

Fiscal Year 2025 Annual Adjustment Calculation

As set forth in the 2005 Cost Recovery Rule (70 FR 58854) and as modified by the Fluid Mineral Leases and Leasing Process rule (89 FR 30916), the updates for fixed filing fees for Minerals Materials are based on the change in the IPD-GDP. The BLM's minerals program publishes the updated cost recovery fees annually, at the start of each fiscal year. In September 2024, the BLM adjusted the fees based on the change in the IPD-GDP from the 4th Quarter of 2022 to the 4th Quarter of 2023. The BLM adjusts the APD fee, established under the National Defense Authorization Act of 2015 (Pub. L. 113-291; 30 U.S.C. 191(d)), based on the percentage change in the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' CPI for all goods and all urban consumers (CPI-U) from June 2023 to June 2024.

The BLM took the base values (or "existing values") upon which it derived the previous cost recovery fees (or "existing fees") and multiplied them by the percent change in the IPD-GDP (2.65 percent for this update) to generate the "IPD-GDP increases" (in dollars). The BLM then added the "IPD-GDP increases" to the "existing values" to generate the "new values." The BLM then calculated the "new fees" by rounding the "new values" to the closest multiple of \$5 for fees equal to or greater than \$1, or to the nearest cent for fees under \$1. The "new fees" are the updated cost recovery fees for fiscal year (FY) 2025.

The source for IPD-GDP data is the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis website, specifically, "Table 1.1.9. Implicit Price Deflators for Gross Domestic Product."

The updated APD fee amount reflects an adjustment to the current fee based on the percentage change in the CPI-U. The CPI-U for June 2024 is 2.97 percent higher than the CPI-U for June 2023. The BLM then calculated the new APD fee by rounding the product to the nearest \$5.

The source for CPI-U data is the BLS, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: All Items in U.S. City Average [CPIAUCSL], retrieved from FRED, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis. It is important to note that the "real" values of the fees are not actually increasing, since real values account for the effect of inflation. In real terms, the values of the fees are simply being adjusted to account for the changes in the prices of goods and services produced in the United States.

The calculations that resulted in the new fees are included in the following table:

Document/Action	Existing Fee (FY2024)	Existing Value	IPD-GDP Increase	New Value	New Fee (FY 2025)
Competitive lease application	\$195	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$3,100
Leasing and compensatory royalty agreements under right- of-way pursuant to subpart 3109.	\$505	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$660
Lease consolidation	\$560	\$559.957	\$14.838	\$574.795	\$575
Assignment and transfer of record title or operating rights	\$ 115	\$13.502	\$3.007	\$116.509	\$115
Overriding royalty transfer, payment out of production	\$15	\$15.130	\$0.400	\$15.530	\$15
Name change; corporate merger; sheriff's deed; dissolution of corporation, partnership, or trust; or transfer to heir/devisee	\$265	\$264.839	\$7.018	\$271.857	\$270
Lease reinstatement, Class I	\$100	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$1,260
Geophysical exploration permit application – all states	\$ 30	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$1,150
Renewal of exploration permit – Alaska	\$ 30	\$ 30.969	\$ 0.820	\$ 31.789	\$30
Final application for Federal unit agreement approval, Federal unit agreement expansion, and Federal subsurface gas storage application	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$1,200

Oil & Gas (parts 3100, 3110, 3120, 3130, 3150, 3160, and 3180):

Document/Action	Existing Fee (FY2024)	Existing Value	IPD-GDP Increase	New Value	New Fee (FY 2025)
Designation of successor operator for all Federal agreements, except for contracted unit agreements that contain no Federal lands	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$120

Geothermal (part 3200):

Document/Action	Existing Fee	Existing Value	IPD-GDP Increase	New Value	New Fee (FY 2025)
	(FY2024)				
Noncompetitive lease application	\$505	\$507.005	\$13.435	\$520.440	\$520
Competitive lease application	\$195	\$196.756	\$5.214	\$201.970	\$200
Assignment and transfer of record title or operating rights	\$115	\$113.502	\$3.007	\$116.509	\$115
Name change, corporate merger or transfer to heir/devisee	\$265	\$264.839	\$7.018	\$271.857	\$270
Lease consolidation	\$560	\$559.957	\$14.838	\$574.795	\$575
Lease reinstatement	\$100	\$ 98.356	\$ 2.606	\$100.962	\$100
Nomination of lands	\$140	\$141.656	\$3.753	\$145.409	\$145
plus per acre nomination fee	\$0.14	\$0.138	\$0.003	\$0.141	\$0.14
Site license application	\$75	\$75.667	\$2.005	\$77.672	\$80
Assignment or transfer of site license	\$75	\$75.667	\$2.005	\$77.672	\$80

