

Mineral & Land Records System **Fluid Minerals & Geothermal Release**

Information for Operators & Lessees



The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is responsible for managing approximately 245 million acres of Federal surface estate and 700 million acres of subsurface mineral estate. As trustee and steward of this land, we set out to provide a geospatially enabled land information system that allows customers to more readily engage with us and take action. With MLRS, your leases and agreements can be tracked online with just a few clicks. As we continue to implement our vision, the future of MLRS will provide all mission-critical BLM services and products such as rights-ofway, recreational permits, solid mineral leases, and more.

MLRS Timeline



MLRS will modernize the processes that track the nation's land and mineral resource decisions, records, and the cases involving these lands - creating a better experience for you.

Visit <u>blm.gov/mlrs</u> to learn more.



What can you do in MLRS? The contents to other related systems in real time

MLRS will enable you to view your cases through the online self-service features. You can:

Get your questions answered online through the:

- MLRS Public Portal (mlrs.blm.gov)
- MLRS Information Page (<u>blm.gov/mlrs</u>)
- Help Center (mlrs.blm.gov/s/help-center)

Track your Case Filing status

View Current & Historical Land Information on the Research Map

• Research areas of interest for future filings using the real-time data map

Create and View your Account

- Update your Contact Information
- Manage your Business & Employee Access
- View all information about your filings such as the latest disposition

Access a Custom View of your Leases & Agreements

• All without the need to run a report!











Serial Numbers

New Serial Number Format Coming Early 2022

With the development of MLRS, the BLM is transforming the standardized serial number format nationwide.



*Example shown here is in Geo State North Dakota and Admin State Montana

With MLRS, you will be able to manage all existing and future cases with the new unique MLRS-generated serial number along with your current LR2000 serial number.

This means your existing cases will have two serial numbers: the current one you use today and a new MLRS serial number.

Search for cases in MLRS with either your LR2000 serial number or MLRS serial number.

Note that operators will not need to change anything on the ground and will be able to keep the existing LR2000 serial number on all existing signage. In addition, MLRS will not significantly impact use of the National Fluid Lease Sale System (NFLSS) and Automated Fluid Minerals Support System (AFMSS).

Cases created after the launch will only have the new MLRS-given serial number.

Please take note of this new format and make any necessary adjustments to your internal systems to accommodate this new format by early 2022.



Key Dates

• **Approximately one month prior to launch:** Businesses with active leases & agreements will receive a letter with instructions on how to register

Early 2022: Payments should be made to BLM at least three business days prior to launch, and payments within this window will **not** be accepted

Early 2022: Launch of MLRS for Fluid Minerals & Geothermal

Early 2022: Reports are moving to a new web page

FAQs you might have. To read more FAQs, visit <u>blm.gov/mlrs</u>.

Q: I'm in the oil and gas industry - what will MLRS do for me?

A: MLRS introduces mapping research capabilities, plus once you're logged in, you will be able to access a custom view of your leases and agreements all without the need to run a report! Please note: to take action, you will continue to follow the same processes as you do today outside of MLRS.

Q: Who should register with MLRS (for oil & gas/geothermal)?

A: You will benefit from an MLRS account if you have any business, large or small, with the BLM involving oil & gas and/or geothermal cases.

Q: Will MLRS change anything for oil & gas businesses or individual lessees? **A**: From the process perspective, not at this time. However, by registering with an MLRS account you can increase visibility into your own leases and agreements. For example, authorized leases will populate from NFLSS into MLRS, and with an MLRS account you'll be able to find your authorizations without running a report.

Q: How does MLRS interact with NFLSS? Is NFLSS going away?

A: Pre-leasing activities will still use NFLSS, and NFLSS will be integrated with MLRS. Post-leasing actions are adjudicated by the BLM and available for you to view in MLRS.

Q: Will MLRS and BLM track serial numbers on my current leases and agreements? **A:** Your existing serial numbers will not become obsolete with MLRS. All serial numbers in LR2000 will be transferred to MLRS. MLRS will also generate a new standardized serial number for all existing and future leases and agreements in MLRS. Both serial numbers are searchable within the system.



Our Ask of You

Contact Us with Feedback: Big or Small!

Sign up for the MLRS newsletter and email comments/questions to us at BLM_MLRS@blm.gov. We'd love to hear what you and your colleagues have to say about MLRS!



