

OIL AND GAS LAND MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

NOMINATIONS REQUIREMENTS

- Persons or entities, including state agencies, interested in leasing a formation within a parcel of land that is owned or controlled by a state agency for the exploration for and development and production of oil or natural gas may submit to the Oil and Gas Land Management Commission a nomination form, which will be available on the Commission website (fillable online) (EXHIBIT A) .
- Upon receiving a completed nomination form and nomination fee (as applicable), the Commission shall post a Notice of Nomination on its website pursuant to R.C. 155.32 (EXHIBIT B).
- The Notice will be posted on the Commission's website for a period of 45 days.
- The Notice will be distributed to all individuals who have elected to be included on the Commission's email distribution list.
- The notice will also be sent to the state agency that owns or controls the parcel of land for which a nomination was received with a statement that the state agency may submit comments to the commission concerning the nomination.
- After the close of the 45-day comment period, the Commission shall schedule a meeting for the purpose of determining whether to approve or disapprove the nomination for the purpose of leasing a formation within the parcel of land that is identified in the nomination.
- Pursuant to R.C. 155.33, the Commission's meeting must take place no less than thirty days, but not more than one hundred twenty days following the receipt of nomination.
- In making its decision to approve or disapprove the nomination, the commission shall consider all of the following:
 - (a) The economic benefits, including the potential income from an oil or natural gas operation, that would result if the lease of a formation that is the subject of the nomination were approved;
 - (b) Whether the proposed oil or gas operation is compatible with the current uses of the parcel of land that is the subject of the nomination;
 - (c) The environmental impact that would result if the lease of a formation that is the subject of the nomination were approved;

(d) Any potential adverse geological impact that would result if the lease of a formation that is the subject of the nomination were approved;

(e) Any potential impact to visitors or users of a parcel of land that is the subject of the nomination;

(f) Any potential impact to the operations or equipment of a state agency that is a state university or college if the lease of a formation within a parcel of land owned or controlled by the university or college that is the subject of the nomination were executed;

(g) Any comments or objections to the nomination submitted to the commission by the state agency that owns or controls the parcel of land on which the proposed oil or natural gas operation would take place;

(h) Any comments or objections to the nomination submitted to the commission by residents of this state or other users of the parcel of land that is the subject of the nomination;

(i) Any special terms and conditions the state agency included in its comments or objections that the state agency believes are appropriate for the lease of the parcel of land because of specific conditions related to that parcel of land.

- The Commission must make its decision approving or disapproving the nomination not later than two calendar quarters following receipt of the nomination.
- The Commission shall post notice of its decision on its web site and send notice of the decision by email and by certified mail to the person that submitted the nomination and to the state agency that owns or controls the formation within the parcel land that is the subject of the nomination.