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Bureau of Land Management**

**DETERMINATION OF NEPA ADEQUACY**

DOI-BLM-MT-C020-2016-0071-DNA  
July 20, 2016

**Project Title:** Oil and Gas Lease Parcel October 18, 2016 Sale

**Location:** Rosebud and Big Horn Counties, Miles City Field Office



**BLM Office:** Miles City Field Office (MCFO)

**NEPA Number:** DOI-BLM-MT-C020-2016-0071-DNA

**Case File/Project No:** MTM 105431-MN, MTM 105431-MT, MTM 105431-QB, MTM 105431-QC, and MTM 105431-MJ

**Proposed Action Title/Type:** Oil and Gas Lease Parcel, October 18, 2016 Sale

**Location/Legal Description:**

MTM 105431-MN  
T. 8 S., R. 40 E.,  
Sec. 1 LOTS 1,2;  
Sec. 1 S2NE,S2;  
Big Horn County

MTM 105431-QB  
T. 7 S., R. 41 E.,  
Sec. 31 LOTS 1-4;  
Sec. 31 N2NE,SENE,NENW,NESE;  
Rosebud County

MTM 105431-MT  
T. 8 S., R. 40 E.,  
Sec. 2 LOT 1;  
Sec. 2 S2N2,S2;  
Big Horn County

MTM 105431-MJ  
T. 7 1/2 S., R. 41 E.,  
Sec. 31 LOTS 1-6;  
Sec. 31 NESW,N2SE;  
Sec. 32 LOT 4;  
Sec. 32 NWSW;  
Big Horn County

MTM 105431-QC  
T. 7 S., R. 41 E.,  
Sec. 32 LOTS 1-10,12;  
Rosebud County

**Background:**

It is the policy of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to make mineral resources available for use and to encourage development of those resources to meet national, regional, and local needs. This policy is based on various laws, including the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976. The Federal Onshore Oil and Gas Leasing Reform Act of 1987, Sec. 5102(a)(b)(1)(A) directs the BLM to conduct quarterly oil and gas lease sales in each state whenever eligible lands are available for leasing. The Montana State Office conducts mineral estate lease auctions for lands managed by the Federal Government, whether the surface is managed by the Department of the Interior (BLM or Bureau of Reclamation), United States Forest Service, or other departments and agencies. In some cases the BLM holds subsurface mineral rights on split estate lands where the surface estate is owned by another party, other than the Federal Government. Federal mineral leases can be sold on such lands as well.

Members of the public file Expressions of Interest (EOI) to nominate parcels for leasing by the BLM. From these EOIs, the Montana State Office provides draft parcel lists to the appropriate

field offices for review. The BLM field offices then review legal descriptions of nominated parcels to determine: if they are in areas open to leasing; if new information has come to light which might change previous analyses conducted during the land use planning process; if there are special resource conditions of which potential bidders should be made aware; and which stipulations should be identified and included as part of a lease. Ultimately, all of the lands in proposed lease sales are nominated by private individuals, companies, or the BLM, and therefore represent areas of high interest.

At the time of this review it is unknown whether a particular parcel will be sold and a lease issued. It is unknown when, where, or if future well sites, roads, and facilities might be proposed. Detailed site-specific analysis and mitigation of activities associated with any particular lease would occur when a lease holder submits an application for permit to drill (APD). Site-specific mitigation and reclamation measures would be described in the conditions of approval (COAs).

The September 2015 Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan (ARMP) for Miles City Field Office (MCFO) requires prioritization of oil and gas leasing and development outside of identified sage-grouse Priority Habitat Management Areas and General Habitat Management Areas. The BLM is developing an Instruction Memorandum with guidance for the Miles City Field Office (MCFO) on how to best implement this objective from the September 2015 Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan. This guidance has not been issued in time for the October 18, 2016 lease sale review; the IM needs to be issued before the MCFO develops alternatives and analyzes impacts for nominated lands within these areas. Therefore, it is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward 126 parcels nominated within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved MCFO RMP.

In addition, the MCFO is deferring one parcel in Richland County pending a field visit to verify the presence of critical habitat for threatened and endangered species. The MCFO needs to obtain landowner access to the nominated lands and gather additional information to properly analyze this parcel in a future lease sale review.

#### **A. Description of the Proposed Action**

The Proposed Action would be to offer five (5) lease parcels of Federal minerals for oil and gas leasing, two in Rosebud County and three in Big Horn County, covering 2,155 Federal mineral acres (356 acres of BLM administered surface and 1,799 acres of private surface), in conformance with the existing land use planning decisions. The terms and conditions of the standard federal lease and federal regulations would apply to each parcel offered for sale. Parcel number, size, detailed legal land descriptions, and associated stipulations to be included with each parcel offered for sale are listed in Attachment 1. Map 1 indicates the location of each parcel within the field office.

**Applicant:** Members of the Public

**County:** Rosebud and Big Horn Counties

**DNA Originator:** Irma Nansel, Planning and Environmental Coordinator/Project Lead

## B. Land Use Plan (LUP) Conformance

LUP Name\* Rocky Mountain Region Record of Decision and Miles City Field Office Approved Resource Management Plan Date Approved Sept. 2015

Other document\*\* Proposed Miles City Field Office RMP and Final EIS Date Approved June 2015

Other document\*\* May 4, 2016 Comp Oil and Gas Lease Sale EA Date Approved May 2016

*\*List applicable LUPs (for example, resource management plans; activity, project, management, or program plans; or applicable amendments thereto)*

The proposed action is in conformance with the applicable LUPs because it is specifically provided for in the following LUP decisions:

The proposed action is in conformance with the LUP, even though it is not specifically provided for, because it is clearly consistent with the following LUP decisions (objectives, terms, and conditions)

This proposed action is in conformance with the decisions contained in the 2015 Rocky Mountain Region Record of Decision (ROD) and Miles City Field Office Approved Resource Management Plan (MCFO ARMP). The MCFO ARMP, and its associated Final EIS, is the governing land use plan for the MCFO. The lease parcels to potentially be offered for sale are within areas determined to be open to oil and gas leasing in the ROD.

