

Resource Conservation Commission stating that these budgets are adequate and can be used for conformity determinations.

Therefore, the budgets contained in the submitted SIPs as referenced above may be used for transportation conformity by the respective Metropolitan Planning Organizations in Houston and El Paso.

Dated: October 4, 1999.

Jerry Clifford,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 6.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-6247-1]

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 October 04, 1999 Through October 08, 1999

Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 990358, FINAL EIS, AFS, UT, Wasatch Powderbird Guides Permit Renewal, Proposal to Conduct Guided Helicopter Skiing Activities on National Forest System Land, Issuance of a Special-Use-Permit, Wasatch-Cache National Forest, Uinta National Forest, Salt Lake County, UT, Due: November 15, 1999, Contact: Rob Cruz (801) 733-2685.

EIS No. 990359, FINAL EIS, COE, PA, Lackawanna River Flood Protection Project, To Provide the Plot and Green Ridge Reevaluation, Scranton Local Flood Protection, Lackawanna River, Lackawanna County, PA, Due: November 15, 1999, Contact: Michele Bistany (410) 962-4934.

EIS No. 990360, FINAL EIS, NOA, Calico Scallop Fishery and Sargassum Habitat Fishery, Fishery Management Plans Establishment and Implementation, South Atlantic Region, Due: November 15, 1999, Contact: Steve Branstetter (727) 570-5305.

The above FEIS close the Sargassum Fishery Management Plan Portion of DEIS 1980260, The Calico Scallop Fishery Management Plan portion of the DEIS will be closed at a later date.

EIS No. 990361, FINAL EIS, COE, TN, KY, Reelfoot Lake Project, Implementation of Wetland Preservation, Waterfowl Habitat Restoration, Fishery Improvement,

Lake and Obion Counties, TN and Fulton County, KY, Due: November 15, 1999, Contact: Richard Hite (901) 544-0706.

EIS No. 990362, DRAFT EIS, AFS, MT, ID, Yellowstone Pipeline Missoula to Thompson Falls Reroute, Construction and Operation, Special-Use-Permit and Right-of-Way Easement, Missoula, Sanders and Mineral Counties, MT and Shoshone County, ID, Due: November 29, 1999, Contact: Terry Egenhoff (406) 329-3833.

EIS No. 990363, DRAFT EIS, AFS, OR, Five Rivers Watershed Landscape Management Project, To Restore Terrestrial and Aquatic Habitat, Special-Use-Permit, Siuslaw National Forest, Waldport Ranger District, Lincoln and Lane Counties, OR, Due: December 30, 1999, Contact: Doris Tai (541) 563-3211.

EIS No. 990364, FINAL SUPPLEMENT, FHW, IA, Central Business District Loop Arterial Construction, Harding Road and I-235 to US 65 at Scott Avenue, Funding and 404 Permit, Polk County, IA, Due: November 22, 1999, Contact: Bobby Blockmon (512) 233-7300.

EIS No. 990365, FINAL EIS, NRC, MD, Generic EIS—Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant Unit 1 and 2, License Renewal of Nuclear Plant, Calvert County, MD, Due: November 15, 1999, Contact: Thomas J. Kenyon (301) 415-1170.

EIS No. 990366, FINAL EIS, COE, CA, Tule River Basin Investigation Project, Plan to Increase Flood Protection Downstream of Success Dam and Increase Storage Space in Lake Success for Irrigation Water, Tule River, Tulace and King Counties, CA, Due: November 15, 1999, Contact: Mario Parker (916) 557-6701.

EIS No. 990367, DRAFT EIS, COE, CA, San Timoteo Creek Reach 3B Flood Control Project, Flood Protection, Construction, Operation and Maintenance, San Bernardino County, CA, Due: November 29, 1999, Contact: Joy Jaiswal (213) 452-3871.

EIS No. 990368, DRAFT EIS, BLM, NM, Albuquerque Field Office Riparian and Aquatic Habitats Management, To Restore and Protect, Rio Puerco Resource Management Plan Amendment (RMPA), Cibola, Sandoval, McKinley, Rio Arriba, Bernalillo, Valencia and Santa Fe Counties, NM, Due: January 12, 2000, Contact: Jim Silva (505) 761-8901.

EIS No. 990369, DRAFT EIS, BLM, NM, Farmington Field Office Riparian and Aquatic Habitat Management, To Restore and Protect, Farmington Riparian and Aquatic Habitat

Management Plan, San Juan, McKinley, Rio Arriba and Sandoval Counties, NM, Due: January 12, 2000, Contact: Robert Moore (505) 599-6311.

EIS No. 990370, DRAFT EIS, BLM, NM, Las Cruces Field Office Riparian and Aquatic Habitat Management, To Restore and Protect, Mimbres Resource Management Plan, Dona Ana, Luna, Grant and Hidalgo Counties, NM, Due: January 12, 2000, Contact: Bill Merhege (505) 525-4369.

EIS No. 990371, DRAFT EIS, BLM, NM, Taos Field Office Riparian and Aquatic Habitat Management, To Restore and Protect, Colfax, Harding, Los Alamos, Mora, Rio Arriba, San Miquel, Santa Fe, Taos and Unison Counties, NM, Due: January 12, 2000, Contact: Pam Herrera (505) 751-4705.

Amended Notices

EIS No. 990229, DRAFT EIS, AFS, MT, NB, WY, ND, SD, Dakota Prairie Grasslands, Nebraska National Forest Units and Thunder Basin National Grassland, Land and Resource Management Plans 1999 Revisions, Implementation, MT, NB, WY, ND and SD, Due: November 29, 1999, Contact: Pam Gardner (308) 432-0300. Published FR 07-16-99 Review Period Extended. from 10-13-99 to 11-29-99.

