

Angeles County, CA, Due: July 06, 1999, Contact: Ms. Elena Misquez (760) 251-4804.

EIS No. 990164, FINAL EIS, TVA, TN, GA, TN, Peaking Capacity Additions, Construction and Operation of Natural Gas-Fired Combustion Turbines, NPDES and COE Section 404 Permits; Three Sites Proposed: Colbert Fossil Plant, Colbert County, AL, Gallatin Fossil Plant, Sumner County, TN and Johnsonville Fossil Plant, Humphreys County, TN, Due: June 21, 1999, Contact: Gregory L. Askew (423) 632-6418.

EIS No. 990165, FINAL SUPPLEMENT, SFW, WA, Plum Creek Timber Sale, Issuance of a Permit to Allow Incidental Take and Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) for Threatened and Endangered Species, Implementation, Updated Information on the Proposed Exchange of Private and Federal Lands Eastern and Western Cascade Provinces in the Cascade Mountains, King and Kittitas Counties, WA, Due: June 21, 1999, Contact: William O. Vogel (360) 753-9440.

EIS No. 990166, FINAL EIS, FAA, ADOPTION—Colorado Airspace Initiative, Modifications to the National Airspace System, such as the F-16 Aircraft and Aircrews of the 140th Wing of the Colorado Air National Guard, also existing Military Operations Area (MOAs) and Military Training Routes (MTRs), CO, NM, KS, NB and WY, Due: June 21, 1999, Contact: Elizabeth Gaffin (202) 267-7899.

The U.S. Department of Transportation's, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has adopted the United States Air Force's, Air National Guard FEIS #970325 filed 8-15-97. FAA was not a Cooperating Agency for the above final EIS. Recirculating of the document is necessary under § 1506.3(b) of the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations.

Amended Notices EIS No. 990143, DRAFT EIS, TPT, CA, Presidio of San Francisco General Management Plan, Implementation, New Development and Uses within the Letterman Complex, Golden Gate National Recreation Area, City and County of San Francisco, CA, Due: June 26, 1999, Contact: John Pelka (415) 561-5300.

Published FR-04-30-99—Correction to Due Date.

Dated: May 18, 1999.

William D. Dickerson,
Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of the 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 April 26, 1999 Through April 30, 1999 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 9, 1999 (64 FR 17362).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-BLM-A99217-00 Rating EO2, Programmatic EIS—Surface Management Regulations for Locatable Mineral Operations, (43 CFR part 3809), Public Land.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental objections regarding environmental performance standards and goals; bonding, reclamation and monitoring plans; and implementing of the definition of unnecessary and undue degradation. EPA also commented on state government coordination, most appropriate technology and practices, and protections for riparian areas. EPA requested that these issues be addressed in the final EIS and proposed rule.

ERP No. D-COE-E39046-00 Rating EC2, Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint (AFC) River Basin Water Allocation, Allocation Formula Approval, FL and GA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concern that the Draft EIS may not adequately assess the impacts of the water allocation formulas. EPA recommended that comprehensive river basin water quality models be developed to predict impacts to indigenous fish and aquatic life, water quality, consumptive uses, groundwater and recreation for the affected reservoirs and rivers within each basin. EPA also recommended that a baseline be established that would define the water needs for the river basins to function in an acceptable

manner and that would delineate the limit for maximum water withdrawals.

ERP No. D-COE-E39047-AL Rating EC2, Jackson Port Project, Proposal for the Public Port Facilities on the Tombigbee River, City of Jackson, Clark County, AL.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns over the potential impacts to the federal portion of this project, i.e., the spur canal. In regard to the City of Jackson's planned phased development, which will convert important bottom land hardwood habit to commercial property, EPA expressed objections and requested additional information.

ERP No. D-COE-L32010-OR Rating EC2, Columbia and Lower Willamette River Federal Navigation Channel, Improvement Channel Deepening, OR and WA.

Summary: EPA expressed concern regarding the lack of information on upland and instream dredged disposal sites; impacts of the new channel and sediment regimes in the Columbia and Willamette Rivers; cumulative impacts from past, present and future activities in the project area; the absence of firm commitments to implement and follow through on the referenced proposed Ecosystem Restoration measures; and the relationship between the proposed dredging activities and the future decision on whether to draw down the John Day Reservoir and selected dams on the Lower Snake River.

