California, Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) and the BIA. Other required facilities, all located within the Reservation, would include: Up to three permanent meteorological towers; temporary material laydown areas during construction; temporary staging and construction trailer areas; an operations and maintenance building; underground cabling;

telecommunications; new access roads and improvements to portions of existing roads; and a temporary concrete batch plant. The wind power generation facility would operate year-round for a

minimum of 25 years.

The EIS will analyze the potential environmental impacts of the construction and operation of a proposed wind generation facility, including access roads, a collector substation, as well as a substation/ switchvard and transmission facilities. The EIS will be prepared in accordance with NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.); the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508); Department of the Interior regulations (43 CFR part 46); and the BIA NEPA Handbook (59 IAM 3-H) and will also be compliant with the California Environmental Quality Act in accordance with Public Resources Code section 21083.7. A reasonable range of alternatives to the proposed action including a no-action alternative, will be analyzed in the EIS. The range of issues and alternatives included will be based on comments and information received during the scoping process. This notice initiates the public scoping process to identify alternatives and relevant issues associated with the proposed project.

Directions for Submitting Public Comments

During the public scoping meetings, the public may submit written and verbal comments. Verbal comments given at the scoping meetings will have the same merit as written comments and will be addressed equally. The public may mail or hand-carry written comments to Ms. Amy Dutschke, Regional Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, California 95825. Please include the commenter's name, title, return address and "EIS Scoping Comments, Campo Wind Project, San Diego County, California," on the first page of the written comments.

Public Availability of Comments

Comments, including names and addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the BIA address shown in the ADDRESSES section of this notice, during business hours, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If a commenter wishes us to withhold commenter's name and/or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, the commenter must state this prominently at the beginning of the written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by the law, however there is a possibility that the comment(s) may be made publicly available at any time.

Authority

This notice is published in accordance with sections 1501.7 (Scoping), 1506.6 (Public involvement), and 1508.22 (Notice of Intent) of the CEQ Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500 through 1508) and section 46.305 of the Department of the Interior Regulations (43 CFR part 46), implementing the procedural requirements of NEPA, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), and is in the exercise of authority delegated to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.

Dated: November 9, 2018.

Tara Sweeney,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management [19X.LLAK930000.L13100000.DS0000]

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Integrated Activity Plan and Environmental Impact Statement for the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act of 1976, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Alaska State Office, Anchorage, Alaska, intends to prepare a new Integrated Activity Plan and Environmental Impact Statement (IAP/EIS) for BLM-managed lands within the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska (NPR-A). By this notice, the BLM is announcing the beginning of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) scoping process to solicit public comments and identify issues.

DATES: Comments on relevant issues that will influence the scope of the EIS

for the NPR–A IAP/EIS project may be submitted in writing until January 7, 2019. The BLM will also provide opportunities for public participation during scoping meetings with appropriate public notice. The date(s) and location(s) of scoping meetings will be announced in advance through local media, newspapers, and the BLM website at: www.blm.gov/alaska.

In order to be considered for the Draft IAP/EIS, all comments must be received prior to the close of the 45-day scoping period. Federal, State or local agencies, or tribes who are interested in serving as a cooperating agency for the development of the IAP/EIS are asked to submit such requests to the BLM.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on issues related to the proposed NPR—A IAP/EIS project by any of the following methods:

 Online: http://www.blm.gov/alaska/ NPR-A-IAP-EIS.

• Fax: (907) 271-5479.

• Mail: NPŔ-A IAP/EIS Scoping Comments, 222 West 7th Avenue, Mailstop #13, Anchorage, AK 99513.

The 2013 IAP/EIS ROD can be downloaded from the BLM's website at www.blm.gov/alaska, and you can view hard copies at the BLM Alaska Public Information Center ("Public Room"), Arctic District Office, 222 University Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska, and at the BLM Alaska Public Information Center ("Public Room"), Alaska State Office, 222 West 8th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stephanie Rice; Planning and Environmental Coordinator, 907–271–3202, *srice@blm.gov*. You may also request to be added to the mailing list. People 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, seven days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice initiates the public scoping process for the EIS. Comments regarding management decisions, resources to be addressed, and issues for analysis will assist the BLM in defining the proposed actions and alternatives for the NPR–A IAP/EIS.

The Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act (42 U.S.C. 6501), as amended, excludes the NPR–A from the application of Section 202 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (43 U.S.C. 1701), as amended, which is the basis for the BLM's Resource
Management Plans. The BLM conducts
planning within the NPR—A with an
IAP. The BLM complies with all
applicable laws in the preparation of the
IAP, including the National
Environmental Policy Act, the
Endangered Species Act, Marine
Mammal Protection Act, and the
National Historic Preservation Act.

