

MEMORANDUM

MEETING TYPE: Board of County Commissioners

MEETING DATE: December 6, 2022

ITEM NAME: Oil and Gas Lease Auction

SUBMITTED BY: Sky Tallman

SUMMARY:

Two parcels in Huerfano County are under consideration by the State Land Board for placing on auction as part of its quarterly oil and gas lease auctions. The initiation of the auction process, nomination, occurs when an interested party submits a specific tract of land to lease for oil and gas development. The State Land Board staff does an initial review and then requests feedback from local governments where those tracts are located. Attached is a flier regarding the oil and gas leasing process on state trust lands for a visual tool in regards to this early stage in any oil and gas development, and a map of the two parcels being considered for inclusion in the February 2023 State Land Board Oil and Gas Lease Auction Nominations. Please review and provide any comments to the State Land Board by Friday, December 16, 2022. These comments will be reviewed and taken into consideration when determining which tracts to present to the State Land Board in January for the February auction. Comments can be directed to Catie Sitt at: catie.stitt@state.co.us

The parcels under consideration are:

- 1. Parcel Number 19957 consisting of the entirety of Section 36 in Township 25, Range 64, currently owned by Ronald L and Kathy E Busch. The parcel is surrounded by land owned by Busch Ranch Inc, and is 2.7 miles east of properties in the Turkey Ridge Ranch #2 subdivision and 1.15 miles northeast of property in the Tyrone Hills subdivision.
- 2. Parcel Numbers 19960 and 19958, making up the entirety of Section 16, Township 26, Range 64, and both owned by David M. Stroh and Randilyn & Neesha S

This parcel borders on the Tyrone Hills subdivision and is one mile to the east of a portion of Turkey Ridge Ranch.