

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To assure a timely response, please electronically direct requests for further information to this email address: JobsPlus@hud.gov. Written requests may also be directed to the following address: Office of Public and Indian Housing—Jayme A. Brown, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Room 4120, Washington, DC 20410.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Jobs Plus promotes economic empowerment in low-income areas by providing funding to PHAs that develop locally-based, job-driven approaches to increase earnings and advance employment outcomes through work readiness, employer linkages, job placement, educational advancement, technology skills, and financial literacy for residents of public housing. Congress first appropriated funds for the program in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014, (Pub. L. 113–76, approved January 17, 2014) (2014 Appropriations Act), and continued to appropriate funds for the program in the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015, (Pub. L. 113–235, approved December 16, 2014) (2015 Appropriation Act), the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016, (Pub. L. 114–113, approved December 18, 2015), and the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (Pub. L. 115–31, approved May 5, 2017). Each year, the provisions pertaining to Jobs Plus have remained substantially the same.

On March 13, 2015, HUD published a **Federal Register** notice at 80 FR 13415 titled “Jobs-Plus Pilot Initiative,” which announced waivers and alternative requirements for Jobs Plus. This notice clarifies that those waivers and alternative requirements continue to apply as long as Congress continues to appropriate funds for Jobs Plus, and the provisions governing the use of those funds remain substantially the same. HUD will announce any revisions to the waivers and alternative requirements for Jobs Plus in future **Federal Register** notices. The list of waivers and alternative requirements that were in the March 13, 2015, notice is published in the appendix of this notice. HUD has made minor revisions to the language in the appendix from what was published in 2015 for clarity, but the waivers and alternative requirements remain substantively the same. The revised language clarifies that individuals, and not families, must enroll in Jobs Plus in order to obtain the benefit of a Jobs Plus earned income disregard; that PHAs

may disallow all incremental increases in earned income from rent determinations for individuals in Jobs Plus public housing projects; and that the period of this disallowance is up to 48 months, beginning on the date on which a public housing resident enrolls in the Jobs Plus program and ending at the end of the grant period. The language in the appendix also reflects that HUD revised its regulations since the 2015 notice was published so that there is a standard lifetime maximum two-year earned-income disallowance period.

II. Environmental Review

This Notice involves administrative and fiscal requirements related to income limits and exclusions with regard to calculation of rental assistance which do not constitute a development decision affecting the physical condition of specific project areas or building sites. Accordingly, under 24 CFR 50.19(c)(6), this Notice is categorically excluded from environmental review under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321).

Dated: March 20, 2018.

Dominique Blom,

General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

Appendix—Jobs Plus Initiative and Alternative Requirements

The statutes that have appropriated funds for the Jobs Plus program (the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014, Pub. L. 113–76; the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015, Pub. L. 113–235; the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016, Pub. L. 114–113; and the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017, Pub. L. 115–31) provide that HUD is authorized to waive or alter the rent and income limitation requirements under sections 3 and 6 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 as necessary to implement Jobs Plus. The list of waivers and alternative requirements, as described above, follows:

I. Public Housing Rent Calculation

Permissive exclusions for public housing. Provisions affected: Section 6(c) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437d), 3(b)(5)(B) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437a), and 24 CFR 5.609(c). *Alternative requirements:* The PHA shall calculate the annual earned income for Jobs Plus participants receiving the Jobs Plus earned income disregard separately from other income disregards for the purposes of determining the amount of annual income excluded under Jobs Plus. The records associated with the calculated disregarded amounts shall be provided to HUD for review; additional instructions for the submission of records will be provided at a later date. The PHA may use Jobs Plus grant

funds to cover the decrease in funding associated with the increased tenant income.

II. Public Housing Income Limitation Requirements

Disallowance of earned income from rent determination. Provisions affected: HUD is waiving section 3(d)(1) and (2), of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437a) and 24 CFR 960.255(b)(1), (b)(2), (b)(3) & (d). *Alternative requirements:* A PHA may disallow all incremental increases in earned income due to employment from rent determinations for individuals in Jobs Plus public housing projects for a period of up to 48 months, beginning on the date on which a public housing resident enrolls in the Jobs Plus program, and ending at the end of the grant period. A PHA must require individual members of a family in a Jobs Plus public housing project to enroll in Jobs Plus in order for each individual to be eligible for the benefit of the Jobs Plus earned income disregard. The PHA shall not setup Individual Savings Accounts in lieu of providing the Jobs Plus earned income exclusion. Any compensation to the PHA for lost rent revenues, such as by the standard earned income disregard calculation in the Operating Fund, will be manually adjusted by HUD to prevent overpayment of Public Housing Operating funds to grant recipients. Instead, PHAs shall use funds received through their Jobs Plus award to account for lost rental revenue due to the application of the Jobs Plus rent incentive.

There shall be no phase-in period for families participating in Jobs Plus. Upon completion of the earned income exclusion period, the tenant's rent will be calculated based on the tenant's income, including all earned income in accordance with 24 CFR part 5, subpart F.

