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This log tracks the start and completion of BLM's review of actions under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). For some actions BLM may request public input during comment periods initiated through official notifications (i.e., direct mailing, local and/or state newspapers, Federal Register Notices). However, interested parties are also encouraged to check this site to ensure adequate time for comment on specific NEPA documents, especially for cases when an official public comment period is not planned. When timely comments are received they will be considered during the NEPA analysis and decision-making process. Please feel free to provide comments to or request information from this contact e-mail kwadzins@blm.gov or telephone number (414) 297-4408. Any comments should include the reference number for the proposed action.

NOTE: Reference Numbers preceded by an asterisk indicate environmental analyses documents currently under formal 30-day comment period. See "ES Oil and Gas Lease Sale Nominated Parcels" at: http://www.blm.gov/es/st/en/prog/minerals/nominated_parcels.html for more details.

TERMS: APD = Application for Permit to Drill; CX = Categorical Exclusion; DR = Decision Record; EA = Environmental Assessment; EOI = Expression of Interest; ROD = Record of Decision; T = Township; R = Range; Sec. = Section

Reference Number	Type	Proposed Action	State	County	Location T.-R. - Meridian	Surface Management Agency (SMA)	Date Entered	Current Status/Project Description	Completion Date
DOI- BLM-ES- 0030- 2013- 0031-EA	EA	Twin Metals Minnesota Bulk Sampling Project	MN	Lake & St. Louis	T. 61 N., R. 11 W., 4th PM	U.S. Forest Service	9/17/2013	Extraction of bulk samples for testing.	Cancelled
DOI- BLM-ES- 0030- 2013- 0030-EA	EA	Twin Metals Minnesota Lease Renewals MNES-01352 & MNES-01353	MN	Lake & St. Louis	MNES-01352 (Lake County): T. 61 N., R. 11 W., 4th PM Sec. 3, Lot 2; SWSW; S2SE; Sec. 5, Lots 1 & 2; S2NE; Lot 6; Lot 7; NESW; S2SW; N2SE; Sec. 6, Lots 13, 22, 23 & 24; Sec. 7, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 12, 15, 16 & 19; Sec. 8, Lots 2 & 6; Sec. 9, All except W2NW; Sec. 18, Lots 2, 7, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 & 20; Sec. 19, Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 7 & 8. MNES-01352 (Lake County): T. 62 N., R. 11 W., 4th PM Sec. 27, SESW; Sec. 32, Lot 4; Sec. 33, Lots 6 & 7; Sec. 34, NW. MNES-01352 (St. Louis County): T. 61 N., R. 12 W., 4th PM Sec. 25, Lot 2, SWSW. MNES-01352 Lease Totals: 2,610.07 acres. MNES-01353 (Lake County): T. 62 N., R. 10 W., 4th PM Sec. 19, All; Sec. 20, SW; Sec. 29, N2; Sec. 30, N2, Lot 3 (NWSW). T. 62 N., R. 11 W., 4th PM Sec. 24, Lot 7, SESW, S2SE; Sec. 25, N2, W2SW (undivided one-half interest), NESE; Sec. 26, S2NE,	U.S. Forest Service	9/17/2013	Draft EA currently being written. The EA will address stipulations to the leases. BLM has received two lease renewal applications from TMM.	