## C. Identify applicable National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) document(s) and other related documents that cover the proposed action.

List by name and date all applicable NEPA documents that cover the proposed action.

- May 4, 2016 Comp Oil and Gas Lease Sale EA, DOI-BLM-MT-C020-2016-0022-EA

List by name and date other documentation relevant to the proposed action (e.g., biological assessment, biological opinion, watershed assessment, allotment evaluation and monitoring report).

- Cultural Resource Report: MT-020-16-061

## D. NEPA Adequacy Criteria

**1. Is the new proposed action a feature of, or essentially similar to, an alternative analyzed in the existing NEPA document(s)? Is the project within the same analysis area, or if the project location is different, are the geographic and resource conditions sufficiently similar to those analyzed in the existing NEPA document(s)? If there are differences, can you explain why they are not substantial?**

The nominated parcels were reviewed by an interdisciplinary team of resource specialists and

identified to be similar in geographic and resource conditions to those analyzed in the referenced lease sale EA and the MCFO ARMP listed above. Both referenced documents analyzed leasing of federal oil and gas minerals associated with split estate ownership within the MCFO.

**2. Is the range of alternatives analyzed in the existing NEPA document(s) appropriate with respect to the new proposed action, given current environmental concerns, interests, and resource values?**

Yes, the Final EIS and EA analyzed appropriate alternatives with respect to the proposed action, including “No Action.”

**3. Is the existing analysis valid in light of any new information or circumstances (such as rangeland health standard assessment, recent endangered species listings, updated lists of BLM-sensitive species)? Can you reasonably conclude that new information and new circumstance would not substantially change the analysis of the new proposed action?**

The existing analyses are adequate with regard to the proposed action. In addition, parcel MTM 105432-LP is being deferred pending a field visit to verify the presence of critical habitat for threatened and endangered species. Updated resource information was used to apply necessary stipulations to the five parcels; see Attachment 1 and 2 for specific stipulations and descriptions.

**4. Are the direct, indirect and cumulative effects that would result from implementation of the new proposed action similar (both quantitatively and qualitatively) to those analyzed in the existing NEPA document?**

Yes, the proposed action would have similar direct and indirect impacts as those analyzed in the referenced EA and also included in the MCFO ARMP. Any potential effects on resources from the sale of leases would occur during lease exploration and development activities, which would be subject to future BLM decision-making and NEPA analysis upon receipt of an APD or Sundry Notice. At that time, BLM would ensure compliance with laws, regulations, and land use plans.

**5. Are the public involvement and interagency review associated with existing NEPA document(s) adequate for the current proposed action?**

Yes, the MCFO ARMP had public and interagency review in its analyses. In addition, the public had opportunity to participate in a 15-day scoping and 30-day public comment periods on the referenced EA and this proposed action (See Attachment 3 for summary). A protest period was also completed for the referenced EA. The BLM sent letters to tribes in Montana, North and South Dakota and Wyoming for the 15-day scoping and 30-day public comment period inviting them to submit comments on the parcels proposed in the referenced lease sale EA and on this proposed action. Coordination with MFWP was conducted for the lease parcels being reviewed to identify protective measures, and apply stipulations and lease notices. Recommendations by the USFWS applied in previous lease sale EAs were also applied to the lease parcels being reviewed. A letter was sent to the USFWS and MFWP during the 15-day scoping and 30-day public comment periods requesting comments on the parcels being reviewed.

**E. Interdisciplinary Analysis:** Identify those team members conducting or participating in the preparation of this worksheet.

Name	Title	Responsible for the Following Section(s)
Melissa Hovey	Air Specialist	Air Resources
Kent Undlin	Wildlife Biologist	Wildlife
Christina Stuart	Fisheries Biologist	Aquatics
Jon David	Natural Resource Specialist	Soils
Drea Traeumer	Hydrologist	Water Resources/Riparian Vegetation
Doug Melton	Archaeologist	Cultural/Special Designations/ Native American Religious Concerns
Dena Lang	Outdoor Recreation Planner	Recreation/VRM/Travel Management
Ben Rice	Natural Resource Specialist	GIS/Maps
Dawn Doran	Rangeland Management Specialist	Livestock Grazing/Vegetation/Invasive Species
Greg Liggett	Paleontologist	Paleontology
Beth Klempel	Realty Specialist	Lands/Realty
Paul Helland	Petroleum Engineer	Fluid Minerals
Irma Nansel	Planning & Environmental Coord.	Project Lead
Kathy Bockness	NEPA Coordinator	NEPA Review
Jessica Montag	Social Analyst	Social/Economics/Environmental Justice

**F. Mitigation Measures:** List any applicable mitigation measures that were identified, analyzed, and approved in relevant LUPs and existing NEPA document(s). List the specific mitigation measures or identify an attachment that includes those specific mitigation measures. Document that these applicable mitigation measures must be incorporated and implemented.

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See Attachments 1 and 2 for stipulations to be applied upon lease issuance.

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**CONCLUSION**

Based on the review documented above, I conclude that this proposal conforms to the applicable land use plan and that the NEPA documentation fully covers the proposed action and constitute BLM’s compliance with the requirements of NEPA.

