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**AIPG PRESIDENT
M.O. TURNER**

Your 1982 officers and Executive Committee members are beginning the new year with great enthusiasm for the many opportunities presented us as your elected leaders. We are also well aware of the responsibility we have assumed from the '81 Committee and officers.

Fortunately for us all, the "state of the Institute" is excellent and AIPG's future looks brighter than ever. We thank outgoing President John Rold and his Committee.

Our new Executive Director Vic Tannehill has general office management well on track and I believe Headquarters is now functioning smoothly and efficiently. From an administrative standpoint, certainly all systems are go: personnel have been hired and are being trained, the office has been physically reorganized, needed equipment has been or is being purchased, and procedures have been reviewed, revised and improved as necessary.

Some key problem areas have been resolved. Membership applicant processing, for example, has been expedited as a result of improved follow-up by Headquarters and more timely follow-through by Section Screening Boards and officers.

As another example, I believe Section relations have been greatly improved, thanks mainly to more and better communications between the National office, National officers, and Institute leaders in the various States.

And so, with the operating machinery in place—and with many of AIPG's difficulties of the immediate past overcome—we are planning to accomplish much in the next twelve months.

But we can't and won't be able to do *anything* without *your* help. Our main emphasis this year is going to be on making the best possible use of the talents and abilities of our Members. We hope to harness and give direction to "volunteer power"!

With that in mind, several months ago I named a special Task Force to review existing AIPG Standing and Ad Hoc

Committees. Their recommendations on how these committees might be restructured to be more effective and to provide more opportunities for participation from the best-qualified Members have now been received. I will shortly be announcing Committee realignments and naming 1982 Chairmen, who will in turn be recruiting a number of willing-to-work Members. I hope you'll agree to serve.

Through these revamped Committees we expect to get valuable advice and counsel and expert assistance to guide policy-making decisions and to help our Executive Director with the work of the Institute.

In particular, we will be looking to Committee Members for a great deal of aid in achieving our five key 1982 objectives which are to:

1. Gain a net membership growth of at least 10%, or 400 more Members/Associates;
2. Develop and present educational "short course" workshops and informational meetings, and produce new and revised educational publications;
3. Continue our strong public relations efforts, particularly in the area of National and State governmental affairs;
4. Strengthen our Sections in every way possible with increased support from Headquarters, and,
5. Operate on a "balanced budget," with expenses not to exceed income.

With everyone's participation these goals can and will be achieved. I promise you my best efforts this year as your President and I ask you to do all that you can to help in advancing our profession and AIPG throughout 1982 and the years to come. These are exciting times for the Institute and without doubt; we are entering a promising new era. Together we can make many of the dreams of our Founders come true.

CREDIT WHERE CREDIT IS DUE . . .

The December issue story on the 1981 Ben Parker Award to Bob Berg stated that the "citation was prepared and delivered by John Rold." Credit for preparation of the excellent citation should rightfully be given to Earl Cook who was unable to attend the annual meeting to deliver it in person.

COMMITTEE TACKLES BUDGET

One of the first, and most important, tasks facing your 1982 AIPG Executive Committee is to decide upon the budget for this year.

Based on their preliminary decisions regarding Institute plans and programs for '82, a tentative forecast of expense has been developed.

Income has likewise been estimated. With no increase in 1982 dues - and counting on our usual extremely high rate of membership renewals, plus a successful continuation of our membership drive - those revenues can be fairly accurately calculated.

Historically, dues have represented 85 - 90 % of AIPG's income. In order to continue to provide a high level of services, the Institute will in 1982 be striving for more non-dues income.

The \$20 Application Fee may well be reinstated. Present Professional Guides and Practices will likely be revised and reissued and several new publications produced and sold. Advertising will be sold in the TPG and 1982 Directory. "Short course" workshops will probably be offered at a fee, through Sections. And, the Institute will be looking to at least recover its costs from certain other activities, such as the Annual Meeting.

