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**NOTICE OF COMBINED PUBLIC MEETING AND POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION
ARIZONA OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Arizona Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (OGCC) and to the general public that the OGCC will hold a meeting open to the public on **October 21, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 3100B** of the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality 1110 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

AGENDA:

1. Call to order
2. Discuss and approve the minutes of the September 22, 2016 meeting
3. Discuss draft IOGCC resolution on supporting hydrocarbon exploration on the ANICLA authorized coastal plain of ANWR.
4. ADEQ Five year rule review – revisions to A.A.C. Title 12, Chapter 7. The Administrator solicits input from the Commissioners and certain industry stakeholders for subjects such as:
 - Format for submitting comments
 - Underground gas storage facilities – new interim rule from PHMSA
 - Clarifying timeframes in OGCC rules
 - Other rule changes or technical requirements (to be solicited from Commissioners and certain industry stakeholders)
5. Discuss OGCC fee proposal submitted to Governor's office in 2015
6. Report of the Oil and Gas Administrator on new permits and drilling activity:
 - Twin Bridges, LLC (Ranger Dev., LLC) – New permit applications & well spacing exceptions submitted; hearing on Nov. 15, 2016
 - Ranger Dev., LLC – well files for permits #1204 and #1205 (approved April 11, 2016) are missing the required follow-up documentation that wells were drilled. Discuss procedures to remedy this situation before Twin Bridges' hearing on Nov. 15.
 - Arizona Energy Partners posted a \$25,000 blanket bond (cashier's check) for drilling 10 helium wells. No application had been received by the posting date of this agenda.
7. Miscellaneous:
 - Establish future meeting dates
 - Posting OGCC activity on the Web / Use of OGCC web page vis à vis ADEQ
8. Call to the public: This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Commission may not discuss items that are not on the agenda. Therefore, action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or scheduling the matter for further discussion and decision at a later date.
9. Announcements
10. Adjourn

Members of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission will attend either in person or by telephone conference call. The public may be afforded an opportunity to comment on any item on the agenda; however, at the beginning of the meeting, the Commission may vote to set up a time limit on individual comments.

NOTE: The Oil and Gas Conservation Commission may vote to go into Executive Session, pursuant to AR.S. § 38-431 .03(A)(3) or (4), which will not be open to the public, to consult with its attorney and receive legal advice with respect to any regular agenda item listed on this agenda.

For additional information about this meeting, contact Dennis L. Turner, Oil and Gas Program Administrator, 602.771.4501. A copy of the agenda and background material provided to Commission members (with the exception of material relating to possible executive sessions) is available for public inspection at the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Records Management Center, 1110 W. Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007. Note also that the agenda items may be taken out of order.

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10:00 a.m., Oct. 21, 2016, Room 3100B

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RESOLUTION 16.101

Supporting Hydrocarbon Exploration and Development in a Limited Area of the ANILCA Authorized Coastal Plain of ANWR as Part of the National Energy Policy of the United States of America

WHEREAS, the oil and natural gas industry is a vital part of the United States' economy, and increasing domestic energy production and reducing dependence on foreign supplies are in the best interest of our nation's strategic and economic wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, IOGCC supports conservation and use of alternative fuels but recognizes that, for the foreseeable future, increased domestic oil and gas production is needed to fuel the nation; and

WHEREAS, in section 1002 of the Alaska National Interests Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA), the United States Congress reserved, for the purpose of further oil and gas exploration, development, and production, an area within the Coastal Plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, Alaska (ANWR); and

WHEREAS, the 1,500,000-acre Coastal Plain makes up less than eight percent of the 19,000,000-acre ANWR refuge; and

WHEREAS, fewer than 2,000 acres of the Coastal Plain area will be affected by surface activity as contemplated in the provisions under section 1002 of ANILCA; and

WHEREAS, the "1002 area," is one of America's best possibilities for the discovery of several new oil and gas accumulations; and

WHEREAS, U.S. Department of Interior estimates that the Coastal Plain contains between 5.6 and 16 billion barrels of technically recoverable oil, of which 100% could be economically produced under favorable economic conditions; and

WHEREAS, advanced technology has greatly reduced the "footprint" needed for Arctic oil and gas development, as demonstrated by the fact that wells drilled at Prudhoe Bay in the 1970s required well spacing of 160 feet or about two acres per well, while wells drilled today at the Alpine field require only 10 foot spacing or about one quarter acre each; and

WHEREAS, to date, North Slope oil field development expenditures for production activity have contributed well over \$50 billion to the nation's economy, directly impacting each state in the union; and

WHEREAS, opening the Coastal Plain of ANWR could lead to 61,000 new jobs or up to as many as 130,000 jobs in other studies; and



WHEREAS, the Trans-Alaska Oil Pipeline currently operates each day at approximately one fourth of its design capacity; and

WHEREAS, government studies suggest that new production from the Coastal Plain of ANWR could produce a 10-year sustained rate of 1 million barrels per day with production likely to continue for more than 25 years; and

WHEREAS, it will take at least 10 years to begin development after a discovery in the 1002 area of ANWR, necessitating timely action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission urges the President and Congress, in the national interest, to open the 1002 area of the Coastal Plain of ANWR to hydrocarbon exploration and development.

Permit Fees

State	Permit Fee		
Alabama	300.00		
Alaska	none		
Arizona	25.00		
Arkansas	300.00		
California	none		
Colorado	no link		
Florida	2,000.00		
Georgia	25.00		
Idaho	2,000.00		
Illinois	100.00		
Indiana	250.00		
Kansas	none		
Kentucky	350.00		
Louisiana	631.00		
Maryland	n/a		
Michigan	300.00		
Mississippi	no link		
Missouri	none		
Montana	no link		
Nebraska	200.00		
Nevada	200.00		
New Mexico	none		
New york	100.00		
North Carolina	no link		
North Dakota	100.00		
Ohio	500.00		
Oklahoma	175.00		
Oregon	2,000.00		
Pennsylvania	variable		
South Carolina	no link		
South Dakota	100.00		
Tennessee	500.00		
Texas	250.00		
Utah	no link		
Virginia	600.00		
Washington	500.00		
West Virginia	400.00		
Wyoming	50.00		
BLM	6,500.00	9000 proposed	
Average not counting BLM: (472.47)			