

does not authorize construction. The term of the proposed preliminary permit would be 36 months. The work proposed under the preliminary permit would include economic analysis, preparation of preliminary engineering plans, and a study of environmental impacts. Based on the results of these studies, the Applicant would decide whether to proceed with the preparation of a development application to construct and operate the project.

p. 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.

q. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION", "COMPETING APPLICATION", "PROTEST", "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Hydropower Administration and

Compliance, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above-mentioned address. A copy of any notice of intent, competing application or motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

r. 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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM98-1-000]

Regulations Governing Off-the-Record Communications; Public Notice

August 31, 2001.

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2201(h), of the receipt of exempt and prohibited off-the-record communications.

Order No. 607 (64 FR 51222, September 22, 1999) requires Commission decisional employees, who make or receive an exempt or a prohibited off-the-record communication relevant to the merits of a contested on-the-record proceeding, to deliver a copy of the communication, if written, or a summary of the substance

of any oral communication, to the Secretary.

Prohibited communications will be included in a public, non-decisional file associated with, but not part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become part of the decisional record, the prohibited off-the-record communication will not be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision. Parties to a proceeding may seek the opportunity to respond to any facts or contentions made in a prohibited off-the-record communication, and may request that the Commission place the prohibited communication and responses thereto in the decisional record. The Commission will grant such requests only when it determines that fairness so requires. Any person identified below as having made a prohibited off-the-record communication should serve the document on all parties listed on the official service list for the applicable proceeding in accordance with Rule 2010, 18 CFR 385.2010.

Exempt off-the-record communications will be included in the decisional record of the proceeding, unless the communication was with a cooperating agency as described by 40 CFR 1501.6, made under 18 CFR 385.2201(e)(1)(v).

The following is a list of exempt and prohibited off-the-record communications received in the Office of the Secretary within the preceding 14 days. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. The documents may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Exempt:		
1. Project No. 2539.013	8-30-01	Tim Welch.
Prohibited:		
1 ER01-889-000	8-28-01	Commissioner Wood (Memo to File).

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-6621-7]

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 May 18, 2001 (97 FR 27647).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-AFS-J65350-MT Rating EC2, West Lake Timber Sale and Road Decommissioning Project, Implementation, Gallatin National Forest, Hebgen Lake Ranger District, Gallatin County, MT.

Summary: EPA recommends including a higher level of road decommissioning in the preferred alternative, since reductions in road density are critical to aquatic health and wildlife security, including the threatened grizzly bear. Additional information should be presented regarding erosive soils, fisheries impacts and aquatic monitoring.

ERP No. D-BLM-K65233-NV Rating EC2, Falcon to Gonder 345kV Transmission Project, Construction, Resource Management Plan Amendments, Right-of-Way Grant, Lander, Elko, Eureka and White Pine Counties, NV.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns regarding the measures that would be used to minimize and mitigate project impacts to water quality. EPA recommended additional information regarding Clean Water Act Section 404 compliance, water quality mitigation measures, and polychlorinated biphenyls.

ERP No. D-COE-K39067-CA Rating EC2, Salinas Valley Water Project, Construction, Monterey County Water Resources Agency (MCWRA), Issuing of Permits or Approval of Action, Monterey and San Luis Obispo Counties, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed concern relating to impacts associated with basin hydrology, recreation, energy, potential growth inducement, riparian habitat, endangered Steelhead Salmon and the narrow scope of alternatives analyzed.

ERP No. D-COE-K39069-CA Rating LO, Pine Flat Dam Fish and Wildlife Habitat Restoration Investigation, Restoration and Protection of the Ecosystem for Fish and Wildlife Resources, King River Basin, Fresno County, CA.

Summary: While EPA has no objections to the action as proposed, it did request that some clarifying information be included in the FEIS.

ERP No. D-NOA-K39068-CA Rating LO, San Francisco Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, Proposes to Designate Three Sites: China Camp State Park, Brown's Island Regional Parks District, and Rush Ranch Open Space Preserve, Contra Costa, Marin and Solano Counties, CA.

