



BOEM BUREAU OF OCEAN
ENERGY MANAGEMENT

DCOR, LLC Well Stimulation Treatment Environmental Impact Statement Virtual Public Scoping Meeting

Welcome, thank you for joining us today

The meeting will begin at 4:00 pm Pacific Time
Before we begin, you can visit the virtual meeting room at:

www.boem.gov/GildaWST

Agenda

- Welcome and Logistics
- Presentation: Background and Overview of DCOR proposed Well Stimulation Treatment (Hydraulic Fracturing) Program
- Public Scoping Comments
- Closing Remarks and Wrap-up

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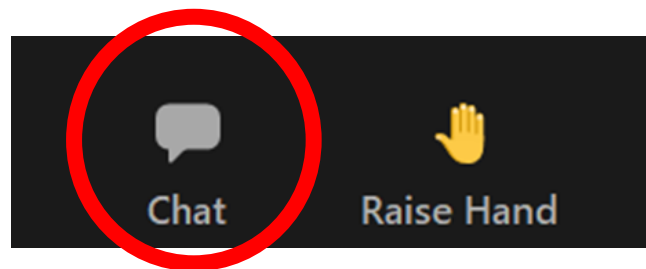
- Use the chat feature at the bottom of the screen
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- Phone number: 833 928 4609 (Toll Free)
- Meeting ID: 884 0979 5310
- Password: 495656

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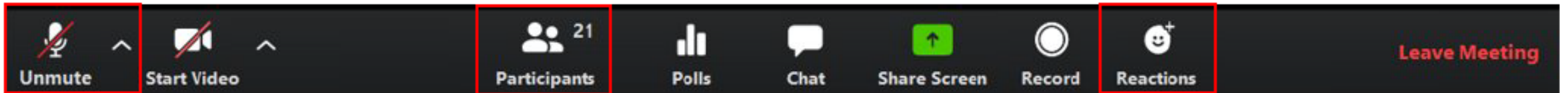
Participation

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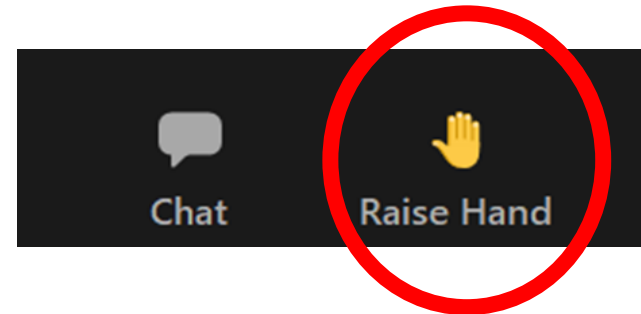
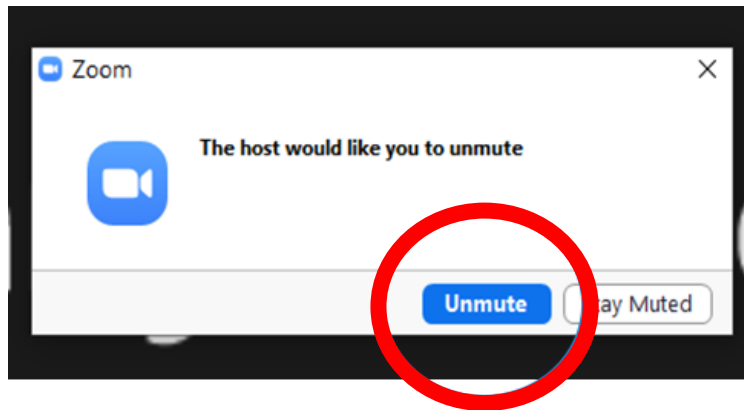


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Public Scoping Comments

Public scoping comment session will follow the presentations

- Those who pre-registered to comment will go first
- If you did not pre-register but would like to comment, 'raise your hand' to be called on



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Poll – Who has joined us today?