									NESW, E2SE (undivided one-half interest).					
									MNES-01353 Lease Totals: 2,254.71 acres.					
DOI- BLM-ES- 0030- 2013- 0029- Other	ROD	ROD for Pre-Sale Lease Offer MIES-49319 (EOI-72) Huron-Manistee NF	MI	Newaygo	Michigan Meridian, T. 14 N., R. 11 W., Sec. 20; E1/2SW and Sec. 21; E1/2SE.	U.S. Forest Service	9/6/2013		EOI-72 will be combined with other EOIs into one EA (NEPA #: DOI-BLM-ES-2015-0001-EA). The draft EA has been posted to the Eastern States internet site for 30-day public comment period on 3-16-2015.					
								Total Acres: 160	BLM proposes to offer competitive lease for 100% federal minerals on 160 acres in Huron-Manistee National Forest.					
DOI- BLM- ES- 0030- 2013- 0028- CX	CX	Twin Metals Minnesota Small Pit Samples MNES-001352	MN	Lake	T. 61 N., R. 11 W., 4th PM; UTM coordinates 5295248.6 meters north, 593.379.5 meters east from Minnesota Hwy. 1 on Forest Road 1900	U.S. Forest Service	9/5/2013		Signed. Twin Metals Minnesota proposes sampling of 15 pit sites on the Superior NF adjacent to the INCO shaft site.				9/9/2013	
									Signed. Final EA/FONSI/DR Parcels will be sold at March 19, 2015 lease sale.					
DOI- BLM-ES- 0030- 2013- 0027-EA	EA	EA for EOI-351/1006	PA	Bradford	Metes and Bounds location within the boundaries of State Game Lands 219.	State of Pennsylvania	8/2/2013		Proposed EA originally posted in 2013 for comment. EA pulled from March 2014 lease sale awaiting Sect. 7 consultation letter from USFWS. EA reposted to Eastern States website 4/7/2014 for 30-day public comment period which ended 5/8/2014. 12 comments received were addressed in Final EA.				3/13/2015	
								Total Acres: 5,194	BLM proposes to issue competitive leases for the 75% U.S. oil and gas interest held in State Game Lands 219.					
DOI- BLM-ES- 0030- 2013- 0026-EA	EA	EA for EOI-1756	PA	Tioga & Bradford	Metes and Bounds location within the boundaries of the Tioga State Forest.	State of Pennsylvania	8/2/2013		Postponed. Moratorium on drilling in PA state parks/forests signed by PA governor 1/2015.				Postponed	
								Total acres: approximately 9,500	BLM proposes to issue competitive leases for the 75% U.S. oil and gas interest held in Tioga State Forest.					
DOI- BLM-ES- 0030- 2013- 0025-EA	EA	EA for EOI-247 & EOI-270	MI	Alcona	Michigan Meridian, Mitchell, Hawes, Millen, & Mikado Townships; T. 25 N., R. 8 E., Sec. 4, NENW (38.47 ; Sec. 21, SW; Sec. 26 Pt. NWNW (34.7 acres); T. 26 N., R. 7 E., Sec. 4 N. 933.4' of the E. 933.4' of the SENE (20 acres);	Private	2/3/2013		FONSI/DR signed on 9/13/2013. Parcels auctioned at Dec. 2013 Lease Sale.					
Doc Link:	EA	EA for EOI-247 & EOI-270	MI	Alcona	T. 27 N., R. 6 E.,	Private	2/3/2013		30-day public comment period ended 7/25/2013. No comments were received.				9/13/2013	

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									Sec. 23, W2NW; T. 27 N., R. 7 E., Sec. 27, N2SE; T. 27 N., R. 8 E., Sec. 13, NWNE; T. 28 N., R. 5 E., Sec. 22 NENE, Sec. 26, S2NE, NWSE. Total Acres: 696	Expressions of Interest for oil and gas leasing on private lands.
DOI-BLM-ES-0030-2013-0024-Other	ROD	ROD for EOI-626 and EOI-892, Huron-Manistee NF	MI	Lake	Michigan Meridian T. 20 N., R. 11 W., All of Secs. 1, 2, 11, 12, 14 and 15 and Parts of Secs. 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 13, 16, 22, 23, 34, 35 and 36. Total Acres: 9,496.82	US Forest Service	7/23/2013	BLM proposes to issue competitive leases for the 100% U.S. oil and gas interest held in 480 acres (EOI-892) and reversionary future 100% U.S. interest in 9,016.82 acres (EOI-626) of the lands requested. USFS authorized leasing of these lands on 7/18/2013.		
DOI-BLM-ES-0030-2013-0023-EA	EA	Rock County, Illinois Right-of-Way	IL	Rock	4th Principal Meridian T. 18 N., R. 1 W., Sec. 24, Lot 4.	BLM	7/15/2013	Cancelled and re-issued under new NEPA #DOI-BLM-ES-0030-2014-0003-EA. Started EA on 7/15/2013. Re-authorization for an existing right-of-way on and across Winnebago (Dynamite) Island (1.4 acres).	3/3/2014	
DOI-BLM-ES-0030-2013-0022-Other	ROD	ROD for Competitive Leasing on Huron-Manistee NF (EOI-861)	MI	Newaygo	Michigan Meridian T. 18 N., R. 13 W., Parts of Secs. 9 & 32; T. 18 N., R. 14 W., Parts of Secs. 6, 11, 12 & 23; T. 19 N., R. 13 W., Parts of Secs. 3, 7, 9 & 10; T. 19 N., R. 14 W., Part of Sec. 17. Total Acres: 15,805.95	US Forest Service	7/8/2013	EOI-861 will be combined with other EOIs into one EA (NEPA #: DOI-BLM-ES-2015-0001-EA). The draft EA has been posted to the Eastern States internet site for 30-day public comment period on 3-16-2015. BLM proposes to issue competitive leases for the 100% U.S. oil and gas interest held in lands requested. USFS authorized leasing of these lands on 6/27/2013.		
DOI-BLM-ES-0030-2013-0021-CX Doc link: 2013-21	CX	Poverty Island Withdrawal Revocation (MIES-002537)	MI	Delta	Michigan Meridian T. 36 N., R. 19 W., Secs. 8 & 9. Total Acres: 192	US Coast Guard	6/28/2013	Signed/awaiting approval at BLM Wash. Office. USCG submitted Notice of Intent to relinquish custody/control of Poverty Island. Withdrawal revocation is a recording clearing action to allow conveyance of island.	7/3/2013	
DOI-BLM-ES-0030-2013-0020-Other	ROD	9 Oil and Gas Lease Applications	MI	Lake	Michigan Meridian T. 18 N., R. 13 W., Parts of Secs. 9 and 32; T. 18 N., R. 14 W., Parts of Secs. 6, 11, 12, and 23; T. 19 N., R. 13 W., Parts of Secs. 3, 7, 9, and 10; T. 19 N., R. 14	US Forest Service	4/24/2013	Drafting ROD. BLM proposes to issue 9 non-competitive leases for the 100% U.S. oil and gas interest held in lands requested in 9 over-the-counter		

