

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Administrator, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, Albert Lewis, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this major disaster.

The following areas of the State of New Hampshire have been designated as adversely affected by this major disaster:

Hillsborough and Rockingham Counties for Public Assistance. Direct federal assistance is authorized.

All counties within the State of New Hampshire are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance Grant; 97.048, Disaster Housing Assistance to Individuals and Households in Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas; 97.049, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance—Disaster Housing Operations for Individuals and Households; 97.050, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance to Individuals and Households—Other Needs; 97.036, Disaster Grants—Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters); 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant.

W. Craig Fugate,
Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA–4048–DR; Docket ID FEMA–2011–0001]

New Jersey; Major Disaster and Related Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of New Jersey (FEMA–4048–DR), dated November 30, 2011, and related determinations.

DATES: *Effective Date:* November 30, 2011.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peggy Miller, Office of Response and Recovery, Federal Emergency

Management Agency, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–3886.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated November 30, 2011, the President issued a major disaster declaration under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.* (the “Stafford Act”), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of New Jersey resulting from a severe storm on October 29, 2011, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.* (the “Stafford Act”). Therefore, I declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of New Jersey.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide Public Assistance in the designated areas and Hazard Mitigation throughout the State. Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance is supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration for the approved assistance to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Administrator, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, William L. Vogel, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this major disaster.

The following areas of the State of New Jersey have been designated as adversely affected by this major disaster:

Cape May, Essex, Hunterdon, Morris, Somerset, Sussex, Union, and Warren counties for Public Assistance.

All counties within the State of New Jersey are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance Grant; 97.048, Disaster Housing Assistance to Individuals and Households in Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas; 97.049, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance—Disaster Housing Operations for Individuals and Households; 97.050, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance to Individuals and Households—Other Needs; 97.036, Disaster Grants—Public Assistance

(Presidentially Declared Disasters); 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant.

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Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA–4042–DR; Docket ID FEMA–2011–0001]

Virginia; Amendment No. 3 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster declaration for the Commonwealth of Virginia (FEMA–4042–DR), dated November 4, 2011, and related determinations.

DATES: *Effective Date:* December 6, 2011.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peggy Miller, Office of Response and Recovery, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–3886.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster declaration for the Commonwealth of Virginia is hereby amended to include the following area among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the event declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of November 4, 2011.

The City of Fredericksburg for Public Assistance.

The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance Grant; 97.048, Disaster Housing Assistance to Individuals and Households in Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas; 97.049, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance—Disaster Housing Operations for Individuals and Households; 97.050, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance to Individuals and Households—Other Needs; 97.036, Disaster Grants—Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters);

97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant.

W. Craig Fugate,

*Administrator, Federal Emergency
Management Agency.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

Carpinteria Offshore Field Redevelopment Project— Developmental Drilling Into the Carpinteria Offshore Field Oil and Gas Reserves, California State Waters, From Federal Platform Hogan

AGENCY: Bureau of Ocean Energy
Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) and the California State Lands Commission (CSLC) intend to jointly review a proposal to develop offshore oil and gas resources, located in California state waters, from an existing oil and gas platform located in Federal waters. This review will lead to a joint assessment of the potential environmental impacts and appropriate mitigation measures. This is the Notice of Preparation/Notice of Intent (NOP/NOI) to jointly prepare an Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) and hold public scoping meetings for the Carpinteria Offshore Field Redevelopment Project. This notice initiates the public scoping process.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted by February 21, 2012.

Scoping meeting dates/times are Thursday, January 19, 2012 at:

1. 1–3 p.m. and
2. 5–7 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to—

1. *Mail or hand carried.* Enclosed in an envelope labeled “Scoping Comments for the Carpinteria EIR/EIS” and delivered to Ms. Susan Zaleski, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Pacific OCS Region, 770 Paseo Camarillo, Camarillo, CA 93010–6064.

