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MMS Holds Scoping Meetings in Bristol Bay for Proposed Lease Sale in North Aleutian Basin

Anchorage, Alaska– The Minerals Management Service (MMS) will hold scoping meetings in the Bristol Bay region to gather information to be included in an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a proposed Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) lease sale in the North Aleutian Basin Planning area. Lease Sale 214 is scheduled for late 2011 under the Final 2007-2012 Oil and Gas Leasing Program. The meetings will be held in the following locations:

- **King Salmon**, Monday, August 18, 7-9:30 p.m., Lake and Peninsula Borough Administration Building
- **Naknek**, Tuesday, August 19, 11 a.m. -1 p.m., Borough Assembly Chambers
- **Dillingham**, Tuesday, September 2, 7-9:30 p.m., Dillingham City Council Chambers
- **Sand Point**, Monday, September 15, 7-9:30 p.m., Aleutians East Borough Offices
- **Nelson Lagoon**, Tuesday, September 16, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Nelson Lagoon Community Building
- **Cold Bay**, Tuesday, September 16, 7-9:30 p.m., Cold Bay Community Center
- **King Cove**, Wednesday, September 17, 7-9:30 p.m., King Cove City Council Chambers

MMS staff will answer questions about the proposal and seek input from local residents on important environmental, social, or economic issues that could arise from sales in these areas. MMS will continue to evaluate issues, if new ones are identified in the future. MMS also seeks input on alternatives to the proposed sales and measures to mitigate any potential impacts. The draft EIS will be available in early 2010.

For more information about the meetings, please visit the MMS Alaska OCS Region website at **www.mms.gov/alaska**, call Robin Cacy at 907-334-5208, toll-free at 1-800-764-2627 or send questions via e-mail at **akwebmaster@mms.gov**.

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