						W., Parts of Sec. 17; Michigan Meridian.			oil and gas lease applications. BLM preparing ROD for issuing the leases.
						Total Acres: 2,187.21			
						Michigan Meridian			
						Peacock Township, Lake County T. 19 N., R. 13 W., Sec. 17, W1/2NENWNW;			EOI-1605 will be combined with other EOIs into one EA (NEPA #: DOI- BLM-ES-2015- 0001-EA). The draft EA has been posted to the Eastern States internet site for 30-day public comment period on 3-16-2015.
DOI- BLM-ES- 0030- 2013- 0019- Other	ROD	ROD for EOI-1605	MI	Lake	Part lying South of the railroad except strip 2 rods wide on West boundary;	Part of N1/2SWNW containing 7 acres north of railroad;	US Forest Service	5/3/2013	BLM proposes to issue competitive leases for the 100% U.S. oil and gas interest held in lands requested.
					Part of N1/2SWNW containing 8.64 acres;				
					Also except strip 30' wide on East boundary.;				
					SWSNW (30.64 acres);				
					Sec. 18, N1/2NE (80 acres);				
					Total Acres: 110.64				
DOI- BLM-ES- 0030- 2013- 0018-EA	EA	Fire Management Plan and Multiple RMP Amendment	WI, MN, MI, IL, MO	Various	BLM islands and other BLM- owned lands (< 3,000 acres).		BLM	1/1/2012	Cancelled. Completed as an Eastern States Fire Management Plan EA. Multiple state Fire Management Plan and associated RMP amendments. Forwarded 6/21/2013 to Eastern States Office for future lease sale. Sold at Dec. 2013 lease sale, currently in litigation.
									3/26/2014
DOI- BLM-ES- 0030- 2013- 0017-EA	EA	EA for EOI-266	MI	Oceana	Pentwater Township, T. 16 N., R. 18 W., Sec. 2, NENE & NESE. Michigan Meridian		Private	4/17/2013	30-day public comment period ended 7/25/2013. Received 22 comments that were incorporated into final EA posted to ES website on 9/5/2013.
					Total Acres: 80.28				9/6/2013
									Expression of Interest for oil and gas leasing on private lands. Landowners have been identified by letter.
DOI- BLM-ES- 0030- 2013- 0016-EA- APD	EA- APD	APD for USA-Alexander #1 Well (OHES- 051969)	OH	Washington	Independence Township, T. 2 N., R. 6 W., Sec. 26. Seven Ranges Survey		US Forest Service	3/29/2013	FONSI/DR signed for downhole EA on a submitted APD on Forest Service lands.
					Total Acres: 40				6/6/2013
DOI- BLM-ES- 0030- 2013- 0015-EA									Cancelled and re- entered as new NEPA # DOI-BLM- ES-0030-2013- 0016-EA-APD
									N/A
DOI- BLM-ES- 0030- 2013- 0014-EA	EA	Wisconsin Resource Management Plan Amendment, WIES-057676	WI	Oneida	T. 37 N., R. 8 E., Sec. 33, Lots 6 and 13. 4th PM.		BLM	3/11/2012	EA completed and Decision Record signed approving direct land sale of reversionary
									10/25/2013

