Bureau of Land Management Onshore Oil and Gas Leasing and Expression of Interest Data

August 2023

Expression of Interest Acres Received in the Past Year

The following table provides a summary of all expression of interest (EOI) acreage received in the past year, from 7/31/2022 to 7/31/2023, and the EOI acreage counted for Section 50265(b)(1) of the Inflation Reduction Act (P.L. 117-169).

Month & Year Received	Acreage Submitted	EOI Acreage
July 2022	2,298.52	0
August 2022	179,289.85	6,854.07
September 2022	12,422.325	3,229.645
October 2022	13,924.204	11,449.12
November 2022	615.52	472.43
December 2022	17,169.933	9,382.986
January 2023	14,744.20	14,012.02
February 2023	1,587.281	617.06
March 2023	9,233.348	7,084.338
April 2023	28,520.08	23,280.54
May 2023	14,189.68	12,737.75
June 2023	6,377.77	2,254.55
July 2023	0	0
Total	300,373.721	91,375.559

BLM Onshore Oil and Gas Lease Sales Held in the Past Year

The Inflation Reduction Act defined an Onshore lease sale as "a quarterly oil and gas lease sale (A) that is held by the Secretary in accordance with section 17 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 226); and (B) that, if any acceptable bids have been received for any parcel offered in the lease sale, results in the issuance of a lease."

BLM State Office	Sale Date	Parcels Offered	Acres Offered	Date First Lease Issued
NM	5/25/2023	45	10,124	6/6/2023
MT/DKs	6/28/2023	14	5,672	7/27/2023
WY	6/29 & 6/30/2023	116	127,015	7/20/2023

ES	6/30/2023	4	129	7/17/2023
NV	7/25/2023	4	4,720	N/A – No bid*
Total		183	147,660	

^{*} Although no leases were issued as a result of the sale, the sale qualifies as an "onshore lease sale" within the meaning of IRA Section 50265(a)(3) because no "acceptable bids . . . [were] received."