ERP No. D-FHW-K50013-00 Rating EC2, US 93 Hoover Dam Bypass Project, Construction of a New Bridge and Highway, Funding, Right-of-Way Easement, US Coast Guard, NPDES and COE Section 404 Permits, Federal Lands—Lake Mead National Recreation Area and Hoover Dam Reservation, Clark County, NV and Mohave County, AZ.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns regarding cumulative effects, indirect impacts (particularly regarding utility relocations), excavation, erosion and runoff impacts, hazardous materials impacts and recreational impacts.

ERP No. D-FTA-L40210-WA Rating EC2, Central Link Light Rail Transit Project, (Sound Transit) Construct and Operate an Electric Rail Transit System, Funding and COE Section 10 and 404 Permits in the Cities of Seattle, Sea Tac and Tuckwila, King County, WA.

Summary: EPA's concerns relate to the lack of evaluation of options to offset impacts to salmon, ecosystems, and neighborhoods; the need to expand the cumulative effects analysis; and the need to have clearly defined mitigation measures in the EIS.

ERP No. D-IBR-K39056-CA Rating EC2, Contra Loma Reservoir Project,

Future Use and Operation of Contra Costa Water District, COE Section 404 Permit, Contra Costa County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns over the proposed action's ability to safeguard the drinking water supply. EPA believes that additional information concerning the quality of the water and a more complete analysis of the alternatives is necessary to fully assess the potential environmental and public health impacts.

ERP No. DB-COE-E32022-NC Rating EO1, Manteo (Shallowbag) Bay Project, Enlarging and Deepening Basin at Wanchese, Dare County, NC.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental objections to the construction of the proposed jetty system for Oregon Inlet, and urged the Corps to consider a "dredging-only" alternative as means to meet the navigation expectations of local interests.

ERP No. DS-FHW-K40157-CA Rating EO2, CA-1 Improvement, Carmel River Bridge to CA-1/Pacific Grove (Route 68) Interchange, Updated and Additional Information, Funding and COE Section 404 Permit, Monterey County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental objections due to adverse impacts to wetlands and other jurisdictional waters of the United States, which are subject to regulatory provisions of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act as well as potential impacts to the Monterey Pine Forest.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-BLM-K65205-CA, Telephone Flat Geothermal Power Plant within the Glass Mountain Known Geothermal Resource Area, Construction, Operation and Decommissioning of a 48 megawatt (MW) Geothermal Plant, Modoc National Forest, Siskiyou County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed continuing concerns regarding the projects purpose and need, inconsistency with prior NEPA analysis, significant unmitigable impacts to Native American traditional cultural values, cumulative impacts from additional development, NEPA segmentation, and prior agreements between Bonneville Power Administration and CalEnergy that may prejudice the Record of Decision. EPA requested that the Record of Decision not be issued until these issues are resolved.

ERP No. F-CGD-K50012-CA, CA-92/San Mateo Hayward Bridge, Improvements to the East Approach and the Trestle Portion of the bridge, Coast Guard Bridge Permit and COE Section 404 Permit, Alameda and San Mateo Counties, CA.

Summary: EPA does not believe its previously expressed concerns were adequately addressed and in particular that the 92/880 Interchange project was not included in the analysis.

ERP No. F-COE-F35045-MN, Duluth-Superior Harbor Phase II, Dredge Material Management Plan, Cities of Duluth, St. Louis County, MN and Douglas County, WI.

Summary: The Final EIS adequately addressed most issues raised previously by EPA. However, EPA continues to be concerned that the sediment quality evaluation analysis was completed only for Hearing Island Hole. EPA requested that before any other deep holes are used for disposal, they should also be assessed.

ERP No. F-COE-F36161-IL, Chicagoland Underflow Plan, McCook Reservoir Construction and Operation for Temporary Retention of Floodwaters in Metropolitan Chicago, Implementation, Cook County, IL.

