



USER'S GUIDE

CommentCounts is an online database of the public comments received in response to the proposed rule, ***Waste Prevention, Production Subject to Royalties, and Resource Conservation (BLM-2016-0001)***. Comment Excerpts from the public comment text is organized in CommentCounts by outline headings. CommentCounts also contains all significant comment document files from the docket. Use this User's Guide to get started using CommentCounts.

Depending on your access level, you can use CommentCounts to:

- Search the database of organized comment excerpt text in many different ways
- View, download, and print the original comment document files
- Generate MS Word or Excel reports of the categorized comment excerpt text or of statements of concern/responses
- Move comment excerpt text from one outline section to another
- Draft, edit, and finalize responses to comment excerpts (NOTE: the Response Module will remain closed until the text of the public comments is added to the database—you will be notified when the Response Module opens)

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LOGGING IN

Go to: https://cert-abtassociates.com/blm_venting_flaring/



Please Login Below

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LOG IN

Email – your username is your agency email address

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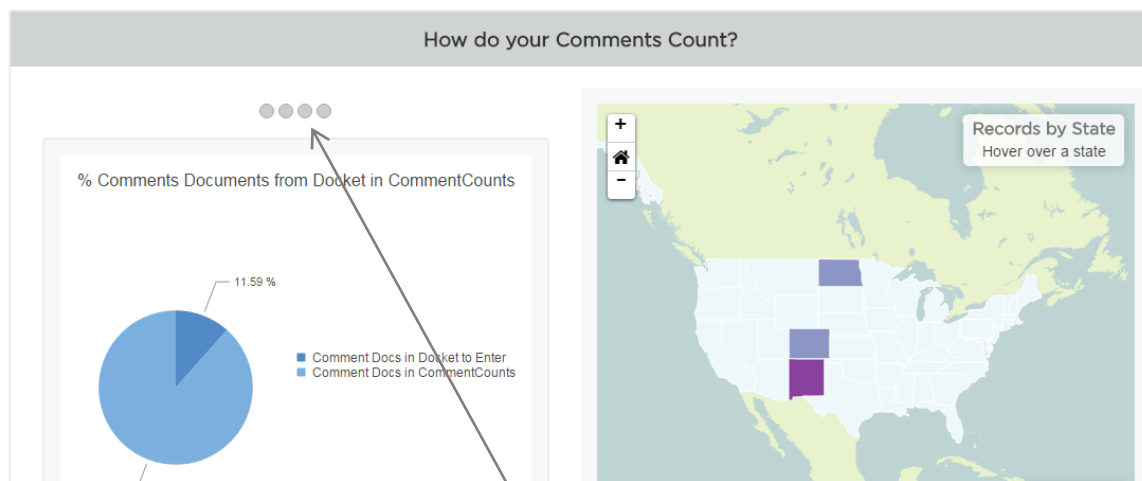
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These graphics display summary info about the comments received. Toggle through the charts on the left using the gray buttons.

The map shows the states where the commenting organizations are based.

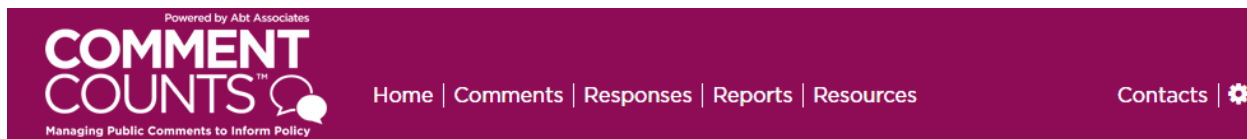
All of these graphics are dynamically updated as the database is populated.



SEARCH COMMENTS

To view categorized comment text or the original comment documents, use the links under the “Search Comments” on the home page. Comment documents can also be accessed under the “Comments” or “Reports” tabs on the top of the page.

Search Comment Excerpts



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Download a master report: or

Download yesterday's daily report: or

SEARCH CLEAR

You may combine fields to narrow your search. When using the keyword search, there is an automatic wildcard search for **Camp** would return results with **Campfire**.