Purpose and Need for Action

The BLM is developing a new IAP/EIS to determine the appropriate management of all BLM-managed lands in the NPR-A in a manner consistent with existing statutory direction and Secretarial Order 3352. Secretarial Order 3352 directs the development of a schedule to "effectuate the lawful review and development of an IAP for the NPR-A that strikes an appropriate balance of promoting development while protecting surface resources." The Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act, as amended, and its implementing regulations require oil and gas leasing in the NPR-A and the protection of surface values consistent with exploration, development and transportation of oil and gas.

Proposed Action

The BLM will be preparing a new IAP/EIS, which is intended to supersede the 2013 IAP/EIS ROD and, depending on the alternative selected, may supersede the 2008 Colville River Special Area Management Plan, as amended by the 2013 IAP/EIS ROD.

Lead and Cooperating Agencies

The BLM is the lead agency for the IAP/EIS. The BLM has extended invitations to participate as cooperating agencies to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the National Marine Fisheries Service, the State of Alaska, the North Slope Borough, the National Park Service, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, and the U.S. Geological Survey.

Responsible Official

The Secretary of the Interior is the responsible official.

Nature of Decision To Be Made

Consistent with the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act, the IAP/EIS will address a narrower range of multiple use management than a resource management plan (e.g., it will not contemplate opening lands to hard rock or coal mining). The IAP/EIS will include: A consideration of a range of alternatives that make lands available for leasing; an examination of current special area boundaries; and, a

consideration of new or revised lease stipulations and best management practices. The IAP/EIS would also ensure that the BLM's land management will provide the opportunity, subject to appropriate conditions developed through a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process, to construct pipelines and other necessary infrastructure to bring oil and gas resources from offshore or adjacent leases to the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System or a future gas pipeline from the North Slope. The IAP/EIS would also consider the potential for a road system connecting communities across the North Slope.

Scoping Process

This notice of intent initiates the scoping process, which guides the development of the IAP/EIS. The purpose of the public scoping process is to determine the management decisions and resources to be addressed and the issues for analysis. The BLM will work collaboratively with interested parties to identify the management decisions best suited to local, regional, and national needs and concerns.

The BLM must receive all comments by the end of the scoping comment period to be included in the scoping report. The most useful comments are substantive comments that address the following topics: Areas available for leasing, special area boundaries, lease stipulations and best management practices, and resource issues to be analyzed.

You may submit written comments on management decisions, resources to be addressed, and issues for analysis to the BLM at any of the public scoping meetings, or you may use any of the methods listed in the ADDRESSES section above. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. Although you may ask the BLM to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, the BLM cannot provide any guarantees that it will be able to do so.

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Ted A. Murphy,

Acting State Director, Alaska.
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

[OLP Docket No. 168]

Supplemental Information Regarding Arizona Capital Counsel Mechanism

AGENCY: Department of Justice.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the State of Arizona has provided additional information about its capital counsel mechanism, and solicits public comment on that supplemental information.

DATES: Written and electronic comments must be submitted on or before January 7, 2019. Comments received by mail will be considered timely if they are postmarked on or before that date. The electronic Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) will accept comments until Midnight Eastern Time at the end of that day.

ADDRESSES: To ensure proper handling of comments, please reference "Docket No. OLP 168" on all electronic and written correspondence. The Department encourages that all comments be submitted electronically through http://www.regulations.gov using the electronic comment form provided on that site. Paper comments that duplicate the electronic submission should not be submitted. Individuals who wish to submit written comments may send those to the contact listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section immediately below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Laurence Rothenberg, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy, U.S. Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20530; telephone (202) 532–4465.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Chapter 154 of title 28, United States Code, provides special procedures for federal habeas corpus review of cases brought by prisoners in State custody who are subject to capital sentences. The special procedures may be available to a State only if the Attorney General of the United States has certified that the State has established a qualifying mechanism for the appointment, compensation, and payment of reasonable litigation expenses of competent counsel in State postconviction proceedings for indigent capital prisoners. 28 U.S.C. 2261, 2265; 28 CFR part 26.

On November 16, 2017, the Department of Justice, Office of Legal Policy published a notice in the **Federal Register**, 82 FR 53529, advising the public of Arizona's request for certification, dated April 18, 2013, and requesting public comment regarding