Coal (parts 3400, 3470):

Document/Action	Existing Fee	Existing	IPD-GDP	New Value	New Fee (FY
	(FY2024)	Value	Increase		2025)
License to mine application	\$15	\$15.130	\$0.400	\$15.530	\$15
Exploration license application	\$415	\$416.190	\$11.029	\$427.219	\$425
Lease or lease interest transfer	\$85	\$83.251	\$2.206	\$85.457	\$85

Leasing of Solid Minerals Other Than Coal and Oil Shale (parts 3500, 3580):

Document/Action	Existing Fee	Existing	IPD-GDP	New Value	New Fee (FY
	(FY2024)	Value	Increase		2025)
Applications other than	\$45	\$45.405	\$1.203	\$46.608	\$45
those listed below					
Prospecting permit	\$85	\$83.251	\$2.206	\$85.457	\$85
application amendment					
Extension of prospecting	\$135	\$136.205	\$3.609	\$139.814	\$140
permit					
Lease modification or	\$40	\$37.844	\$1.002	\$38.846	\$40
fringe acreage lease					
Lease renewal	\$650	\$650.784	\$17.245	\$ 668.029	\$670
Assignment, sublease, or	\$40	\$37.845	\$1.002	\$38.847	\$40
transfer of operating					
rights					
Transfer of overriding	\$40	\$37.845	\$1.002	\$38.847	\$40
royalty					
Use permit	\$40	\$37.845	\$1.002	\$38.847	\$40
Shasta and Trinity	\$40	\$37.845	\$1.002	\$38.847	\$40
hardrock mineral lease					
Renewal of existing sand	\$40	\$37.845	\$1.002	\$38.847	\$40
and gravel lease in					
Nevada					

Public Law 359; Mining in Powersite Withdrawals: General (part 3730):

Document/Action	Existing Fee (FY2024)	Existing Value	IPD-GDP Increase	New Value	New Fee (FY 2025)
Notice of protest of placer mining operations	\$15	\$15.130	\$0.400	\$15.530	\$15

Mining Law Administration (parts 3800, 3810, 3830, 3860, 3870):

Document/Action	Existing Fee	Existing	IPD-GDP	New Value	New Fee (FY
	(FY2024)	Value	Increase		2025)
Application to open lands	\$15	\$15.130	\$0.400	\$15.530	\$15
to location					
Notice of location	\$25	\$22.687	\$0.601	\$23.288	\$25
Amendment of location	\$15	\$15.130	\$0.400	\$15.530	\$15
Transfer of mining	\$15	\$15.130	\$0.400	\$15.530	\$15
claim/site					
Recording an annual	\$15	\$15.130	\$0.400	\$15.530	\$15
FLPMA filing					
Deferment of	\$135	\$136.205	\$3.609	\$139.814	\$140
assessment work					

Document/Action	Existing Fee (FY2024)	Existing Value	IPD-GDP Increase	New Value	New Fee (FY 2025)
Recording a notice of intent to locate mining claims on Stockraising Homestead Act lands	\$40	\$37.845	\$1.002	\$38.847	\$40
Mineral patent adjudication (more than 10 claims)	\$3,815	\$3,813.890	\$101.068	\$3,914.958	\$3,915
(10 or fewer claims)	\$1,905	\$1,906.924	\$50.533	\$1,957.457	\$1,955
Adverse claim	\$135	\$136.205	\$3.609	\$139.814	\$140
Protest	\$85	\$83.251	\$2.206	\$85.457	\$85

Oil Shale Management (parts 3900, 3910, 3930):

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Document/Action	Existing Fee	Existing	IPD-GDP	New Value	New Fee (FY
	(FY2024)	Value	Increase		2025)
Exploration license	\$400	\$399.190	\$10.578	\$409.768	\$410
application					
Application for	\$80	\$81.197	\$2.151	\$83.348	\$85
assignment or sublease					
of record title or					
overriding royalty					

Onshore Oil and Gas Operations and Production (parts 3160, 3170)

Document/Action	Existing Fee	Existing	CPI-U	New Value	New Fee (FY
	(FY2024)	Value	Increase		2025)
Application for Permit to	\$12,155	\$12,156.421	\$361.045	\$12,517.466	\$12,515
Drill					