

# **Domestic Energy Policy: Implementing the 5-Year Oil and Gas Leasing Program\***

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# Minerals Management Service

Mission: to manage the ocean energy and mineral resources on the Outer Continental Shelf and Federal and Indian mineral revenues to enhance public and trust benefits, promote responsible use, and realize fair value.



# Domestic Energy Policy

- Continued demand – both domestically & worldwide
- Offshore leasing program provides 27 percent of domestic oil produced and 15 percent of domestic natural gas produced
- This production takes place in the Beaufort Sea offshore Alaska and in the Pacific Ocean and the Gulf of Mexico.
- 85 percent of the U.S.' coastline off-limits to oil and gas development.

# 5-Year Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Oil and Gas Leasing Program

- Current 5-Year Program covers 2007-2012 and became effective July 1, 2007.
- Strikes a proper balance between development and environmental considerations to meet future national energy needs as required by the OCS Lands Act.
- Allowed for leasing in three areas not offered in previous 5-Year program

# 5-Year Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Oil and Gas Leasing Program

- Allowed for leasing in three areas not offered in previous 5-Year Program
- Offshore Alaska – 5.6 million acres in the North Aleutian Basin
- In the Gulf of Mexico - .5 million acres in the Eastern Gulf and 2 million acres in southeast corner of Central Gulf
- Offshore Virginia – still subject to the lifting of presidential withdrawal and congressional moratorium