Note: If one or more of the criteria are not met, a conclusion of conformance and/or NEPA adequacy cannot be made and this box cannot be checked

Recommended by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Todd D. Yeager, Field Manager

Concurrence by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Diane M. Friez, District Manager

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Don Judice, Deputy State Director  
 Division of Energy, Minerals and Realty

**Note:** The signed Conclusion on this Worksheet is part of an interim step in the BLM's internal decision process and does not constitute an appealable decision. However, the lease, permit, or other authorization based on the DNA is subject to protest or appeal under 43 CFR Part 4 and the program-specific regulations.

**Attachment 1.** Location of proposed parcels with proposed lease stipulations to be applied upon lease issuance.

PARCEL NUMBER	PARCEL DESCRIPTION	PROPOSED FOR LEASING ALTERNATIVE B	PROPOSED FOR DEFERRAL- NO LEASING
MTM 105431-KJ	T. 14 N, R. 31 E, PMM, MT SEC. 6 LOT 1; SEC. 6 SENE,E2SE; GARFIELD COUNTY 159.91 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
MTM 105431-KM	T. 10 N, R. 58 E, PMM, MT SEC. 2 LOTS 3,4; SEC. 2 S2NW,SW; FALLON COUNTY 319.18 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
MTM 105431-KR	T. 10 N, R. 58 E, PMM, MT SEC. 4 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 4 S2N2,S2; FALLON COUNTY 643.32 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
MTM 105431-KT	T. 10 N, R. 58 E, PMM, MT SEC. 10 NE,NWNW,S2NW,S2; FALLON COUNTY 600.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-KU</b>	T. 10 N, R. 58 E, PMM, MT SEC. 12 E2SE; FALLON COUNTY 80.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-LP</b>	T. 27 N, R. 58 E, PMM, MT SEC. 27 LOTS 3,4,7; RICHLAND COUNTY 110.73 AC PD  This parcel is within Communitization Agreement (CA) MTM 104646 which includes Lots 3, 4 & 7 of Section 27 and communitizes the Bakken and Three Forks Formations. The CA was effective July 9, 2012. These lands are committed to the CA, and joinder is not required. The CA operator may require the successful bidder to pay certain administrative and operating costs.		Defer pending site visit to verify critical habitat for threatened and endangered species.
<b>MTM 105431-KL</b>	T. 9 N, R. 59 E, PMM, MT SEC. 14 NE; FALLON COUNTY 160.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-KV</b>	T. 9 N, R. 59 E, PMM, MT SEC. 22 N2NW,SWNW; FALLON COUNTY 120.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-KW</b>	T. 9 N, R. 59 E, PMM, MT SEC. 24 SWNE,N2NW,SESE; FALLON COUNTY 160.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-KN</b>	T. 10 N, R. 59 E, PMM, MT SEC. 6 S2NE,SENW,NESW,SE; WIBAUX COUNTY 320.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-KP</b>	T. 10 N, R. 59 E, PMM, MT SEC. 8 W2NW,S2SW; SEC. 20 NENE; FALLON COUNTY 200.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<p><b>MTM 105431-MN</b></p>	<p>T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT  SEC. 1 LOTS 1,2;  SEC. 1 S2NE,S2;  BIG HORN COUNTY  480.11 AC  PD</p>	<p><b>CR 16-1</b> (ALL LANDS)  <b>CSU 12-23</b> (ALL LANDS)  <b>CSU 12-24</b>  SEC. 1 S2NE,SW,S2SE;  <b>CSU 12-25</b>  SEC. 1 LOT 2;  SEC. 1 SWNE,E2SW,SESW,  S2SE;  <b>CSU 12-26</b>  SEC. 1 LOTS 1,2;  <b>LN 14-18</b> (ALL LANDS)  <b>LN 14-19</b> (ALL LANDS)  <b>LN 14-20</b> (ALL LANDS)  <b>LN 14-23</b> (ALL LANDS)  <b>LN 14-30</b> (ALL LANDS)  <b>NSO 11-70</b>  SEC. 1 SWNE,NESW,S2S2;  <b>TES 16-2</b> (ALL LANDS)</p>	
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<b>MTM 105431-MT</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 2 LOT 1; SEC. 2 S2N2,S2; BIG HORN COUNTY 520.22 AC PD	<b>CR 16-1</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>CSU 12-23</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>CSU 12-24</b> SEC. 2 S2NE,SESW,SESE, N2SE; <b>CSU 12-25</b> SEC. 2 LOT 1; SEC. 2 S2N2,N2S2,SESE; <b>LN 14-18</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>LN 14-19</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>LN 14-20</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>LN 14-23</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>LN 14-30</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>NSO 11-70</b> SEC. 2 SWNE,S2NW,NESW, SWSW,N2SE; <b>TES 16-2</b> (ALL LANDS)	
<b>MTM 105431-M3</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 3 LOTS 2-4; SEC. 3 SWNE,S2NW,N2SW, SESW,SE; SEC. 10 N2NE,SESW; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.93 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-M9</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 4 SW,SWSE; SEC. 9 N2NE,SWNE,NW,S2; BIG HORN COUNTY 800.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-NC</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 5 SWNE,S2NW,S2; SEC. 8 N2; BIG HORN COUNTY 760.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-NJ</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 6 LOTS 4,5,7; SEC. 6 E2SW,SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 347.69 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-NK</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 7 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 7 E2,E2W2; BIG HORN COUNTY 623.48 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-M4</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 10 S2S2; SEC. 15 N2NE,NW; BIG HORN COUNTY 400.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-MU</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 11 N2N2,S2NE,SE, S2S2,NESE; BIG HORN COUNTY 480.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-MP</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 12 N2,SW,W2SE; SEC. 13 W2NW; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-MV</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 14 N2,NESW,N2SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 440.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-M6</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 15 S2SW; SEC. 22 N2; BIG HORN COUNTY 400.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-ND</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 17 N2; BIG HORN COUNTY 320.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-NE</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 17 S2SW; SEC. 20 N2NW; BIG HORN COUNTY 160.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-NL</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 18 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 18 E2,E2W2; BIG HORN COUNTY 624.04 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-NM</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 19 LOTS 1-3; SEC. 19 N2NE,E2NW,NESW, S2SE; SEC. 30 LOT 2; SEC. 30 N2NE,SEW; BIG HORN COUNTY 545.51 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-NF</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 20 S2NE,S2SW,SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 320.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-NA</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 21 S2; SEC. 28 N2N2; BIG HORN COUNTY 480.