

benefit estimates, and also whether you are eligible for medicare hospital insurance coverage;

(5) Estimates of the monthly retirement (old-age), disability, dependents' and survivors' insurance benefits potentially payable on your record if you meet the credits (quarters of coverage) requirements. If you are age 50 or older, the estimates will include the retirement (old-age) insurance benefits you could receive at age 62 (or your current age if you are already over age 62), at full retirement age (currently age 65 to 67, depending on your year of birth) or at your current age if you are already over full retirement age, and at age 70. If you are under age 50, instead of estimates, we may provide a general description of the benefits (including auxiliary benefits) that are available upon retirement.

(6) A description of the coverage provided under the medicare program;

(7) A reminder of your right to request a correction of your earnings record; and

(8) A remark that an annually updated statement is available on request.

PART 422—ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURES

1. The authority citation for Subpart B of Part 422 continues to read as follows:

Authority: Secs. 205, 1102, and 1143 of the Social Security Act; 42 U.S.C. 405, 1302, and 1320b-13.

2. Section 422.125 is amended by revising paragraphs (a) and (b) to read as follows:

§ 422.125 Statement of earnings; resolving earnings discrepancies.

(a) *Obtaining a statement of earnings and estimated benefits.* An individual may obtain a statement of the earnings on his earnings record and an estimate of social security benefits potentially payable on his record either by writing, calling, or visiting any social security office, or by waiting until we send him one under the procedure described in § 404.812. An individual may request this statement by completing the proper form or by otherwise providing the information the Social Security Administration requires, as explained in § 404.810(b).

(b) *Statement of earnings and estimated benefits.* Upon receipt of such a request or as required by section 1143(c) of the Social Security Act, the Social Security Administration will provide the individual, without charge, a statement of earnings and benefit estimate or an earnings statement. See

§§ 404.810ff concerning the information contained in these statements.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

30 CFR Part 934

North Dakota Regulatory Program

ACTION: Proposed rule; reopening and extension of public comment period on proposed amendment.

SUMMARY: OSM is announcing receipt of revisions and additional explanatory information pertaining to a previously proposed amendment to the North Dakota regulatory program (hereinafter, the "North Dakota program") under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (SMCRA). The revisions and additional explanatory information pertain to North Dakota's "Standards for Evaluation of Revegetation Success and Recommended Procedures for Pre- and Postmining Vegetation Assessments." The amendment is intended to revise this document to be consistent with the Federal regulations and to improve operational efficiency.

DATES: Written comments must be received by 4:00 p.m., m.s.t., February 3, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be mailed or hand delivered to Guy Padgett at the address listed below.

Copies of the North Dakota program, the proposed amendment, and all written comments received in response to this document will be available for public review at the addresses listed below during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Each requester may receive one free copy of the proposed amendment by contacting OSM's Casper Field Office.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background on the North Dakota Program

On December 15, 1980, the Secretary of the Interior conditionally approved the North Dakota program. General background information on the North Dakota program, including the Secretary's findings, the disposition of comments, and the conditions of approval of the North Dakota program can be found in the December 15, 1980, Federal Register (45 FR 82214). Subsequent actions concerning North Dakota's program and program amendments can be found at 30 CFR 934.12, 934.13, 934.15, 934.16, and 934.30.

II. Proposed Amendment

By letter dated February 17, 1994, North Dakota submitted a proposed amendment to its program pursuant to SMCRA (administrative record No. ND-U-01). North Dakota submitted the proposed revisions to its "Standards for Evaluation of Revegetation Success and Recommended Procedures for Pre- and Postmining Vegetation Assessments" (hereinafter, the "revegetation success document") in response to required program amendments at 30 CFR 934.16 (b) through (i), (w), and (x), and at its own initiative.

OSM announced receipt of the proposed amendment in the March 14, 1994, Federal Register (49 FR 11744), provided an opportunity for a public hearing or meeting on its substantive adequacy, and invited public comment on its adequacy (administrative record No. ND-U-05). Because no one requested a public hearing or meeting, none was held. The public comment period ended on April 13, 1994.

During its review of the amendment, OSM identified concerns relating to (1) Revegetation success standards for recreation, residential, or industrial and commercial postmining land uses; (2) revegetation success standards for prime farmlands; (3) use of sampling procedures not included in an approved State program; (4) revegetation success standards for tame pastureland; (5) consultation with the appropriate State agencies for stocking and planting arrangements for woodland and shelterbelt postmining land uses; (6) revegetation success standards for non-replacement shelterbelt postmining land use; (7) designation of fish and wildlife habitat and the premining assessment for fish and wildlife habitat; (8) revegetation success standards for wetlands and annual grain crops used for fish and wildlife habitat; (9) the establishment of a maximum sample