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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Participation and Request for Comments

We encourage you to submit comments and related material on the draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment. All comments received will be posted, without change, to <http://dms.dot.gov> and will include any personal information you have provided. We have an agreement with the Department of Transportation (DOT) to use the Docket Management Facility. Please see DOT's "Privacy Act" paragraph below.

Submitting comments: If you submit a comment, please include your name and address, identify the docket number for this notice (USCG-1998-3417), and give the reason for each comment. You may submit your comments and material by electronic means, mail, fax, or delivery to the Docket Management Facility at the address under **ADDRESSES**, but please submit your comments and material by only one means. If you submit them by mail or delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. If you submit them by mail and would like to know that they reached the Facility, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

Viewing the comments and draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment: To view the comments and draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment, go to <http://dms.dot.gov> at any time, click on "Simple Search," enter the last four digits of the docket number for this notice, and click on "Search." You may also visit the Docket Management Facility in room PL-401 on the Plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Privacy Act: Anyone can search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review the Department of Transportation's Privacy Act Statement as published in the **Federal Register** on

April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477), or you may visit <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Proposed Action

The Coast Guard published a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for "Salvage and Marine Firefighting Requirements; Vessel Response Plans for Oil" in the **Federal Register** on May 10, 2002 (67 FR 31868). Please refer to this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for a summary of the regulatory history behind that Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking is available in the DOT docket.

During the comment period on the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, we received comments both in the docket and at public meetings challenging our reliance upon an environmental analysis done in 1992 to support the publication of the original vessel response plan requirements. These comments argued that it was old and out of date, and missing pieces that would be required of an Environmental Assessment done today. We reviewed those comments, as well as the old Environmental assessment/Finding of No Significant Impact, and determined that while the original study remains valid for the non-salvage portion of the vessel response plan we should conduct a new Environmental Analysis before finalizing the salvage and marine firefighting rulemaking.

Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment

We have prepared a draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment. See "Viewing the comments and draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment" above. The draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment identifies and examines the reasonable alternatives and assesses their potential environmental impact.

We are requesting your comments on environmental concerns that you may have related to the Programmatic Environmental Assessment. This includes suggesting analyses and methodologies for use in the Programmatic Environmental Assessment or possible sources of data or information not included in the draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment. Your comments will be considered in preparing the final Programmatic Environmental Assessment.

Dated: December 27, 2005.

Craig E. Bone,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Acting Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Proposed Collection of Information; Comment Request

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that the Office of Indian Education Programs is seeking comments on the renewal of the Information Collection Request for the Tribal Colleges and Universities Application for Grants, OMB No. 1076-0018, and the Annual Report Form, OMB No. 1076-0105, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Submit comments on or before March 6, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent directly to Edward Parisian, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Indian Education Programs, 1849 C Street, NW., Mail Stop 3609-MIB Washington, DC 20240-0001. You may also send comments via facsimile to 202-208-3271.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You may request further information or obtain copies of the proposed information collection request from James C. Redman (202) 208-4397 or Keith Neves at (202) 208-3601.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Each Tribal College and University requesting financial assistance and receiving financial assistance is statutorily required to provide information to assess an accounting of amounts and purposes of financial assistance for the preceding academic year as provided for in 25 CFR part 41. The information collection is needed to collect an assessment of performance accountability of Federal funds as required by the Government Performance and Result Act of 1993.

Request for Comments

The Office of Indian Education Programs requests your comments on this collection concerning:

(a) The necessity of this information collection for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (hours and cost) of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(c) Ways we could enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) Ways we could minimize the burden of the collection of the information on the respondents, such as through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that an agency may not sponsor or request, and an individual need not respond to, a collection of information unless it has a valid OMB Control Number.

It is our policy to make all comments available to the public for review at the location listed in the **ADDRESSES** section, room 3609, during the hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., EST Monday through Friday except for legal holidays. If you wish to have your name and/or address withheld, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. We will honor your request according to the requirements of the law. All comments from organizations or representatives will be available for review. We may withhold comments from review for other reasons.