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-MW</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 23 N2NE,SENE,NENW; BIG HORN COUNTY 160.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-MX</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 23 W2SW; SEC. 26 SWNE,NW; BIG HORN COUNTY 280.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-MR</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 24 SWNW,NESE; BIG HORN COUNTY 80.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-MQ</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 25 SESW,S2SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 120.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-M7</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MTSEC. 27 N2;BIG HORN COUNTY320.00 ACPD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-M8</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 27 SESW,SWSE; SEC. 34 NWNE,NENW; BIG HORN COUNTY 160.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-NB</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 28 S2S2; BIG HORN COUNTY 160.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-NG</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 29 E2,N2NW,SESW,SWSW; SEC. 32 N2N2; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-NN</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 30 SESW,S2SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 120.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-NP</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 31 LOTS 3,4; SEC. 31 E2SW; BIG HORN COUNTY 154.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-NH</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 32 SESW,NESE,S2SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 160.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-MY</b>	T. 8 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 35 NWNW; BIG HORN COUNTY 40.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-N7</b>	T. 9 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 1 LOT 1; SEC. 1 SENE; BIG HORN COUNTY 80.03 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-N8</b>	T. 9 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 1 SWNW,NWSW; SEC. 2 LOT 2; SEC. 2 S2NE,SENW,NESW,N2SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 360.24 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-N9</b>	T. 9 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 3 N2SW,NWSE,SESE; BIG HORN COUNTY 160.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PB</b>	T. 9 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 4 LOTS 2-4; SEC. 4 SWNE,SENW,N2SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 280.60 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-PC</b>	T. 9 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 5 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 5 SWNW,SW,S2SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 440.64 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PD</b>	T. 9 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 6 LOTS 1-5; SEC. 6 S2NE,NESE; BIG HORN COUNTY 314.32 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PE</b>	T. 9 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 7 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 7 E2,E2W2; BIG HORN COUNTY 629.32 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PF</b>	T. 9 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 8 N2,SW; BIG HORN COUNTY 480.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PG</b>	T. 9 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 9 NWNW,S2NW,SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 280.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-PA</b>	T. 9 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 10 NENE,S2NE,SESW, NESW,N2SE,SWSE; BIG HORN COUNTY 320.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PK</b>	T. 9 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 15 SWNE; BIG HORN COUNTY 40.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PH</b>	T. 9 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 17 S2NW,N2SW,SWSW; BIG HORN COUNTY 200.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PJ</b>	T. 9 S, R. 40 E, PMM, MT SEC. 18 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 18 E2,E2W2; SEC. 19 LOTS 1,2; SEC. 19 NENW; BIG HORN COUNTY 745.19 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<p><b>MTM 105431-QB</b></p>	<p>T. 7 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT  SEC. 31 LOTS 1-4;  SEC. 31 N2NE,SENE,NENW,  NESE;  ROSEBUD COUNTY  325.47 AC  PD</p>	<p><b>CR 16-1</b> (ALL LANDS)  <b>CSU 12-23</b> (ALL LANDS)  <b>CSU 12-24</b> (ALL LANDS)  <b>CSU 12-25</b>  SEC. 31 LOTS 2,3;  SEC. 31 NWNE,SENE,NENW,  NESE;  <b>CSU 12-26</b> (ALL LANDS)  <b>CSU 12-33</b>  SEC. 31 LOTS 1-4;  <b>LN 14-18</b> (ALL LANDS)  <b>LN 14-19</b> (ALL LANDS)  <b>LN 14-20</b> (ALL LANDS)  <b>LN 14-23</b> (ALL LANDS)  <b>LN 14-30</b> (ALL LANDS)  <b>NSO 11-70</b>  SEC. 31 LOT 4;  SEC. 31 N2NE,SENE,NESE;  <b>TES 16-2</b> (ALL LANDS)</p>	
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<b>MTM 105431-QC</b>	T. 7 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 32 LOTS 1-10,12; ROSEBUD COUNTY 460.92 AC PD	<b>CR 16-1</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>CSU 12-23</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>CSU 12-24</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>CSU 12-25</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>CSU 12-26</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>CSU 12-33</b> SEC. 32 LOT 6; <b>LN 14-18</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>LN 14-19</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>LN 14-20</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>LN 14-23</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>LN 14-30</b> (ALL LANDS) <b>NSO 11-70</b> SEC. 32 LOTS 1-4,6-10,12; <b>NSO 11-84</b> SEC. 32 LOT 3; <b>TES 16-2</b> (ALL LANDS)	
<b>MTM 105431-QD</b>	T. 7 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 33 LOT 2; SEC. 33 SENE,N2NW,SWNW, NWSW; ROSEBUD COUNTY 237.16 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-QE</b>	T. 7 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 34 LOTS 3-5,10; SEC. 34 S2NW,NWSW; ROSEBUD COUNTY 309.87 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-QF</b>	T. 7 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 35 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 35 N2,N2S2; ROSEBUD COUNTY 620.23 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-MJ</b>	T. 7 1/2 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 31 LOTS 1-6; SEC. 31 NESW,N2SE; SEC. 32 LOT 4; SEC. 32 NWSW; BIG HORN COUNTY 372.83 AC PD	<b>CR 16-1 (ALL LANDS)</b> <b>CSU 12-23 (ALL LANDS)</b> <b>CSU 12-24 (ALL LANDS)</b> <b>CSU 12-25</b> SEC. 31 LOTS 2,4,5,6; SEC. 31 NESW,NWSE; SEC. 32 NWSW; <b>CSU 12-26 (ALL LANDS)</b> <b>CSU 12-33</b> SEC. 31 LOTS 4,6; SEC. 31 N2SE; SEC. 32 NWSW; <b>LN 14-18 (ALL LANDS)</b> <b>LN 14-19 (ALL LANDS)</b> <b>LN 14-20 (ALL LANDS)</b> <b>LN 14-23 (ALL LANDS)</b> <b>LN 14-30 (ALL LANDS)</b> <b>NSO 11-70</b> SEC. 31 LOTS 2-5; SEC. 31 NESW,NWSE; SEC. 32 NWSW; <b>NSO 11-84</b> SEC. 31 NWSE; <b>TES 16-2 (ALL LANDS)</b>	

