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Hilcorp Alaska LLC's Application for Permit to Drill
Determination of NEPA Adequacy, DOI-BLM-AK-A010-2013-0025-DNA

Case File, A028406

DECISION RECORD

It is my decision to authorize the approval of the Application for Permit to Drill, submitted by Hilcorp Alaska, LLC, for their SRU 32C-15 oil well. This well is located on a valid federal oil and gas lease (A028406) as part of the Swanson River Field. Based upon the analysis provided in the attached Determination of NEPA Adequacy and the Finding of No Significant Impact, the Proposed Action is approved. Approval is based upon the Permit to Drill as submitted and all stipulations and Conditions of Approval attached to the permit. The approved activity includes drilling one well to a depth of 11,451 feet. The well will be drilled on an existing pad using a closed-loop system. Existing roads, electrical lines, flowlines and pipelines as well as production facilities will be used. Final reclamation will occur on all disturbed surfaces, not already reclaimed, after final plugging and abandonment of any and all wells on Pad 21-15. All reclamation will be done in accordance with the terms of the surface managing agency, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The Bureau of Land Management has reviewed the Determination of NEPA Adequacy and identified site-specific mitigation measures to avoid or minimize surface impacts resulting from implementation of the project. The proposed action is in conformance with the Ring of Fire RMP/EIS and its Record of Decision (July 2006 and March 2008 respectively) and conforms to the land-use planning terms and conditions required under 43 CFR 1610.5.

Appeal Opportunities

This decision may be appealed to the Interior Board of Land Appeals, Office of the Secretary, in accordance with the regulations contained in 43 CFR § 4. To appeal you must file a notice of appeal at the BLM Anchorage Field Office, 4700 BLM Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99507, within 30 days from receipt of this decision. The appeal must be in writing and delivered in person, via the United States Postal Service mail system, or other common carrier, to the Anchorage Field Office as noted above. *The BLM does not accept appeals by facsimile or email.* The appellant has the burden of showing that the decision appealed from is in error.

If you wish to file a petition pursuant to regulation 43 CFR § 4.21 (58 FR 4939, January 19, 1993) for a stay of the effectiveness of this decision during the time that your appeal is being reviewed by the Board, the petition for a stay must accompany your notice of appeal. Except as otherwise provided by law or other pertinent regulation, a petition for a stay of decision pending

appeal shall show sufficient justification based on the following standards: (a) The relative harm to the parties if the stay is granted or denied, (b) The likelihood of the appellant's success on the merits, (c) The likelihood of immediate and irreparable harm if the stay is not granted, and (d) Whether the public interest favors granting the stay.

Copies of the notice of appeal and petition for a stay must also be submitted to each party named in this decision and to the Interior Board of Land Appeals and to the Office of the Solicitor (see 43 CFR § 4.413); Office of the Regional Solicitor, Alaska Region, U.S. Department of the Interior, 4230 University Drive, Suite 300, Anchorage, Alaska 99508; at the same time the original documents are filed with this office. If you request a stay, you have the burden of proof to demonstrate that a stay should be granted.

/s/ Alan Bittner

June 5, 2013

Alan Bittner
Anchorage Field Manager

Date

Attachments

Hilcorp Alaska LLC's Application for Permit to Drill, Determination of NEPA Adequacy
Hilcorp Alaska LLC's Application for Permit to Drill, Finding of No Significant Impact