

## Department of the Interior Departmental Manual

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### 212 DM 35

**35.1 Purpose.** This chapter provides for the delegation of authorities to the Director, Orphaned Wells Program Office (OWPO).

**35.2 General.** The following authorities delegated to the Assistant Secretary - Policy, Management and Budget (AS-PMB) are further delegated through the Deputy Assistant Secretary - Policy and Environmental Management to the Director, OWPO.

A. All program and administrative authority necessary to carry out the functions of the Office as described in 112 DM 39.

B. Authority to issue policy, interim policy, and guidance affecting implementation of the Office as described in 112 DM 39.

C. Authority to coordinate, evaluate, and implement the Department of the Interior's response to issues pertaining to the Office as described in 112 DM 39.

D. Authority to sign notices for publication in the Federal Register of public meetings, the availability of guidance, requests for public comment, and information collections. The AS-PMB retains signature authority for final decisions on controversial or precedent setting issues and proposed and final rules, including interim final and direct final rules.

**35.3 Redlegation.** Except where further delegation is prohibited by statute, Executive order, or limitation established by other competent authority, the authorities listed in paragraphs A - D above may be redelegated.