

of the ten EPA Regions, and invite one or two representatives from each State to participate along with Regional personnel. At the request of the States which participated in the pilot roundtable in Region III, the Agency will provide the interview questions in the form of a questionnaire to each of the participants in advance of the roundtable so that each participating organization may prepare for the roundtables and afterwards prepare detailed written responses. The Agency will conduct the roundtables as a group discussion of the questionnaire topics with managers and/or inspectors from the Region and each of the states in the Region. Participants will then return to their states, distribute the questionnaire across media organizations, complete written responses to the questionnaire, and then forward the responses to EPA.

State involvement and participation is essential if the CIP is to succeed. Consultation and coordination with each State participating in the roundtable process is an integral part of the overall project design. Each participating State will receive opportunities to comment on all aspects of the Project, including the design and the content of our discussion questions and work products, and how the new information is used. EPA has extended similar opportunities for involvement to the Environmental Council of States and all of the major State environmental associations. Initial responses to the Project from the States have been positive. In general, the States appear to share EPA's interest in exploring for new sources of compliance information. The States will receive access to all of the compliance information gathered by EPA through the Project, whether from federal, state, or non-governmental sources.

Responses to the information collection request are voluntary and not required to obtain or retain any benefit. The Agency will ask persons who participate in the CIP not to refer to specific persons, facilities, or cases by name, nor collect, as part of this project, references to specific persons, facilities, or cases in any form, unless such information is already in the public record. The Agency will not, and in fact will be unable to, use compliance information collected through the CIP to form compliance conclusions, rank or index performance of specific persons, facilities, or cases. The Agency will not ask for, nor collect, any confidential business information (CBI). All information submitted to the Agency for which a claim of confidentiality is made will be safeguarded. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not

required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15. The **Federal Register** document required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on 12/30/97. No comments were received.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 117 hours per responding entity. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Respondents/Affected Entities: States.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 50.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 5,850 hours.

Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden: \$260,667.

Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the following addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 1802.01 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OPPE Regulatory Information Division (2137), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460; and

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: April 27, 1998.

Joseph Retzer,

Director, Regulatory Information Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-5491-3]

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 20, 1998 Through April 24, 1998

Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 980142, Final EIS, AFS, ID, Sandpoint Noxious Weed Control Project, Implementation, Proposing to control noxious weeds on 46 sites, Idaho Panhandles National Forests, Sandpoint Ranger District, Bonner County, ID, Due: June 01, 1998, Contact: Betsy Hammet (208) 263-5111.

EIS No. 980143, Draft EIS, OSM, TN, Fall Creek Falls Petition Evaluation Document, Implementation, Designate the Land as Unsuitable for Surface Coal Mining Operation, Van Buren and Bledsoe Counties, TN, Due: July 30, 1998, Contact: Sam K. Bae (202) 208-2633.

EIS No. 980144, Final EIS, FRC, WA, Skagit River Basin Hydroelectric Projects, Eight Projects—(FERC. No. 10100) (FERC. No. 4437) (FERC. No. 4376) (FERC. No. 9787) (FERC. No. 10311) (FERC. No. 6984) and FERC No. 10269 and No. 10416) Construction and Operation, Licensing, Whatcom and Skagit Counties, WA, Due: June 01, 1998, Contact: Gordon Warren (202) 219-2836.

EIS No. 980145, Legislative Draft, COE, WA, Howard A. Hanson Dam (HHD Additional Water Storage (AWS) Phase I Project, Construction and Operation, Green River Basin, Pierce and King Counties, WA, Due: June 15, 1998, Contact: Ms. Kris Loll (206) 764-3548.

EIS No. 980146, Draft Supplement, AFS, SD, Anchor Hill Mine Expansion Project in Gilt Edge Mine, Additional Information and Clarification, Plan-of-Operations, Approval Black Hills National Forest, SD, Due: June 15, 1998, Contact: Don Murray (605) 578-2744.

EIS No. 980147, Final EIS, USN, CA, Mare Island, Naval Shipyard Disposal and Reuse, Implementation, City of Valley, Solano County, CA, Due: June 01, 1998, Contact: Jerry Hemstock (650) 244-3023.

Dated: April 28, 1998.

William D. Dickerson,

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-5491-4]

Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared April 13, 1998 Through April 17, 1998 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 10, 1998 (63 FR 17856).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-AFS-L65300-AK Rating LO, Canal-Hoya Timber Sale, Implementation, Stikine Area, Tongass National Forest, Value Comparison Unit (VCU), AK.

