

**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Office of the Secretary****Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council;  
Notice of Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary,  
Department of the Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Interior, Office of the Secretary is announcing a public meeting of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Public Advisory Committee.

**DATES:** June 25, 2009, at 10:30 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council Office, 441 West 5th Avenue, Suite 500, Anchorage, Alaska.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Douglas Mutter, Department of the Interior, Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance, 1689 "C" Street, Suite 119, Anchorage, Alaska 99501, (907) 271-5011.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Public Advisory Committee was created by Paragraph V.A.4 of the Memorandum of Agreement and Consent Decree entered into by the United States of America and the State of Alaska on August 27, 1991, and approved by the United States District Court for the District of Alaska in settlement of *United States of America v. State of Alaska*, Civil Action No. A91-081 CV. The meeting agenda will include a review of the draft fiscal year 2010 work plan and budget.

**Willie R. Taylor,**

*Director, Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Request for Nominations for the  
Invasive Species Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary,  
National Invasive Species Council.

**ACTION:** Request for Nominations for the Invasive Species Advisory Committee.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of the Interior, on behalf of the interdepartmental National Invasive Species Council, proposes to appoint new members to the Invasive Species Advisory Committee (ISAC). The Secretary of the Interior, acting as administrative lead, is requesting nominations for qualified persons to serve as members of the ISAC.

**DATES:** Nominations must be postmarked by July 23, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Nominations should be sent to Dr. Christopher Dionigi, Acting Executive Director, National Invasive Species Council (OS/NISC), Regular Mail: 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240; *Express Mail:* 1201 Eye Street, NW., 5th Floor, Washington, DC 20005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kelsey Brantley, Program Analyst and ISAC Coordinator, at (202) 513-7243, fax: (202) 371-1751, or by e-mail at *Kelsey\_Brantley@ios.doi.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Advisory Committee Scope and Objectives**

The purpose and role of the ISAC are to provide advice to the National Invasive Species Council (NISC), as authorized by Executive Order 13112, on a broad array of issues including preventing the introduction of invasive species, providing for their control, and minimizing the economic, ecological, and human health impacts that invasive species cause. NISC is Co-chaired by the Secretaries of the Interior, Agriculture, and Commerce, and is charged with providing coordination, planning and leadership regarding invasive species issues. Pursuant to the Executive Order, NISC developed a 2008-2012 National Invasive Species Management Plan (Plan), which is available on the Web at <http://www.invasivespeciesinfo.gov/council/nmp.shtml>. NISC is responsible for effective implementation of the Plan including any revisions of the Plan, and also coordinates Federal agency activities concerning invasive species; encourages planning and action at local, tribal, State, regional and ecosystem-based levels; develops recommendations for international cooperation in addressing invasive species; facilitates the development of a coordinated network to document, evaluate, and monitor impacts from invasive species; and facilitates establishment of an information-sharing system on invasive species that utilizes, to the greatest extent practicable, the Internet.

The role of ISAC is to maintain an intensive and regular dialogue regarding the aforementioned issues. ISAC provides advice in cooperation with stakeholders and existing organizations addressing invasive species. The ISAC meets up to three (3) times per year.

Terms for five of the current members of the ISAC will expire in October 2009. After consultation with the other members of NISC, the Secretary of the Interior will actively solicit new nominees and appoint members to ISAC. Prospective members of ISAC

should be knowledgeable in and represent one or more of the following communities of interests: Weed science, fisheries science, rangeland management, forest science, entomology, nematology, plant pathology, veterinary medicine, the broad range of farming or agricultural practices, biodiversity issues, applicable laws and regulations relevant to invasive species policy, risk assessment, biological control of invasive species, public health/epidemiology, industry activities, international affairs or trade, tribal or State government interests, environmental education, ecosystem monitoring, natural resource database design and integration, and Internet-based management of conservation issues.

Prospective nominees should also have practical experience in one or more of the following areas: Representing sectors of the national economy that are significantly threatened by biological invasions (*e.g.*, agriculture, fisheries, public utilities, recreational users, tourism, etc.); representing sectors of the national economy whose routine operations may pose risks of new or expanded biological invasions (*e.g.*, shipping, forestry, horticulture, aquaculture, pet trade, etc.); developing natural resource management plans on regional or ecosystem-level scales; addressing invasive species issues, including prevention, control and monitoring, in multiple ecosystems and on multiple scales; integrating science and the human dimension in order to create effective solutions to complex conservation issues including education, outreach, and public relations experts; coordinating diverse groups of stakeholders to resolve complex environmental issues and conflicts; and complying with NEPA and other Federal requirements for public involvement in major conservation plans. Members will be selected in order to achieve a balanced representation of viewpoints, so to effectively address invasive species issues under consideration. No member may serve on the ISAC for more than two (2) consecutive terms. All terms will be limited to three (3) years in length.

Members of the ISAC and its subcommittees serve without pay. However, while away from their homes or regular places of business in the performance of services of the ISAC, members shall be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, in the same manner as persons employed intermittently in the government service, as authorized by

section 5703 of Title 5, United States Code.