The standard lifetime maximum two-year disallowance period prescribed in 24 CFR 960.255(b)(3) shall not apply to individuals participating in Jobs Plus. Individuals may benefit from the Jobs Plus earned income disregard even if they have previously benefited from the standard public housing earned income disregard. If individuals at Jobs Plus targeted developments receive the standard earned income disregard, they may continue to do so until they enroll in the Jobs Plus earned income disregard or until the time of their next rent-recertification, whichever is earlier.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Leases; OKNM127909, OKNM127910, OKNM127911, OKNM127912, OKNM127913, OKNM127917, and OKNM127920, Oklahoma

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of reinstatement.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, Red Fork (USA) Investments, Inc., timely filed a petition for reinstatement of competitive oil and gas leases OKNM 127909, OKNM 127910, OKNM 127911, OKNM 127912, OKNM 127913, and OKNM 127920, in Payne County, Oklahoma, and OKNM 127917, in Noble County, Oklahoma. The lessee paid the required rentals accruing from the date of termination. No new leases were issued that affect these lands. The Bureau of Land Management proposes to reinstate these leases.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julieann Serrano, Supervisory Land Law Examiner, Branch of Adjudication, Bureau of Land Management New Mexico State Office, 301 Dinosaur Trail, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87508, (505) 954-2149, jserrano@blm.gov. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The lessee agrees to new lease terms for rentals and royalties of \$10 per acre, or fraction thereof, per year, and 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ percent, respectively. The lessee agrees to additional or amended stipulations. The lessee paid the \$500 administration fee for the reinstatement of the lease and the \$159 cost for publishing this Notice.

The lessee met the requirements for reinstatement of the lease per Sec. 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920. The BLM is proposing to reinstate the leases, effective the date of termination subject to the:

- Original terms and conditions of the lease;
- Additional and amended stipulations;
- Increased rental of \$10 per acre;
- Increased royalty of 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ percent; and
- \$159 cost of publishing this Notice.

Authority: 43 CFR 3108.2-3.

Julieann Serrano,
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Notice of Availability of the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the Alpine Satellite Development Plan for the Proposed Greater Mooses Tooth 2 Development Project, National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska; Notice of Public Meetings and Subsistence Hearings

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Arctic District Office, Fairbanks, Alaska, is issuing for public comment the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Alpine Satellite Development Plan for the Proposed Greater Mooses Tooth 2 (GMT2) Development Project, National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska (NPR-A). BLM Alaska is also announcing pending public meetings and subsistence-related hearings to receive comments on the GMT2 Draft Supplemental EIS and the project's potential to impact subsistence resources and activities. The EIS will supplement the September 2004 Alpine Satellite Development Plan Final EIS that originally analyzed the GMT2 Project, regarding establishing satellite oil production pads and associated infrastructure within the Alpine field.

DATES: To ensure that the BLM will consider your comments on the GMT2 Draft Supplemental EIS, BLM Alaska must receive your written comments no later than 45 days after the Environmental Protection Agency publishes its notice of availability of the GMT2 Draft Supplemental EIS in the **Federal Register**. BLM Alaska will announce the dates, times, and locations of public meetings on its website, through public notices, media news releases, and/or mailings.

ADDRESSES: You may provide comments by mail, fax, email, or in person. Mail comments to: GMT2 SEIS Comments, Attn: Stephanie Rice, 222 West 7th Avenue #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513; fax comments to 907-271-3933; email comments to blm_ak_gmt2_comments@blm.gov; or hand-deliver comments during normal business hours (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.) to the BLM Public Information Center, 222 West 7th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska.

You may review the GMT2 Draft Supplemental EIS online at BLM Alaska's website at <http://www.blm.gov/>

alaska. You may also review copies of the GMT2 Draft Supplemental EIS at both BLM Alaska Public Information Centers at the Federal Building at 222 West 7th Avenue, Anchorage, and at the Arctic District Office, 222 University Avenue, Fairbanks. You may also request a CD or paper copy of the GMT2 Draft Supplemental EIS by contacting Stephanie Rice, BLM project lead, at 907-271-3202.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The GMT2 Supplemental EIS analyzes an application from ConocoPhillips, Alaska, Inc. (ConocoPhillips). The application is for a permit to drill and related authorizations to construct, operate, and maintain a drill site, access road, pipelines, and ancillary facilities on federally managed land to support development of petroleum resources at the GMT2 drill site. BLM Alaska manages the surface and subsurface at the drill site and at the proposed infield road and pipeline route. ConocoPhillips may also develop subsurface resources owned by the Arctic Slope Regional Corporation, and may occupy surface lands owned by the Kuukpik Corporation.

The proposed GMT2 site is approximately 25 miles southwest of the ConocoPhillips-operated Alpine Central Processing Facility (CD1) and will be operated and maintained by staff at the Alpine Central Processing Facility.

The GMT2 Project was originally analyzed as the Colville Delta 7 (CD7) drill pad in the BLM's September 2004 Alpine Satellite Development Plan Final EIS. The purpose of the Supplemental EIS is to evaluate any relevant new circumstances and information that have arisen since the Alpine Satellite Development Plan Final EIS was completed, to update the alternatives in the 2004 EIS, and to address any changes to ConocoPhillips' proposed development plan for GMT2. The GMT2 Draft Supplemental EIS analyzes four alternatives, including two alternatives with an access road, an alternative without an access road, and a no-action alternative.

The key issues in the GMT2 Draft Supplemental EIS are the protection of