC0259 00	19	10S	32E	LOT(S) 1, 2, NE4, E2NW4	320.37	SLASH EXPLORATION LP	\$11,235.00	\$35.07
VC-S-005	VC0260 00	15	10S	33E	E2	320.00	BROWNING OIL COMPANY, INC.	\$81,501.00	\$254.69
VC-S-006	VC0261 00	26	14S	33E	NW4	160.00	PALEOZOIC PETROLEUM, LLC.	\$42,560.00	\$266.00
VC-S-007	VC0262 00	19	15S	34E	LOT(S) 1, 2, NE4, E2NW4	323.34	DGP ENERGY LLC	\$390,300.00	\$1,207.09
VC-S-008	VC0263 00	8	15S	35E	N2	320.00	CONQUEST LAND COMPANY, LLC	\$970,560.00	\$3,033.00
VC-S-009	VC0264 00	8	15S	35E	S2	320.00	CONQUEST LAND COMPANY, LLC	\$970,560.00	\$3,033.00
VC-S-010	VC0265 00	9	16S	33E	S2	320.00	CHASE OIL CORPORATION	\$644,800.00	\$2,015.00
VC-S-011	VC0266 00	18	17S	36E	LOT(S) 1, 2, NE4, E2NW4	314.69	ESTACADO LAND SERVICES, LLC.	\$1,069,946.00	\$3,400.00
VC-S-012	VC0267 00	26	17S	36E	E2	320.00	ESTACADO LAND SERVICES, LLC.	\$480,000.00	\$1,500.00
VC-S-013	VC0268 00	36	18S	35E	N2	320.00	SLASH EXPLORATION LP	\$400,320.00	\$1,251.00
VC-S-014	VC0269 00	36	18S	35E	SE4	160.00	SLASH EXPLORATION LP	\$160,160.00	\$1,001.00
VC-S-015	VC0270 00	32	07S	35E	N2	320.00	AUBURN OPERATING, LLC.	\$200,000.00	\$625.00
VC-S-016	VC0271 00	32	07S	35E	S2	320.00	AUBURN OPERATING, LLC.	\$200,000.00	\$625.00
VC-O-001	VC0272 00	16	09S	28E	E2	320.00	NEWTEX PARTNERS LLC	\$10,000.00	\$31.25
VC-O-002	VC0273 00	29	18S	24E	NW4	160.00	MAGNUM PRODUCING, LP	\$6,550.00	\$40.94
VC-O-003	VC0274 00	19	10S	32E	LOT(S) 3, 4, E2SW4, SE4	320.52	FEDERAL ABSTRACT COMPANY	\$25,100.00	\$78.31
VC-O-004	VC0275 00	15	10S	33E	W2	320.00	BROWNING OIL COMPANY, INC.	\$80,300.00	\$250.94
VC-O-005	VC0276 00	19	15S	34E	LOT(S) 3, 4, E2SW4, SE4	323.62	DGP ENERGY LLC	\$120,100.00	\$371.11
VC-O-006	VC0277 00	18	17S	36E	LOT(S) 3, 4, E2SW4, SE4	314.55	ESTACADO LAND SERVICES, LLC.	\$855,100.00	\$2,718.49
VC-O-007	VC0278 00	26	17S	36E	W2	320.00	ESTACADO LAND SERVICES, LLC.	\$1,095,100.00	\$3,422.19

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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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. Dunn", is written over the printed name of the Commissioner.

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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](http://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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