<b>MTM 105431-MK</b>	T. 7 1/2 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 33 LOTS 1,2; SEC. 33 S2NWSW,S2SW,SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 302.97 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-ML</b>	T. 7 1/2 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 34 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 34 S2; BIG HORN COUNTY 429.21 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-MM</b>	T. 7 1/2 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 35 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 35 S2; BIG HORN COUNTY 452.14 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-LU</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 1 LOTS 3,4; SEC. 1 S2NW,SW,S2SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 400.39 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-LV</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 2 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 2 S2N2,S2; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.96 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-L3</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 3 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 3 S2N2,S2; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.76 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-L4</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 4 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 4 S2NE,SENW,S2; BIG HORN COUNTY 600.60 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-L6</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 5 E2SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 80.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-L7</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 8 SESW,NESE,S2SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 160.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-L8</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 9 ALL; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-L9</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 10 W2NW,NWSW,S2S2, NESE; BIG HORN COUNTY 320.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-LW</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 11 ALL; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-LX</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 12 N2,N2S2,SWSW,S2SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 600.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-MA</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 13 NE,E2NW,S2; BIG HORN COUNTY 560.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-MB</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 14 N2N2,NWSW,S2S2, NESE; BIG HORN COUNTY 400.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-MC</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 15 N2N2,SW,NWSE,S2SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 440.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-MD</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 22 E2; SEC. 23 W2; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-ME</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 24 N2; BIG HORN COUNTY 320.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-LQ</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 27 N2,SW; BIG HORN COUNTY 480.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-LR</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 28 ALL; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-LT</b>	T. 8 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 34 E2; BIG HORN COUNTY 320.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-MF</b>	T. 9 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 30 LOTS 5,6; SEC. 30 E2NW; BIG HORN COUNTY 147.46 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-MG</b>	T. 9 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 34 LOTS 5-8; SEC. 34 N2,N2S2; BIG HORN COUNTY 614.90 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-MH</b>	T. 9 S, R. 41 E, PMM, MT SEC. 35 LOTS 5-8; SEC. 35 N2,N2S2; BIG HORN COUNTY 616.91 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-QG</b>	T. 7 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 31 LOTS 1,2; SEC. 31 NE,NENW,NESE; SEC. 32 N2,NWSW; ROSEBUD COUNTY 680.02 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-QH</b>	T. 7 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 33 ALL; ROSEBUD COUNTY 640.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-QJ</b>	T. 7 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 34 NWNE,S2NE,NW, W2SW,E2SE; ROSEBUD COUNTY 440.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-LY</b>	T. 8 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 6 SENW,E2SW; BIG HORN COUNTY 120.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-NQ</b>	T. 8 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 9 E2; SEC. 16 NWNE,S2NE; BIG HORN COUNTY 440.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-NT</b>	T. 8 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 10 SW; SEC. 15 N2NW; BIG HORN COUNTY 240.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-NU</b>	T. 8 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 11 W2,SE; BIG HORN COUNTY 480.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-NV</b>	T. 8 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 13 N2N2,W2SW; BIG HORN COUNTY 240.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-NW</b>	T. 8 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 14 N2NE,SWNE,W2; SEC. 15 E2E2; BIG HORN COUNTY 600.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-NR</b>	T. 8 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 21 NE,W2; BIG HORN COUNTY 480.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-NX</b>	T. 8 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 22 N2N2,S2NE,S2SW; BIG HORN COUNTY 320.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-NY</b>	T. 8 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 23 N2N2,S2NE,S2SW; BIG HORN COUNTY 320.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-N3</b>	T. 8 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 24 NWNE,S2NE,W2; BIG HORN COUNTY 440.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-N4</b>	T. 8 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 25 ALL; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-N6</b>	T. 8 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 26 S2N2,S2; BIG HORN COUNTY 480.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PL</b>	T. 9 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 12 ALL; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-PM</b>	T. 9 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 13 ALL; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PQ</b>	T. 9 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 14 ALL; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PU</b>	T. 9 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 20 SWSW; BIG HORN COUNTY 40.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PV</b>	T. 9 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 21 NWNW; BIG HORN COUNTY 40.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PW</b>	T. 9 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 22 S2; SEC. 27 N2; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-PR</b>	T. 9 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 23 ALL; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PN</b>	T. 9 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 24 N2,N2S2; BIG HORN COUNTY 480.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PP</b>	T. 9 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 25 ALL; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PT</b>	T. 9 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 26 NE; BIG HORN COUNTY 160.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-PX</b>	T. 9 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 28 ALL; BIG HORN COUNTY 640.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-PY</b>	T. 9 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 34 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 34 NE,N2S2; BIG HORN COUNTY 480.68 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-P3</b>	T. 9 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 35 LOT 1; SEC. 35 NENE,NW,N2SW; BIG HORN COUNTY 320.45 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-P4</b>	T. 10 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 1 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 1 N2; BIG HORN COUNTY 382.40 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-P6</b>	T. 10 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 2 LOT 4; SEC. 2 NWNE,NW; BIG HORN COUNTY 215.16 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-P7</b>	T. 10 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 3 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 3 N2; BIG HORN COUNTY 377.20 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-P8</b>	T. 10 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 4 LOTS 1,2; SEC. 4 NE; BIG HORN COUNTY 186.76 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-P9</b>	T. 10 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 5 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 5 NE,N2NW,SENW; BIG HORN COUNTY 332.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-QA</b>	T. 10 S, R. 42 E, PMM, MT SEC. 6 LOTS 1-6; SEC. 6 SWNE,E2NW; BIG HORN COUNTY 255.54 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-LM</b>	T. 9 S, R. 50 E, PMM, MT SEC. 29 W2NE,NW,S2SW, W2SE; SEC. 30 N2NE,SWNE,SE; POWDER RIVER COUNTY 680.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-LN</b>	T. 9 S, R. 50 E, PMM, MT SEC. 31 LOTS 13,14; SEC. 31 NE,N2SE; SEC. 32 LOTS 1-3; SEC. 32 W2NE,NW,N2SW, NWSE; POWDER RIVER COUNTY 772.77 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-J3</b>	T. 9 S, R. 51 E, PMM, MT SEC. 29 W2W2, SESW, S2SE; SEC. 30 NE; SEC. 32 LOTS 3,4; SEC. 32 W2NE, NWSE; POWDER RIVER COUNTY 632.28 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-QK</b>	T. 8 S, R. 52 E, PMM, MT SEC. 12 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 12 W2NE, W2, S2SE; POWDER RIVER COUNTY 626.72 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-QL</b>	T. 8 S, R. 52 E, PMM, MT SEC. 13 LOTS 1,2; SEC. 13 NWNE, N2NW; POWDER RIVER COUNTY 194.45 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-QM</b>	T. 8 S, R. 52 E, PMM, MT SEC. 24 NESE; POWDER RIVER COUNTY 40.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-QN</b>	T. 8 S, R. 53 E, PMM, MT SEC. 5 LOT 1; SEC. 5 S2SW, SE; POWDER RIVER COUNTY 280.33 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-QP</b>	T. 8 S, R. 53 E, PMM, MT SEC. 6 LOTS 3-7; SEC. 6 SENW,E2SW,S2SE; POWDER RIVER COUNTY 410.60 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-QQ</b>	T. 8 S, R. 53 E, PMM, MT SEC. 7 LOTS 1-4; SEC. 7 E2,E2W2; POWDER RIVER COUNTY 646.04 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-QR</b>	T. 8 S, R. 53 E, PMM, MT SEC. 8 ALL; POWDER RIVER COUNTY 640.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-QT</b>	T. 8 S, R. 53 E, PMM, MT SEC. 17 NE,N2NW,SE,W,S2; POWDER RIVER COUNTY 600.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-QU</b>	T. 8 S, R. 53 E, PMM, MT SEC. 18 LOT 1; SEC. 18 N2NE,NENW, E2SW,SE; POWDER RIVER COUNTY 400.76 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