Outline:	<input type="text"/>	
Comment Excerpt Keyword(s): more keywords	<input type="text"/>	and <input type="text"/>
Search by Date:	From: <input type="text"/>	To: <input type="text"/>
Search Posted By:	<input type="text"/>	
Organization:	<input type="text"/>	
Organization Type:	<input type="text"/>	
Commenter Name:	<input type="text"/>	
State:	<input type="text"/>	
Comment Document ID Number:	<input type="text"/>	
Late Record?	<input type="text"/>	
Comment Excerpt ID Number:	<input type="text"/>	
Comment Excerpt Move Date:	From: <input type="text"/>	To: <input type="text"/>

SEARCH CLEAR

This page allows you to generate reports of categorized comment excerpt text using various criteria.

Click **Search** to generate the report, which you can save or print, or **Clear** to delete your search criteria.

Use these links to download master reports (current to the previous day) or daily reports (from the previous day).



View Comment Excerpts

This page displays the results of your selected criteria. You can export this report to MS Word or Excel using the link at the bottom of the page (see gray box below). If you notice that a comment excerpt has been mis-categorized and would be more appropriate in another outline (or belongs in both its current outline as well as another outline heading), you can request that it be moved or copied.

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View Comment Excerpts (2 records found)

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The tables are customizable. Click on these lines to sort or filter the tables, or to add or drop columns.

CLEAR ALL TABLE FILTERS

Out...	Org...	Org...	Co...	Comment Excerpt	Dat...	Action
2.2.3 Limits on Rates of Flaring	Industrial Commission of North Dakota	State Government	66	There is also the potential for significant adverse impacts on state revenues through prescriptive flare volume and production limits. Preliminary estimates indicate compliance with this rule could impact as much as 33% of North Dakota spacing units. [BLM-2016-0001-0074-A1 p.1]	Thu Mar 24 2016 15:45:40 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)	View / Move Comment Excerpt
2.2.3 Limits on Rates of Flaring	U.S. Senate, North Dakota	State Government	20	Furthermore, most of the drilling in North Dakota is done with multi-well pads and the rule as currently drafted could result in increased flaring rates due to different initial production rates for each well. [BLM-2016-0001-0052-A1 p.1]	Thu Mar 24 2016 13:16:00 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)	View / Move Comment Excerpt

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Export to or (☐ Include Notes)

Click **View/Move Comment Excerpt** to access more information about the comment or to request that the comment excerpt be moved or copied to another outline section.

You can export the results of any search query to Microsoft Word or Excel.



When you click on **View/Move Comment Excerpt**, you can see more information about the comment excerpt, including links to the original comment document, which can provide context to the comment excerpt. You may also request that the comment text be moved or copied to another outline section.

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View Record and Comment Excerpts (1 records found.)

2.2.3 Limits on Rates of Flaring	
Organization:	Industrial Commission of North Dakota
Organization Type:	State Government
Affiliation:	N/A
Comment Document(s):	BLM-2016-0001-0074-A1.pdf BLM-2016-0001-0074.html
Notes:	Docket number BLM-2016-0001-0074 is a cover document; BLM-2016-0001-0074-A1 is the main comment document.
Comment Excerpt ID:	66
Comment Excerpt:	There is also the potential for significant adverse impacts on state revenues through prescriptive flare volume and production limits. Preliminary estimates indicate compliance with this rule could impact as much as 33% of North Dakota spacing units. [BLM-2016-0001-0074-A1 p.1]
Action:	Is this comment excerpt miscategorized? If so, click here to request that this comment excerpt be moved to another outline.

Click here to access the original comment documents.

Click here to request that the comment excerpt be moved or copied to another outline section.

Export to or (☐ Include Notes)



Move Comment Excerpt Request

If you click on the link shown on the previous page to request the comment be moved, you are taken to the screen shown on the next page, which is CommentCounts' *Move Comment Excerpt Request* Function. This section explains how you can request that all or part of the comment excerpt text be moved or copied to another outline section.

Do you want to Move or Copy the comment excerpt text?

- Moving the comment excerpt text removes it from the current outline section and puts it into a different outline section.
- Copying the comment excerpt text keeps it in the current outline section and also adds it to another outline section.

Do you want to Move all of the comment excerpt text or only part of the comment excerpt text?

- A *Full Move* means all the comment excerpt text will be moved. Select this option if all of the comment excerpt text is in the wrong outline section.
- A *Partial Move* means only some of the comment excerpt text will be moved. Select this option if only some of the comment excerpt text is in the wrong outline section.

Do you want to Copy all of the comment text or only part of the comment text?