Summary: The Final EIS adequately responded to most issues raised by EPA. However, EPA continues to be concerned that no information was provided regarding operation and maintenance of the pumps around the reservoir installed to protect the surrounding groundwater.

ERP No. F-COE-K39052-CA, Hamilton Wetland Restoration Project, Tidal Salt Marsh Habitat, Alameda County, CA.

Summary: EPA is pleased with the selection of Alternative 5, which would support a diversity of important wetland habitat types and expressed no objection to the proposed action.

ERP No. F-COE-L03008-AK, Beaufort Sea Oil and Gas Development Northstar Project, Implementation, NPDES Permit, Sea Island, Alaskan Beaufort Sea, Offshore Marine Environment and Onshore Northslope of Alaskan Coastal Plain, AK.

Summary: The final EIS adequately addressed EPA concerns related to oil spill prevention and response issues and the manner in which issues and concerns of the Inupiat Eskimo have been integrated into the NEPA process. However, EPA indicated that the analysis of double-walled pipeline technology should continue to be pursued and that this technology should be evaluated on a case-by-case basis for all subsequent off-shore development projects in the Beaufort Sea.

ERP No. F-FHW-E40755-NC, US 70 Improvements Project, I-40 to the Intersection of US 70 and US 70 Business, Funding and COE Section 404 Permit, Wake and Johnston Counties, NC.

Summary: In general FHWA satisfied EPA's concerns raised at the DEIS stage. EPA's remaining environmental concerns are for maintenance of surface water quality for the endangered dwarf-wedged mussel present in the Swift Creek drainage area which will be subject to Multiple highway projects in the foreseeable future. Also, a likely shortfall is noted in wetlands loss mitigation.

ERP No. F-IBR-K39028-NV, Clark County Wetlands Park Master Plan, Construction and Operation, Erosion Control Structures in Las Vegas Wash, COE Section 404 Permit, Right-of-Way Permit and Endangered Species Act Section 4, Clark County, NV.

Summary: EPA commend the Bureau's efforts to implement a thoughtful Wetlands Park Plan which considers both local community and environmental concerns. EPA has no object to the action as proposed.

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

Summary: EPA's previous objections have been resolved by the inclusion of the requested information. Therefore, EPA has no objection to the proposed action.

ERP No. FA-NOA-K90020-CA, Coastal Pelagic Species Fishery Management Plan Amendment 8, (Formerly Known as Northern Anchovy Fishery Management Plan), Approval and Implementation, WA, CA and OR.

Summary: Review of the Final EIS was not deemed necessary. No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

ERP No. FS-TVA-E07013-TN, Kingston Fossil Plant Alternative Coal Receiving Systems, New Rail Spur Construction near the Cities of Kingston and Harriman, Roane County, TN.

Summary: EPA commented favorably on TVA's proposal to use a source of cleaner (low sulfur) coal. However, there are longer coal delivery distances (and attendant air emissions) and train lengths associated with such sources as well as some additional noise from such deliveries and from coal handling, crushing and blending operation.

ERP No. F1-FHW-G40140-TX, Grand Parkway Segment (TX-99) Volume IV, Segment 1-2, Improvement Project from TX-225 to I-10 (East), Funding, COE Section 404 Permit and Right-of-Way Grant, Harris and Chamber Counties, TX.

Summary: Review of the Final EIS has been completed and the project found to

be satisfactory. No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

Other

ERP No. LD-USA-L11032-AK Rating E02, Alaska Army Lands Withdrawal Renewal for Fort Wainwright and Fort Greely West Training Area, Approval of Permits and Licenses, City of Fairbanks, City of North Pole and City of Delta Junction, North Star Borough, AK.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental objections to the proposed project on the basis of a restricted range of alternatives and the potential environmental impacts. EPA requested more information on existing environmental conditions, more site-specific evaluation of direct and cumulative impacts, and a consideration of additional renewal periods.

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William D. Dickerson,

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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National Drinking Water Advisory Council Small Systems Implementation Working Group; Notice of Conference Call

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under section 10(a)(2) of Public Law 92-423, the "The Federal Advisory Committee Act," notice is hereby given that a conference call of the Small Systems Implementation Working Group of the National Drinking Water Advisory Council (NDWAC) established under the Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 300f *et seq.*), will be held on May 25, 1999, from 10 a.m.-12 p.m., EDT. The call will be held at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street S.W., Room 1132 East Tower, Washington, DC. The meeting is open to the public, but seating will be limited.