On the expense side, total human resources costs will likely be lower than in 1981. Expenses in connection with Headquarters will, in some cases, probably be lower as a result of management decisions and increased operating efficiencies. Special services expenses may be higher overall than '81 as the Institute makes some investment and incurs "start-up" costs in developing and marketing new services.

'82 DIRECTORY GOING TO PRESS

Executive Director Vic Tannehill and Editor Russ Dutcher have begun production of AIPG's 1982 Directory. Format and content will essentially be similar to the '81 publication, which was very well received by the Members and the general public alike.

Members are reminded that they were to note any changes in their personal data printout (on the back of their '82 dues bill) and return the form to Headquarters no later than January 25th.

FOUNDATION BOOKLET PRODUCED

The A.I.P.G. Foundation has just produced an attractive new booklet explaining its organization and purposes. Copies are now available from Headquarters.

Primarily for use as a mailing piece to potential donors, the brochure spells out the Foundation's reason for being and its past, present and future activities.

PAID YOUR DUES? MOST HAVE

Second notices have gone out to those Members who had not paid their 1982 Institute dues by January 1st, the deadline date.

Headquarters is very pleased to report that an all-time high number of Members paid prior to year-end.

"FOUNDATION FOUNDERS"

According to Bylaws recently adopted by The A.I.P.G. foundation any Member of AIPG who contributes one thousand dollars or more to the Foundation will automatically, unless otherwise requested by the donor, become a member of the Board of Trustees for a period of five years.

The Board of Trustees are to give advice and counsel to the Foundation's Board of Directors.

The first twenty-five such donors whose \$1,000 contribution is received shall be "A.I.P.G. Foundation Founders." No others will be known by this title.

At press time, the following Members had become "Foundation Founders":

**William Park
M. O. Turner
Joseph F. Fritz
Edward E. Rue
Russell Dutcher
Richard E. Faggioli
Dean Grafton
John T. Galey**

**Ernest K. Lehmann
John D. Haun
A. Saterdal
A Member of the Institute
Wilson G. Harris, Jr.**

NEW COMMITTEES BEING FORMED

The special "Committee on Committees" appointed by President M. O. Turner and Chaired by Ernest K. Lehmann has completed its study of the composition and makeup of AIPG Standing, Ad Hoc, and Special Committees.

The Committee, which included John Gustavson and John Rold, has made its report. President Turner expects to conclude the 1982 lineup of Committees and Chairmen by month-end.

Chairmen of '81 Committees have been asked for their suggestions. The 1982 Advisory Board has been urged to take a more active role in Committee work and the general membership is being encouraged to volunteer to serve.

OFFICIAL SECTION VISITS SCHEDULED

Both President M. O. Turner and Executive Director Vic Tannehill are committed to continuing the planned program of Section visits. The two are now firming up their schedules for the year.

Any Section interested in having either speak at one of their upcoming meetings should contact Headquarters now.

AIPG NEEDS DOLLARS: WON'T YOU GIVE?

Members are reminded that their Institute is seeking contributions/donations to help advance its causes and perform its important work. Such gifts are generally tax-deductible and would be most welcome as AIPG strives to maintain its high level of service to the profession and professionals.

**1982 AIPG WASHINGTON CONFERENCE
APRIL 18-20, 1982
THE WASHINGTON HILTON
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

1981: A TRANSITION YEAR IN REVIEW

John W. Rold, Past President 1981
American Institute of Professional Geologists

The 1981 Executive Committee set five broad goals for AIPG. These as transmitted to the membership in THE PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGIST's February issue were: 1) Increase our representation in the profession, 2) Increase public awareness of geology and geologists, 3) Increase the utilization of geology, 4) Improve monitoring of and input to legislative and rule-making bodies on both state and federal levels, and 5) Improve societal cooperation and liaison. In order to achieve those goals the Executive Committee budgeted an investment of \$28,000 (half our members' cash equity) in new programs to benefit the profession and the Institute.

