

program revision on November 4, 1998, at 7:00 p.m. at the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Room 609, Twin Towers Office Building, 2600 Blair Stone Rd., Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The UIC program was implemented under the federal Safe Drinking Water Act to prevent endangerment of all Underground Sources of Drinking Water (USDWs), which are aquifers capable of yielding a significant amount of drinking water containing less than 10,000 mg/liter of total dissolved solids. The State of Florida currently has primary responsibility for preventing endangerment of USDWs under the UIC program. If the application for program revision by FDEP is approved, regulatory changes made by FDEP at the state level would be approved as the federal UIC program.

The program proposed by the State regulates Class I, III, IV and V injection activities by establishing state permits including, for a variety of underground injection wells, technical requirements for the protection of USDWs. Such requirements include criteria for construction, testing, operation, monitoring, and abandonment of injection wells. At present, there are approximately 130 Class I and 8,160 Class V injection wells in Florida. FDEP has held primary enforcement authority for the UIC program since the program was originally approved by EPA on March 9, 1983. The application for program revision from the FDEP requests that EPA approve the program revision for primary administrative and enforcement authority for the regulation of Class I, III, IV and V injection wells on all lands subject to the State's police power and taxing authority and all lands owned or under the jurisdiction of the United States, except those wells located on Indian lands as defined in 40 CFR 144.3. The application includes a program description, copies of all applicable rules and forms, a statement of legal authority and appropriate memoranda of agreement.

FDEP has proposed to revise its UIC program due to statutory, regulatory and implementation revisions made since the program was initially delegated. The name of the agency has also changed from the Department of Environmental Regulation to the Department of Environmental Protection. Statutory

changes include the removal of the Governor's authority to allow the injection of hazardous waste into a Class IV well. All hazardous waste injection has been banned with the exception of the existing Class I hazardous well owned and operated by Kaiser Chemical Company located near Mulberry in Polk County. Florida modified the UIC regulations August 10, 1995, and June 24, 1997, to make its rules consistent with the federal program. The major rule changes include: Confidentiality and Availability of Information; Signatories; Management of Hazardous Waste; Compliance Schedules; Corrective Action; Permit Termination; Public Participation; Permit Modification; Permit Monitoring; Permit Reporting; and Mechanical Integrity Testing. FDEP also requires that Class V injection wells must meet federal primary drinking water standards at the point of discharge. Two aquifer exemptions have been granted since the program was originally approved. The two exemptions are: portion of the lower Floridan aquifer at the Sterling Fibers (formerly Cytec Industries and American Cyanamid) facility in Santa Rosa County and a portion of the upper Floridan aquifer at the Taylor Creek aquifer storage and recovery demonstration project in Okeechobee County.

Michael O. Peyton,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 4.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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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 September 21, 1998 Through September 25, 1998

Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 980375, Final EIS, BLM, CA, Fourmile Hill Geothermal Development Project, Construction, Operation and Maintenance of 49.9 megawatt (MW) Geothermal Power Plant, Federal Geothermal Leases CA-21924 and CA-21926, Glass Mountain Known Geothermal Resource Area, Klamath and Modoc National Forests, Siskiyou and Modoc Counties, CA, Due: November 02, 1998, Contact: Randall Sharp (530) 233-8848.

EIS No. 980376, Final EIS, NPS, MS, Natchez Trace Parkway, Construction of Section 3X Southern Terminus, Adam Counties, MS, Due: November 02, 1998, Contact: Wendell Simpson (601) 680-4003.

EIS No. 980377, Draft EIS, FHW, UT, Legacy Parkway Project, Construction from I-215 at 2100 North in Salt Lake City to I-15 and US 89 near Farmington, Funding and COE Section 404 Permit, Salt Lake and Davis Counties, UT, Due: December 01, 1998, Contact: Tom Allen (801) 963-0182.

EIS No. 980378, Draft Supplement, AFS, NV, Griffon Mining Project, Implementation, Updated Information, Revision for Expanding Gold Mining, Plan of Operations, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forests, Ely Ranger District, White Pine County, NV, Due: November 16, 1998, Contact: James Winfrey (702) 289-3031.

EIS No. 980379, Draft EIS, FHW, UT, I-15 North Corridor Project, Improvements from 400 South in Salt Lake City to 200 North in Kaysville, Funding and COE Section 404 Permit, Salt Lake and Davis Counties, UT, Due: December 01, 1998, Contact: Greg Punske (801) 963-0182.

EIS No. 980380, Final EIS, AFS, MT, Flathead National Forest, Management Direction Plan Related to Old Growth Forests, Forest Plan Amendment No. 21, Implementation, Flathead, Lake, Lincoln, Missoula and Lewis and Clark Counties, MT, Due: November 02, 1998, Contact: Jim Morrison (406) 758-5363.

EIS No. 980381, Legislative Draft EIS, UAF, AZ, Barry M. Goldwater Ranger (BMGR), Renewal of the Military Land Withdrawal, Yuma, Pima and Maricopa Counties, AZ, Due: December 31, 1998, Contact: Jack Bush (703) 604-0553.

EIS No. 980382, Legislative Draft EIS, UAF, NV, Nellis Air Force Range (NAFR), Renewal of the Land Withdrawal to Provide a Safe and Secure Location to Test Equipment and Train Military Personnel, Clark, Lincoln and Nye Counties, NV, Due: December 31, 1998, Contact: Jack Bush (703) 604-0553.

EIS No. 980383, Draft EIS, SFW, CA, Headwaters Forest Acquisition and the Palco Sustained Yield Plan and Habitat Conservation Plan, Implementation, Humboldt, Del Norte and Mendocino Counties, CA, Due: November 16, 1998, Contact: Ben Harrison (503) 231-2068.

