

9,588.5 feet; (2) a reservoir with negligible storage capacity; (3) a gated and screened intake structure and sluiceway; (4) a 15-inch-diameter, 630-foot-long PVC penstock; (5) a powerhouse with a 45-kilowatt turbine-generator unit; (6) a 24-inch-diameter corrugated metal pipe tailrace; (7) a 2.4 KV, 1.02-mile-long transmission line; and (8) other appurtenances.

k. Pursuant to 18 FR 16.7, information on the project is available at: Lake Woods Hydro Company, P.O. Box 11175, Aspen, CO 81612, (970) 925-8854; or Kenneth M. Knight, P.O. Box 247, Parker, CO 80134, (303) 841-5771.

l. FERC contact: Hector M. Perez (202) 219-2843.

m. Pursuant to 18 CFR 16.9(b)(1) each application for a new license and any competing license applications must be filed with the Commission at least 24 months prior to the expiration of the existing license. All applications for license for this project must be filed by January 31, 2001.

David P. Boergers,
Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-5489-1]

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 February 09, 1998 Through February 13, 1998 Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 980037, Draft EIS, AFS, WA, Green River Road Access Requests, Easements Grant, Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest, North Bend Ranger District, King County, WA, Due: April 06, 1998, Contact: Lloyd Johnson (425) 888-1421.

EIS No. 980038, Draft EIS, AFS, NH, Appalachian Mountain Club (AMC) Hut and Pinkham Notch Visitor Center (PNVC) Continued Operations, Special Use Permit and Possible COE Permit Issuance, White Mountain National Forest, Grafton and Coos Counties, NH, Due: April 06, 1998, Contact: Rebecca Oreskes (603) 466-2713, Ext 212.

EIS No. 980039, Final EIS, FHW, CA, Carquinez Bridge Project, Replace/Retrofit the westbound I-80 between Cummings Skyway and CA-29, Funding, US Coast Guard and COE

Section 10 and 404 Funding, Contra Costa and Solano Counties, CA, Due: March 23, 1998, Contact: John R. Schultz (916) 498-5041.

EIS No. 980040, Draft EIS, AFS, CA, Sirretta Peak Motorcycle Trail Construction, Approval and Implementation, Sirretta Peak/Machine Creek Area, Kern Plateau, Sequoia National Forest, Cannell Meadow Ranger District, Tulare County, CA, Due: April 06, 1998, Contact: Susan Porter (760) 376-3781.

EIS No. 980041, Final EIS, FHW, WI, WI-10 Highway Corridor, Construction between Village of Fremont and WI-45 near Appleton Urban Area, Funding and COE Section 404 Permit, Winnebago, Outagamie, Waupaca and Waushara Counties, WI, Due: March 23, 1998, Contact: Peter Garcia (608) 829-7513.

EIS No. 980042, Final EIS, BLM, 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, Due: March 23, 1998, Contact: Terri Knutson (702) 885-6156.

EIS No. 980043, Final Supplement, COE, AR, Red River Waterway, Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas and Oklahoma and Related Projects, New and Updated Information, Red River Below Denison Dam Levee Rehabilitation, Implementation, Hempstead, Lafayette and Miller Counties, AR, Due: March 23, 1998, Contact: Stuart McLean (601) 631-5965.

EIS No. 980044, Final EIS, BLM, WY, Powder River (WYW136142) and Thundercloud (WYW136458) Coal Lease Applications, Federal Coal Leasing, Campbell and Converse Counties, WY, Due: March 23, 1998, Contact: Nancy Doelger (307) 261-7627.

Amended Notices

EIS No. 980027, Regulatory Draft EIS, NOA, ME, NC, American Lobster Fishery Management Plan, Implementation, To Prevent Overfishing of American Lobster, Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) off the New England and Mid-Atlantic, ME, Due: March 23, 1998, Contact: Rolland A. Schmitt (301) 713-2239.

Published FR 02-06-98 Officially Withdrawn by the Preparing Agency.

Dated: February 17, 1998.

B. Katherine Biggs,

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

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-5489-2]

Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared February 02, 1998 Through February 06, 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 Offices 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 11, 1997 (62 FR 16154).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-BLM-J39027-CO Rating EC2, Plateau Creek Pipeline Replacement Project, Operation and Maintenance, Ute Water Conservancy District, Right-of-Way Permit, Mesa County, CO.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about potential impacts to wetlands and requested the purpose and need include future water needs.

ERP No. D-FRC-B03008-00 Rating EO2, Portland Natural Gas Transmission System Project (PNGTS) and (PNGTS)/Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline L.L.C., Phase II Joint Facilities Project, Construction and Operation, COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, MA, York and Cumberland Counties, ME, Coos County, NH and Essex County, VT.