Faced with the resignation of the Executive Director, the first priority had to be to keep the office running and to hire a new Director.

Under the able direction of Art Spaulding, the Search Committee found and screened some 200 applicants and recommended four excellent candidates to the Executive Committee. After interviews we hired Vic Tannehill on May 16. Obviously accomplishing those goals and many other objectives relies heavily on his skill, efforts, and dedication. I must mention that AIPG could not have survived the time gap between directors without Art Brunton's dedicated efforts for those several months.

Many of our activities addressed several goals, but each was directed toward the constitutional purposes of the Institute.

Membership - Susan Landon directed an aggressive campaign to reach groups of geologists. Individual letters with information about AIPG were sent to all licensed geologists in Oregon and California; members of the Association of Engineering Geologists and the Ground Water Technology Division of National Water Well Association; all geologists in the states of North Carolina, South Carolina, and Alaska; and to all listed women geologists. Response was gratifying. Though the mailings resulted in immediate and future membership application submittals, the greatest benefit may be the educational, informational, and public relations aspect of the mailings to several thousand geologists. Through our goal of 500 new applications was not reached, 387 had been received at the time of this writing. That number of 387 compares quite favorably with 239 in 1980 and 223 in 1987. New memberships approved so far this year were 277 compared to 212 in 1980 and 158 in 1979. Resignations and suspensions for non-payment of dues were substantially below past years. Membership in November surpassed the 4,000 mark.

Communications - Most problems in any organization derive largely from communication deficiencies. Vic's efforts with the sections and committee chairmen have mitigated many of these problems. As President, I personally had the pleasure of visiting 16 different states to talk with and listen to our members. THE PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGIST represents our major communication link with individual members. After considerable experimentation, we now have a newsletter much improved in format and content and at a reduced cost. Hopeful-

ly, future advertising will further offset costs. The Directory was also improved considerably and with reduced costs.

AIPG Foundation - The Foundation is finally IRS approved. The METALS, MINERALS AND MINING publication and distribution to members and public decision-makers has been quite successful as its first venture. Members' tax-free contributions are gratifying and several future projects will be possible.

Governmental Affairs - Ken Weaver provided excellent organization for the second Public Affairs Conference. It drew over 100 members who benefited from the meetings with their respective Congressmen and Senators and 17 federal agencies. Some 200 agency heads, members of Congress, their staffs, and our members exchanged views during the Congressional reception. Response from the attending members, Congress, and the federal agencies reiterates its success. The national Legislative and Regulatory Committee contributed valuable input on several national issues as did several sections on state issues. THE METALS issue was well received by Congress and several legislatures. The Critical Minerals position paper has been picked up by the press and has had an impact on decision-makers. A position paper on Hazardous Waste Disposal was prepared by Jeff Hynes and his Committee.

Educational Affairs - The Education Committee under Dick Winar with Ed Nuhfer assisting compiled a 10-page questionnaire to evaluate problems and potential solutions for geologic education. The 486 geology departments provided an excellent response of over 50%. Results are being tallied and interpreted and will be reported shortly. A clearing-house function for summer industrial employment of professors is being discussed.

Annual Meeting - Long-time attendees acclaim the Williamsburg meeting chaired by Ad Honkala as the best ever. Its attendance of over 200 members sets a record.

Public Relations - A new Public Relations Manual was written by Ruth Anna and is ready for distribution to sections and members. Her efforts in San Francisco, Houston, Billings, and Washington resulted in press coverage of our statements and activities, but more importantly the education of many media people. Sessions with the Texas, Wyoming, Montana, and Florida officers are producing good results. Ruth's efforts contributed greatly to the success of many of the above mentioned activities.

Sections - New sections were approved in Georgia, Nevada, and the Capitol (D.C. area). Idaho should be approved in January. Sections were re-established in the Carolinas, Washington, and Iowa-Nebraska. In Alaska communications, lost for some two years with that section, have been re-established and they now have a viable operation. We now lack section coverage only in Arkansas and Hawaii and have organizational committees working there. In most sections, newsletters, meetings, and other worthwhile activities have been upgraded and improved.