- A *Full Copy* means all of the comment excerpt text will be copied to another outline section. Select this option if all of the comment excerpt text applies to another outline section.
- A *Partial Copy* means some of the comment excerpt text will be copied to another outline section. Select this option if only some of the comment excerpt text applies to another outline section.


Note: The comments are not moved instantly after the requests are submitted, but the requests are filled as promptly as possible.

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Request Comment Excerpt be Moved

Request Type

Instructions:

To request that this comment excerpt be moved or copied, please select the move type and destination section/outline. If you select a partial move, please submit the portion of the comment text to be moved.

Type of Move or Copy:

- ☒ Full Move (move all the text to a different outline heading)
- ☐ Partial Move (move some of the text to a different outline heading)
- ☐ Full Copy (copy all the text to a different outline heading)
- ☐ Partial Copy (copy some of the text to a different outline heading)

1. Select the type of comment move or copy you would like to make.

Original Comment Excerpt

Source Outline	2.2.3 Limits on Rates of Flaring
Organization:	Industrial Commission of North Dakota
Organization Type:	State Government
Affiliation:	N/A
Comment Documents:	BLM-2016-0001-0074-A1.pdf BLM-2016-0001-0074.html
Comment Excerpt:	There is also the potential for significant adverse impacts on state revenues through prescriptive flare volume and production limits. Preliminary estimates indicate compliance with this rule could impact as much as 33% of North Dakota spacing units. [BLM-2016-0001-0074-A1 p.1]


2. Select the outline that you would like to move or copy the comment to.

Destination

Destination Outline:

[To which outline should this text be moved?]

Comment Excerpt Text to Be Moved:

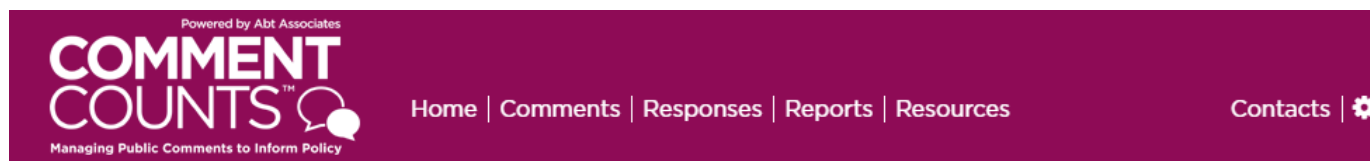


3. If it is a partial comment move, paste the part of the comment you wished to be moved (or copied) into this text box.



BROWSE COMMENT DOCUMENTS

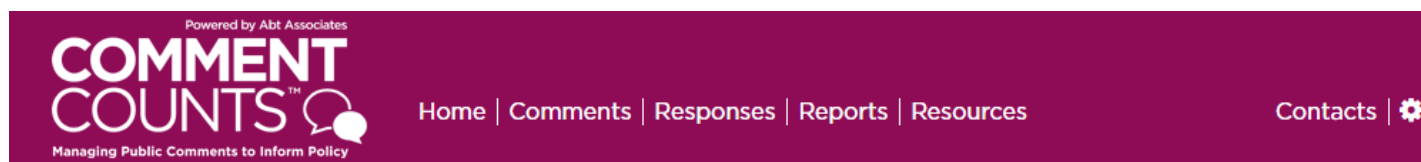
You also have the option to browse all comment documents and attachment files received in the docket. On the home page, click on **Browse Comment Documents**.



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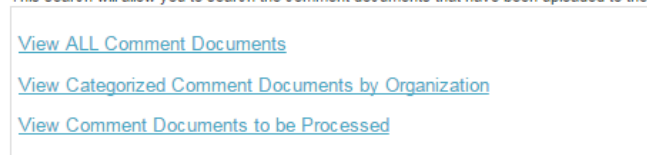
After clicking **Browse Comment Documents** on the home page, you have the option to view all comment documents, comments that have already been categorized, or comments that have yet to be categorized into outline headings.



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View Comment Documents

This search will allow you to search the comment documents that have been uploaded to the system.





The image below shows results from **View Categorized Comment Documents by Organization**.

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Comment Documents by Organization (61 Comment Documents found.)