The purpose of this meeting is to review draft reports relating to system demographics and regulatory impacts. Statements will be taken from the public on this call as time allows.

For more information please contact Peter E. Shanaghan, Designated Federal Officer, Small Systems Implementation Working Group, U.S. EPA, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water

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Dated: May 14, 1999.

Charlene E. Shaw,

Designated Federal Officer, National Drinking Water Advisory Council.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6348-3]

Science Advisory Board; Notification of Public Advisory Committee Meeting; Open Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) of the Science Advisory Board (SAB) will meet on Wednesday and Thursday, June 9-10, 1999 at the U.S.

Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA), Environmental Research Center, Main Auditorium, Route 54 and Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711. The meeting will begin at 8:30 am and end no later than 5:30 pm on June 9th and begin at 8:00 am and end no later than 4:00 pm on June 10th. All times noted are Eastern Daylight Time. The meeting is open to the public. Due to limited space, seating at the meeting will be on a first-come basis. For further information concerning various aspects of the meeting, please contact the individuals listed below. Important Notice: Documents that are the subject of SAB reviews are normally available from the originating EPA office and are not available from the SAB Office—information concerning availability of documents from the relevant Program Office is included below.

Purpose of the Meeting: Three issues will be discussed at this meeting:

(a) *Review of Carbon Monoxide National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS)*—The Committee will begin its review of the Carbon Monoxide National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) with a review of the National Center for Environmental Assessment's (NCEA) draft Air Quality Criteria for Carbon Monoxide (External Review Draft) 1999, EPA/600/P-99/001. The Committee will also provide advice and comment to the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS) on its draft Estimation of Carbon Monoxide Exposures and Associated Carboxyhemoglobin Levels

in Denver Residents Using pNEM/CO (Version 2.0) At this meeting (the first in a series of meetings), EPA is seeking advice and comment from CASAC with regard to the scientific soundness of the draft CO Criteria Document for its subsequent use in providing scientific bases for Agency decisions on retention or the possible need for revision to the existing CO NAAQS. The CASAC review will focus on the extent to which the draft document: (1) adequately identifies and poses pertinent issues that need to be addressed in the document; (2) accurately and concisely summarizes relevant key findings from previous CO criteria review(s); (3) accurately and concisely summarizes and assesses important newly available pertinent information (or have any important new studies been omitted?); (4) appropriately interprets and synthesizes the assessed information; and (5) arrives at sound conclusions and findings, taking into account the newly available data assessed. For information on obtaining copies of the two Carbon Monoxide NAAQS documents identified above, or to obtain information concerning contact individuals, please see 64 FR 13198-13199, March 17, 1999.

(b) *Consultation on the Diesel Health Assessment*—With two past CASAC reviews of the draft Diesel Engine Exhaust Health Assessments, the most recent being on May 5-6, 1998 (see 63 FR 17000, April 7, 1998), NCEA believes that a Consultation with CASAC to review progress on current work to revise the Assessment is timely. The primary focus of this Consultation is on the issues raised earlier by CASAC (see CASAC Report #EPA-SAB-CASAC-99-001, October 7, 1998, available from the Science Advisory Board on its website (WWW.EPA.GOV/SAB) or at: (202) 260-4126, FAX: (202) 260-1889, please give the title and report number and your name and address when requesting a copy via phone or fax) and how NCEA would address these issues. Given the importance of completing the Assessment and providing it to the Agency's Mobile Sources Program, a discussion with CASAC, at this juncture, would be useful to both NCEA and CASAC. The document titled, Discussion Paper for CASAC—Diesel Exhaust Health Assessment, is available on the NCEA page of the Internet at HTTP://WWW.EPA.GOV/NCEA under the What's New and Publications menus. A limited number of paper copies are available from the Technical Information Staff (8623D), NCEA-W; telephone: (202) 564-3261; FAX: (202) 565-0050. If you are requesting a paper