Providing Comments During Public Scoping

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The BLM is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement to analyze the effects on the environment of the leasing and development of oil and gas resources on BLM administered surface and mineral estate in the Hollister Field Office. The Environmental Impact Statement may result in the amendment of the Hollister Field Office Resource Management Plan.

PROVIDE EFFECTIVE COMMENTS

Many public land users, organizations, and individuals may want to provide comments to help in the development of the Environmental Impact Statement. The best and most useful comments are substantive comments. Try not to provide comments that offer opinion only.

Substantive comments during scoping do one or more of the following:

- Raise issues BLM has not considered; reinforce issues BLM has already identified
- Present information that can be used when developing alternatives
- Present reasonable alternatives
- Present information that can be used when BLM considers impacts of alternatives
- Raise concerns, with reasoning, regarding effects of oil and gas development within the planning area
- Recommend specific lease stipulations and best management practices for oil and gas development on BLM-administered lands and mineral estate
- Question, with reasonable basis, the accuracy of information in a report already created

Comments that are not substantive include:

- Comments in favor of or against an action without any reasoning
- Comments that only agree or disagree with BLM policy
- Comments without justification or supporting data
- Comments that don't pertain to the planning area
- Comments that take the form of vague, open-ended questions.

Please provide substantive comments, which will be the most useful kind during this planning effort. Thank you for your interest in this Hollister Field Office Oil & Gas Leasing and Development Environmental Impact Statement.

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