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North Central Montana District  
Division of Oil and Gas  
1220 38<sup>th</sup> Street N  
Great Falls, MT 59405  
<http://www.blm.gov/montana-dakotas>

In Reply Refer To:

March 12, 2019 Comp Sale  
3160 (MT00200)

November 20, 2018

Dear Reader:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received Expressions of Interest to sell Federal oil and gas leases on 271 parcels of Federal minerals in a future lease sale. The parcels are located within the Billings, Dillon, Glasgow, Havre, Miles City, North Dakota, and South Dakota Field Office areas. The Environmental Assessment and recommended stipulations for the 271 parcels is posted on the BLM ePlanning website for a 30-day comment period starting on November 21, 2018. Written comments must be postmarked by December 21, 2018 to be considered. Comments may be submitted using one of the following methods:

**Electronic:** BLM e-Planning website – <https://eplanning.blm.gov>

- Use the “Text Search” tab with the below State/Office/Document Type/Fiscal Year -Click Search and select DOI-BLM-MT-0000-2018-0007EA 2019 March Oil and Gas Lease Sale from the search result below.
- Click “Documents” on the left hand side of the screen to display documents available for review.
- Click “Comment on Document” on the right hand side of the screen to submit comments.

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**Mail:** Bureau of Land Management  
Montana/Dakotas State Office  
Division of Fluid Minerals  
Attention: Amy Waring  
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Billings, MT 59101

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be advised that your entire comment – including your personal identifying information – may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Prior to issuance of any leases, the Decision Record and FONSI will be finalized and posted for public review on our BLM e-Planning website. Please refer to the BLM e-Planning website at [https://eplanning.blm.gov/epl-frontoffice/eplanning/nepa/nepa\\_register.do](https://eplanning.blm.gov/epl-frontoffice/eplanning/nepa/nepa_register.do). Current and updated information about our EA, Lease Sale Notice, and corresponding information pertaining to this sale can be found at the link referenced above.

If you have any questions or would like more information about lease sale notices or the issuance of the EA, Decision Record and FONSI, please contact Amy Waring, Mitigation Specialist at (406) 896-5095 or Tessa Wallace, Natural Resource Specialist, at (406) 791-7768.

Sincerely,



Dale H. Manchester  
NCMD Division Chief  
Oil and Gas