

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY****[ER-FRL-6246-8]****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 27, 1999 Through October 01, 1999 Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 990349, Draft EIS, FHW, NY, County Road (Mill Hill Road and Glen Road) Improvements, From Howard Drive to State Route 9N including a New Bridge over the East Branch of the Ausable River, Funding and COE section 404 Permit, Essex County, NY, Due: November 26, 1999, Contact: Stanley Gee (518) 431-4131.

EIS No. 990350, Draft EIS, AFS, MT, Clearwater Ecosystem Management and Timber Sale Project, Timber Harvesting, Burning, Weed Spraying and Road Management, Lola National Forest, Seeley Lake Ranger District, Missoula County, MT, Due: November 22, 1999, Contact: Sharon Klinkhammer (406) 677-3925.

EIS No. 990351, Final EIS, DOA, AR, Depatee Creek Watershed Plan Flood Prevention, Implementation, COE Section 404 Permit, Independence and Jackson Counties, AR, Due: November 08, 1999, Contact: Kalven L. Trice (501) 301-3110.

EIS No. 990352, Final EIS, FAA, NY, LaGuardia Airport East End Roadway Improvements Project, Four New Ramps at the 102nd Street Bridge Construction, Airport Layout Plan Approval and Funding, Queens County, NY, Due: November 08, 1999, Contact: Robert Mendez (715) 553-3330.

EIS No. 990353, Final EIS, FHW, WI, WI-131 and WI-33 Transportation Improvement, Relocation and/or Reconstruction, between Village of Ontario and Community of Rockton, Funding and Possible COE 404 Permit, Vernon County, WI, Due: November 08, 1999, Contact: Eugene Hoelker (608) 829-7512.

EIS No. 990354, Draft EIS, FHW, NM, New Mexico Forest Highway 45 (Forest Road 537) known locally as the Sacramento River Road, Improvements from Sunspot to Timberon, Otero County, NM, Due: November 30, 1999, Contact: Robert Nestel (303) 716-2142.

EIS No. 990355, Draft EIS, FAA, CT, Tweed-New Haven Airport Runway

Safety Area and Taxiway Improvements, Safety Improvements to Runway 2/20 and Taxiways "B" and "E", Funding, COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, New Haven County, CT, Due: November 22, 1999, Contact: John Silva (617) 423-3600.

EIS No. 990356, Draft EIS, FRC, FL, MS, Florida Gas Transmission Phase IV Expansion Project (Docket No. CP99-94-000), To Deliver Natural Gas to Electric Generator, FL and MS, Due: November 22, 1999, Contact: Paul McKee (202) 208-1088.

EIS No. 990357, Draft EIS, AFS, MT, Double Sec Timber Sale and Vegetation Management Project, Implementation, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, Pintler Ranger District, Deerlodge and Granite Counties, MT, Due: November 22, 1999, Contact: Bob Gilman (406) 859-3211.

Dated: October 5, 1999.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY****[ER-FRL-6246-9]****Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments**

Availability of EPA comments prepared September 20, 1999 Through September 24, 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 10, 1999 (63 FR 17856).

**Draft EISs**

ERP No. D-AFS-J65311-MT Rating EC2, Good Creek Resource Management Project, Implementation, Vegetation Treatments and Other Activities to Restore Watershed, Flathead National Forest, Tally Lake Ranger District, Flathead County, MT.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding increased water yield, channel erosion, and water quality impacts. EPA recommended that the Forest Service pick and chose and combine treatment

methods and units from among alternatives to create a new modified preferred alternative to better optimize and balance resource and environmental trade offs. EPA requested additional information to help assess and mitigate potential impacts of the management actions.

ERP No. D-COE-E39050-FL Rating EC2, Herbert Hoover Dike Major Rehabilitation Evaluation Study, Improvements to the Breach of Reach One, Lake Okeechobee, FL.

*Summary:* EPA expressed concern regarding impacts to recreation/ infrastructure features, erosion control and loss of project effectiveness during heavy rain/or backpumping. EPA requested that these issues be addressed in the final document.

ERP No. D-FHW-E40779-NC Rating EO2, Fayetteville Outer Loop Corridor Study, Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Cape Fear River, Cumberland, Hoke and Robeson Counties, NC.

*Summary:* EPA expressed objections due to substantial impacts to water/ wetland resources and social impacts (relocations, noise and community disruption). EPA is requesting further analysis of secondary project impacts, reconsideration of each interchange location and is requesting additional data on potential impacts to minority and low income neighborhood.