2. *Email.*
carpinteriaredevelopment@mrsenv.com. See Comments and Scoping Meetings below for meeting addresses.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Susan Zaleski, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Pacific OCS Region, 770 Paseo Camarillo, Camarillo, California 93010–6064; phone (805) 389–7558, fax (805) 389–7874, or email at susan.zaleski@boem.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BOEM and CSLC are jointly reviewing the proposed Carpinteria Offshore Field Redevelopment Project (the Project) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), respectively. The BOEM will be the NEPA lead agency. The California State Lands Commission (CSLC) will be the CEQA lead agency. They will prepare a joint environmental impact report (EIR)/environmental impact statement (EIS) to identify and assess potential environmental impacts and mitigation measures associated with a proposal to develop offshore oil and gas resources, located in California state waters, from an existing oil and gas platform located in Federal waters.

Publication of this notice initiates the public scoping process to solicit comments regarding the full spectrum of issues and concerns, including a suitable range of alternatives, the human and marine resources that could be affected, the nature and extent of the potential impacts to those resources, and the appropriate mitigation measures that should be addressed in the EIR/EIS.

Carone Petroleum Corporation (Carone) is proposing to redevelop the state portion of the Carpinteria Offshore Field oil and gas reserves from Platform Hogan, which is located in Federal waters. Signal Hill Services, Inc. is the Federal lessee, and Pacific Operators Offshore, LLC (POOL) is the operator of Platform Hogan. The Carpinteria Offshore Field extends into both Federal and state waters and includes Federal and state leases. As many as 25 new production or injection wells would be drilled into existing state oil and gas leases from Platform Hogan. The exact number of wells to be drilled is unknown until sufficient wells are completed and evaluated to determine the amount and location of the oil and gas resources.

The CSLC reviews the Plan of Development (POD) for state leases, which delineates the long-term plans of Carone and its designated Carpinteria Field operator, POOL. The POD is based on all state lease wells being physically drilled from Platform Hogan through subsurface operations.

The BOEM reviews the Development and Production Plan (DPP) and revised DPP pursuant to the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act, as amended, and the implementing regulations at 30 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 550.283 and 550.285, which address the procedures and requirements for submitting revised DPPs. The BOEM decides whether these revised plans should be approved, disapproved, or

modified to be consistent with the provisions of the lease, the OCS Lands Act, and the implementing regulations. A Right-of-Use-and-Easement is also needed for this proposed project pursuant to 30 CFR 550.160–166. The revised DPP will also be submitted to the California Coastal Commission (CCC) to ensure its consistency with the California Coastal Management Plan.

No final decision on the proposed project will be made until the end of the EIR/EIS process in order to allow for full consultation with Federal agencies, affected states, affected tribes and the public. Upon completion of this EIR/EIS process, BOEM and CSLC will make separate decisions concerning the proposed project. Consultation with other Federal, state and local agencies, affected tribes, and the public will be carried out to assist in the NEPA/CEQA process. These consultations will be completed before decisions are made on the proposed project.

Description of the Area

Drilling will take place from an existing Federal Platform Hogan (Federal Lease OCS–P 0166), which lies in the Santa Barbara Channel, 3.7 miles offshore of the City of Carpinteria, Santa Barbara County, California, in 154 feet of water (Latitude 34°20′16″ N; Longitude 119°32′30″ W) to develop resources in California state waters (State Oil and Gas Leases PRC 4000, PRC 7911 and PRC 3133). Oil and gas production will be transferred by an existing pipeline to the existing La Conchita Processing Facility in Ventura County.

Cooperating Agencies

BOEM and CSLC invite other Federal agencies and state, tribal and local governments to consider becoming cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIR/EIS. Following the guidelines from the Council of Environmental Quality (CEQ), qualified agencies and governments are those with “jurisdiction by law or special expertise.” Potential cooperating agencies should consider their authority and capacity to assume the responsibilities of a cooperating agency and remember that an agency’s role in the environmental analysis neither enlarges nor diminishes the final decision-making authority of any other agency involved in the NEPA process.

Upon request, BOEM and CSLC will provide potential cooperating agencies with an information package that includes a draft Memorandum of Agreement. The draft Memorandum of Agreement includes a schedule with critical action dates and milestones,