SUMMARY

Most ventures were markedly successful, others were hampered by the lack of financial and manpower resources. Overall, a successful year resulted from skillful, dedicated effort by the Executive Committee and many members. For me personally and professionally it has been challenging, stimulating, and fulfilling. I have great faith in the 1982 officers, Executive Committee, and the momentum of the membership. I am sure 1982 achievements will surpass those of 1981.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

If any member has any recommendations, positive or negative, regarding the qualifications of any of the below applicants, please mail your comments to Headquarters within 30 days. Your remarks will be held confidential within the Executive Committee and Screening Board of the Section. An asterisk indicates Associate.

BARKER, Robert W., 6020 Vivian St., Arvada, CO 80004. Sponsors: John T. Galey, Charles Robinson, Ora H. Rostad, William Shepard, Pierce Parker.

BARR, Kelton, D., 5637 Dupont Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55419. Sponsors: Millard Goldsmith, Bruce Kramer, Robert Pendergast, Bruce Olsen, Donald Siegel.

***BEAM, John D. Jr.**, 217 Savoy Road, Lexington, KY 40504. Sponsors: Lowell Brandenburgh, Ronald Yost, John Scott.

BLAKE, Thomas F., 759 Paseo Montecito, Newbury Park, CA 91320. Sponsors: Gary Bell, John Merrill, Edward Hall, Ronald Shmerling, A. Eugene Fritsche.

CARTER, James L., 1607 N. Waterview Dr., Richardson, TX 75080. Sponsors: Victor Oppenheim, Patrick Gratton, J. L. Tune, Jr., Anton Hales, David McKay.

CLOPINE, Gordon A., 13093 Burns Lane, Redlands, CA 92373. Sponsors: Dewitt Van Siclen, James Chaplin, Michael Sheets, Floyd Williams, Jerry Horne.

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EVERETT, Edward E., 1099 W. Grand River Ave., Williamston, MI 48895. Sponsors: Robert Minning, Robert Hilty, George Henry, Jr., William Iversen, Richard Bissell.

FENNO, Daniel P., 1041 University Place, Schenectady, NY 12308. Sponsors: William Cutcliffe, Lance Meade, George Banino, Eric Hanson, Steven Chisick.

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FOSTER, Roy W., 803 Sunset Dr., Socorro, NM 87801. Sponsors: Ben Donegan, William King, William LeMay, Robert Murphy, John Hawley.

GILMORE, Ivan K., Route #5, Philadelphia, OH 44663. Sponsors: Glenn Frank, Richard Heimlich, Eugene Morgan, Bradley Smith, Gary Billman.

GORDON, Robert E., 943 O'Callaghan Dr., Sparks, NV 89431. Sponsors: James McKay, Lewis Pugh, Joseph Wargo, James Nelson-Moore, Richard Thomssen.

GRUBBS, Ronald L., 6305 Malcolm Dr., Dallas, TX 75214. Sponsors: Robert Gilmore, Fred Grote, Luther Sappenfield, Albert Melsheimer, W. Thomas Rothwell, Jr..

HALL, Ralph B., 102 Elm Square South, Lakeland, FL 33803. Sponsors: Henry Johnson, Richard Councill, T. M. Gurr, Richard Mayberry, John Bernardi.

HANSON, Eric L., 75 Jones Dr., Schenectady, NY 12308. Sponsors: James Dunn, George Banino, D. Theodore Clark, Robert Dineen, Robert LaFleur.

HARRINGER, Ted L., 3204 Plantation Rd., Austin, TX 78745. Sponsors: R. Bluntzer, Bob Kent, Bill Klemt, Robert Price, Ralph Scalapino.

HERLIHY, Daniel M., 13140 Coit Road, Dallas, TX 75240. Sponsors: Carl Venzke, Gunther Jarre, Richard Davis, Murray Dahill, Tom Melrose.

