

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-5479-6]

Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared April 7, 1997 through April 11, 1997 pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at (202) 564-7167. An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in the **Federal Register** dated April 4, 1997 (62 FR 16154).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-DOE-L91001-ID Rating EC2, Nez Perce Tribal Hatchery Program, Implementation, Restore Chenook Salmon to the Clearwater River Subbasin, Snake River, Idaho.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns based on the potential for adverse impacts to existing fisheries resources. EPA had requested additional information on fisheries impacts, mitigation and monitoring.

ERP No. D-FAA-E51044-NC Rating EC2, Initial Development of the North Carolina Global TransPark (NCGTP) Complex, Implementation, Airport Layout Plan Approval, COE Section 404 Permit, Kinston, Lenoir County, NC.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding the sequencing of wetland mitigation and hydrologic restoration of Dove Bay.

ERP No. D-FHW-F40373-WI Rating EO2, Milwaukee East-West Corridor, Transportation Improvements, Major Investment Study, IH-43 and Hampton Avenue to downtown Milwaukee and along IH-94 to WI-16, Funding, U.S. Coast Guard and COE Section 404 Permits, Milwaukee and Waukesha Counties, WI.

Summary: EPA continued to have environmental objection to the potential conversion of parkland and other valuable acreage to light rail which may increase commute time.

ERP No. D-FHW-K50011-CA Rating EC2, Carquinez Bridge Project, Replace/Retrofit the westbound I-80 between Cummings Skyway and CA-29, U.S. Coast Guard and COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Contra Costa and Solano Counties, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding potential impacts to water quality and

worker health and safety from lead-based paint on the 1927 bridge which is proposed for removal or retrofitting. These issues were not discussed in the draft EIS, nor were appropriate lead-based paint mitigation measures proposed.

ERP No. D-FTA-C54007-NJ Rating EC2, Newark-Elizabeth Rail Link (NERL) Study Corridor, Transportation Improvements, Light Rail Transit (LRT), Essex and Union Counties, NJ.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about impacts to air quality and requests that additional information regarding air quality and environmental justice be presented in the final EIS.

ERP No. D-FTA-G40143-TX Rating LO, North Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (LRT) Extension, Transportation Improvements, Funding, NPDES Permit and COE Section 404 Permit, Dallas and Collin Counties, TX.

Summary: EPA had no objection to the selection of the Locally Preferred Alternative. EPA requests that the mitigation measures discussed in the draft EIS be given equal consideration in the implementation of the LPA.

ERP No. D-USN-D11026-PA Rating EC2, Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division (NAWCAD) Warminster, Disposal and Reuse, Bucks County, PA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns and requested additional information with regard to the Navy's actions, intentions, and responsibility for correcting existing problems before and after reuse in terms of water supply and groundwater. EPA also expressed concern with the cumulative impacts associated with increases in traffic volume, air quality, and noise impacts on the neighboring communities as a result of the Reuse Plan.

ERP No. DS-USN-C10003-00 Rating EC2, Relocatable Over the Horizon Radar (ROTHR) System Construction and Operation, New and Updated Information on Fort Allen as Potential Site, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and Chesapeake, VA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns and requested additional information regarding wetlands delineation and impacts, indirect impacts, radio frequency, radiation exposure, and ongoing contamination investigations and site remediation.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-FTA-K40208-CA, South Sacramento Corridor, Transit Improvements, Funding, Sacramento, Yolo, EL Dorado and Placer Counties, CA.

Summary: Review of the Final EIS was not deemed necessary. No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

ERP No. F-USN-E11037-FL, Programmatic EIS—Mayport Naval Station, Evaluation of Facilities Development Necessary to Support Potential Aircraft Carrier Homeporting, Duval County, FL.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concern regarding the use of the Jacksonville offshore disposal site for dredged material.

ERP No. F-USN-K11070-CA, Naval Station Long Beach Disposal and Reuse, Implementation, COE Section 10 and 404 Permits Issuance and Possible NPDES Permit Issuance, Los Angeles County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns on project segmentation and insufficient cumulative impacts analysis, in particular, cumulative air quality effects.

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Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7167 or (202) 564-7153.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements Filed April 14, 1997 Through April 18, 1997 Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 970140, Final EIS, NPS, CA, Santa Rosa Island Resources Management Plan, Improvements of Water Quality and Conservation of Rare Species and their Habitats, Channel Islands National Park, Santa Barbara County, CA, Due: May 27, 1997, Contact: Alan Schmierer (415) 427-1441.

EIS No. 970141, Final Supplement, AFS, CO, Stevens Gulch Road Extension and Related Timber Sales, Implementation, New Information and Changed Circumstances Related to the Proposed Action, Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests, Delta County, CO, Due: May 27, 1997, Contact: Carol McKenzie (970) 874-6618.