Information Collection Abstract

OMB Control Number: 1076-0105.

Type of review: Renewal.

Title: Tribal Colleges and Universities Annual Report Form.

Brief Description of collection: The information is mandatory by Public Law 95-471 for the respondent to receive or maintain a benefit, specifically grants for students.

Respondents: Tribal College and University administrators.

Number of Respondents: 26.

Estimated Time per Response: 3 hours.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Total Annual Burden to Respondents: 78.

Information Collection Abstract

OMB Control Number: 1076-0105.

Type of review: Renewal.

Title: Tribal Colleges and Universities Application for Grants Form.

Brief Description of collection: The information is mandatory by Public Law 95-471 for the respondent to receive or maintain a benefit, *i.e.*, grants for students.

Respondents: Tribal College and University administrators.

Number of Respondents: 26.

Estimated Time per Response: 1 hour.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Total Annual Burden to Respondents: 26.

Dated: December 22, 2005.

Michael D. Olsen

Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Federal Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Administrative Boundaries Extending from the Submerged Lands Act Boundary seaward to the Limit of the United States Outer Continental Shelf

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

ACTION: Setting Federal OCS offshore administrative boundaries beyond State submerged lands for Department of the Interior planning, coordination, and administrative purposes.

SUMMARY: This notice informs the public that the MMS has developed offshore administrative lines from each adjoining coastal state as described below. Having these lines in place provides various benefits, including:

1. Enhancing the Secretary's ability to ensure that the "4-C's"—communication, consultation and cooperation, all in support of conservation—are considered as she engages in efforts to identify which State has the most interest in the extended area offshore from its coastline because of the increasing number of commercial activities on the Federal OCS, such as permits for liquefied natural gas facilities, wind power, and wave energy;

2. Providing the basis for more accurate delineation of OCS planning areas;

3. Assisting in "affected State" status under the Coastal Zone Management Act and the OCS Lands Act. For example, section 18 of the OCS Lands Act requires the Secretary to consider the "laws, goals, and policies of affected States." Similarly, section 19 analysis requires the Secretary to balance national interests with the "well-being of the citizens of the affected State";

4. Providing a more accurate basis for the Secretary to consider support for, or objections to, a State's request to analyze leasing off its shores. Without such administrative lines, it is difficult to define these areas accurately;

5. Assisting in the section 18 comparative analysis to determine "an equitable sharing of developmental

benefits and environmental risks among regions." Such lines will more accurately define the necessary assumptions of what are "regions"; and

6. Helping define appropriate consultation and information sharing with States. For example, section 19(e) authorizes cooperative agreement with affected States for such activities as information sharing, joint planning, review of plans, and environmental monitoring. This is even more important with the recent passage of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 which gave the MMS the authority to permit alternative and renewable energy projects on the OCS. Many of these projects will be located in areas in which the MMS has not recently been active.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Renee Orr, Chief, Leasing Division, telephone 703-787-1215.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The MMS undertook this task in light of the increasing number and type of both traditional and non-traditional energy, alternative energy-related, and other activities on the OCS. Such activities include sand and gravel dredging; liquefied natural gas handling facilities; wind, wave, and current energy generation projects; and mariculture, as well as other innovative uses of the sea, seabed, existing oil and gas operations, and OCS oil and gas infrastructure that may be pursued in the future. Therefore, the MMS believes that it is appropriate to delineate offshore administrative lines at this time.

Methodology

Over the past two years, the MMS, National Ocean Service, and Department of State have been updating the National Baseline which provides the basis for developing international jurisdictions, such as the Territorial Sea, Contiguous Zone, and Exclusive Economic Zone, as well as a basis for the proposed boundaries seaward of the Submerged Lands Act state waters. We have used, to the extent practicable, the updated National Baseline to derive offshore administrative boundaries in compliance with accepted cartographic practice. The MMS has used the computational software known as CARIS LOTS "*Limits and Boundaries*." One of the many features of this software is that it takes a predetermined baseline and determines boundaries for states with an equidistant line for states that are adjacent or a median line for opposite states, based on geodetic calculations. This software was