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To: All District and Field Office Managers

From: State Director, Oregon/Washington

Subject: Oregon/Washington Bureau of Land Management Policy for 43 CFR 3809 Notice-Level Operations and Reclamation Cost Estimates

Program Area: This Instruction Memorandum transmits general policy and guidelines for preparation of Notices and Reclamation Cost Estimates for 43 CFR 3809.300 Notice-level operations on lands administered by the Oregon/Washington Bureau of Land Management (OR/WA BLM).

Purpose: The intent of this policy is to provide a framework for claimants and/or operators preparing §3809.301 Notices and associated §3809.552 Reclamation Cost Estimates to be provided to the local BLM District Offices for review.

Policy/Action: This guidance should be used in coordination with all applicable Federal and State Regulations. It is intended as interim guidance until such time as the National BLM 3809 Handbook is finalized. Any of the topics may be modified based on regional and/or site specific circumstances. Please bring any such changes to the immediate attention of the contact person listed below.

Timeframe: The attached general policy and guidelines are for immediate implementation.

Budget Impact: There are no anticipated budgetary impacts.

Background: This guidance was developed from pioneer work by the Vale District.

Manual/Handbook Sections Affected: None

Coordination: Prior to issuance, comments were requested from the Oregon/Washington statewide mineral staff, BLM's Nevada State Office pursuant to the Service Level Agreement for assistance with Mining Law Administration, and from the Northwest Mining Association.

Contact: Eric Hoffman, Mining Engineer at 503-808-6039.

Districts with Unions are reminded to notify their unions of this Instruction Memorandum and satisfy any bargaining obligations before implementation. Your servicing Human Resources Office or Labor Relations Specialist can provide you assistance in this matter.

Signed by
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Attachment(s)

- 1 – [Oregon/Washington Bureau of Land Management Policy for 43 CFR 3809 Notice-Level Operations and Reclamation Cost Estimates](#) (28 pp)

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