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Doc Link:	EA	EOI-101: MIES051664; EOI-102: MIES051665; EOI-103: MIES051666	MI	Manistee	T. 22 N., R. 14 W., Sec. 3, 1.28-acre portion of SENE, Michigan Meridian; T. 22 N., R. 14 W., Sec. 16, NENW, S1/2SENW, part of NWNW lying E. of E. line of the railroad right-of-way; Sec. 23, S1/2SW, Michigan Meridian; T. 22 N., R. 15 W., Sec. 24, S1/2SESE; Sec. 25, NENW.	Private	11/7/2012	30-day public comment period ended 7/25/2013. No comments were received.	6/12/2013
2013-14								DR signed. Parcels auctioned at Dec. 2013 Lease Sale.	
					Michigan Meridian			Expressions of Interest for oil and gas leasing on private lands.	
					Total Acres: 208				
2013-11	CX sec-390-1	O.I.L. Energy USA Merrill 1-18 Reentry EA	MI	Newaygo	T. 15 N., R. 13 W., Sec. 18, SENE, Michigan Meridian	US Forest Service	12/14/2012	Signed. Proposed re-entry of the plugged and abandoned USA Merrill 1-18 well (P/N 46218).	1/11/2013
					Michigan Meridian				
					Total Acres: 40				
2013-11	EA	EA for EOI #'s 1579 & 366	MI	Grand Traverse	T. 25 N., R. 11 W., Sec. 18, NENE, Michigan Meridian	Private	2/1/2012	30-day public comment period ended 7/25/2013. No comments were received.	9/13/2013
					Michigan Meridian			Expressions of Interest for oil and gas leasing on private lands. Landowners have been notified by letter.	
					Total Acres: 40				
2013-9	ROD	ROD for 7 Oil and Gas Lease Operations (Casefile #s: MIES 35195, 35196, 35414, 35415, 35668, 36745, 36746)	MI	Mason	T. 18 N., R. 15 W., Parts of Secs. 19, 20, & 34; T. 20 N., R. 15 W., Parts of Sec. 24; T. 20 N., R. 16 W., Parts of Sec. 16, Michigan Meridian	US Forest Service	11/19/2012	ROD signed on 7/9/2013. BLM proposes to issue non-competitive leases for the 100% U.S. oil and gas interest in the available lands.	7/9/2013
					Michigan Meridian				
					Total Acres: 768.29				
2013-9	EA	EA for EOI #'s 1404, 1405, & 1604	MI	Calhoun & Jackson	(EOI-1404, Calhoun Co.): T. 1 S., R. 5 W., Sec. 35, SWSW, Michigan Meridian; (EOI-1405, Jackson Co.): T. 4 S., R. 2 E., Sec. 22, SWNE, Michigan Meridian; (EOI-1604, Jackson Co.): T. 4 S., R. 2 E., Sec. 22, NESE, Michigan Meridian	Private	3/6/2012	FONSI/DR signed on 6/12/2013. Parcels auctioned at Sept. 2013 Lease Sale.	6/12/2013
					Michigan Meridian				
					Total Acres: 120				
2013-0008-	ROD	ROD for Pre-Sale Lease Offer MIES 38349 (EOI	MI	Newaygo	T. 16 N., R. 13 W., Sec. 7, N1/2SW, SWSW, NWSE, N1/2NE, SWNE, Michigan Meridian	US Forest	11/19/2012	ROD signed on 6/12/2013. No bids were received	6/12/2013

Other	010)	NW.	Service	during the June 2013 lease sale.
Doc Link: 2013-8		Michigan Meridian		
		Total Acres: 440		
DOI-BLM-ES-0030-2013-0007-EA	EA for EOI #'s 1075 & 1073 & OH1120	OH Muskingum	State of Ohio	9/4/2012
		Boundary of the Blue Rock State Forest (less 113 acres of federal lease). Muskingum River Survey.		Parcels pulled from Sept. 2013 lease sale, awaiting further consultation with Ohio DNR.
		Total Acres: 4,525		Postponed
DOI-BLM-ES-0030-2013-0006-EA	Cancelled			Cancelled
				N/A
DOI-BLM-ES-0030-2013-0005-EA	Cancelled			Cancelled
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DOI-BLM-ES-0030-2013-0004-EA	Cancelled			Cancelled
				N/A
DOI-BLM-ES-0030-2013-0003-EA	Cancelled			Cancelled
				N/A
DOI-BLM-ES-0030-2013-0002-EA	EA for 9 EOI's Allegan County, Michigan	MI Allegan	State of Michigan	10/10/2012
Doc Link: 2013-2		Allegan County, Michigan parcels located in: T. 1 N., R. 14 W., Secs. 1 & 3; T. 1 N., R. 15 W., Secs. 2, 4, 11-12; T. 2 N. R. 13 W., Secs. 30-31; T. 3 N., R. 13 W., Secs. 7-8, 18-20, & 30; T. 2 N., R. 14 W., Secs. 3-10, 15-29, 33-36; T. 2 N., R. 15 W., Secs. 1-3, 10-15, 17, 20-22, 27-28, 33-34, & 36; T. 3 N., R. 14 W., Secs. 11-12, 14-22, 27-34; T. 3 N., R. 15 W., Secs. 13-15, 17, 22-27, 35-36.		FONSI/DR signed on 6/12/2013. Parcels auctioned at Sept. 2013 Lease Sale.
		Michigan Meridian.		6/12/2013
		Total Acres: 27,302		
DOI-BLM-ES-0030-2013-0001-EA	Cancelled			Cancelled - completed as a Sect. 390-1 CX (New NEPA # DOI-BLM-ES-0030-2013-0012-CX-sec 390-1
				N/A

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