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BUREAU: Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
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ISSUE: Implementation of S.O. 3349, American Energy Independence

Key Points

- Secretarial Order (S.O.) 3349, *American Energy Independence* implements the review directed by Executive Order (E.O.) 13783, *Promoting Energy Independence and Economic Growth*, focusing on decreasing the regulatory burden associated with energy production.
- In addition, S.O. 3349 revokes S.O. 3330, *Improving Mitigation Policies and Practices of the Department of the Interior*, and directs DOI bureaus to identify all actions taken related to S.O. 3330 and the 2015 Presidential Memorandum, *Mitigating Impacts on Natural Resources from Development and Encouraging Related Private Investment*.
- In addition, E.O. 13783 rescinded several climate change related directives, and S.O. 3349 directs DOI bureaus to identify all action taken related to the rescinded climate change directives.
- Finally, S.O. 3349 specifically directs the BLM to review a number of other agency actions that may place an unnecessary burden on domestic energy development.

Background

- S.O. 3330 established a DOI-wide mitigation strategy through a landscape-scale approach, early integration of mitigation considerations in project planning and design, and considering the durability, transparency and consistency of mitigation measures.
 - Consistent with S.O. 3330, the BLM finalized its interim (June 2013) mitigation policy, incorporating the S.O. 3330 strategy and issuing a Mitigation Manual (MS-1794) and Mitigation Handbook (H-1794-1) in December 2016.
- The Report of the Executive Office of the President of June 2013, *The President's Climate Action Plan* contained three broad goals related to climate change mitigation, adaptation, and international leadership.
 - As directed by the Council on Environmental Quality Guidance that derived from this report and other executive actions, the BLM integrated a more quantitative approach to the consideration of greenhouse gases and climate change into its decision-making and planning processes. The BLM also manages public land to address wildfire, drought, and other issues that relate to adaptation.

Current Status

- The BLM ~~is providing~~provided a list of all actions to the Secretary adopted or in the process of being developed on mitigation and climate change since the policies specified in the S.O. 3349 were issued.
- The BLM ~~is identifying~~identified all existing agency actions that potentially affect the development or utilization of domestic oil, natural gas, coal, and nuclear energy resources.
- The BLM is following the proper process for rescinding *Oil and Gas; Hydraulic Fracturing on Federal and Indian Lands* and considering if and replacing it with a new proposed rule.
- The BLM ~~is~~-reviewed the final rule titled *Waste Prevention, Production Subject to Royalties, and Resource Conservation* to ensure its consistency with E.O. 13783.

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