Summary: EPA used a screening tool to conduct a limited review of this action. Based upon the screen, EPA does not foresee having any environmental objections to the proposed project. Therefore, EPA will not be conducting a detailed review.

ERP No. D-BLM-L08054-AK Rating LO, Northern Intertie Project, Construction of 230 kV Transmission Line from Healy to Fairbanks, AK, Application for Right-of-Way Grant, Gold Valley Electric Association, AK.

Summary: EPA used a screening tool to conduct a limited review of this action. Based upon the screen, EPA does not foresee having any environmental objections to the proposed project. Therefore, EPA will not be conducting a detailed review.

ERP No. D-NOA-E39041-SC Rating EC2, Marine Environmental Health Research Laboratory (MEHRL), Construction and Operation of Premiere, High Technology and Marine Research Center, Approval of Permits, Charleston County, SC.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns and about lack of discussion on fuel storage tanks, spill prevention and containment strategies in the event of a tank runover and

impacts from running laboratory ventilation hoods.

ERP No. D-UMC-K11088-CA Rating EO2, Tustin Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Disposal and Reuse, Implementation, Orange County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental objections due to projected adverse impacts to wetlands and other jurisdictional waters. EPA requested that the final EIS demonstrate that all practicable measures were taken to avoid and minimize the placement of fill in wetlands and other aquatic resources. EPA, also expressed concern about potential impacts associated with the use of fertilizers and pesticides at the golf course and recommended that final EIS examine reasonable opportunities to reduce the use of fertilizers and pesticides.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-BLM-J01076-WY, Powder River (WYW136142) and Thundercloud (WYW136458) Coal Lease Applications, Federal Coal Leasing, Campbell and Converse Counties, WY.

Summary: EPA's review has not identified any potential environmental impacts.

ERP No. F-BLM-K67046-NV, Olinghouse Mine Project, Construction of Two Open Pits, Waste Dump, Haul Road and Cyanide Heap Leach Pads, Plan-of-Operation Approval Carson City, Washoe County, NV.

Summary: EPA concerns were addressed in the Final EIS. EPA still have environmental concerns about potential impacts to nearby springs and potentially adverse pit lake chemistry. EPA requested that the Record of Decision (ROD) include specific mitigation and monitoring provisions on these two issues.

ERP No. F-NOA-L91001-AK, Juneau Consolidated Facility, Space for the University of Alaska Fairbanks School of Fisheries and Ocean Science (UAF), Possible Site Lena Point, Fisheries Management Operation, 'Vision for 2005', Juneau, AK.

Summary: EPA continues to have environmental concerns regarding wastewater treatment at the proposed facility and the Record of Decision should specify whether the facility will tie into the existing City and Borough of Juneau treatment system or operate an on-site treatment plant.

ERP No. F-US-J11014-CO United States Army Garrison, Fitzsimons (Formerly Fitzsimons Army Medical Center) Disposal and Reuse for BRAC-95, Implementation, City of Aurora, Denver County, CO.

Summary: EPA expressed lack of objections.

ERP No. FS-USA-E65040-MS, Camp Shelby Continued Military Training Activities, Use of National Forest Lands, Updated Information, Final Site Selected Authorization for Implementation of the Proposed G. V. (Sonny) Montgomery Ranges, Special Use Permit, DeSoto National Forest, Forrest, George and Perry Counties, MS.

Summary: EPA's initial comments on developing this training range have largely been addressed by additional data/exposition. However, certain concerns will only be verified after the range becomes operational. Therefore, EPA will continue to participate in the interagency team, which will be monitoring the facility's progress.

Dated: April 28, 1998.

William D. Dickerson,

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-00536; FRL-5788-6]

State FIFRA Issues Research and Evaluation Group (SFIREG) Pesticide Operations and Management Working Committee; Open Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The State FIFRA Issues Research and Evaluation Group (SFIREG) Pesticide Operations and Management Working Committee will hold a 2-day meeting, May 18 and 19, 1998. This notice announces the location and times for the meeting and sets forth the tentative agenda topics. The meetings are open to the public.

DATES: The SFIREG Working Committee on Pesticide Operations and Management will meet on Monday, May 18, 1998, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Tuesday, May 19, 1998, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at: The Claremont Hotel, 2000 Fourth Avenue at Virginia, Seattle, WA 98121.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Elaine Y. Lyon, Field and External Affairs Division, Office of Pesticide Programs (7506C) Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington-Crystal City, VA 22202, CM-II, (703) 305-5306, (703) 308-1850 (fax); e-mail: lyon.elaine@epamail.epa.gov.