**Note:** Employees of the Federal Government are not eligible for nomination or appointment to ISAC.

### Submitting Nominations

Nominations should be typed and must include each of the following:

1. A brief summary of no more than two (2) pages explaining the nominee's suitability to serve on the ISAC.
2. A résumé or curriculum vitae.
3. At least two (2) letters of reference.

All required documents must be compiled and submitted in one complete nomination package. This office will not assemble nomination packages from documentation sent piecemeal. Incomplete submissions (missing one or more of the items described above) will not be considered. Nominations should be postmarked no later than July 23, 2009, to Dr. Christopher Dionigi, Acting Executive Director, National Invasive Species Council (OS/NISC), *Regular Mail*: 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240; *Express Mail*: 1201 Eye Street, NW., 5th Floor, Washington, DC 20005.

The Secretary of the Interior, on behalf of the other members of NISC, is actively soliciting nominations of qualified minorities, women, persons with disabilities and members of low income populations to ensure that recommendations of the ISAC take into account the needs of the diverse groups served.

Dated: June 3, 2009.

**Christopher P. Dionigi,**

*Acting Executive Director, National Invasive Species Council.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

[Docket No. MMS-2008-OMM-0041]

#### **MMS Information Collection Activity: 1010-0048, Geological and Geophysical (G&G) Explorations of the Outer Continental Shelf, Revision of a Collection; Submitted for Office of Management and Budget Review; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of an information collection (1010-0048).

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are notifying the public that

we have submitted to the Office of Management and Budget an information collection request (ICR) to renew approval of the paperwork requirements in the regulations under 30 CFR part 251, "Geological and Geophysical (G&G) Explorations of the Outer Continental Shelf," and related documents. This notice also provides the public a second opportunity to comment on the paperwork burden of these regulatory requirements.

**DATES:** Submit written comments by July 8, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any either of the following methods listed below.

- Either by fax (202) 395-5806 or email ([OIRA\\_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov)) directly to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, *Attention:* Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior (1010-0048).

- Electronically: go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Under the tab More Search Options, click Advanced Docket Search, then select Minerals Management Service from the agency drop-down menu, then click submit. In the Docket ID column, select MMS-2008-OMM-0041 to submit public comments and to view supporting and related materials available for this rulemaking. Information on using [Regulations.gov](http://Regulations.gov), including instructions for accessing documents, submitting comments, and viewing the docket after the close of the comment period, is available through the site's User Tips link. The MMS will post all comments.

- Mail or hand-carry comments to the Department of the Interior; Minerals Management Service; Attention: Cheryl Blundon; 381 Elden Street, MS-4024; Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817. Please reference Information Collection 1010-0048 in your subject line and mark your message for return receipt. Include your name and return address in your message text.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Cheryl Blundon, Regulations and Standards Branch, (703) 787-1607. You may also contact Cheryl Blundon to obtain a copy, at no cost, of the regulations and the form that require the subject collection of information.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* 30 CFR Part 251, Geological and Geophysical (G&G) Explorations of the Outer Continental Shelf.

*Form:* MMS-327, Application for Permit to Conduct Geological or Geophysical Exploration for Mineral Resources or Scientific Research in the Outer Continental Shelf.

*OMB Control Number:* 1010-0048.

**Abstract:** The Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.* and 43 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), authorizes the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) to prescribe rules and regulations to administer leasing of the OCS. Such rules and regulations will apply to all operations conducted under a lease. Operations on the OCS must preserve, protect, and develop oil and natural gas resources in a manner that is consistent with the need to make such resources available to meet the Nation's energy needs as rapidly as possible; to balance orderly energy resource development with protection of human, marine, and coastal environments; to ensure the public a fair and equitable return on the resources of the OCS; and to preserve and maintain free enterprise competition.

The OCS Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1340) also states that "any person authorized by the Secretary may conduct geological and geophysical explorations in the [O]uter Continental Shelf, which do not interfere with or endanger actual operations under any lease maintained or granted pursuant to this OCS Lands Act, and which are not unduly harmful to aquatic life in such area." The section further requires that permits to conduct such activities may only be issued if it is determined that the applicant is qualified; the activities are not polluting, hazardous, or unsafe; they do not interfere with other users of the area; and they do not disturb a site, structure, or object of historical or archaeological significance. Applicants for permits are required to submit Form MMS-327 to provide the information necessary to evaluate their qualifications. Upon approval, respondents are issued a permit.

The OCS Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1352) further requires that certain costs be reimbursed to the parties submitting required G&G information and data. Under the OCS Lands Act, permittees are to be reimbursed for the costs of reproducing any G&G data required to be submitted. Permittees are to be reimbursed also for the reasonable cost of processing geophysical information required to be submitted when processing is in a form or manner required by the Director of the Minerals Management Service (MMS) and is not used in the normal conduct of the business of the permittee.

The Independent Offices Appropriations Act (31 U.S.C. 9701), the Omnibus Appropriations Bill (Pub. L. 104-133, 110 Stat. 1321, April 26, 1996), and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-25, authorize Federal agencies to recover the full cost of services that confer