Export to or

Organization	Comment Document(s)
American Petroleum Institute (API)	BLM-2016-0001-0004-A1.pdf BLM-2016-0001-0004.html BLM-2016-0001-0062-A1.pdf BLM-2016-0001-0062.html
City of Aspen	BLM-2016-0001-0082-A1.pdf BLM-2016-0001-0082.html
City of Lafayette	BLM-2016-0001-0064-A1.pdf BLM-2016-0001-0064.html

RESPOND TO COMMENTS

There are different levels of access for responding to comment excerpts. Your access level will determine how you can use the Response Module. Some users have read-only access to the comment excerpts and responses. Some users can create, edit, and submit draft responses. Other users can create, edit, and submit final responses.

Use the links under “Respond to Comments” on the home page to create or edit a response.



Response functions can also be accessed under the “Responses” tab on the top of the page.

Respond to Comments

Add New Response
Update Existing Response

Add a New Response

Select an Outline



Select the outline heading of interest by clicking either the Outline Number or Outline Description. This will display all comment excerpts available for responses.

Outline Number	Outline Name
1	General Comments (no comments excerpts in outline)
1.1	Supports the Rule
1.2	Violates the Rule
1.3	Legal Authority
1.4	Existing Federal Regulations, Requirements, and Overlap (BLM and FPA)
1.5	State Regulations



Select Comments Excerpt(s)

Select the comment or comments to which you wish to respond. This allows you to create a single response to multiple, related comments.

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Create Response - Select Comment Excerpt(s) for Response (3 records found)

Outline: 1.5 State Regulations

-Select one or more comment excerpts to respond with one response.
-Use "Select All" to respond to all remaining comment excerpts in this outline with one response.
-Click on the "Move/Copy" link to move all or some of the comment excerpt text to a different outline

RESPOND TO SELECTED COMMENT(S)

Select All | Unselect All

Select	Organization	Orig. Type	Comment Excerpt	Move	Copy
<input type="checkbox"/>	National Commission on North Dakota	State Government	Due to North Dakota's unique history of land ownership, a significant portion of the State consists of split-estate lands that will be adversely affected by the proposed rule that improperly asserts surface jurisdiction over split-estate lands. Many portions of the proposed rule are not consistent with North Dakota's comprehensive oil and gas regulations found at North Dakota Administrative Code (NDAC) Chapter 43-20-20, particularly regarding portions with North Dakota's ability to administer its oil and gas regulatory program. (BLM-2015-2021-0274-41 p. 10) [This comment can also be found in section 1.2 of this comment summary.]		Is this comment excerpt miscategorized? If so, click here to select a different outline
<input type="checkbox"/>	GEF Resources	Oil and Gas Companies - Operators/Lessee	3. Proposals Involving APDs and Sanitary Notices (f) Downhole Well Maintenance and Liquids Unloading - Documentation and Reporting (43 CFR 3179.206(a) and (d)) (g) Downhole Well Maintenance and Liquids Unloading - Documentation and Reporting (43 CFR 3179.206(a) and (d)) Such reporting requirements are also unnecessary for the proper functioning of the BLM because operators are already required to report unloading events under certain state programs (e.g., Wyoming) and pursuant to EPA's Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program. (BLM-2015-2021-0254-1 p. 8) [This comment can also be found in section 1.4 and 2.5.1.1 of this comment summary.]		Is this comment excerpt miscategorized? If so, click here to select a different outline
<input type="checkbox"/>	U.S. Senate, North Dakota	State Government	In addition, the State of North Dakota has implemented fairing rules and has a flare reduction initiative that is addressing emissions at the state level. A national one-size-fits-all approach does not work in North Dakota, because it has a complicated split-estate mineral structure, it will opening may include state, tribal, and private interests. If the BLM proceeds with the current rule, conflicts and duplication may arise between EPA rules and state regulations. (BLM-2015-2021-0254-1 p. 10) [This comment can also be found in section 1.2 of this comment summary.]		Is this comment excerpt miscategorized? If so, click here to select a different outline

RESPOND TO SELECTED COMMENT EXCERPT(S)

Export to or

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Check the boxes next to your selected comment excerpt(s), then click **Respond to Selected Comment Excerpt(s)**.



Create Response

This page allows you to prepare a response to the selected comment excerpts as well as edit the “Comment Excerpt(s)” text box on the left if you wish to provide a summary of comment text.

Once you’ve prepared your response in the right text box, you can save, submit as draft, or submit as final, depending on your user access level.

