

ENERGY STREAMLINING TASK FORCE PROJECT SUMMARY

Name: Desolation Flats Natural Gas Development Environmental Impact Statement

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Entity proposing project: Marathon Oil Company et al.

Category of project: Other (EIS)

Brief description of project: an EIS to analyze a proposal to drill an additional 385 wells at 361 locations in the Desolation Flats project area; drilling expected to last for approximately 20 years with a life of project of 30-50 years

Agencies that must be consulted and agencies from which approval is needed:

Federal: Bureau of Land Management (Rawlins Field Office) – lead agency

Environmental Protection Agency Region VIII

Fish & Wildlife Service

Reason for bringing project to the task force's attention: would like the BLM Washington Office to rescind the revised H-6310-1 Handbook and reinstate the previous Handbook; and the DOI to instruct BLM that, per FLPMA, they are obligated to maintain wilderness inventories, develop land use plans, and that the time in which to identify new lands for wilderness lapsed on October 21, 1991.