Opening Remarks

Susan Zaleski

Acting Regional Supervisor, Office of Environment
BOEM, Pacific Regional Office

DCOR, LLC Well Stimulation Treatment Overview

Melanie Hunter

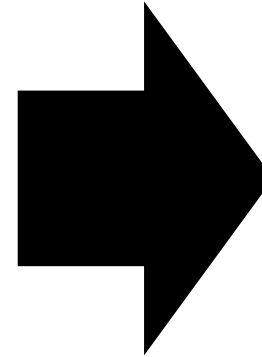
National Environmental Policy Act Lead
BOEM, Pacific Regional Office

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Background

NEPA is a procedural law intended to ensure that Federal agencies consider the environmental impacts of their actions in the decision-making process.

Environmental Impact Statements (EISs) are prepared to provide discussion of significant environmental impacts of an action for decision makers and the public.

An EIS considers **Reasonable Alternatives** to Federal actions that meet the purpose and need and would avoid or minimize adverse impacts or enhance the quality of the human environment.



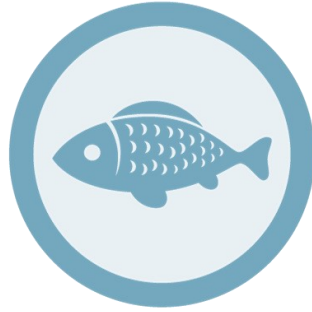
A **Record of Decision (ROD)** is prepared after an agency issues a final EIS. The **ROD** states the agency's environmental decision.



Topics to be Covered in the DCOR WST EIS

Biological

- Marine Mammals
- Sea Turtles
- Benthic (Seafloor) Resources
- Coastal Habitats
- Birds and Bats
- Fish



Socioeconomic

- Commercial and Recreational Fishing
- Recreation and Tourism

Physical

- Air Quality
- Water Quality

Purpose and Need and Proposed Action for the DCOR WST EIS

Purpose and Need:

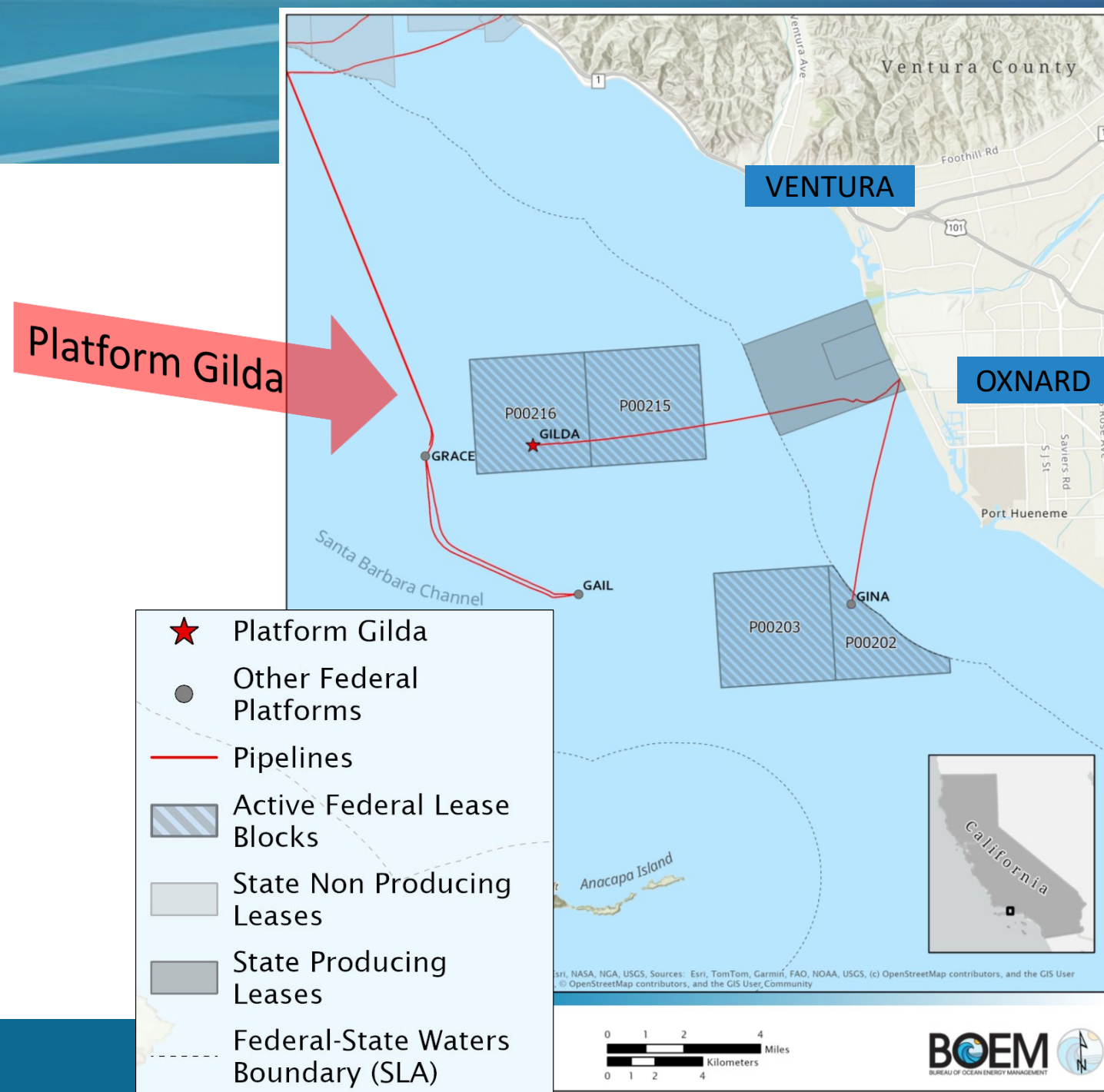
- Use WST to maintain DCOR, LLC's Platform Gilda offshore production levels to support domestic production and conservation of resources.
- This purpose is consistent with BOEM's mandate under OCSLA (43 U.S.C.1331 et seq.) to further the orderly development of OCS oil and gas resources, subject to environmental safeguards.
- Oil and gas from offshore California contributes to meeting domestic energy demand and enhances national economic security by reducing the need for imports of these resources.



