System Name: Mineral Lessees and Permittees, USDA/FS.

System Location: At the Forest Service headquarters offices of the Chief, Regional Foresters, and Forest Supervisors listed in 36 CFR 200.2, Subpart A.

Categories of individuals covered by the system: Parties who have applied for or hold mineral leases or permits issued by the Bureau of Land Management or the Forest Service covering national Forest System Lads.

Categories of records in the system: The system consists of inter- and intra-agency, Secretarial, Presidential and Congressional correspondence, leases, permits, sale contracts, environmental reports, mineral evaluations, operating plans, reclamation plans, and pleadings.


Routine uses of records maintained in the system, including categories of users and the purposes of such uses: Referral to the appropriate agency, whether Federal, State, local or foreign, charged with the responsibility of investigating or prosecuting a violation of law or enforcing or implementing the statute, rule, regulation or order issued pursuant thereto, of any record within this system when information available indicates a violation or potential violation of law, whether civil, criminal, or regulatory in nature, and whether arising by general statute, or by rule, regulation or order issued thereto. Referral to a court, magistrate, or administrative tribunal, or to opposing counsel in a proceeding before any of the above, of any record within the system which constitutes evidence in that proceeding or which is sought in the course of discovery. Disclosure may be made to a congressional office from the record of an individual in response to an inquiry from the congressional office made at the request of that individual.

Policies and practices for storing, retrieving, accessing, retaining, and disposing of records in the system:

Storage: Records are maintained in file folders.

Retrievability: Records are indexed by the name of the individual lessee, permittee, or purchaser.

Safeguards: Records are kept in a locked office.

Retention and disposal: Records are kept indefinitely.

System manager(s) and address: Director, Watershed and Minerals Area Management, Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

Notification procedure: Any individual may request information regarding this system of records or information as to whether the system contains records pertaining to him from the System Manager. A request for information pertaining to an individual should contain name, address, State in which the lease, permit, or sale exists, and identification number, if any.

Record access procedures: Use same procedures as for requesting Notification.
Contesting record procedures: Use same procedures as for requesting Notification.

Record source categories: Information in this system comes from the records developed during the processing of applications, evaluations made course of lease or permit, and from data furnished by the individual.