

B. Solicitation of Public Comment

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in Section A on the following:

(1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

Authority: Section 2 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement**

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**Notice of Availability of the Final
Environmental Impact Statement and
Record of Decision for Navajo
Transitional Energy Company's Navajo
Mine No Name SMCRA Permit**

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining
Reclamation and Enforcement, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of the final
environmental impact statement and
record of decision.

SUMMARY: The Office of Surface Mining
Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is
publishing this notice to announce that
it has prepared a Final Environmental
Impact Statement (FEIS) and Record of
Decision (ROD) for Navajo Transitional
Energy Company's (NTEC) proposed
Surface Mining Control and
Reclamation Act of 1977 (SMCRA)
permit for the No Name Permit area

within NTEC's existing Navajo Mine
Lease 14-20-603-2505.

DATES: The U.S. Environmental
Protection Agency (EPA) will also
publish a notice of availability in the
Federal Register. In accordance with the
National Environmental Policy Act
(NEPA), its implementing regulations at
43 CFR part 46, and the Department of
the Interior's (Department's) Handbook
of NEPA procedures, OSM has issued a
single document that consists of a FEIS
and ROD, which is effective
immediately.

ADDRESSES: The FEIS and ROD and
documents pertinent to this project are
available for review on OSM's website
at: <https://www.osmre.gov/laws-andregulations/nepa/projects>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
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Individuals who use
telecommunication devices for the deaf
(TDD) may call the Federal Information
Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339
between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern
Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OSM
Western Region, U.S. Department of the
Interior Regions 5, 7-11, prepared an
EIS for the No Name SMCRA Permit
application (Project). In accordance with
SMCRA, OSM must approve the Project,
disapprove the Project, or approve the
Project with conditions because the
Project is on Indian lands, as that term
is defined under SMCRA, including
tribal lands with leased tribal coal (BIA
Mine Lease 14-20-603-2505). The lease
agreement grants NTEC the right to
mine within the lease area; however,
mining cannot occur until a SMCRA
permit is obtained. The Navajo Nation
owns the surface and mineral rights of
the entire lease area and the permit
areas located within it.

The No Name Permit area is located
on the Navajo Nation approximately 22
miles from Farmington, New Mexico.
The proposed surface coal mine is
within NTEC's existing Navajo Mine
Lease 14-20-603-2505, located adjacent
to the southern boundary of NTEC's
existing Navajo Mine operating area
(OSM Permit No. NM-0043A). The No
Name Permit area covers 11,526 acres,
completely within tribal lands, and the
current surface land use is grazing. The
Project would allow for 9,042 acres of
additional surface disturbance and
production of 502,984,700 tons of
recoverable coal, extending the life of
the mine to 2136. The initial permit will
be for five years with a right of renewal

for the life of the mine as long as all
legal requirements are met.

**Purpose and Need for the Proposed
Action**

OSM's purpose and need for the EIS
is for OSM to analyze NTEC's SMCRA
permit application package to mine
Navajo Nation coal on approximately
11,526 acres from Areas 4 South and 5
within the Navajo Mine Lease Area (BIA
14-20-603-2505). Under the
Department's Handbook of National
Environmental Policy Act Implementing
Procedures, 516 DM 1 Section 2.2,
"when the proposed action concerns a
bureau's duty to act on an application
for authorization, the purpose and need
for the proposed action will also be
informed by the goals of the applicant." Here, NTEC informed OSM that NTEC's
goal is to exercise its valid existing
rights granted by the Navajo Nation
under BIA Mine Lease No. 14-20-603-
25205 to access and mine Navajo Nation
coal resources, to continue to provide
coal to the Four Corners Power Plant for
the duration of operations there, and to
provide coal to future customers if the
Four Corners Power Plant shuts down.
NTEC was created by the Navajo Nation
to exercise sovereignty over its natural
resources.

Proposed Action and Alternatives

The FEIS analyzes three alternatives:
the No Action Alternative, the Proposed
Action Alternative, and the Avoid
Pinabete Arroyo Alternative.

The No Action Alternative evaluates
the effects of OSM not approving the
Project. Under this alternative, NTEC
would continue to be able to mine coal
within its existing SMCRA permit
boundaries but would not be authorized
to expand the mine to include the
proposed No Name Permit area covering
an additional 11,526 acres, would not
disturb 9,042 acres of additional surface
disturbance, and would not produce the
approximately 502,984,700 tons of
recoverable coal.