Summary: EPA had no objections to the proposed designation, but noted that anticipated facility construction or

reconstruction would require supplemental environmental documentation.

ERP No. D-USN-K11106-HI Rating EC2, Programmatic EIS—Ford Island Development Program, Proposed Consolidation of Selected Operation at Pearl Harbor by Locating and Relocating Certain Activities Ford Island, HI.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns due to potential water quality impacts, especially as it affects the water quality of Pearl Harbor, designated by EPA as a water quality-limited segment under the Clean Water Act. EPA requested that water quality protection measures and additional pollution prevention measures be included in future environmental documents.

Dated: September 4, 2001.

B. Katherine Biggs,

Associate Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-6621-6]

Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7167 or www.epa.gov/oeca/ofa
Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements

Filed August 27, 2001 Through August 31, 2001

Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 010330, Draft EIS, AFS, MT, Kelsey-Beaver Fire Recovery Project, Implementation of Fuel Reduction and Salvage of Fire-Killed Trees within Roderick South, Kelsey Creek, and Upper Beaver Areas, Kootenai National Forest, Three Rivers Ranger District, Lincoln County, MT, Comment Period Ends: October 22, 2001, Contact: Kathy Mohar (406) 295-4693.

EIS No. 010331, Final EIS, BPA, OR, Condon Wind Project, To Execute One or More Power Purchase and Transmission Services Agreements To Acquire and Transmit up to the Full Electrical Output, NPDES Permits and Right-of-Way Permit for Public Land, Gilliam County, OR, Wait Period Ends: October 9, 2001, Contact: Sarah Branum (503) 230-5115. This document is available on the Internet at: www.efw.bpa.gov.

EIS No. 010332, Final Supplement, SFW, NY, VT, Lake Champlain Sea

Lamprey Control Long-Term Program, Proposal is to Achieve Fish Population, Recreational Fishery and Economic Benefits Associated with Reduced Sea Lamprey Predation Implementation, Clinton, Essex and Washington Counties, NY and Addison and Chittenden Counties, VT, Wait Period Ends: October 9, 2001, Contact: David C. Nettles (802) 872-0629.

EIS No. 010333, Final EIS, CDB, CA, West Hollywood Gateway Public/Private Partnership Construction Project, Multi-Story Office, Retail, Restaurant and Entertainment Use Development, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds Issuance, City of West Hollywood, Los Angeles County, CA, Wait Period Ends: October 9, 2001, Contact: DeAnn Johnson (323) 890-7186. This document is available on the Internet at: <http://www.lacdc.org>.

EIS No. 010334, Draft EIS, IBR, CA, American River Pump Station Project, Providing Placer County Water Agency (PCWA) with the Year-Round Access to its Middle Fork Project (MFP) Water Entitlements from the American River, Placer County, CA, Comment Period Ends: October 22, 2001, Contact: Rod Hall (916) 989-7279.

EIS No. 010335, Draft EIS, FHW, CA, CA-22/West Orange County Connection Project, Transportation Improvements between Interstate 605 and State Route 55, In the cities of Los Alamitos, Seal Beach, Garden Grove, Westminster, Santa Ana, and Orange, Orange County, CA, Comment Period Ends: October 30, 2001, Contact: Robert Cady (916) 498-5038.

EIS No. 010336, Final EIS, FAA, IL, WI, IN, Chicago Terminal Airspace Project (CTAP), For Proposed Air Traffic Control Procedures and Airspace Modification for Aircraft Operations to/from the Chicago Region, Including Chicago O'Hare International Airport, Chicago Midway Airport, Milwaukee Mitchell International Airport, IL, IN and WI, Wait Period Ends: October 9, 2001, Contact: Annette Davis (847) 294-8091.

Amended Notices

EIS No. 010246, Draft Supplement, MMS, ID, Smoky Canyon Mine Panels B and C, Propose to Mine Phosphate Ore Reserves in the Final Two Mine Panels, National Forest System Lands and Federal Mineral Leases, Caribou National Forest, Permit, Caribou County, ID, Due: October 11, 2001, Contact: Jeffery Cundick (208) 478-6354. Revision of FR Notice Published on 7/13/2001: CEQ Review Period