<b>MTM 105431-QV</b>	T. 8 S, R. 53 E, PMM, MT SEC. 19 LOTS 3,4; SEC. 19 N2NE,E2SW,W2SE; POWDER RIVER COUNTY 319.13 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.
<b>MTM 105431-QW</b>	T. 8 S, R. 53 E, PMM, MT SEC. 20 NWNE,N2NW,SE; POWDER RIVER COUNTY 280.00 AC PD		It is the State Director's discretion to not carry forward parcels within sage grouse habitat pending implementation guidance on the 2015 Approved Miles City Field Office Resource Management Plan.

## Attachment 2. Stipulation Key

Stipulation No.	Stipulation Name/Brief Description
CR 16-1	<p><b>CULTURAL RESOURCES LEASE STIPULATION</b></p> <p>This lease may be found to contain historic properties and/or resources protected under the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), American Indian Religious Freedom Act, Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, E.O. 13007, or other statutes and executive orders. The BLM will not approve any ground disturbing activities that may affect any such properties or resources until it completes its obligations under applicable requirements of the NHPA and other authorities.</p>
CSU 12-23	<p><b>CONTROLLED SURFACE USE STIPULATION-AIR RESOURCES</b></p> <p>Surface occupancy and use is subject to the requirement that each diesel-fueled non-road engine with greater than 200 horsepower design rating to be used during drilling or completion activities meets one of the following two criteria: (1) the engine was manufactured to meet USEPA NOx emission standards for Tier 4 non-road diesel engines, or (2) the engine emits NOx at rates less than or equal to USEPA emission standards for Tier 4 non-road diesel engines.</p>
CSU 12-24	<p><b>CONTROLLED SURFACE USE STIPULATION-SOILS, SENSITIVE SOILS</b></p> <p>Surface occupancy and use is subject to the following operating constraints: prior to surface occupancy and use, prior to surface disturbance on sensitive soils, a reclamation plan must be approved by the administrative officer. Sensitive soils are determined using a combination of slope and soil erodibility. The plan must demonstrate the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ no other practicable alternatives exist for relocating the activity,</li> <li>○ the activity will be located to reduce impacts to soil and water resources,</li> <li>○ site productivity will be maintained or restored,</li> <li>○ surface runoff and sedimentation will be adequately controlled,</li> <li>○ on- and off-site areas will be protected from accelerated erosion,</li> <li>○ that no areas susceptible to mass wasting would be disturbed, and surface-disturbing activities will be prohibited during extended wet periods.</li> </ul>
CSU 12-25	<p><b>CONTROLLED SURFACE USE STIPULATION-RIPARIAN, WETLANDS</b></p> <p>Surface occupancy and use is subject to the following operating constraints: prior to surface occupancy and use within 300 feet of riparian and/or wetland areas, a plan must be approved by the AO with design features that demonstrate how all actions would maintain and/or improve the functionality of riparian/wetland areas. The plan would address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ potential impacts to riparian and wetland resources,</li> <li>○ mitigation to reduce impacts to acceptable levels (including timing restrictions),</li> <li>○ post-project restoration, and</li> <li>○ monitoring (the operator must conduct monitoring capable of detecting early signs of changing riparian and/or wetland conditions).</li> </ul>
CSU 12-26	<p><b>CONTROLLED SURFACE USE STIPULATION- BIG GAME CRUCIAL WINTER RANGE</b></p> <p>Surface occupancy and use is subject to the following operating constraint: prior to surface occupancy and use within crucial winter ranges for big game wildlife, a plan must be approved by the AO that maintains the functionality of habitat.</p>