The Proposed Action Alternative
evaluates the effects of approval of a
new SMCRA permit area within Area 4
South and Area 5 of NTEC's existing
Navajo Mine Lease 14-20-603-2505,
located on the western flank of the San
Juan Structural Basin south of the
Navajo Mine (the No Name SMCRA
Permit), authorizing the disturbance of
9,042 acres and the production of
approximately 502,984,700 tons of
recoverable coal. Under this alternative,
the life of the mine would depend on
the rate of production. To account for
this uncertainty, the Proposed Action
considers two demand alternatives that
were included in NTEC's permit

application package: (1) a low demand alternative—mining up to 5 million tons of coal per year, and (2) a high demand alternative—mining up to 15 million tons of coal per year. This alternative also considers the diversion of the Pinabete Arroyo into No Name Arroyo to mine in Area 4 South, as well as realignment of 7 miles of Burnham Road.

The Avoid Pinabete Arroyo Alternative evaluates the effects of approval of the No Name SMCRA permit with a condition that avoids mining through Pinabete Arroyo in Area 4 South. The Avoid Pinabete Arroyo Alternative was identified during the scoping process. Under this alternative, there would be no need for a diversion of Pinabete Arroyo into No Name Arroyo, although mining equipment would need to cross the arroyo to access the areas west of Pinabete Arroyo. Because this alternative would reduce the area available for mining within the permit area, the total recovery of coal would be less than estimated for the Proposed Action.

Based on the analyses contained in the FEIS, OSM selected the Proposed Action as the preferred alternative.

Summary of Expected Impacts

The FEIS evaluated the following reasonably foreseeable effects of the Project:

- Air Quality and GHG Emissions
- Cultural Resources
- Fish and Wildlife
- Geology, Mineral Resources and Paleontology
- Hazardous and Solid Waste
- Public Health and Safety
- Land Use and Transportation
- Noise and Vibration
- Socioeconomics
- Vegetation and Invasive Species
- Visual Resources
- Water Resources and Hydrology

Anticipated Permits and Authorizations

SMCRA permit.

Public Participation

OSM issued a notice of intent (NOI) to prepare an EIS in the **Federal Register** on January 15, 2026, announced the NOI through a news release and on its website, and hosted a 20-day public scoping period. OSM requested public scoping comments to identify any additional relevant issues concerning the proposed SMCRA permit that should be evaluated in the EIS. Public comment on the Project was accepted through mail, email, and during a public scoping meeting. OSM received 37 comment letters during the public scoping period. Comment letters

received during the public scoping periods were reviewed, and a description of issues analyzed are summarized in the FEIS.

Lead and Cooperating Agencies

OSM is the lead agency for this EIS. The Bureau of Land Management, Environmental Protection Agency, Navajo Nation Department of Agriculture, Navajo Nation Mineral Program, and Navajo Nation Department of Fish and Wildlife are cooperating agencies.

Decision Maker

OSM.

OSM Decision

Informed by, at a minimum, the material required at 30 CFR 746.13, including information prepared in compliance with NEPA, OSM must make a decision about the proposed No Name SMCRA permit application. As documented in the ROD, OSM will approve the No Name SMCRA permit application.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 731–TA–282 (Sixth Review)]

Petroleum Wax Candles From China; Institution of a Five-Year Review

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission hereby gives notice that it has instituted a review pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, to determine whether revocation of the antidumping duty order on petroleum wax candles from China would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury. Pursuant to the Act, interested parties are requested to respond to this notice by submitting the information specified below to the Commission.

DATES: Instituted September 1, 2026. To be assured of consideration, the deadline for responses is October 1, 2026. Comments on the adequacy of responses may be filed with the Commission by November 16, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lawrence Jones (202–205–3358), Office of Investigations, U.S. International

Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. Hearing-impaired persons can obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202–205–1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202–205–2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server (<https://www.usitc.gov>). The public record for this proceeding may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background.—On August 28, 1986, the Department of Commerce (“Commerce”) issued an antidumping duty order on imports of petroleum wax candles from China (51 FR 30686). Following first, second, third, fourth, and fifth five-year reviews by Commerce and the Commission, Commerce issued continuations of the antidumping duty order on imports of petroleum wax candles from China, effective September 23, 1999 (64 FR 51514), August 10, 2005 (70 FR 56890), January 6, 2011 (76 FR 773), May 26, 2016 (81 FR 33466), and October 29, 2021 (86 FR 59984), respectively. The Commission is now conducting a sixth review pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1675(c)), to determine whether revocation of the order would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to the domestic industry within a reasonably foreseeable time. Provisions concerning the conduct of this proceeding may be found in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure at 19 CFR part 201, subparts A and B, and 19 CFR part 207, subparts A and F. The Commission will assess the adequacy of interested party responses to this notice of institution to determine whether to conduct a full or expedited review. The Commission's determination in any expedited review will be based on the facts available, which may include information provided in response to this notice.

Definitions.—The following definitions apply to this review:

(1) *Subject Merchandise* is the class or kind of merchandise that is within the scope of the five-year review, as defined by Commerce.

(2) The *Subject Country* in this review is China.

(3) The *Domestic Like Product* is the domestically produced product or products which are like, or in the absence of like, most similar in