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Downey and Elinor,

Please see the attached, updated report.


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**Critical Mineral Roundtable:** On August 24, Acting ASLM Kate MacGregor will participate with Secretary Zinke and Deputy Secretary Bernhardt in a Critical Minerals Roundtable discussion with mining industry representatives. The purpose of the Roundtable is to discuss the importance of strategic and critical minerals, current and anticipated future domestic critical mineral needs, and how best to facilitate the development of these resources on public lands by examining the challenges and opportunities associated with such development.

**Timing:** August 24, 2017

**Contact:** Kate MacGregor, Acting Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals

**Daneros Uranium Mine Decision:** BLM-UT's Monticello Field Office intends to issue a decision approving a modification to the plan of operations for the Daneros Uranium Mine in San Juan County. The proposed modification could increase ore production from 100,000 tons over seven years, to 500,000 tons over 20 years, and could generate up to 40 jobs. (b) (5) DPP



**Timing:** August 28- September 1, 2017

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**ONSHORE OIL AND GAS PERMITTING ON FEDERAL LAND.** Throughout June, the Bureau of Land Management will hold online oil and gas lease sales.

- **Colorado.** On September 7, BLM-CO will hold an online oil and gas lease sale for 10 parcels totaling 1,227 acres in Cheyenne, Baca, Kiowa, Yuma, Morgan, and Weld Counties, CO.
- **New Mexico.** On September 7, BLM-NM will hold an online oil and gas lease sale for 62 parcels totaling 15,731 acres in Eddy, Chaves, Quay, Curry, Roosevelt, and Lea Counties, NM.
- **Nevada.** On September 12, BLM-NV will hold an online oil and gas lease sale for three parcels totaling 3,680 acres in Nye County, NV.
- **Utah.** On September 12, BLM-UT will hold an online oil and gas lease sale for 15 parcels totaling 4,438 acres in Juab County, UT.

**Rosebud Mine Addition:** In mid-September, OSMRE anticipates publishing an NOA of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for Western Energy Company's Rosebud Mine proposed Permit Area F. The proposed permit area, which is located near Colstrip, MT, would add 6,746 acres to the 25,576-acre surface coal mine. The mine currently employs 400 people and produces 12.3 million tons per year.

**Timing:** Mid-September

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