

EIS No. 030040, DRAFT EIS, AFS, WI, Hoffman-Sailor West Project, Proposal for Timber Harvest, Regeneration Activities, Connected Road Construction and Decommissioning Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, Medford/Park Falls Ranger District, Price County, WI, *Comment Period Ends*: March 17, 2003, *Contact*: Jane Darnell (715) 748-4875.

EIS No. 030041, FINAL EIS, EPA, FL, Peace River/Manasota Regional Surface Water Supply Authority's Surface Water Supply, Storage and Interconnect Project, Construction and Operation to Increase Finished Water Delivery Capacity of 32.7 Million Gallons Per Day To Meet Year 2015 Potable Water Demand, DeSoto, Manatee, Sarasota and Charlotte Counties, FL, *Wait Period Ends*: March 3, 2003, *Contact*: John Hamilton (404) 562-9617.

EIS No. 030042, FINAL EIS, DOE, WA, Schultz-Hanford Transmission Line Project, New 500 kilovolt (kV) Transmission Line Construction, Central Washington, north of Hanford connecting to existing line at the Schultz Substation, Kittitas, Yakima, Grant and Benton Counties, WA, *Wait Period Ends*: March 3, 2003, *Contact*: Nancy Wittpenn (503) 230-3297.

EIS No. 030043, FINAL EIS, JUS, CA, Sacramento County Juvenile Hall Expansion Project, To Accommodate 90 new beds in the Short-Term, and 240 new beds in the Long-Term, Sacramento County, CA, *Wait Period Ends*: March 3, 2003, *Contact*: John Veen (202) 616-2251.

EIS No. 030044, DRAFT EIS, FRC, WY, MT, ND, Grasslands Pipeline Project, Construct and Operate an Interstate Natural Gas Pipeline System, Docket No. CP02-037-000, WY, ND and MT, *Comment Period Ends*: March 17, 2003, *Contact*: Rich McGuire (202) 502-6177. This document is available on the Internet at: <http://www.ferc.gov>.

EIS No. 030045, FINAL SUPPLEMENT, BLM, NV, Betze-Post Project, Updated Information, Dewatering Operations and a Proposed Pipeline, Elko and Eureka Counties, NV, *Wait Period Ends*: March 3, 2003, *Contact*: Kirk Laird (775) 753-0272.

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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 12, 2002 (67 FR 17992).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-COE-K32012-CA Rating EC2, San Diego Harbor Deepening (Central Navigation Channel) involving Three Components: Deepening Federal Central Navigation Channel, Disposal of the Dredged Material at the LA-5 Ocean Disposal Site and Relocation and Disposal and Abandonment of a 69 kV Electrical Site, San Diego County.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns and requested additional information regarding potential connected actions, water quality, air quality, endangered species and environmental justice.

ERP No. D-COE-L32011-AK Rating EO2, Akutan Harbor Navigation Improvements Project, Construction and Implementation, Bering Sea, City of Akutan, AK.

Summary: EPA raised environmental objections to the recommended project alternative due to direct and indirect impacts to wetlands and the likely exceedances of fully allocated TMDLs for dissolved oxygen and settleable solid residues. EPA also determined that there was insufficient information regarding the full range of reasonable alternatives and potential mitigation measures. EPA recommended that the final EIS demonstrates that alternatives analysis and mitigation measures are consistent with the Clean Water Act Section 404(b)(1) guidelines and that the proposed alternative will not exceed established TMDLs.

ERP No. D-FHW-F40410-IL Rating LO, Milan Beltway Extension (FAU 5822), Airport Road to Blackhawk Road/John Deere Expressway, Funding and Permits Issuance, Rock River, Rock Island County, IL.

Summary: EPA believes that the proposed project will result in minimum adverse impacts to the

environment with appropriate mitigation and that we did not identify any outstanding environmental issues that need additional analysis.

ERP No. D-FHW-L40216-OR Rating EC2, Newberg-Dundee Transportation Improvement Project (TEA 21 Prog. #37), Proposal to Relieve Congestion on OR-9W through the Cities of Newberg and Dundee, Bypass Element Location (Tier 1), Yamhill County, OR.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concern regarding air quality and air toxics, environmental justice issues, alternatives, habitat connectivity effectiveness and wetland impacts. EPA requested additional information, analysis, mitigation and outreach regarding these issues.

ERP No. D-NRC-E05099-FL Rating EC1, Generic EIS—License Renewal of Nuclear Plants for the St. Lucie Units 1 and 2, Supplement 11, NUREG-1437, Implementation, Hutchinson Island, St. Lucie County, FL.

Summary: EPA has environmental concerns with certain aspects of this license renewal and requests clarification of measures to avoid and mitigate for impacts to the Big Mud Creek ecosystem and to herbicide use in the transmission right-of-way. EPA also notes the ongoing need to consult during the facility's operating life with the appropriate agencies regarding threatened and endangered species.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-AFS-K65220-NV Cave Rock Management Direction, Implementation, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, Douglas County, NV.

Summary: No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

ERP No. F-AFS-K65364-CA Red Star Restoration Project, Fire-Killed Trees Removal, Fuel Reduction, Road Reconstruction and Decommissioning and Associated Restoration, Tahoe National Forest, Foresthill Ranger District, Placer County, CA.

Summary: No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

ERP No. F-DOE-E09808-KY Kentucky Pioneer Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle Demonstration Project, Construction and Operation of a 540 Megawatt-Electric Power Plant, Clean Coal Technology Program, Clark County, KY.

Summary: EPA still has environmental concerns with certain impacts, but the Final EIS adequately addresses mitigation of potential impacts associated with Cultural Resources, Aesthetic and Scenic Resources, Geology, Air, Traffic and Transportation. EPA requested that the