



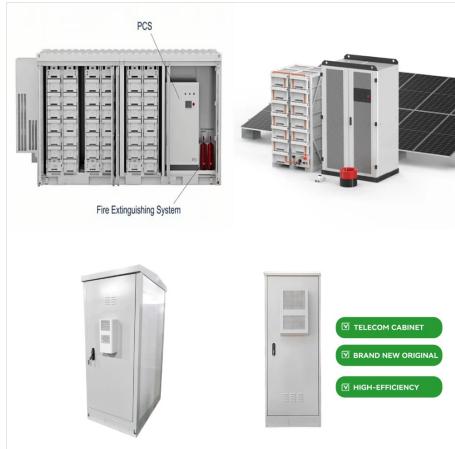
Renewable Energy Rule improves BLM's application and permitting processes for solar and wind projects and provides financial incentives for development. 3. What are the financial incentives in the final rule? Reductions for capacity fees are: 80% until the a?|



WASHINGTON a?? The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) today announced its proposed roadmap for solar energy development on public lands, This year BLM also issued a final Renewable Energy Rule that will lower consumer energy costs and the cost of developing solar and wind projects, improve project application processes, and incentivize



The BLM also made substantial progress on two renewable energy focused rulemaking efforts . The BLM issued a proposed rule, R. ights of Way, Leasing and Operations for Renewable Energy, which would revise regulations associated with renewable energy, including reducing certain fees for wind and solar



Subject: Implementation Procedures a?? Interim Temporary Final Rule for Segregating Renewable Energy Right-of-Way Applications. Program The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) solicited comments until June 27, 2011, on both the ITFR and the Proposed Rule. The BLM is currently analyzing comments received as part of the final rulemaking process.



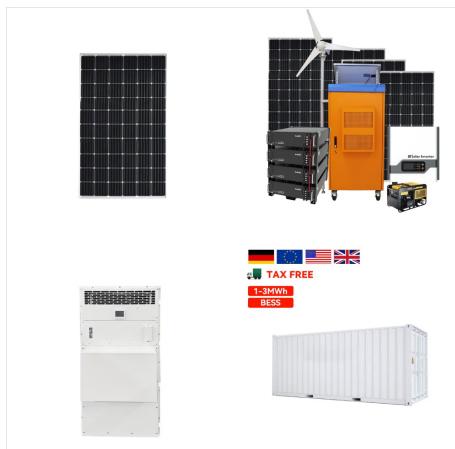
The BLM National Renewable Energy Strategy Ramping up renewable energy deployment on America's public lands is a key step toward meeting the Biden-Harris Administration's goal of a carbon pollution-free power sector by 2035, as well as Congress's direction to seek to permit at least 25 gigawatts of solar, wind and geothermal energy production on public lands no later a?!



The proposed Renewable Energy Rule would expand the BLM's ability to accept leasing applications in priority areas for wind and solar development without first going through a full auction. It would retain the BLM's ability to hold competitive auctions where appropriate and consistent with past practice, and expand the BLM's ability to accept



West-wide Wind Mapping Project. The West-wide Wind Mapping Project is an online mapping tool that allows users to overlay wind energy potential on BLM-administered lands with other natural, social, and cultural resource data.. BLM staff and stakeholders can use the tool to identify areas with high wind energy potential and low resource conflict that may be appropriate for wind a?|



The Interior secretary also said the Bureau of Land Management had reached a goal to permit 25,000 megawatts of onshore renewable energy by 2025. wind and solar in announcing final BLM rule.



competitive interest exists. This provides the BLM appropriate tools to spur competition for the most desirable areas, while continuing to facilitate increased solar and wind energy deployment consistent with the Energy Act of 2020. More information is available on the BLM website at . [blm.gov/renewable-energy-rule](http://blm.gov/renewable-energy-rule).



"Through a landscape-level approach, we are facilitating responsible renewable energy development in the right places, creating jobs and cutting carbon pollution for the benefit of all Americans." The rule formalizes key aspects of the BLM's existing Smart from the Start approach to renewable energy development. Notably, the rule:



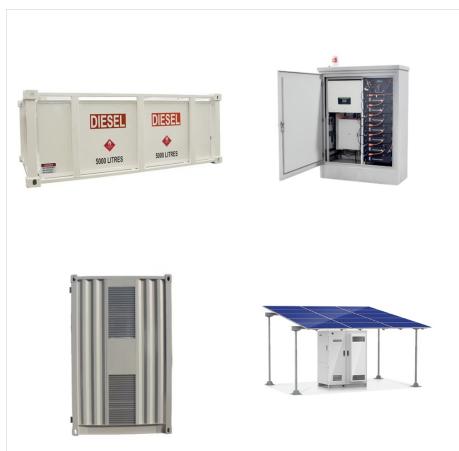
BLM's new Renewable Energy Rule seeks to improve and incentivize wind and solar development by reducing acreage rent and capacity fees, deemphasizing the use of competitive processes, and adding flexibility to the prioritization structure for review of projects outside priority areas. BLM, Rights-of-Way, Leasing, and Operations for Renewable