ERP No. DR-BIA-K61146-CA Rating EC2, Programmatic—Cabazon Resource Recovery Park Section 6 General Plan, Cabazon Indian Reservation, Implementation, Approval of Master Lease and NPDES Permit, the City of Mecca, Riverside County, CA.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding potential cumulative impacts associated with component facilities at the resource recovery park that may contaminate groundwater, emit hazardous air pollutants and/or generate hazardous waste. EPA requested a clear commitment that future site-specific facilities and projects raising these concerns are subject to subsequent environmental documentation under the National Environmental Policy Act.

ERP No. DS-IBR-K39045-CA Rating LO, Programmatic EIS—Central Valley Project Improvement Act (CVPIA) of 1992 Implementation, Additional Information for the Project Simulation Model (PROSIM) Hydrology, Central Valley, Trinity Contra Costa, Alameda, Santa Clara and San Benito Counties, CA.

*Summary:* Because of the limited scope of the Supplemental DPEIS and the good description of implications of the revised PROSIM analysis, we have

not identified any potential environmental impacts and have no objections to the revised PROSIM analysis. This lack of objections does not extend to the Environmental Concerns expressed on the broader DPEIS CVPIA which evaluated potential effects of various CVPIA Alternatives.

#### Final EISs

ERP No. F-BLM-J65298-CO Yankee Gulch Sodium Minerals Project, To Produce Sodium Products, Piceance Basin, Right-of-Way Permit and COE Section 404 Permit, Rio Blanch County, CO.

**Summary:** EPA continues to express concern regarding the need to protect ground water from spills and to ensure adequate reclamation bonding coverage.

ERP No. F-COE-K67041-CA Morrison Creek Mining Reach Downstream (South) of Jackson Highway, Mining and Reclamation Project, COE Section 404 Permit Issuance, Sacramento County, CA.

**Summary:** EPA continues to object to the preferred alternative since it has not been demonstrated that the preferred alternative is the least damaging practicable alternative. EPA believes that other alternatives would have fewer impacts on waters of the United States

ERP No. F-GSA-E11044-TN Volunteer Army Ammunition Plant, Disposal and Transfer Ownership of Property to Other Federal Agencies and Private Entities, City of Chattanooga's, Hamilton County, TN.

**Summary:** EPA continues to be concerned that all environmental impacts were not fully addressed. To this end, EPA looks forward to working with GSA in the future to help identify project-specific impacts and the avoidance, minimization and mitigation during the scoping and NEPA review process.

ERP No. F-NPS-A61319-00 Oregon, California, Mormon Pioneer and Pony Express National Historic Trails, Implementation, Comprehensive Management and Use Plan, OR, CA, MO, IA, IL, KS, NB, CO, WY, ID, WA, UT and NV.

**Summary:** EPA supports the preferred alternative.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-00623; FRL-6387-7]

### Rodenticides Risks to Birds and Non-Target Mammals; Open Meeting

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) is giving notice of an open meeting to discuss with the public and gather information regarding risks posed by rodenticides to birds and non-target mammals.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 19, 1999, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at: The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association Conference Center, 4301 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Virginia 22203-1860.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dennis Deziel, Office of Pesticide Programs (7508C), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW, Washington, DC 20460. Telephone number: (703) 308-8173. E-mail: [deziel.dennis@epa.gov](mailto:deziel.dennis@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. General Information

###### A. Does this Document Apply to Me?

This document is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest to those effected by the Rodenticide Cluster Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) document and/or the Zinc Phosphide RED document. Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT."

###### B. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document or Other Related Documents?

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain electronic copies of this document from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. To access this document, on the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations" and then look up the entry for this document under the "Federal Register--Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

As background information, electronic copies of the Rodenticide

Cluster and Zinc Phosphide REDs and RED fact sheets are available on the internet. See <http://www.epa.gov/REDs>. Additional information concerning the schedule and agenda of this meeting will be posted on the Agency's web page (<http://www.epa.gov/pesticides>).

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an administrative record for this meeting under docket control number OPPTS-00623. The administrative record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this notice, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to the Rodenticide Cluster RED, including any information claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI). This administrative record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the administrative record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments that may be submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is 703-305-5805.

##### II. Meeting Information

###### A. What Will be Discussed at the Public Meeting?

The Agency notes in the Rodenticide Cluster Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) document that there are primary and secondary wildlife incidents involving rodenticides that the Agency would continue to evaluate before taking any further regulatory action. Since August 1998 the Agency has collected data and conducted further analysis. The Agency is initiating a one-day public meeting to discuss available data and to gather any further information regarding risks posed to birds and non-target mammals from rodenticides. Based on all available data, risk mitigation measures to protect birds and non-target mammals could be implemented in the amended RED this fall, if warranted.

The meeting will involve and potentially affect products with the following active ingredients: brodifacoum, bromadiolone, bromethalin, chlorophacinone, cholecalciferol, difethialone, diphacinone (and its sodium salt), pival (and its sodium salt), warfarin (and its sodium salt) and/or zinc phosphide.