EIS No. 980384, Final EIS, FAA, FL, Miami International Airport Master

Plan Update for the Proposed New Runway, Funding and COE Section 404 Permit, Miami-Dade County, FL, Due: November 02, 1998, Contact: Bart Vernace (407) 812-6331.

EIS No. 980385, Draft EIS, BLM, UT, Ferron Natural Gas Project, Proposal to Construct, Maintain and Operate a Natural Gas Transmission Pipeline, Application for Permit to Drill (APD), Special-Use-Permit and Right-of-Way Grant, Carbon and Emery Counties, UT, Due: November 25, 1998, Contact: George Diwachak (801) 539-4048.

EIS No. 980386, Final Supplement, COE, NY, NJ, Arthur Kill Channel—Howland Hook Marine Terminal, Deepening and Realignment, Limited Reevaluation Report (LRR) Port of New York and New Jersey, NY and NJ, Due: November 02, 1998, Contact: Vincent Guida (212) 264-5736.

EIS No. 980387, Final EIS, FHW, SC, Carolina Bays Parkway (better known as Grand Strand), Funding, NPDES Permit, COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Horry and Georgetown Counties, SC, Due: November 02, 1998, Contact: Kenneth R. Myers (803) 253-3881.

EIS No. 980388, Final EIS, FHW, SC, Cooper River Bridges Replacement Project, Grace Memorial/Silas N. Pearman Bridges on US 17 over Cooper River and Town Creek, Funding, COE Section 10/404 Permits and CGD Permit, Charleston County, SC, Due: November 02, 1998, Contact: Kenneth R. Myers (803) 253-3881.

Dated: September 29, 1998.

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Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared August 24, 1998 Through August 28, 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 (62 FR 17856).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-AFS-L65305-WA Rating EC2, Plum Creek Checkerboard Access Project, Grant Permanent Easements, Cle Elum and Naches Ranger Districts, Wenatchee National Forest, Kittitas County, WA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns with the potential impacts to water quality from direct and indirect effects of this project. EPA requests that the Forest Service and Plum Creek Timber incorporate BMP's based on the results of the watershed analysis.

ERP No. D-AFS-L65306-AK Rating EC2, Sea Level Harvest Timber Sale, Implementation, Tongass National Forest, Ketchikan Ranger District, U.S. Coast Guard Permit, NPDES Permit and COE Section 10 and 404 Permit, Revillagigedo (Revilla) Island/Cleveland Peninsula, AK.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about the potential impacts of the project on water quality and the marine environment. EPA requested more information.

ERP No. D-DOE-G06010-NM Rating EC2, Los Alamos National Laboratory Continued Operation Site-Wide, Implementation, Los Alamos County, NM.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns with the potential electrical power shortfall and the potential need of upgrading the existing electrical power transmission system and the need for subsequent NEPA analysis to identify possible alternatives to address this need.

ERP No. D-FTA-L40205-00 Rating EC2, South/North Corridor Project, Improvements to the Existing Urban Transportation, Funding, Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington Counties, OR and Clark County, WA.

Summary: EPA's concerns are based on issues related to: (1) Early involvement of EPA in the NEPA analysis process, (2) potential public health risks from disturbing CERCLIS and ECSI sites, (3) the appearance of disproportionate impacts to low and minority neighborhoods and inadequate analysis of race and ethnicity to neighborhoods affected by direct and indirect impacts (Environmental Justice).

ERP No. D-IBR-L31002-WA Rating EC2, Programmatic EIS—Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement (Phase 2) Project, Implementation, Benton, Yakima and Kittitas Counties, WA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns based on a lack

of information on water quality, indirect impacts from tribal water uses, the range of alternatives and environmental justice and impacts to the fishery resources.

ERP No. D-OSM-E61047-TN Rating EC2, Fall Creek Falls Petition Evaluation Document, Implementation, Designate the Land as Unsuitable for Surface Coal Mining Operation, Van Buren and Bledsoe Counties, TN.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns to water quality under a partial petition (Alternate 3.C.) coupled with a requirement that all mining plans in the remainder of the petition area require an individual EIS. Additional information on cumulative impacts was requested.

ERP No. D-USA-F11036-IN Rating EO2, Newport Chemical Depot, Construction and Operation, Pilot Testing of Neutralization/Supercritical Water Oxidation of VX Agent, Vermillion County, IN.

Summary: EPA requested that the Army include more information to substantiate the choice of alternative technologies brought forward for pilot testing. Additional concerns centered around the range of alternatives evaluated, future plans if pilot testing is successful, spill containment measures for VX and regulatory status of VX and byproducts of its treatment.

ERP No. D-USN-D11029-00 Rating EC2, Patuxent River Complex Project, Increased Flight and Related Ground Operations in Test Area, Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division (NAWCAD) Chesapeake Bay, Patuxent River, several counties, MD, DE and VA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns with the cumulative impacts resulting from increased flight operations. Specific areas of concern are noise, air quality, water and sediment quality, wildlife and fisheries, and aircraft operations and safety. More information is needed to fully assess the environmental impacts associated with the proposed increased activity.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-AFS-E65050-MI, Porter Creek Recreational Lake and Complex, Implementation, Homochitto National Forest, Homochitto Ranger District, Franklin County, MI.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about the need to adequately treat sewage entering in the Porter Creek water shed prior to opening the recreational reservoir to the public. EPA recommends the Forest Service be involved with monitoring the county's sewage treatment facility.