

Wayne National Forest Oil and Gas Resource Management Process

STAGED ANALYSIS PROCESS

Table 3

Stage of O & G Activity	RFD	NEPA Analysis	Decision
Prospecting	None	Project level site-specific CE or EA	Authorize with mitigations
Leasing	"Primary RFD"	Broad forest-wide analysis, very speculative	Lands available & authorization of BLM to lease.
Exploratory Drilling	Secondary RFD	Site-specific NEPA tiered to leasing analysis, moderately speculative.	Authorization of 1-2 wells under specified conditions.
Development Drilling & Field Development	Secondary RFD	Site-specific or area-specific NEPA	10-100's of wells and ancillary facilities.
Production & Long-Term Facilities	Monitor RFD	None- monitoring and evaluation; possible DM for minor changes or Sundry Notices.	Authorization of Sundry Notices or minor changes to Special Uses.