

k. *Description of Transfer:* The Yakima-Tieton Irrigation District (YTID) has determined that it does not wish to complete the development of the project itself and has solicited bid proposals from qualified hydroelectric project developers. American Energy, L.L.C. submitted a proposal that was determined by YTID to be the best bid and was accepted by YTID. In accordance with the transfer agreement between American Energy, L.L.C. and YTID, American Energy, L.L.C. will acquire the project license, subject to Commission approval, and continue with the development of the project, for which construction was commenced on May 18, 2001 by fabrication of the project generating equipment.

l. *Location of the Application:* Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" and follow the instructions ((202) 208-2222 for assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

o. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents*—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTEST", OR "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

p. *Agency Comments*—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the

Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[ER-FRL-6620-5]**

### **Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability**

*Responsible Agency:* Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7167 or [www.epa.gov/oeca/ofa](http://www.epa.gov/oeca/ofa).

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements

Filed July 23, 2001 Through July 27, 2001

Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

*EIS No. 010272*, Draft EIS, AFS, WA, Stimson Access Project, To Access their Private Property through National Forest System Lands, Idaho Panhandle National Forests, Priest Lake Ranger District, Pend Oreille County, WA, Comment Period Ends: September 17, 2001, Contact: Debbie Butler (208) 443-2512.

*EIS No. 010273*, Draft EIS, NPS, DC, Mary McLeod Bethune Council House National Historic Site, Implementation, General Management Plan, Washington, DC, Comment Period Ends: October 5, 2001, Contact: Diann Jacox (202) 673-2402. This document is available on the Internet at <http://www.MAMC-GMP@nps.gov>.

*EIS No. 010274*, Final EIS, AFS, ID, Starbuck Restoration Project, Implementation of Vegetative Treatment, Road Construction and Watershed Improvements, Nez Perce National Forest, Red River Ranger District, Idaho County, ID, Wait Period Ends: September 4, 2001, Contact: Kevin Martin (208) 842-2245.

*EIS No. 010275*, Final EIS, BOP, LA, Pollock Federal Correctional Institution, Construction and Operation, near Town of Pollock, Grant Parish, LA, Wait Period Ends: September 4, 2001, Contact: David J. Dorworth (202) 514-6470.

*EIS No. 010276*, Draft EIS, AFS, MT, West Lake Timber Sale and Road Decommissioning Project, Implementation, Gallatin National

Forest, Hebgen Lake Ranger District, Gallatin County, MT, Comment Period Ends: October 2, 2001, Contact: Susan Lamont (406) 832-6976. This document is available on the Internet at [www.fs.fed.us/rl/gallatin/projects/wlake.shtml](http://www.fs.fed.us/rl/gallatin/projects/wlake.shtml).

*EIS No. 010277*, Draft EIS, AFS, UT, Griffin Springs Resource Management Project, Implementation, Commercial Timber Harvesting, Aspen Regeneration, Management Ignited Prescribed Fire, and Road Work, Dixie National Forest, Escalante Ranger District, Garfield County, UT, Comment Period Ends: September 17, 2001, Contact: Mary Wagner (435) 865-3701.

*EIS No. 010278*, Draft EIS, AFS, CA, Mineral Forest Recovery Project, Proposes to Construct Defensible Fuel Profile Zones (DFPZs), Lassen National Forest, Almanor Ranger District, Tehama County, CA, Comment Period Ends: September 17, 2001, Contact: Mary Lou Mini (530) 258-2141.

*EIS No. 010279*, Draft EIS, AFS, ID, Little Blacktail Ecosystem Restoration Project, To Improve the Health and Productivity of Terrestrial and Aquatic Habitats, Idaho Panhandle National Forests, Sandpoint Ranger District, Bonner County, ID, Comment Period Ends: September 17, 2001, Contact: Nancy Kertis (208) 265-6616. This document is available on the Internet at <http://www.fs.fed.us/ipnf/eco/manage/nepa/index.html>.

*EIS No. 010280*, Draft Supplement, FHW, IA, IA-100 Extension Around Cedar Rapids, Edgewood Road to US 30, Reevaluation of the Project Corridor and Changes in Environmental Requirements, Funding and US Army COE 404 Permit Issuance, Linn County, IA, Comment Period Ends: September 24, 2001, Contact: Bobby W. Blackmon (515) 233-7300.

*EIS No. 010281*, Draft EIS, FTA, CA, BART-Oakland International Airport Connector, Extending south from the Existing Coliseum BART Station, about 3.2 miles, to the Airport Terminal Area, Alameda County, CA, Comment Period Ends: September 17, 2001, Contact: Donna Turchie (415) 744-3116.

*EIS No. 010282*, Draft Supplement, FHW, NC, US-1 Transportation Improvements, Updated Information, From Sandhill Road (NC 1971) to just North of Fox Road (NC 1606) to Marston Road (NC 1001) Associated with this Extension, Funding, and COE Section 404 Permit, City of Rockingham, Richmond County, NC, Comment Period Ends: September 17,

2001, Contact: Nicholas L. Graf, P.E. (919) 856-4346.

*EIS No. 010283*, Draft EIS, AFS, PR, Caribbean National Forest, Constructing the Rio Sabana Picnic Area Construction, Rio Sabana Trail Reconstruction and Highway PR 191 Reconstruction from Km. 21.3 to Km 20.0, Special-Use-Permit, PR, Comment Period Ends: September 17, 2001, Contact: Ricardo Garcia (787) 888-5640.