EIS No. 990341, FINAL EIS, FHW, MS, Airport Parkway/Mississippi 25 Connectors, Construction Beginning at Intersection of High Street/ Interstate 55 (I-55), Ending at Mississippi 25, City of Jackson, Hinds and Rankin Counties, MS, Due: November 01, 1999, Contact: Cecil W. Vick, Jr. (601) 965-4217. Published FR 10-01-99 Correction to Title.

Dated: October 12, 1999.

William D. Dickerson,

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6458-2]

Determination of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant's Compliance With Applicable Federal Environmental Laws for the Period October 1996-1998

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has

determined that, for the period October 1996 to October 1998, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has submitted documentation that the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP), operated by DOE, was in compliance with applicable Federal statutes, regulations, and permit requirements designated in Section 9(a)(1) of the WIPP Land Withdrawal Act, as amended. The Secretary of Energy was notified of the determination via letter from EPA Administrator Carol M. Browner dated October 7, 1999.

This determination is made under the authority of Section 9 of the WIPP Land Withdrawal Act (WIPP LWA). (Pub. L. 102-579 and 104-201.) Section 9(a)(1) of the WIPP LWA requires that, as of the date of the enactment of the WIPP LWA, DOE shall comply with respect to WIPP with (1) regulations for the management and storage of radioactive waste (40 CFR Part 191, Subpart A); (2) the Clean Air Act; (3) the Solid Waste Disposal Act; (4) the Safe Drinking Water Act; (5) the Toxic Substances Control Act; (6) the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; and (7) all other applicable Federal laws pertaining to public health and safety or the environment. Section 9(a)(2) of the WIPP LWA requires DOE biennially to submit to EPA documentation of continued compliance with the laws, regulations, and permit requirements set forth in Section 9(a)(1). (DOE is required biennially to submit documentation of compliance with the Solid Waste Disposal Act to the State of New Mexico.) Section 9(a)(3) requires the Administrator of EPA to determine on a biennial basis, following the submittal of documentation of compliance by the Secretary of DOE, whether the WIPP is in compliance with the pertinent laws, regulations, and permit requirements, as set forth at Section 9(a)(1).

EPA has determined that for the period October 1996 to October 1998, DOE has submitted documentation which indicates continued compliance with 40 CFR Part 191, Subpart A, the Clean Air Act, the Safe Drinking Water Act, the Toxic Substances Control Act, and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act. With respect to other applicable Federal laws pertaining to public health and safety or the environment, as required by Section 9(a)(1)(G), DOE's documentation also indicates that DOE was in compliance with the Clean Water Act, the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), and certain statutes under the jurisdiction of the Department of Interior.

This determination is not in any way related to, or a part of, EPA's certification decision regarding whether the WIPP complies with the disposal standards for transuranic radioactive waste (40 CFR Part 191). EPA's certification rulemaking was conducted pursuant to Section 8(d) of the WIPP LWA and is wholly separate from this regulatory action.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nick Stone; telephone number: 214-665-7226; address: WIPP Project Officer, Mail Code 6PD-N, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, TX 75202. Materials related to this determination have been placed in Docket A-98-49, Item II-B3, located at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Air Docket Section, Room M-1500, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20460. The docket is open for public inspection from 8:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays. A reasonable fee may be charged for photocopying services.

Dated: October 7, 1999.

Carol M. Browner,
Administrator.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6458-3]

Peer Review of Agency Strategy for Research on Environmental Risks to Children

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a workshop organized by Eastern Research Group, Inc., a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) contractor, to obtain scientific peer-review of an EPA Office of Research and Development (ORD) draft Research Strategy entitled: Strategy for Research on Environmental Risks to Children. **DATES:** The peer review workshop will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 9, 1999, and begin at 8:30 a.m. and end no earlier than 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 10, 1999. Members of the public may attend as observers. Due to limited space, seating at the meetings will be on a first-come first-serve basis.

ADDRESSES: The peer review will be held at the Holiday Inn Capitol, 550 C Street, SW, Washington, DC 20024. To attend the workshop as an observer,

contact Eastern Research Group, Inc., Telephone: (781) 674-7374. Space is limited so please register early.

AVAILABILITY OF REVIEW MATERIALS: An electronic version of the draft Research Strategy is accessible on EPA's National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA) home page via the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/ncea/new.htm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The EPA has contracted with Eastern Research Group, Inc., (ERG, Inc., 110 Hartwell Avenue, Lexington, Massachusetts 02421). To attend the meeting as an observer, please preregister by calling ERG at 781-674-7374 or fax a registration request to 781-674-2906. Upon registration, you will be sent an agenda and a logistical fact sheet.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: ERG is convening the peer review panel to review a draft Strategy for Research on Environmental Risks to Children. The peer review panel is requested to comment on the extent to which the Research Strategy clearly identifies the appropriate strategic directions for a core research program that will develop the methods, models, and measurements to strengthen the scientific foundation for risk assessments for children across EPA and to reduce children's risks.

The Research Strategy aims to strike a balance between research directed at basic issues, such as whether children are more susceptible or highly exposed to particular environmental substances, and research that will provide the methods and models to support risk assessments of environmental substances as they are conducted in the EPA Programs.

After considering recommendations from extramural advisory groups, as well as from senior scientists from across EPA's Program and Regional Offices, ORD has identified, in the Research Strategy, the strategic directions for its Children's Health Research Program. While the Research Strategy delineates the research areas comprising the framework for the Children's Health Research Program, the details of the research areas, including the scientific approach at the individual project level, and the anticipated products, performance measures, and schedules, will be included in subsequent research plans and are not a part of this Research Strategy. ERG is undertaking the establishment of a peer review panel to review the Research Strategy.