Background

Platform Gilda

- Located on the Pacific Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), approximately nine miles southwest of Ventura, California in the Santa Barbara Channel.
- The platform was installed in 1981 in approximately 205 feet of water and has operated continuously since its installation.





Proposed Action

Well stimulation treatment means any treatment of a well designed to enhance oil and gas production or recovery by increasing the permeability of the formation. include, but are not limited to, hydraulic fracturing treatments and acid well stimulation treatments. (SB4 3157(a))

Hydraulic fracturing means a “well stimulation treatment that, in whole or in part, includes the pressurized injection of hydraulic fracturing fluid or fluids into an underground geologic formation in order to fracture or with the intent to fracture the formation, thereby causing or enhancing, ... the production of oil or gas from a well.” (SB4 3152)



Proposed Action: Hydraulic Fracturing for Well Stimulation

Hydraulic fracturing is a type of Well Stimulation Treatment.



Before each hydraulic fracturing, a small test measures the pressure and natural strength of the rock. This helps engineers design the safest and most effective treatment for each well.



These small cracks help oil and gas flow more easily into the existing wells and production equipment.



Hydraulic fracturing involves injecting fluid into the rock layer deep below the seafloor at a pressure strong enough to create tiny cracks in the rock.





Proposed Action

Proposed Action (Alternative 1):

Implement well stimulation program within 16 wells. This includes four well stimulation target locations in the Upper Repetto geologic formation and 12 well stimulation target locations in the Lower Repetto formation.

Fracturing depths would be greater than 4,500 feet below the seafloor surface.



Proposed Action

Proposed Action (continued):

- The proposed action would not include any open ocean disposal of well stimulation treatment fluids.
- All flowback fluid generated during stimulation activities will be routed through a closed-loop handling system and retained on the platform.
- Returned stimulation fluids will be re-injected into existing injection wells.



Proposed Action

Timeline:

- The well stimulation program is planned over a 5-year period.

Up to **6 wells stimulated per year.**

Active well stimulation activities would be performed for **14 days per year** and would utilize existing crew and support vessels.

The stimulation activities would occur in stages: Each stage will be performed over one day at the platform, followed by a 3-day period before the next stage.

Initial Alternatives for DCOR WST EIS

Alternative 1

Proposed Action

Alternative 2 – No Action

DCOR **would not perform well stimulation with hydraulic fracturing** at Platform Gilda and would continue to operate Platform Gilda with routine well activity and approved enhanced oil recovery techniques.