*EIS No. 010284*, Draft EIS, AFS, NM, Talpa-to-Penasco Proposed to Construct and Operate 69 kV Transmission Line, Kit Carson Electric Cooperative, Carson National Forest, Camine Real Ranger District, Taos County, NM, Comment Period Ends: October 01, 2001, Contact: Sher Churchill (505) 758-6200. This document is available on the Internet at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/carson>.

*EIS No. 010285*, Draft Supplement, AFS, CO, Uncompahgre National Forest Travel Plans Revision, And Forest Plan Amendment, Updated Information, Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests, Garrison, Hinsdale Mesa, Montrose, Ouray, San Juan Counties, CO, Comment Period Ends: September 17, 2001, Contact: Jeff Burch (970) 874-6600. This document is available on the Internet at [www.fs.fed.us/r2/gmug](http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/gmug).

*EIS No. 010286*, Final EIS, FHW, MO, MO-60 Transportation Improvements, East of Willow Springs to West of Van Buren, Funding, Forest Land Acquisition and US Army COE 404 Permit Issuance, (Job No. J9P0455) Howell, Shannon and Carter Counties, MO, Wait Period Ends: September 7, 2001, Contact: Don Neumann (573) 636-7104.

*EIS No. 010287*, Final EIS, COE, CA, Delta Wetlands Project, Construction and Operation Water Storage Project on Four Islands in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, Approval of Permits, San Joaquin and Contra Costa Counties, CA, Wait Period Ends: September 4, 2001, Contact: Mike Finan (916) 557-5324.

Dated: July 31, 2001.

**Joseph C. Montgomery,**

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-6620-6]

### Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared 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 FR dated April 14, 2000 (65 FR 20157).

#### Draft EISs

*ERP No. D-AFS-J65345-MT Rating EC2*, Pink Stone Fire Recovery and Associated Activities, To Reduce Existing and Expected Future Fuel Accumulations, Kootena National Forest, Rexford Ranger District, Lincoln County, MT.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns with adverse impacts of timber harvest to fire stressed streams with increased peak flows. EPA recommended that the final EIS assure that the preferred alternative avoid and minimize further adverse impacts to already fire stressed water bodies and include the necessary monitoring and mitigation of watershed effects.

*ERP No. D-AFS-L65373-AK Rating EO2*, Gravina Island Timber Sale, Implementation, Timber Harvest and Related Activities, Ketchikan-Misty Fiords Ranger District, Tongass National Forest, AK.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental objections to the severity of impacts from building and operating new roads in roadless areas, cumulative impacts to adjacent non-federal lands, to old growth forest and associated deer habitat, to an important subsistence resource, and to aquatic resources. EPA recommends that the final EIS further analyze cumulative impacts, the range of alternatives, including a new alternative that combines helicopter and ground based harvest and mitigation measures, such as better management of forest roads following timber harvest, including road obliteration.

*ERP No. D-FHW-G40165-NM Rating LO*, US 70 Corridor Improvement, Between Ruidoso Downs to Riverside, Implementation, Right-of-Way Acquisition, Lincoln County, NM.

Summary: EPA has no objections to the selection of the preferred alternative

with implementation of the mitigation measures as described in the DEIS. The final mitigation plan must be incorporated into the Record of Decision Document as presented in the Final EIS.

*ERP No. D-FHW-G40166-LA Rating EC2*, I-49 Connector, Construction from Evangeline Thruway US-90 and US-197 in Urbanized Lafayette, Funding, COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Parish of Lafayette, LA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding air quality, water resources, solid waste sites, and mitigation commitments. EPA suggested additional information be presented in the FEIS regarding these issues.

*ERP No. D-FHW-K40244-CA Rating EC2*, CA-120 Oakdale Expressway Project, Construction and Operation, Post Mile 3.0 to Post Mile R12.9 near Oakdale, Funding, US Army COE Section 404 and NPDES Permits Issuance, Stanislaus County, CA.

Summary: EPA supported the need to alleviate congestion and improve safety, but expressed concern with potential indirect and cumulative impacts and the adequacy of proposed mitigation measures. EPA also acknowledged that Alternative 2A appeared to have the least environmental impacts on high quality riparian forest, oak woodlands, and specific threatened and endangered species and appeared to have the most balanced earthwork and minimal to moderate impacts on agricultural lands, business and home relocations, utilities, and visual quality.

*ERP No. D-FTA-E54010-NC Rating EC1*, Phase I Regional Rail System Improvements, Durham to Raleigh to North Raleigh, Implementation, Durham and Wake Counties, NC.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns regarding wetlands, noise, and minority and low-income populations impacts.

*ERP No. D-FTA-K54024-CA Rating EC2*, San Fernando Valley East-West Transit Corridor Project, Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) on former Burbank/Chandler Southern Pacific Rail, Right-of-Way, Development and Implementation, Los Angeles County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns regarding air conformity analysis and the provision of adequate mitigation measures as well as the potential environmental justice impacts of the park-and-ride facility proposed at the Oxnard/Van Nuys Station. EPA requested additional analysis and documentation on both of these issues.

#### Final EISs

*ERP No. F-FHW-G40159-TX*, US Highway 183 Alternate Project,