Summary: EPA commented that the scope of the environmental review may have been to limited, resulting in a potentially segmented review of related and/or interconnected projects. EPA requested additional information with regard to wetlands, drinking water, groundwater supply and secondary impacts in order to fully evaluate the environmental impacts of the proposed project.

ERP No. D-STB-A53053-00 Rating EC2, Conrail Acquisition (Finance Docket No. 33388) by CSX Corporation and CSX Transportation Inc., and Norfolk Southern Corporation and Norfolk Southern Railway Company

(NS), Control and Operating Leases and Agreements, To serve portion of eastern United States.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns for the project's potential impact to air quality and requested additional information regarding the noise analysis and mitigation for communities identified by-the STB's environmental justice review.

ERP No. DS-APH-A82124-00 Rating EO2, Logs, Lumber and Other Unmanufactured Wood Articles Importation, Additional Updated Information, Improvements to the existing system to Prohibit Introduction of Plant Pests into the United States.

Summary: EPA had environmental objections to the proposed project and requested additional information. The objections focused on the adequacy of analysis for assessing risk and consequences of pest introduction, compliance of regulations by exporters, human health effects of the program, and the comparison of alternatives. EPA also had concerns about the use of methyl bromide in the program.

ERP No. DS-NOA-L91001-AK Rating EC2, Juneau Consolidated Facility, Additional Information, 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 still has environmental concerns regarding water quality/groundwater, noise, wastewater treatment, and mitigation measures. Clarification of these issues was requested.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-AFS-J65261-MT, Beaverhead Forest Plan Riparian Amendment, Implementation, Beaverhead—Deerlodge National Forest, Beaverhead, Madison, Silver Bow, Deer Lodge and Gallatin Counties, MT.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding the anticipated slow rate of improvement or restoration of existing degraded riparian areas with the preferred alternative. EPA recommended more timely attainment of proper functioning condition and desired future condition, and recommended inclusion of water quality protection language in the objectives.

ERP No. F-IBR-J64006-ND, Arrowwood National Wildlife Refuge, Implementation, Water Management Capability to Mitigate for Past, Present and Future Impacts of Jamestown Reservoir, Stutsman and Foster Counties, ND.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns over potential water quality impacts, and recommended that downstream water quality should be monitored and an adaptive operations plan be developed to ensure that water quality standards are met.

Dated: February 17, 1998.

B. Katherine Biggs,

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

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[PF-791; FRL-5768-9]

Notice of Filing of Pesticide Petitions

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the initial filing of pesticide petitions proposing the establishment of regulations for residues of certain pesticide chemicals in or on various agricultural commodities.

DATES: Comments, identified by the docket control number PF-791, must be received on or before March 23, 1998.

ADDRESSES: By mail submit written comments to: Information and Records Integrity Branch, Public Information and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticides Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. In person bring comments to: Rm. 119, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically by following the instructions under "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION." No confidential business information should be submitted through e-mail.

Information submitted as a comment concerning this document may be claimed confidential by marking any part or all of that information as "Confidential Business Information" (CBI). CBI should not be submitted through e-mail. Information marked as CBI will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2. A copy of the comment that does not contain CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public record. Information not marked confidential may be disclosed publicly by EPA without prior notice. All written comments will be available for public inspection in Rm. 119 at the address given above, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.,

Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: James A. Tompkins, Product Manager (PM) 25, Registration Division, (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Rm. 239, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA., (703) 305-5697; e-mail: Tompkins.jim@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA has received pesticide petitions as follows proposing the establishment and/or amendment of regulations for residues of certain pesticide chemicals in or on various raw agricultural commodities under section 408 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Comestic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a. EPA has determined that these petitions contain data or information regarding the elements set forth in section 408(d)(2); however, EPA has not fully evaluated the sufficiency of the submitted data at this time or whether the data supports granting of the petition. Additional data may be needed before EPA rules on the petition.

The official record for this notice, as well as the public version, has been established for this notice of filing under docket control number PF-791 (including comments and data submitted electronically as described below). A public version of this record, including printed, paper versions of electronic comments, which does not include any information claimed as CBI, is available for inspection from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The official record is located at the address in "ADDRESSES" at the beginning of this document.

Electronic comments can be sent directly to EPA at: opp-docket@epamail.epa.gov

Electronic comments must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Comment and data will also be accepted on disks in Wordperfect 5.1/6.1 file format or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the docket control number (insert docket number) and appropriate petition number. Electronic comments on this notice may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 346a.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Agricultural commodities, Food additives, Feed additives, Pesticides and