<b>Stipulation No.</b>	<b>Stipulation Name/Brief Description</b>
<b>CSU 12-33</b>	<p><b>CONTROLLED SURFACE USE STIPULATION- VRM CLASSES II</b>            In order to retain the existing character of the landscape (VRM Class II Objective), oil and gas development activities will be located, designed, constructed, operated, and reclaimed within 2 years from initiation of construction so that activities should not attract attention of the casual observer. This stipulation does not apply to maintenance or workover activities.</p>
<b>LN 14-18</b>	<p><b>LEASE NOTICE- AIR RESOURCE ANALYSIS</b>            The lessee/operator is given notice that prior to project-specific approval, additional air resource analyses may be required in order to comply with the NEPA, FLPMA, and/or other applicable laws and regulations. Analyses may include equipment and operations information, emission inventory development, dispersion modeling or photochemical grid modeling for air quality and/or air quality related value impact analysis, and/or emission control determinations. These analyses may result in the imposition of additional project-specific control measures to protect air resources.</p>
<b>LN 14-19</b>	<p><b>LEASE NOTICE- SPECIAL STATUS SPECIES</b>            The lease area may now or hereafter contain plants, animals, or their habitats determined to be threatened, endangered, or other special status species. BLM may recommend modifications to exploration and development proposals to further its conservation and management objective to avoid BLM-approved activity that will contribute to a need to list such a species or their habitat. BLM may require modifications to or disapprove proposed activity that is likely to result in jeopardy to the continued existence of a proposed or listed threatened or endangered species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of a designated or proposed critical habitat. BLM will not approve any ground-disturbing activity that may affect any such species or requirements of the ESA as amended, 16 U.S.C. § et seq., including completion of any required procedure for conference or consultation.</p>
<b>LN 14-20</b>	<p><b>LEASE NOTICE- MIGRATORY BIRD TREATY ACT</b>            The Operator is responsible for compliance with provisions of the Act by implementing one of the following measures; a) avoidance by timing; ground disturbing activities will not occur from April 15 to July 15, b) habitat manipulation; render proposed project footprints unsuitable for nesting prior to the arrival of migratory birds (blading or pre-clearing of vegetation must occur prior to April 15 within the year and area scheduled for activities between April 15 and July 15 of that year to deter nesting, or c) survey-buffer-monitor; surveys will be conducted by a BLM approved biologist within the area of the proposed action and a 300 foot buffer from the proposed project footprint between April 15 to July 15 if activities are proposed within this timeframe. If nesting birds are found, activities would not be allowed within 0.1 miles of nests until after the birds have fledged. If active nests are not found, construction activities must occur within 7 days of the survey. If this does not occur, new surveys must be conducted. Survey reports will be submitted to the appropriate BLM Office.</p>

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LN 14-23	<p><b>LEASE NOTICE- SETBACK FROM HUMAN OCCUPIED RESIDENCES REQUIREMENT</b></p> <p>The lease area may contain human occupied residences. Under Regulation 43 CFR 3101.1-2 and terms of the lease (BLM Form 3100-11), the authorized officer may require reasonable measures to minimize adverse impacts to other resource values, land uses, and users not addressed in lease stipulations at the time operations are proposed. Such reasonable measures may include, but are not limited to, modification of siting or design of facilities, which may require relocating proposed operations up to 200 meters, but not off the leasehold.</p> <p>The setback requirement of 500 feet from human occupied residences has been established based upon the best information available. The following condition of approval may be applied as a result of the Application for Permit to Drill (APD) process during the on-site inspection and the environmental review unless an acceptable plan for mitigation of impacts is reached between the resident, lessee and BLM:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Facilities will not be allowed within 500 feet of human occupied residences.</b></li> </ul> <p>The intent of this Lease Notice is to provide information to the lessee that would help design and locate oil and gas facilities to preserve the aesthetic qualities around human occupied residences.</p>
LN 14-30	<p><b>LEASE NOTICE- PALEONTOLOGICAL RESOURCES INVENTORY REQUIREMENT</b></p> <p>This lease has been identified as being located within geologic units rated as being moderate to very high potential for containing significant paleontological resources. The locations meet the criteria for class 3, 4 and/or 5 as set forth in the Potential Fossil Yield Classification System, WO IM 2008-009, Attachment 2-2. The BLM is responsible for assuring that the leased lands are examined to determine if paleontological resources are present and to specify mitigation measures. Guidance for application of this requirement can be found in WO IM 2008-009 dated October 15, 2007, and WO IM 2009-011 dated October 10, 2008.</p> <p>Prior to undertaking any surface-disturbing activities on the lands covered by this lease, the lessee or project proponent shall contact the BLM to determine if a paleontological resource inventory is required. If an inventory is required, the lessee or project proponent will complete the inventory subject to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● the project proponent must engage the services of a qualified paleontologist, acceptable to the BLM, to conduct the inventory.</li> <li>● the project proponent will, at a minimum, inventory a 10-acre area or larger to incorporate possible project relocation which may result from environmental or other resource considerations.</li> <li>● paleontological inventory may identify resources that may require mitigation to the satisfaction of the BLM as directed by WO IM 2009-011.</li> </ul>
NSO 11-70	<p><b>NO SURFACE OCCUPANCY- STREAMS, WATERBODIES, RIPARIAN, WETLAND, AND FLOODPLAINS</b></p> <p>Surface occupancy and use is prohibited within perennial or intermittent streams, lakes, ponds, reservoirs, 100-year floodplains, wetlands, and riparian areas.</p>
NSO 11-84	<p><b>NO SURFACE OCCUPANCY- SIGNIFICANT CULTURAL RESOURCES, NRHP – ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES AND DISTRICTS, AND TCPs</b></p> <p>Surface occupancy and use is prohibited in the site or within the area surrounding the site where an undertaking’s area of potential effect (APE) could have a potential effect on the</p>

