

whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Burden Statement: CEPPPO estimates that there will be 3,300 respondents to this information collection and each respondent will spend 15 minutes completing and submitting either an on-line response form or a mail-in survey, for a total response burden of 825 hours.

There is no need for "developing, acquiring or utilizing technology systems for the purpose of collecting, validating or verifying information," "* * * disclosing and providing information," "adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previous applicable instructions or requirements," "training personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information," "searching data sources," nor a need for respondents to keep records. Burden activities include only a few steps: reading instructions, reading survey questions, responding to survey questions, submitting completed questionnaire (electronically or US mail). CEPPPO estimates an average cost per respondent of \$6.59.

CEPPPO estimates that 3,300 respondents will voluntarily respond to the national survey at a total burden of 825 hours and a total cost of \$21,747.00.

Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Dated: February 9, 1999.

Kathy Jones,

Associate Director, EPA/OSWER/CEPPO.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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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 1, 1999 Through February 5, 1999. Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 990037, Final EIS, NOA, FL, Guana, Tolomato, Matanzas, Site Designation, National Estuarine Research Reserve, Management Plan, City of Jacksonville, St. Johns and Flagler Counties, FL, Due: March 15, 1999, Contact: Jeffrey R. Benoit (301) 713-3155.

EIS No. 990038, Final EIS, DOE, ID, Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project, Construction and Operation, Site Selection, Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory (INEEL), Eastern Snake River Plain, ID, Due: March 15, 1999, Contact: John E. Medema (208) 526-1407.

EIS No. 990039, Final EIS, AFS, NH, Appalachian Mountain Club (AMC) Huts 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: March 15, 1999, Contact: Rebecca Oreskes (603) 466-2713.

Dated: February 8, 1999.

B. Katherine Biggs,

Associate Director, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-5499-8]

Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared January 11, 1999 Through January 15, 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 (62 FR 17856).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-AFS-K08019-CA, Rating LO, Lucerne Valley to Big Bear Valley Transmission Line/Substation Project, Construction and Operation of Three Electrical Power Facilities: 115 kV Line between the Cottonwood Substation in Lucerne Valley; Goldhill Substation and a new Bear Valley Substation, Special-Use-Permit and Right-of-Way Permit, San Bernardino County, CA.

Summary: EPA review has not identified any potential environmental impacts requiring changes to the proposal.

ERP No. D-BLM-J03013-UT, Rating EO2, Ferron Natural Gas Project, Proposal to Construct, Maintain and Operate a Natural Gas Transmission Pipeline, Application for Permit to Drill (APD), Special-Use-Permit and Right-of-Way Grant, Carbon and Emery Counties, UT.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental objections with the DEIS including the potential for significant visibility degradation in adjacent Class I airsheds including Captal Reef and Canyonlands National Park.

ERP No. D-NOA-B91027-00, Rating EC2, Spiny Dogfish (*Squalus acanthras*) Fishery Management Plan, Implementation, Northwest Atlantic Ocean, Labrador to Florida.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns. The description of the spiny dogfish habitat and strategies to deal with the problem of "ghost" fishing from lost or abandoned gill net were inadequately addressed in the document. The document provide a suite of management alternatives to reduce fishing mortality and to ensure that overfishing does not occur.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-AFS-L61220-OR, Christy Basin Planning Area, Implementation, Regeneration Timber Harvesting, Willamette National Forest, Oakridge Ranger District, Lane County, OR.

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

ERP No. F-AFS-L65207-OR, Young'n Timber Sales, Implementation,

Willamette National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan, Middle Fork Ranger District, Lane County, OR.

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

ERP No. F-AFS-L65302-WA, Green River Road Access Requests, Easements Grant, Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest, North Bend Ranger District, King County, WA.

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

ERP No. F-AFS-L65304-OR, Moose Subwatershed Timber Harvest and Other Vegetation Management Actions, Central Cascade Adaptive Management (CCAMA), Willamette National Forest, Sweet Home Ranger District, Linn County, OR.

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

ERP No. F-AFS-L65305-WA Plum Creek Checkerboard Access Project, Grant Permanent Easements, Cle Elum and Naches Ranger Districts, Wenatchee National Forest, Kittitas County, WA.

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

ERP No. F-AFS-L65307-WA Sand Ecosystem Restoration Project, Implementation, Leavenworth Range District, Wenatchee National Forest, Chelan County, WA.

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

ERP No. F-COE-K39047-CA Santa Clara River and Major Tributaries Project, Approval of 404 Permit and 1603 Streambed Alteration Agreement, In portions of the City Santa Clarita, Los Angeles County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns that the preferred alternative did not represent the least environmentally damaging practicable alternative and requested that the Record of Decision contain commitments to permanently and systematically remove non-native vegetation from the riparian zone.

Dated: February 8, 1999.

B. Katherine Biggs,

Associate Director, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6233-7]

National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology, Title VI Implementation Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) gives notification of a two-day meeting of the Title VI Implementation Advisory Committee (T6AC) of the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT). The Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits recipients of federal financial assistance from discriminating on the basis of race, color, or national origin in their programs or activities.

The Title VI Implementation Advisory Committee has been asked to provide advice to EPA on techniques that may be used by EPA funding recipients to operate environmental permitting programs in compliance with Title VI. The Committee is now nearing completion of its work and so will meet to reach closure on its activities, as well as to finalize its report to EPA.

DATES: The two-day public meeting will be held at the Ramada Plaza in Old Town, 901 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Virginia. The meeting will take place on Monday, March 1, 1999 from 8:30am to 7:00 pm, and Tuesday, March 2, 1999 from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm. The public comment session will be held from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm on March 1st. Seating will be limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Public comments may be submitted in writing or presented orally. Those wishing to submit written comments can do so at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice. Members of the public wishing to make an oral presentation during the public comment session will be limited to no more than five (5) minutes, and must contact Deborah Ross at 202-260-9752 no later than February 25, 1999 to reserve time. Those not having reserved time in advance may make comments during the public comment session only as time allows.

ADDRESSES: Materials or written comments may be sent to Melanie Medina-Ortiz, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. EPA (1601-F), Office of

Cooperative Environmental Management, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melanie Medina-Ortiz, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. EPA, Office of Cooperative Environmental Management, telephone 202-260-2695.

Dated: February 3, 1999

Melanie Medina-Ortiz,

Designated Federal Officer, NACEPT Title VI Implementation Advisory Committee.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6233-8]

Science Advisory Board; Notification of Public Advisory Committee Meetings

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that several Committees of the Science Advisory Board (SAB) will meet on the dates and times described below. All times noted are Eastern Time. All meetings are open to the public, however, seating is limited and available on a first come basis. Documents that are the subject of SAB reviews are normally available from the originating U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) office and are *not* available from the SAB Office. Public drafts of SAB reports are available to the Agency and the public from the SAB office. Details on availability are noted below.

1. Environmental Modeling Subcommittee (EMS)

The Environmental Modeling Subcommittee of the Science Advisory Board's (SAB) Executive Committee, will meet Tuesday and Wednesday, February 23 and 24, 1999 in the Administrator's Conference Room (Room 1103 West Tower) at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street SW, Washington, DC 20460. The meeting will begin at 8:30 am on February 23 and adjourn no later than 5:00 pm on February 24.

Purpose—The purpose of this meeting is to: (a) brief the SAB about the open architecture modeling paradigm being developed at EPA; (b) conduct a Consultation on the variability and uncertainty analysis efforts underway at the Agency; and, (c) conduct Advisories on EPA's Model Acceptability White Paper and the Charter for the proposed Committee for Environmental Regulatory Modeling (CREM).