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LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD PUBLIC MEETING AND LEASE SALE

NOTICE AND AGENDA

September 10, 2025

The State Mineral and Energy Board will meet in the LaBelle Room, First Floor, LaSalle Office Building, 617 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana for the following:

8:30 a.m. OPENING OF THE BIDS

- I. Letter of Notification
- II. Letter(s) of Protest
- III. Notification of Tracts Recommended for Withdrawal
- IV. Opening of Bids

9:00 a.m. NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST AUTHORITY COMMITTEE MEETING

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Natural Resources Trust Authority Report – Presented by John Shiroda, Executive Director

9:30 a.m. BOARD MEETING AND LEASE SALE

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Approval of the August 13, 2025 Minutes
- V. Staff Reports:
 - a. Lease Review Report – Presented by Jason Talbot
 - b. Audit Report – Presented by Taletha Shorter

- c. Nomination and Tract Report – Presented by Greg Robert
- d. Legal and Title Controversy Report – Presented by Greg Roberts
- e. Docket Report – Presented by Greg Roberts

VI. Natural Resources Trust Authority – Committee Report

VII. Executive Session:

- a. A discussion of potential claims relating to Cooperative Agreement No. 20-004 between the Office of Conservation and the Louisiana Oilfield Restoration Association, Inc.
- b. A status update and discussion of the matter entitled *In Re: The Gonsoulin Trust*, Docket No. 137130, 16th Judicial District Court, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana
- c. A discussion of proposed terms for an Operating Agreement with Magnetar Exploration, L.P. covering land located within the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge and Game Preserve, being the same land defined within State Agency Lease Nos. 22207 and 22208, situated in Vermilion and Cameron Parishes
- d. A discussion of proposed terms for a Surface Use, Waiver, and Accommodation Agreement with Sportsman Solar Energy LLC covering land in Section 27, Township 3 South, Range 8 East, Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana
- e. A request for authority to negotiate with Clovelly Oil Co. LLC for amounts owed pursuant to an audit that was conducted on Treber Oil Corp. The amounts owed are for Exception No. 1 on Audit No. 474 involving State Lease No. 2918, West Lake Ponchartrain Block 41 Field, St. Charles Parish, Louisiana
- f. A discussion of and request for authority to consider an offer by Expand Operating LLC to partially settle the matter entitled: *BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (N.A.), L/P., et al vs. Ernest H. Turner, III, et al*, Civil Docket No. 145660, 26th Judicial District Court, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, said matter being hence removed to Federal Court and cited as Case No. 21-1005, W.D. La. Bankruptcy, (HA RA SU133 Unit, Franks Investment Co. 10H-1 Well, Elm Grove Field)
- g. A discussion of and request for authority to execute a settlement agreement in accordance with an offer made by a former lessee and conflict landowners. The agreement will settle a dispute over the production proceeds attributable to certain conflict tracts of the HA RB SUFF Unit in the Haynesville Zone, Caspiana Field, Bossier and Caddo Parishes, Louisiana. The unit wells operated by Comstock Oil & Gas-LA, LLC are: Poole Ant 21-15-11 H No. 1 (Serial No. 239918) and Poole Ant 16-21 HC No. 1-A (Serial No. 251425). Said dispute being related to the lawsuit entitled: *Irene S. Kohn and Joseph J. McDole v. BPX Properties (NA) LP and Comstock Oil & Gas, LLC*, 26th Judicial District

Court # C-162196, Bossier Parish; later removed to the United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana, No. 5:20-CV-00696.

h. Technical Briefing on Bids

VIII. Awarding of Leases – Presented by Jason Talbot

IX. Incentives for CO₂ Enhanced Oil Recovery in Inland Waters – David S. Schechter, LSU Department Chair & Professor of Petroleum Engineering

X. New Business

a. Recognition of Mr. Matt Moncla

b. Discussion of primary term rental provisions in the current state lease form

XI. Announcements

XII. Adjourn

The Board may discuss other matters as it desires pursuant to R.S. 42:19A(1)(b)(ii)(cc), including matters that may validly be held in Executive Session pursuant to R.S. 42:17A(2) and R.S. 42:17A(6).

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