

PROPOSED SLOAN HILLS COMPETITIVE MINERAL MATERIAL SALES

DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

How to make the most of this meeting

- If you wish to make a public comment during the meeting, please fill out and submit a speaker registration card. Speakers will be called in the order that their request cards were submitted, so we encourage you to please sign up early.
- A second court reporter is available throughout the meeting to record your comments if you do not wish to speak publicly or if you are unable to wait until your name is called.
- Please note that we will not answer questions during the public comment period of the meeting. Resource specialists will be available during the open house period if you would like to ask questions.
- Please be polite and courteous during the project presentation and public comment periods of the meeting so everyone can hear what is being said.
- Copies of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement are available at the sign in desk for you to review or take home with you.

How to provide written comments

Written comments may be submitted in the following ways:

- By placing your written comment in the comment boxes provided at this meeting
- By faxing your comment to (702) 515-5023
- By emailing your comment to sloanhillseis@blm.gov
- By mailing your comment to:

Robert B. Ross, Jr
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BLM Las Vegas Field Office
4701 North Torrey Pines Drive
Las Vegas, Nevada 89130

Comments must be postmarked by December 5, 2011 to ensure that they will be considered in the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

Comment Disclaimer: Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment – including your personal identifying information – may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.



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Making effective comments

Your comments and questions are critical to the environmental review process. They will be addressed in the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

The following information would be the most useful:

- Are there additional issues that need to be considered?
- Is there additional information, data, or analysis which should be considered?
- Is information, data, or analysis incorrect or not thoroughly considered?

Below are several tips for making effective comments:

- Be brief so the reviewer does not miss the point of your comment.
- Be specific so the reviewer clearly understands your concerns. Say “I am concerned about how this will affect...” rather than just saying “Don’t do this.”
- Know your subject so the comments are both focused and accurate.
- State the facts and back them up where possible. Be sure to reveal your sources of information to help make your point.
- Be honest and realistic. Distortions of facts or misstatements may cause the reviewer to question the accuracy of your other statements. Requests that are not legal or feasible also reduce the credibility of your comments.
- Be polite. Even though you may be upset about a proposal, try to state your opinion objectively. Communication is increased by extending the same courtesies to agency staff that you expect from them.

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