

Bureau of Land Management-Carlsbad Field Office

Unit Plan of Development Guidelines

1. A cover letter should be included stating that the attached is the proposed Unit POD for (current year) for BLM review and approval.
2. Plan of development or operation to be submitted annually and cover the plans for the next year. Plan is to include all drilling, completing, plug back, conversion, abandonment, and producing of unit wells, and other surface disturbing operations, and may be supplemented as necessary. See 43 CFR Ch. II 3186.1.
3. New annual plan is to be submitted prior to expiration of the previous plan. Plan to be submitted not later than March 1 of the calendar year for which it is applicable.
4. Modifications or additions are to be filed as supplements to the plan.
5. Routine stimulation and work over operations need not be covered by the plan of development as long as the resulting producing interval remains within the limits established for the participating area.
6. Each plan must provide for exploratory or developmental drilling to fully delineate the productive limits of the unit area or must justify the lack of drilling.
7. Up to date maps to be sent which are to include the following:
 - a. Latest structural and geologic interpretations.
 - b. All participating area boundaries.
 - c. Field map showing all wells, flow-lines, and roads.
8. Status of all wells.
9. Summary of all operations conducted during the past year.
10. Performance graphs covering the productive life of each horizon or reservoir for which a participating area has been established.
11. Proprietary geologic information is to be submitted separately and clearly marked by the unit operator on each page – CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION
12. Plan to be submitted in triplicate.
13. Approval of plan does not approve the work covered by the plan. Individual approval is still required for such items as APDs/ROWS/etc.