



Professional Land Management (PLM) Certificate Program

MODULE 6: Federal and State Laws that Impact Land Ownership

Course conducted in September and March.

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Overview	In our final module of the Professional Land Management Certificate Program, we examine the role the Federal government plays in oil and gas development. The Federal government owns approximately 1/3 of the total land mass in the U.S. To lease on Federal lands, compliance with certain laws and procedures are required. In this module, we cover those laws, procedures, and their impact to the work of a land professional. And we look at Federal environmental laws aimed at protecting the Earth while developing its natural resources. Finally, we conclude with a look at the tax shelters and incentives provided by the Federal government to promote the development of our natural resources and ultimately, keep our industry domestic and independent.
Text	American Association of Professional Landman (AAPL) Land Reference Guide
Objective	By the end of Module 6, students will be able to understand: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● How to Lease Onshore/Offshore Federal Properties● Purpose & Creation of Federal Units● Environmental Laws that Impact Drilling & Development● Tax Incentives for Oil & Gas Development
Course Organization	The lecture portion of the course includes readings from the text, live and pre-recorded webinars, and class forums. Students may view any of the pre-recorded webinars on their own schedule and can opt to either take the live webinars on the scheduled date or wait for the recorded webinar shortly thereafter.
Forums	Forums are online chats or group discussions that are required upon the completion of a webinar or other topic. Please post a comment in each forum and comment on the posts of three of your fellow students.

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Exam	Available online from Tuesday at Noon through Saturday at 11:59 PM Central during the last week of the course.
Field Trip <i>(required for certificate program)</i>	By the end of Module 6: For those of you taking the entire course, this field trip is due at the end of the last month of the sixth module course. Practice your networking skills by attending a monthly luncheon with a featured speaker presented by your local chapter of the AAPL, ALTA (Association of Lease and Title Analysts) and/or NADOA (National Association of Division Order Analysts). Please scan the program with the signature of the current President (or any officer) of your local chapter. This is a great opportunity to introduce yourself and be introduced to others. Remember, this is a small industry and networking is key. <i>Note: If you live too far away from a chapter meeting or need to attend a virtual format in your area, please let me know and we can modify the format.</i>
Course Comprehensive Final Exam <i>(required for certificate program)</i>	The Comprehensive Exam is available once you complete all six PLM course modules. Please contact the instructor once you are prepared to take the Comprehensive Exam, and it will be opened for you.

PLM Certificate Program

The PLM Certificate Program is an online, self-paced program with six total modules. Each module spans one month and requires approximately 12 hours to complete. The fee per module is \$525.00.

Module	Course Title	Session Start
1	Introduction to Land Management Practices	April & October
2	Running Title and Interpreting Conveyance Instruments	May & November
3	Negotiating the Oil and Gas Lease and Lease Calculations	June & December
4	Oil and Gas Law and Its Impact on Land Practices	July & January
5	Legally Enforceable Oil and Gas Contracts	August & February
6	Federal and State Laws that Impact Land Ownership	September & March

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