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Comment Excerpt(s)

Response (press Ctrl-V to paste text)

Click **Contact Team** to send a message to one or more responders if you have questions or wish to communicate about a particular comment/response.

The original comment excerpt text is displayed here for your reference.

SAVE SUBMIT AS DRAFT SUBMIT AS FINAL CLOSE WITHOUT SAVING CONTACT TEAM

For reference, the comment excerpts that you selected for this response are listed below

Organization	Org. Type	Comment Excerpt
Industrial Commission of North Dakota	State Government	Due to North Dakota's unique history of land ownership, a significant portion of the State consists of split-estate lands that will be adversely affected by the proposed rule that improperly asserts surface jurisdiction over split-estate lands. Many portions of the proposed rule are not consistent with North Dakota's comprehensive oil and gas regulations found at North Dakota Administrative Code (NDAC) Chapter 43-02-03 potentially creating conflicts with North Dakota's ability to administer its oil and gas regulatory program. [BLM-2016-0001-0074-A1 p. 1] [This comment can also be found in section 1.2 of this comment summary]

NOTE: If you feel that a comment does not belong in a particular group with other comment excerpts, you may request that it be ungrouped. At that point, you may respond to the comment excerpt individually, group it with other comment excerpts, or request that it be moved to another outline section.

If you feel that the comment excerpt should not be associated with a response, it is important to ungroup the comment to ensure that it can be responded to elsewhere. The procedure for ungrouping a comment excerpt is discussed in more detail below.



Update Existing Response

Select an Outline

This page, accessed by clicking the **Update Existing Response** link on the home page (or **Update**, under the “Responses” tab), allows you select the outline heading of the response you wish to update.

Update Response - Select an outline

Outline Number	Outline Description
1.1	Supports the Rule
1.5	State Regulations

Update Response – Select a response

Update Response - Select a response

1.5 State Regulations

Action	Comment Excerpt	Response
Update Response Delete Additional Comment Excerpts to Response Upload Comment Excerpt from Response	Industrial Commission of North Dakota Due to North Dakota's unique history of land ownership, a significant portion of the State consists of split-estate lands that will be adversely affected by the proposed rule that improperly asserts surface jurisdiction over split-estate lands. Many portions of the proposed rule are not consistent with North Dakota's comprehensive oil and gas regulations found at North Dakota Administrative Code (NDAC) Chapter 43-02-03 potentially creating conflicts with North Dakota's ability to administer its oil and gas regulatory program. [BLM-2016-0001-0074-A1 p. 1][This comment can also be found in section 1.2 of this comment summary]	Test response for the sake of the user guide.

Update Response

Original comment excerpt text is displayed at the bottom of the page for your reference.

Update Response (Last saved as Draft)

Outline: 1.5 State Regulations

SAVE SUBMIT AS DRAFT SUBMIT AS FINAL CLOSE WITHOUT SAVING CONTACT TEAM

Comment Excerpt(s):

Industrial Commission of North Dakota

Due to North Dakota's unique history of land ownership, a significant portion of the State consists of split-estate lands that will be adversely affected by the proposed rule that improperly asserts surface jurisdiction over split-estate lands. Many portions of the proposed rule are not consistent with North Dakota's comprehensive oil and gas regulations found at North Dakota Administrative Code (NDAC) Chapter 43-02-03 potentially creating conflicts with North Dakota's ability to administer its oil and gas regulatory program. [BLM-2016-0001-0074-A1 p. 1][This comment can also be found in section 1.2 of this comment summary]

SAVE SUBMIT AS DRAFT SUBMIT AS FINAL CLOSE WITHOUT SAVING CONTACT TEAM

Response:

Test response for the sake of the user guide.

For reference, the comment excerpts that you selected for this response are listed below

Organization	Org. Type	Comment Excerpt
Industrial Commission of North Dakota	State Government	Due to North Dakota's unique history of land ownership, a significant portion of the State consists of split-estate lands that will be adversely affected by the proposed rule that improperly asserts surface jurisdiction over split-estate lands. Many portions of the proposed rule are not consistent with North Dakota's comprehensive oil and gas regulations found at North Dakota Administrative Code (NDAC) Chapter 43-02-03 potentially creating conflicts with North Dakota's ability to administer its oil and gas regulatory program. [BLM-2016-0001-0074-A1 p. 1][This comment can also be found in section 1.2 of this comment summary]



Grouping and Ungrouping Comments to Responses

When you select an outline heading, as part of the **Update Existing Response** function, you also have the option to group or ungroup comments with responses.