EIS No. 970142, Draft EIS, RUS, KY, City of Albany's Cagle Water

- Expansion Project, To Expand its Potable Water Treatment Plant, Funding and COE Section 404 Permit, Clinton and Wayne Counties, KY, Due: June 09, 1997, Contact: Mark Plank (202) 720-1649.
- EIS No. 970143, Draft EIS, USN, FL, Cecil Field Naval Air Station Disposal and Reuse, Implementation, City of Jacksonville, Duval and Clay Counties, FL, Due: June 09, 1997, Contact: Robert Teague (803) 820-5785.
- EIS No. 970144, Final EIS, AFS, ID, St. Joe Noxious Weed Control Project, Implementation, St. Maries River, St. Joe River and Little North Fork Clearwater River, Benewah, Shoshone and Latah Counties, ID, Due: May 27, 1997, Contact: Mary Laws (208) 245-4517.
- EIS No. 970145, Draft EIS, AFS, MT, Lost Trail Ski Area Expansion Project, Implementation, New Master Development Plan, Bitterroot National Forest, Sula Ranger District, Ravalli County, MT, Due: June 09, 1997, Contact: Gina Owens (406) 821-3201.
- EIS No. 970146, Final EIS, AFS, MT, Basin Creek Drainage, Salvage Timber and Watershed Rehabilitation, Kootenai National Forest, Three Rivers Ranger District, Lincoln County, MT, Due: May 27, 1997, Contact: Jeanne Higgins (406) 295-4693.
- EIS No. 970147, Final EIS, AFS, UT, Alta Ski Area Master Development Plan Update Approval, Special-Use-Permit and COE Permits Issuance, Wasatch-Cache National Forest, Salt Lake Ranger District, Salt Lake County, UT, Due: May 27, 1997, Contact: Robert Cruz (801) 943-9483.
- EIS No. 970148, Final EIS, COE, VA, Vint Hill Farms Station Disposal and Reuse, Implementation, Fauquier and Prince William Counties, VA, Due: May 27, 1997, Contact: Susan Rees (334) 694-4141.
- EIS No. 970149, Draft EIS, FHW, AR, TX, US 71 Highway Improvement Project, between Texarkana, (US71) Arkansas and DeQueen, Funding, Right-of-Way Approval and COE Section 404 Permit, Little River, Miller and Sevier Counties, AR and Bowie County, TX, Due: June 09, 1997, Contact: Carl G. Kraehmer (501) 324-5309.
- EIS No. 970150, Final EIS, NCP, DC, New Washington Convention Center, Construction and Operation, Possible Sites are Mount Vernon Square and Northeast No. 1, Washington Convention Center Authority, Washington, DC, Due: May 27, 1997, Contact: Reginald Griffith (202) 724-0174.

EIS No. 970151, Draft EIS, FRC, MA, NH, ME, Portland Natural Gas Transmission System (PNCTS)/Maritimes Phase I Joint Facilities Project, NPDES Permit, COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Dracut, MA; Wells, ME and NH, Due: June 09, 1997, Contact: Paul McKee (202) 208-1088.

Amended Notices

EIS No. 970041, Draft EIS, AFS, FL, Florida National Forests, Revised Land and Resource Management Plan, Implementation, Apalachicola, Choctowhatchee, Ocala and Osceola National Forests, Several Counties, FL, Due: June 06, 1997, Contact: Karl P. Siderits (904) 942-9300. Published FR 02-07-97—Review Period extended.

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Environmental Protection Agency

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Science Advisory Board; Notification of Public Advisory Committee Meeting May 13-15, 1997

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that the Ecological Processes and Effects Committee (EPEC) of the Science Advisory Board (SAB) will meet on May 13-15, 1997, in Room 2103 of the EPA Waterside Mall Complex, 401 M Street, SW., Washington, DC 20460. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. eastern time and end no later than 5:00 p.m. eastern time each day. The meeting will be open to the public and seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Members of the public should use the EPA entrance next to the Safeway Store, and sign in with the guard desk on the second floor. The purpose of the meeting is to: (1) Engage in a consultation with the Agency on a proposal to develop a sediment quality criterion for PAH mixtures; (2) review the Superfund ecotox thresholds for water and sediment; (3) review the research strategy and research plan for the Agency's Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Program (EMAP); and (4) prepare an advisory on Phase II of the Agency's National Watershed Assessment Project.

Additional Information: For additional information on the meeting,

including a draft agenda, contact Ms. Wanda R. Fields, SAB Committee Operations Staff, at FAX 202-260-7118 or via the Internet at Fields.Wanda@epamail.epa.gov. Documents that are the subject of SAB reviews are normally available from the originating EPA office and are *not* available from the SAB Office. To request copies of background materials provided to the Committee, contact the appropriate Agency staff, as indicated: (1) Consultation on PAH Mixtures Criterion—Heidi Bell, Office of Water, (202) 260-5464; (2) Superfund Ecotox Thresholds—Steve Ells, Office of Emergency and Remedial Response, (703) 603-8822, or via the EPA Home Page (at <http://www.epa.gov/superfund/>); (3) Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Program—Gil Veith, EPA National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, (919) 541-4130; and (4) National Watershed Assessment Project—Lynda Buie, Assessment and Watershed Protection Division, (202) 260-7046.

Anyone wishing to make a brief oral presentation at the meeting must contact Ms. Stephanie Sanzone, Designated Federal Official for EPEC, no later than 4:00 p.m. on May 7, 1997, at (202) 260-6557, fax (202) 260-7118, or via the Internet at sanzone.stephanie@epamail.epa.gov. The request should identify the name of the individual who will make the presentation and an outline of the issues to be addressed. At least 35 copies of any written comments to the Committee are to be given to Ms. Sanzone no later than the time of the presentation for distribution to the Committee and the interested public. See below for additional information on providing comments to the SAB.

Providing Oral or Written Comments at SAB Meetings

The Science Advisory Board expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral or written statements. In general, each individual or group making an oral presentation will be limited to a total time of ten minutes. For conference call meetings, opportunities for oral comment will be limited to no more than five minutes per speaker and no more than fifteen minutes total. Written comments (at least 35 copies) received in the SAB Staff Office sufficiently prior to a meeting date, may be mailed to the relevant SAB committee or subcommittee prior to its meeting; comments received too close to the meeting date will normally be provided