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	<p>site's setting in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ sites or areas designated or sites or areas that meet the criteria for allocation for designation for scientific use, conservation use, traditional use (socio-cultural use), public use, and experimental use;</li> <li>○ the boundaries of sites or districts eligible for or included on the NRHP; and</li> <li>○ the boundaries of TCPs, or sites or areas designated as such, or sites or areas that meet the criteria for allocation for designation for traditional use (socio-cultural use).</li> </ul> <p>Activity is prohibited in cultural properties determined to be of particular importance to American Indian groups, TCPs, or sites designated for traditional use. (Such properties include, but are not limited to, burial locations, pictograph and petroglyph sites, vision quest locations, plant-gathering locations, and areas considered sacred or used for religious purposes.)</p>
<b>TES 16-2</b>	<p><b>ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT SECTION 7 CONSULTATION STIPULATION</b></p> <p>The lease area may now or hereafter contain plants, animals, or their habitats determined to be threatened, endangered, or other special status species. BLM may recommend modifications to exploration and development, and require modifications to or disapprove proposed activity that is likely to result in jeopardy to proposed or listed threatened or endangered species or designated or proposed critical habitat.</p>

### **Attachment 3. Summary of Public Participation**

Consistent with WO IM No. 2010-117, two public review periods are conducted for each lease sale, a 15-day scoping period on the preliminary review of the nominated parcels and recommended stipulations, and a 30-day public comment period on the DNA. Coordination and/or consultation were also conducted throughout the leasing process with Tribes, external entities, and Surface Management Agencies.

Coordination with Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (MFWP) was conducted for the five lease parcels being reviewed. Recommendations by the MFWP and United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) applied in previous lease sale EAs were also applied to the five lease parcels being reviewed. A letter was sent to the USFWS and MFWP during the 15-day scoping and 30-day public comment periods requesting comments on the five parcels being reviewed.

The BLM consults with Native Americans under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The BLM sent letters to tribes in Montana, North and South Dakota and Wyoming at the beginning of the 15-day scoping period informing them of the potential for the five parcels to be leased and inviting them to submit issues and concerns BLM should consider in the environmental analysis. Letters were sent to the Tribal Presidents and THPO or other cultural contacts for the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, Crow Tribe of Montana, Crow Creek Sioux Tribe, Eastern Shoshone Tribe, Ft. Peck Tribes, Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikira Nation, Northern Arapaho Nation, Northern Cheyenne Tribe, Oglala Sioux Tribe, Rosebud Sioux Tribe of Indians, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, and Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa. In addition to scoping letters, THPOs also received file search results from the preliminary review of parcels conducted by BLM. The BLM sent a second letter with a copy of the DNA to the tribes informing them about the 30-day public comment period for the DNA and to solicit any information BLM should consider before making a decision whether to offer any or all of the parcels for sale.

Public scoping for this project was conducted through a 15-day scoping period advertised on the BLM Montana State Office website, news release to surrounding area newspapers, and posting on the field office website and . Scoping was initiated March 22, 2016. A total of six comments were submitted, three written and three verbal during the 15-day scoping period. Comments consisted of compliance with Section 404 of Clean Water Act, information request on oil and gas development, and analysis on sage-grouse leks and associated habitat.

On May 16, 2016, the DNA was made available for a 30-day public comment period. Notification letters were distributed to external entities, local agencies, and tribes to explain that the DNA was available for review and comment. Tribes also received a copy of the DNA. A total of 3,844 comments were submitted during the 30-day comment period, 3,843 written and 1 verbal. After review and consideration of the comments, there were no modifications made to the DNA based on the comments submitted.

The following is a summary of the issues/comments submitted during the 30-day public comment period:

- Failure to follow CEQ guidance on climate change and NEPA requirements.
- Complete analysis on the impacts from climate emissions, climate change, oil and gas development, hydraulic fracturing, seismic activity, waste water, social cost of carbon, sage grouse leks and associated habitat.
- Ensure compliance with Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.
- Suspend all lease sales and keep fossil fuels in the ground.
- Complete additional RMP and site specific analysis on the impacts from oil and gas development on coal leasing, development, reclamation, and compliance.

After the 30-day protest period, but before lease issuance, the BLM will issue the DNA. This information, along with other updates and Lease Sale Notice information can be found on the BLM e-Planning website <http://1.usa.gov/1QyUex8>. Current and updated information about our DNA and previous EAs, and corresponding information pertaining to this sale can be found at the link referenced above.

Map 1. Proposed parcels in Rosebud and Big Horn Counties.



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