Alternative 3 – Development of New Production Wells

To meet the purpose and need to maintain production levels at Platform Gilda, DCOR would rely on **drilling additional unstimulated production wells**. Alternative 3 would necessitate the drilling of new wells to achieve comparable recovery of the target reservoirs.

Notice of Intent (NOI) to Prepare an EIS

Published in the *Federal Register* on March 18, 2026



<https://www.regulations.gov/document/BOEM-2025-0714>



Docket Number: BOEM-2025-0714



Starts the EIS process



Initiates 10-day public comment period, ending **March 30, 2026**



What comments are we seeking?

BOEM is asking for comments on the scope of this EIS:

- Which **issues** should BOEM consider in the EIS?
- What **sources of information** should BOEM use for the analysis?
- What **reasonable alternatives** should BOEM consider?

Comment period ends **March 30, 2026**
8:59 PM Pacific / 11:59 PM Eastern



How to Comment



<https://www.regulations.gov/document/BOEM-2025-0714>

Preferred

At this meeting

“Raise your hand” in the Zoom meeting during the listening session portion

Via Mail: In an envelope titled: “DCOR WST EIS,” addressed to:

Section Supervisor, Environmental Analysis
Section, Office of Environment,
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
760 Paseo Camarillo, Suite 102
Camarillo, California 93010

Online at www.regulations.gov

Enter BOEM-2025-0714; click “search.” Use the “Comment” button

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Public Scoping Comments

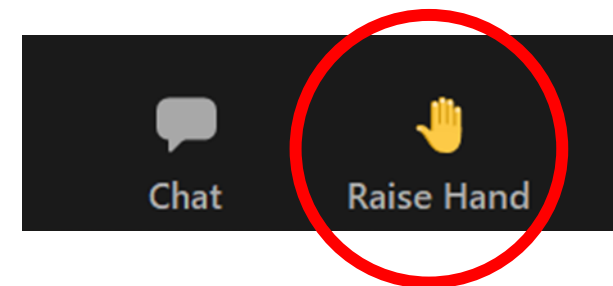
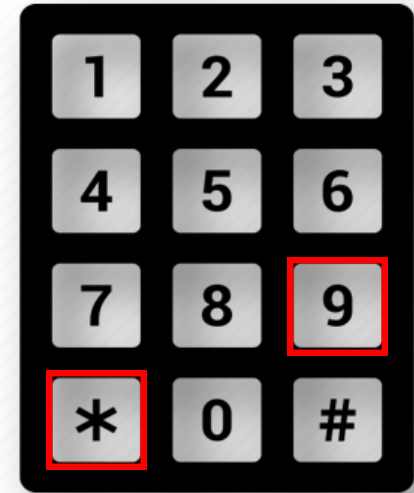
Order of Public Scoping Comments

- We will start by calling on those who registered in advance to comment. The facilitator will call on them in the order they registered.
- Once those comments are completed, others will be invited to comment.
- Commenters will be called on by the facilitator in the order they raised their hands.

Public Scoping Comments

Open for Public Scoping Comments

- To comment, use the 'raise hand' button in Zoom.
 - *9 for phone-only participants*
- When you are called upon, the Facilitator will invite you to unmute your line.
- Please state and spell your name when you begin.
- Please limit comments to 3 minutes. For testimony more than 3 minutes, you can submit your comments in writing.



Participation Guidelines

- Speak clearly into the mic/phone for others to hear you.
- Please provide your name and affiliation when you speak.
- Please select the mute button to mute your audio to the phone when you're not speaking.

Public Scoping Comments Limited to Three Minutes

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Public Comment

The Meeting Has Adjourned

Public Scoping Comment Period Open Until March 30, 2026, **8:59 PM Pacific / 11:59 PM Eastern**



Public Scoping Meeting: March 24, 2026

For more information visit the BOEM virtual public meeting website www.boem.gov/GildaWST



Comments in writing to:

Gilda WST, Section Supervisor, Environmental Analysis Section, Office of Environment, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, 760 Paseo Camarillo, Suite 102, Camarillo, California 93010



Comments Online at www.regulations.gov: Search for Docket No. **BOEM-2025-0714**

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