The **GROUPING** tool allows you to group additional like comments to a response that has already been prepared. Keep in mind that only comments that are in the same outline heading and are not already linked to an existing response can be grouped using this tool.

If you wish to group a comment excerpt that is currently categorized in a different outline heading, it's necessary to first submit a request to move it to your current outline. Once the request is executed and the desired comment excerpt is in the same outline heading as the target response, you will be able to group the comment excerpt. If you want to change the grouping of a comment excerpt that is already linked to a response, you must first use the ungroup tool (as comments cannot be linked to multiple responses). See instructions "Ungroup Comments from Response" below.

NOTE: When you add an additional comment excerpt to a group, the verbatim text of that comment will be appended to the bottom of the text in the "Comment Excerpt(s)" text box. If you have already edited or summarized the comment text in this text box, you may need to edit it again after you add group additional comment excerpts to a response.

Group Additional Comments



Select Comments to Group

This page displays all comment excerpts in the same outline heading that are not already linked to a response. Select the eligible comments that you wish to link to your chosen response.

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Please Select from the list of below eligible comments excerpts, and select the "Group Selected Comment Excerpts to Response" button. Only comment excerpts that are a) not already grouped to a response and b) are listed in the same outline as the response eligible to be grouped. The current Comment Summary and Response text are at the bottom of this page (for reference).

Eligible Comment Excerpts for Grouping to Response

Selection	Comment Excerpt ID	Organization	Comment Excerpt
<input type="checkbox"/>	22	U.S. Senate, North Dakota	In addition, the State of North Dakota has implemented flaring rules and has a flare reduction initiative that is addressing emissions at the state level. A national one-size-fits-all approach does not work in North Dakota, because it has a complicated split estate mineral structure. A well spacing may include state, tribal, and private minerals. If the BLM proceeds with the current rule, conflicts and duplication may arise between EPA rules and state regulations. [BLM-2016-0001-0052-A1 p. 1][This comment can also be found in section 1.2 of this comment summary]
<input type="checkbox"/>	51	GEP Resources	3. Proposals Involving APDs and Sundry Notices (I) Downhole Well Maintenance and Liquids Unloading - Such reporting requirements are also unnecessary for the program. [BLM-2016-0001-0063-A1 p. 8][This comment can also be found pursuant to EPA's Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program.

GROUP SELECTED COMMENT EXCERPTS TO RESPONSE

Current Comment Excerpt(s) & Response

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Comment Excerpt(s)	Response
Industrial Commission of North Dakota Due to North Dakota's unique history of land ownership, a significant portion of the State consists of split-estate lands that will be adversely affected by the proposed rule that improperly asserts surface jurisdiction over split-estate lands. Many portions of the proposed rule are not consistent with North Dakota's comprehensive oil and gas regulations found at North Dakota Administrative Code (NDAC) Chapter 43-02-03 potentially creating conflicts with North Dakota's ability to administer its oil and gas regulatory program. [BLM-2016-0001-0074-A1 p. 1][This comment can also be found in section 1.2 of this comment summary]	Test response for the sake of the user guide.

Check the boxes next to your desired comment excerpt(s) and click **Group Selected Comment Excerpts to Response**.

Responses & Grouped Comment Excerpts

This page displays a summary of all comment excerpts linked to the response, included those newly grouped.

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Comment Excerpt(s) 22 have been linked to Response 2 [Edit Response Text](#)

Responses & Grouped Comment Excerpts

Outline	Response ID	Response	Action(s)	Grouped Comment Excerpt(s)
1.5 State Regulations	2	Test response for the sake of the user guide.	Group Additional Comments	22 U.S. Senate, North Dakota In addition, the State of North Dakota has implemented flaring rules and has a flare reduction initiative that is addressing emissions at the state level. A national one-size-fits-all approach does not work in North Dakota, because it has a complicated split estate mineral structure. A well spacing may include state, tribal, and private minerals. If the BLM proceeds with the current rule, conflicts and duplication may arise between EPA rules and state regulations. [BLM-2016-0001-0052-A1 p. 1][This comment can also be found in section 1.2 of this comment summary] Request Comment Excerpt be Unassigned from Response 65 Industrial Commission of North Dakota Due to North Dakota's unique history of land ownership, a significant portion of the State consists of split-estate lands that will be adversely affected by the proposed rule that improperly asserts surface jurisdiction over split-estate lands. Many portions of the proposed rule are not consistent with North Dakota's comprehensive oil and gas regulations found at North Dakota Administrative Code (NDAC) Chapter 43-02-03 potentially creating conflicts with North Dakota's ability to administer its oil and gas regulatory program. [BLM-2016-0001-0074-A1 p. 1][This comment can also be found in section 1.2 of this comment summary] Request Comment Excerpt be Unassigned from Response