MILLER, Herbert T., P.O. Box 314, Canyon, TX 79015. Sponsors: George Asquith, Vernon Robinett, Bert Scullí, Ed Webb, Mark Baker.

MULLEN, Thomas V., Jr., 1667 Cole Blvd., Golden, CO 80401. Sponsors: I. S. Parrish, James Ogg, Ralph Barnard, John Hoyt, Willard Puffett.

PENNINO, James D., 739 Paula St., Vandalia, OH 45377. Sponsors: Alfred Walker, James Schmidt, David Johe, Brent Huntsman, Herbert Eagon, Jr.

***POWERS, J. Kevin**, 72 Danbury Road, Wilton, CT 06897. Sponsors: Michael Burke, John Stonebanks, John Naso.

ROBINSON, Robert B., 614 Shadow Cliff, San Antonio, TX. Sponsors: C. J. Gudim, C. S. Tenney, M. O. Turner, W. P. Slater, J. P. Murphy.

ROGERS, Stephen M., 755 Moorehead Circle, Boulder, CO 80303. Sponsors: John Gustavson, Paul Fairchild, Gordon Cox, Jeff Yarus, Ronald Manus.

SCANNIELLO, Mark A., 107 Tantra Park Circle, Boulder, CO 80303. Sponsors: Bill Berge, Jim Jehn, John Ivey, E. A. Ziemoa, Don Malotte.

SCHMIDT, Walter, 2402 Gothic Dr., Tallahassee, FL 32303. Sponsors: Tom Scott, Sam Upchurch, J. William Yon, Erne Bishop, C. W. Hendry.

***SHANKS, T. Jefferson**, 3042 Valley Farms Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46224. Sponsors: Thomas Bruns, William Herring, Vance Wiram.

***STEINBACH, Michael H.**, 22 Fourth St., Stamford, CT 06905. Sponsors: G. Sidney Fox, Michael Burke, Robert Lamonica.

STREET, Michael O., 622 Fifth St., Marietta, OH 45750. Sponsors: Mark R. Rowland, William Kozuh, Dave Johe, Don Steinker, Donald Birak.

***TAYLOR, Marsha L.**, 416 West 3rd St., Owensboro, KY 42301. Sponsors: James Howard, Ralph Thomas, William Steen.

TRUMAN, William E. III, P.O. Box 52898, Lafayette, LA 70505. Sponsors: P. K. Birkhead, John Schoelen, John Henton, Jr., H. L. Zimmerman, B. J. Lane.

WOOD, Leonard A., 431 Blair Rd., N.W., Vienna, VA 22180. Sponsors: Robert Dingman, Gerald Meyer, O. M. Hackett, George Davis, John Moore.

**1982 AIPG ANNUAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 10-13, 1982
HUNTINGTON-SHERATON HOTEL
PASADENA, CALIFORNIA**

TEXAS SECTION ELECTS

The Texas Section reports the results of its recent election. The four newly elected officials took office January 1, 1982 and join six holdover officials to constitute the ten member Executive Committee.

President Elect (will serve as President-Elect in 1982 and President in 1983)

J. MILLER GOODGER CPGS 3525
Ft. Worth, TX

Editor (1982 & 1983)

ALVIN L. SCHULTZ CPGS 3553
San Antonio, TX

District Representative, District III (1982 & 1983)

ROBERT H. DUNN CPGS 1719
Dallas, TX

District Representative, District IV (1982 & 1983)

CHARLES E. TROWBRIDGE CPGS 3850
Houston, TX

CHARLES J. WORREL CPGS 1825, San Antonio, Texas assumed the office of President on January 1, 1982 for the 1982 term.

HENRY C. DEAN CPGS 1463, Houston, Texas, will serve the second year in 1982 of his two-year term as Secretary-Treasurer.

BEN F. HOFFACKER, JR. CPGS 267, Midland, Texas, will serve the second year in 1982 of his two-year term as District Representative, District I.