This final rule updates procedures governing the BLM's renewable energy and right-of-way programs, focusing on two main topics. It also makes technical changes, corrections, and clarifications to the regulations and will update the BLM's procedures governing the BLM's administration of rights-of-way issued under Title V of the Federal Land Policy and a?|



As a result of this needed modernization, the BLM will continue to meet America's energy needs while leading the way in sustainability as the agency works to manage public lands in a balanced, responsible way. Modernizing a world-class oil and gas leasing program. This rule reinforces the BLM's leadership role in energy development by:



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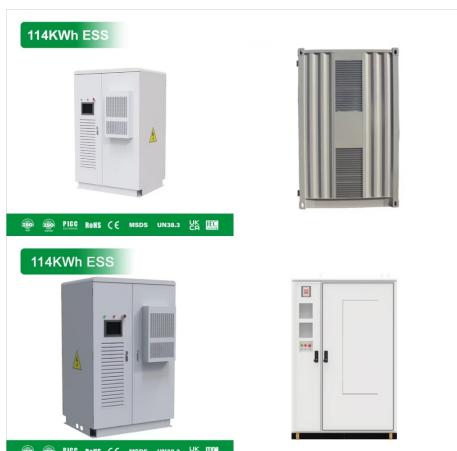


The Bureau of Land Management is seeking public comment on the draft environmental assessment for a proposed clean energy project on private lands and approximately 40 acres of public lands in eastern Riverside County. If approved, the Sapphire project could generate and store up to 117 megawatts of solar energy and deliver clean a?|



The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is correcting a final rule that appeared in the Federal and Operations for Renewable Energy; Corrections. National Office. Contact. Jayme Lopez.

energy@blm.gov. June 28, 2024. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is correcting a final rule that appeared in the Federal Register on May 1, 2024. Federal



Rights-of-Way, Leasing, and Operations for Renewable Energy. Project Information. NEPA Number: DOI-BLM-WO-3500-2022-0001-CX of these amendments would be to facilitate responsible solar and wind energy development on public lands managed by the BLM. The rule would adjust acreage rents and capacity fees for solar and wind energy, a?|



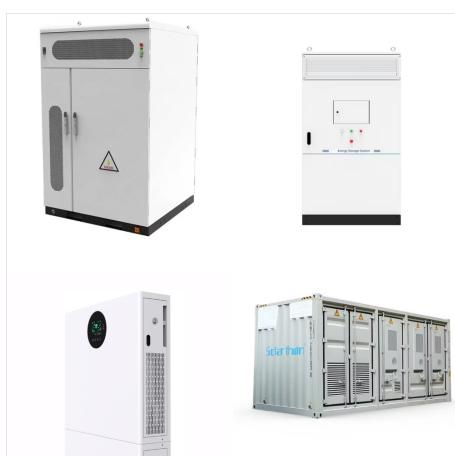
Aerial photo of an area in the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska. BLM Photo. In November, BLM proposed a rulemaking designed to protect ecologically sensitive areas covering about 23 million acres of public lands in the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska. The proposed rule would prohibit any new oil and gas leasing on 10.6 million acres and limit future a?|



**Competitive Leasing** In 2017, the BLM updated its regulations (43 CFR 2800) for wind and solar authorizations on public lands. The regulations promote the use of designated leasing areas, preferred areas for renewable energy development that include the BLM's Solar Energy Zones, Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan Development Focus Areas, Restoration Design a?|



The BLM is implementing regulations that will guide balanced management of America's public lands now and for the future. The Public Lands Rule helps safeguard the health of our public lands for current and future generations by ensuring that we:



The Public Lands Rule complements the BLM's recently announced final Renewable Energy Rule, providing consistent direction and new tools for mitigation, helping advance the efficient and environmentally responsible development of renewable energy on BLM-managed public lands, providing greater clarity and consistency in permitting, and

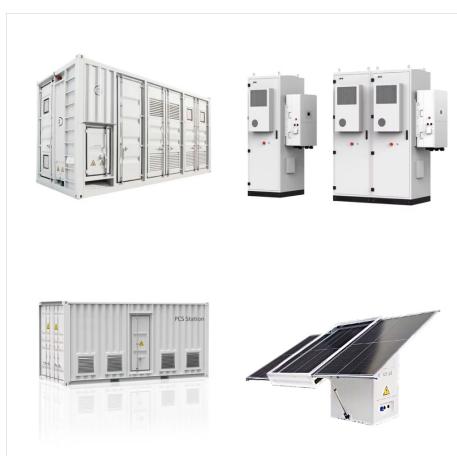


GAO found that the final rule (1) updates BLM's renewable energy and right-of-way programs; (2) expands agency discretion to process applications for solar and wind energy generation rights-of-way inside designated leasing areas, according to BLM; and (3) will make technical changes, corrections, and clarifications to the regulations, and will



**Proposed Renewable Energy Rule Frequently Asked Questions**

1. Why is the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) proposing revisions to its renewable energy regulations? BLM is proposing to amend its existing right-of-way regulations to further facilitate responsible solar and wind energy development on BLM-managed public lands.



The rule formalizes key aspects of the BLM's existing Smart from the Start approach to renewable energy development. Notably, the rule: Supports development in areas with the highest generation potential and fewest resource conflicts through financial incentives, awarding leases through competitive processes and streamlining the leasing process