The **UNGROUP** feature allows you to request that a comment excerpt be un-grouped from the response to which it is currently linked. While your request will be executed promptly, please note that this is not an automatic function like the grouping feature.

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Click **Ungroup Comment Excerpts from Response** next to your response of interest.

Action	Comment Excerpt	Response
Update Response Group Additional Comment Excerpts to Response Ungroup Comment Excerpts from Response	Industrial Commission of North Dakota Due to North Dakota's unique history of land ownership, a significant portion of the state consists of split-estate lands that will be adversely affected by the proposed rule that improperly asserts surface jurisdiction over split-estate lands. Many portions of the proposed rule are not consistent with North Dakota's comprehensive oil and gas regulations found at North Dakota Administrative Code (NDAC) Chapter 43-02-03 potentially creating conflicts with North Dakota's ability to administer its oil and gas regulatory program. [BLM-2016-0001-0074-A1 p. 1] [This comment can also be found in section 1.2 of this comment summary]	Test response for the sake of the user guide.

Select Comments to Ungroup from Response

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1.5 State Regulations	2	Test response for the sake of the user guide.	Group Additional Comments Ungroup Comment Excerpts from Response	22 U.S. Senate, North Dakota In addition, the State of North Dakota has implemented flaring rules and has a flare reduction initiative that is addressing emissions at the state level. A national one-size-fits-all approach does not work in North Dakota, because it has a complicated split estate mineral structure. A well spacing may include state, tribal, and private minerals. If the BLM proceeds with the current rule, conflicts and duplication may arise between EPA rules and state regulations. [BLM-2016-0001-0052-A1 p. 1] [This comment can also be found in section 1.2 of this comment summary]	Request Comment Excerpt be Ungrouped from Response
				65 Industrial Commission of North Dakota Due to North Dakota's unique history of land ownership, a significant portion of the State consists of split-estate lands that will be adversely affected by the proposed rule that improperly asserts surface jurisdiction over split-estate lands. Many portions of the proposed rule are not consistent with North Dakota's comprehensive oil and gas regulations found at North Dakota Administrative Code (NDAC) Chapter 43-02-03 potentially creating conflicts with North Dakota's ability to administer its oil and gas regulatory program. [BLM-2016-0001-0074-A1 p. 1] [This comment can also be found in section 1.2 of this comment summary]	Request Comment Excerpt be Ungrouped from Response

Find the comment excerpt you wish to ungroup and click **Request Comment Excerpt be Ungrouped from Response**.

NOTE: You cannot select multiple comments to be ungrouped simultaneously. Ungrouping must be requested for each individual comment excerpt that you wish to ungroup from the response.

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This screen confirms your submission and provides a summary of your request.

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The screenshot shows the COMMENT COUNTS website interface. At the top is a purple navigation bar with the logo and links: Home | Comments | Responses | Reports | Resources. Below the navigation bar is a title: "Venting and Flaring: Waste Prevention, Production Subject to Royalties, and Resource Conservation (BLM-2016-0001)". There are three main sections: "Search Comments" with a magnifying glass icon and links for "Search Comment Excerpts" and "Browse Comment Documents"; "Respond to Comments" with a speech bubble icon and links for "Add New Response" and "Update Existing Response"; and "Reports" with a document icon. The "Reports" section is highlighted with a box containing the following options: "Master Comment Report: [Word icon] or [Excel icon]", "Master Response Report: [Word icon] or [Excel icon]", and "Responses and Associated Comment Excerpts: [Word icon] or [Excel icon]". Below these sections is a header "How do your Comments Count?" followed by two visualizations: a pie chart titled "% Comments Documents from Docket in CommentCounts" showing a segment for 11.59%, and a map of the United States titled "Records by State" with a legend "Hover over a state".

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