RICHARD H. SAMS CPGS 2327, San Antonio, Texas, will serve the second year in 1982 of his two-year term as District Representative, District II.

WILLIAM G. PITTMAN, CPGS 736, Houston, Texas, will serve the second year in 1982 of his two-year term as District Representative, District IV.

The remaining member of the 1982 Executive Committee will be the Past President, DEAN GRAFTON, CPGS 1233, Houston, Texas.

AGI SOCIETY MEETING DATES:

Feb. 14-18, 1982 DALLAS, TEXAS	<i>Society of Mining Engineers of AIME</i>
June 6-10, 1982 HERSHEY, PA	<i>Association of American State Geologists (AASG)</i>
June 27-July 1, 1982 CALGARY	<i>Soc. Econ. Paleon. & Mineralogists (SEPM)</i>
June 27-July 1, 1982 CALGARY	<i>American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG)</i>
September 13-15, 1982 ATLANTA, GEORGIA	<i>National Water Well Association (NWWA)</i>
Sept. 26-Oct. 2, 1982 MONTREAL	<i>Association of Engineering Geologists (AEG)</i>
October 18-21, 1982 NEW ORLEANS, LA	<i>Geological Society of America (GSA)</i>
October 18-22, 1982 DALLAS, TEXAS	<i>Society of Exploration Geophysicists (SEG)</i>

COLORADO SECTION'S 1981 REPORT

Membership in the Colorado Section had increased from 522 members to 552 as of the end of November.

This year the Section has had publicity in the Petroleum Information publications about meetings. Board meetings were usually held before the regularly scheduled Monday noon meetings and have been well attended by the Executive Committee and the Officers.

Programs this year have been excellent. Each month there was a regularly scheduled speaker. Attendance at meetings has been good with an average of 35 present.

MONTANA SECTION MEETING

The Montana Section AIPG Annual Meeting was held Saturday, November 14th, from 11:30 to 5:00 p.m., at the new Petroleum Club atop the Sheraton Hotel in Billings.

Art Fredston spoke on "The pros and cons of incorporating a small mineral or oil industry business." Don Blackwell, discussed "Recent changes in the tax laws affecting small mineral and oil industry businesses." And, Ruth Anna addressed the group on "Strengthening the geologic profession through public relations."

President Jack Warne was in charge of arrangements.

WILDERNESS SOCIETY STUDY REPORT

Wilderness areas contain only 1.4 percent of the nation's producible oil reserves and 1 percent of natural gas, a draft Wilderness Society study indicates.

The study is being prepared for the Wilderness Society by Leonard Fischman of Economic Associates. Some of the study's conclusions were revealed November 20 at a conference in Denver called *Public Lands and the Reagan Administration* held by the Society's Joseph Fisher.

Conservationists and environmentalists have already begun using the report's numbers to argue against oil and gas development in wilderness areas. "These estimates which pertain to physical quantities of oil and gas," said Fisher, "don't support the view that somehow the future of the national economy in general or the oil and gas sectors in particular requires the early development of such reserves . . . as may be found in designated or potential wilderness areas." Fisher is a former Democratic Congressman from Virginia.

Assistant Agriculture Secretary John Crowell said that while only one percent of the nation's oil and gas may be in wilderness areas, the location of that one percent is still unknown and the lands should be made available for oil and gas activity.

Fisher said that the author of the report, Fischman, is perhaps the top man in his field. The report has been shown to Exxon and the American Petroleum Institute, among others, but they have not commented on it yet, Fisher said.

Fischman did not make new estimates of reserves but put together data from existing sources in government and in industry. Fisher said the Society hopes to expand the study to analyze percentages of lands withdrawn from oil and gas development in other ways.

The Wilderness Society is attempting, with Mellon Foundation money, to make hard economic analyses in natural resource areas that will stand up to comparable studies produced by industry.