# Status of Accessible Areas



# OCS Program Sale Schedule 2007-2012

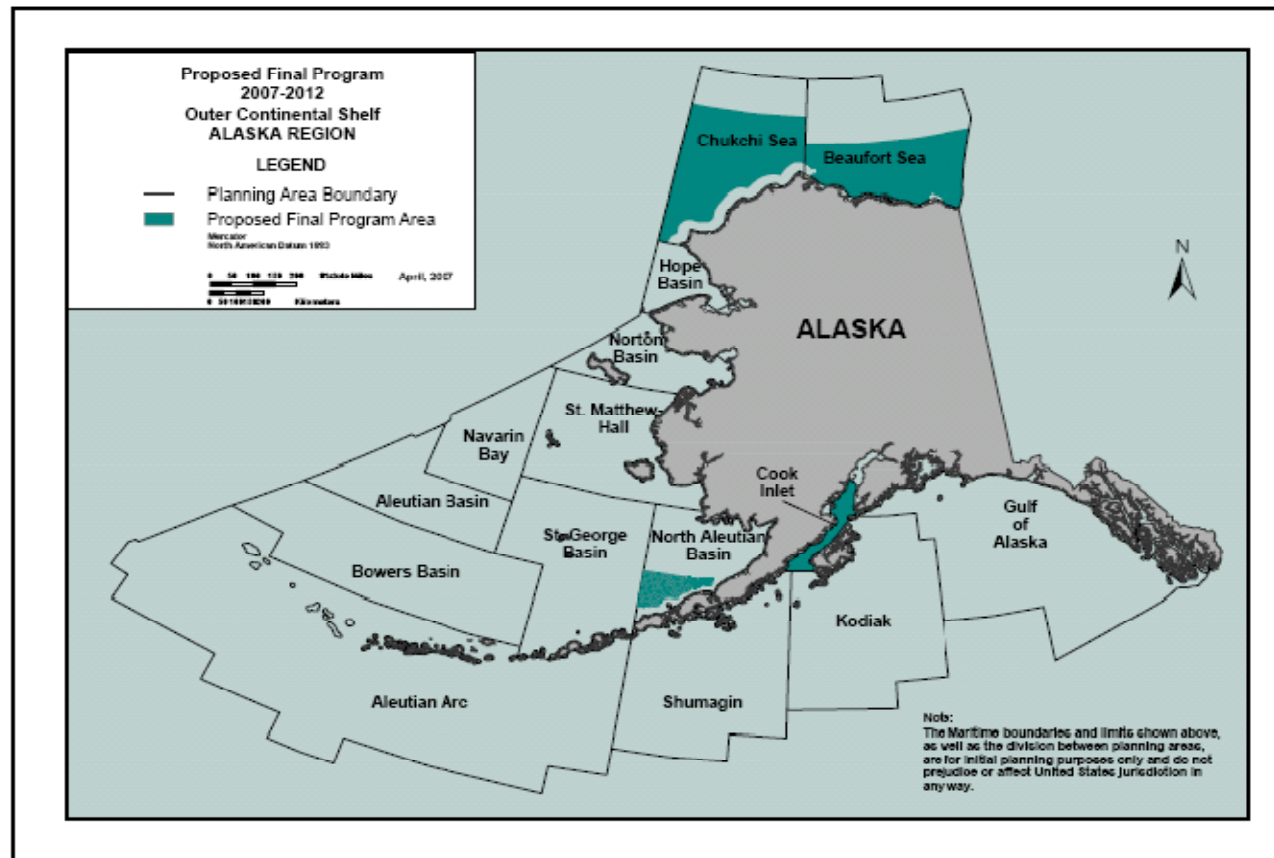
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\*\*No sale unless Presidential  
withdrawal modified and  
Congressional moratorium  
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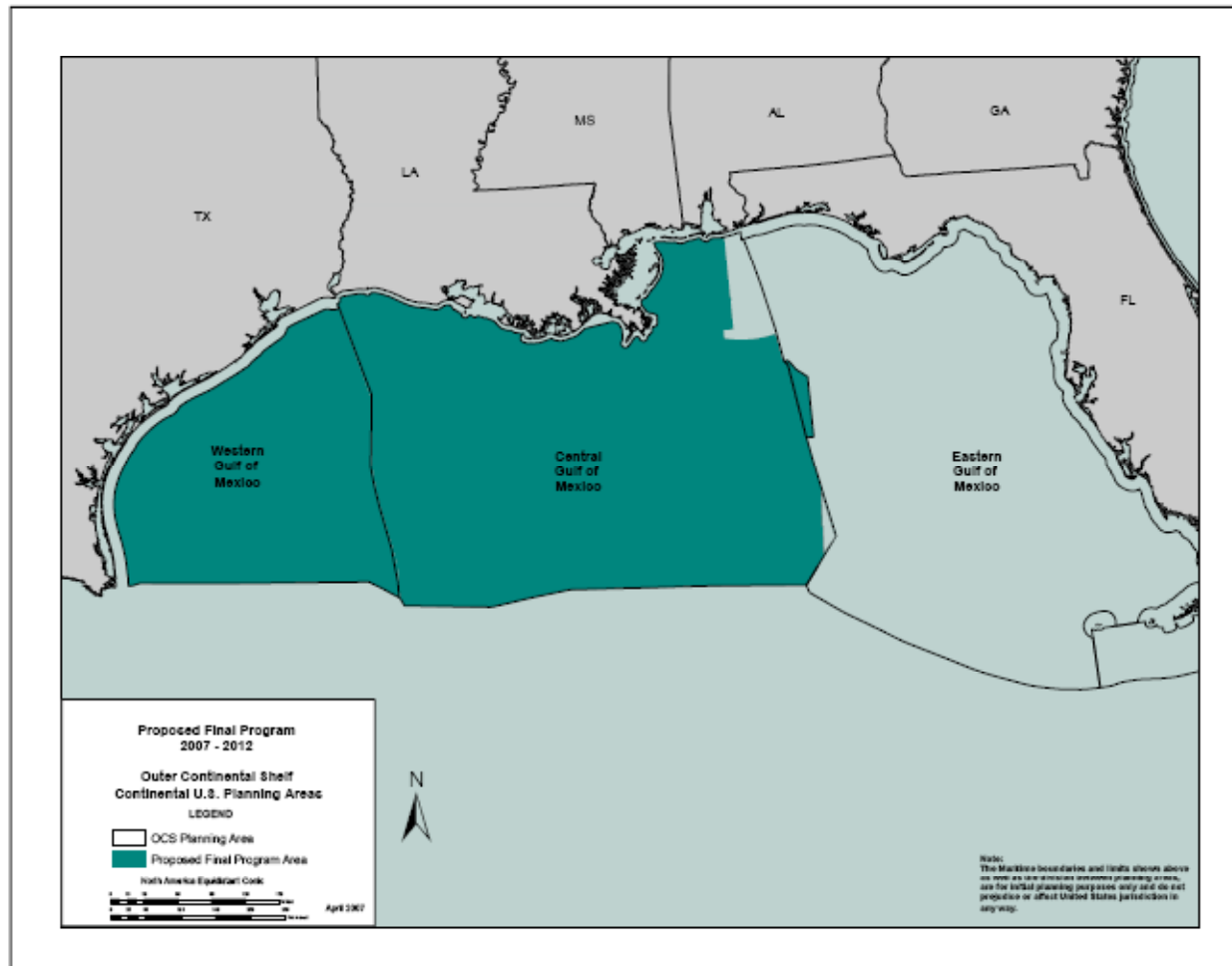
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2012	Chukchi Sea	221
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# Alaska Program Areas



# Gulf of Mexico Program Areas



# Expanded Access to Offshore Resources

- Current 5-Year Program could produce 10 billion barrels of oil and 45 trillion cubic feet of gas over 40 years.

## Expanding Access . . .

- Continuing safe performance record for both personnel and the environment
- Involving States in the process and through revenue-sharing

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