NEW MEMBERS

*ALLISON, David J., #A-141, Corry, PA
ANDERSEN, Richard L., #5109, Austin, TX
BERRY, Verne P., #5108, Longmont, CO
CONRAD, John W., #5112, Clarion, PA
DANNEMILLER, Gary T., #5118, Hartville, OH
*DOYLE, Diane M., #A-140, Pittsburgh, PA
FAIRCHILD, Patrick L., #5197, Midland, TX
FINNEFROCK, Daniel H., #5089, Broken Arrow, OK
FORREST, Richard A., #5106, Golden, CO
FRICK, Douglas R., #5105, Austin, TX
GINDLESPERGER, Gary D., #5113, Olmstead Falls, OH
GRAY, Howard J., #5104, Anchorage, AK
HOLLRAH, Terry L., #5114, Oklahoma City, OK
JACOBSON, Russell J., #5088, Urbana, IL
JOHNSON, Curtis L., #5103, Denver, CO
JONS, Richard D., #5102, Midland, TX
McCORMICK, Raymond M., #5115, Bethel Park, PA
McCOY, H. Jack, #5101, Harrisburg, PA
MOORE, John S., #5110, Pleasant Plains, IL
PARRY, Gary W., #5087, Huntsville, TX
PISKIN, Rauf, #5090, Springville, IL
PORTER, Philip W., #5099, Salt Lake City, UT
PRINCE, Ken, #5098, San Antonio, TX
PROCTOR, Richard J., #5091, Arcadia, CA
RIDDLE, Charles H., Jr., #5097, Fairbanks, AK
ROBBINS, Robert J., #5111, Madison, WI
SARNI, William, #5092, Houston, TX
SIKORA, James J., #5096, Katy, TX
SMITH, Roger, #5086, Blanding, UT
TEASON, Donald P., #5095, Lakewood, CO
THRELFALL, Daniel, #5116, Pittsburgh, PA
TIPPLE, Gregory L., #5094, Austin, TX
WINTERHALDER, Erwin C., #5093, Novato, CA
YURCHICK, Charles W., #5117, Cokeburg, PA

OSM PROPOSES REVISIONS OF REGS.

Revision of regulations dealing with State permanent programs under the Federal Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act has been proposed by the Office of Surface Mining. A public hearing was held in Washington January 5th.

Among the proposed major revisions, published in the December 4, 1981, *Federal Register*, are:

—Streamline the review period for a State program submission. Currently, two review efforts are required: One for program completeness including a public meeting, and another to review substantive matters with a public hearing. The proposed change would combine the two into a single review period with one public hearing.

—Eliminate the requirement that a State must provide for citizen suits in State courts as well as in Federal court. States would be required to provide court costs for citizen suits.

—Request the Director of OSM to take specified alternative actions when a State fails to meet a previously specified condition.

—Provide that judicial reviews of State program actions be in accordance with State, not Federal, law.

—In a State where there is only coal exploration, not surface mining, limit any Federal program to those provisions necessary to regulate exploration.

AIPG Washington Report

by James U. Hamersley

As had been predicted earlier, this year in Washington has been a year of retrenchment and evaluation of Federal government activity. The Reagan Administration has really produced a change in direction as they promised in the campaign of 1980. There will be more change next year as budget considerations give way to philosophical considerations.

Among issues that will likely be brought to a vote next year are some major decisions on wilderness lands (RARE II areas). Congress will decide specific areas to be set aside, draw up terms of lease programs, and establish governmental review requirements. As a prelude to this, key Senators McClure (R-Idaho) and Melcher (D-Mont) ordered a Forest Service study, which resulted in a proposal of a wilderness area of 700,000 acres less than that of previous presentations. This new study will form a base of future debates. Presently, the lead bill sponsored by the Administration (S 842, Hayakawa, R-CA) on Rare II, is stalled and shows no sign of life. Thus, compromise legislation seems to be the only chance.

Apparently even this compromise position faces hostility from environmentalists who want no release of wilderness. For example, a battle is forming over the issues of extending leasing rights and the access to current wilderness areas open at present between those who want to continue and those who want to withdraw completely. At this time, there is a deadline of December 1983 for leases. The shape of the next Congress will decide the fate of this question as the opposing forces have the ability to continue the present stalemate.

As far as strategic mineral policy is concerned, the Department of the Interior is preparing to release a major policy document which will propose changes in the administration and management of resources to meet defense and basic national economic needs. The question of stockpiling materials and expediting resource development will be radically changed under these proposals, to be introduced early in 1982.

1981 was a dramatic year, not only for change in the actual philosophy (which was expected) but in the unexpected effect the budget cuts had upon governmental action. Cuts in the Interior and Energy Department budgets had as much effect as major new laws. The activity during the next year will be tempered, I predict, by the look ahead to the 1982 Congressional elections. The effect and popularity of all current proposals will fall under this specter, and those elections will either confirm or reverse the present direction in resource management and policy.

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Street _____

City/State/Zip _____

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Thank You

AIPG LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Bill/Sponsor	Description	Status	Comments
S 60 Bumpers, D-ARK	Would establish competitive leasing on all federal lands	Nothing scheduled	Watt/Administration opposes
S 842 Hayakawa, R-CAL	National Release legislation	Public Lands Subcmte (Sen. Energy); hearing completed; no drafting scheduled.	Administration supports bill
HR 4047 Huckaby, D-LA	Companion to S 842	Nothing scheduled	Has some minor modifications scheduled by Administration
S 668 Jackson, D-Wash	Fast Track Bill would establish a process for fast approval of energy projects	Nothing scheduled	
S 910 McClure, R-Idaho, at Watt request	Permit unlimited use of Land and Water Fund for restoration of National Park, Forest Wildlife Systems	Congress doesn't like idea, but is anteing in money bill	
H.R. 4053 Marriott, R-Utah Santini, D-NEV	To accelerate development of oil shale leases	House approved 7/27/81	Goes to Senate
H.R. 3364 Santini, D-Nev	Opens public lands to mineral development; also national minerals policy bill	Hearing held 10/20 and 10/29 in Interior Cmte, Mines & Mining Subcmte; anticipate another hearing, but nothing scheduled yet.	Major bill, awaiting Administration comments
H.R. 4281 Fuqua, D-FLA	Critical Materials Act of 1981, establishes a Presidential Council on Critical Materials, Implements National Minerals and Materials Act of 1980	Hearing held 7/28/81; anticipate hearings in second session of Congress, but nothing scheduled yet.	
H J 300 Forsythe, R-NJ	Provides for removing restrictions that impede or constrain leasing & development of energy & mineral resources	Referred to 5 House Cmtes (Agriculture, Armed Services, Energy & Commerce, Interior, Merchant Marines); no action in any cmte.	AIPG Executive Committee reviewing.
S 859 Bumpers, D-Ark	Would provide states with 50% of lease revenues from military land oil and gas leases.	Senate approved 9/10. House approved 11/4.	
HR 4035 Appropriations (FY82)	Would increase energy programs, reduce Land and Water Fund.	Conference bill wrapped up	
Dept of Interior	Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation and Enforcement is proposing to amend its regulations which set forth the standards and procedures governing State regulatory authority, inspection and enforcement, Federal inspection and enforcement and civil penalty assessments.	Hearing date 1/4/82. Comments due 2/1/82.	AIPG reviewing for possible comments and testimony.

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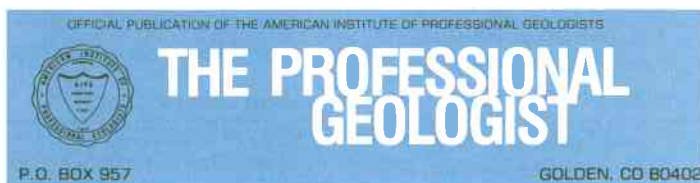
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