

Modernization of Two Existing Hatchery Facilities and Construction of Three New Auxiliary Hatchery Facilities, Wallowa County, OR, Wait Period Ends: August 30, 2004, Contact: Mickey Carter (503) 230-5885.

EIS No. 040347, Final EIS, UAF, WV, Aircraft Conversion for the 167th Air Wing (167 AW) of the West Virginia Air National Guard, Converting C-130H Transport Aircraft to the Larges C-5 Transport Aircraft, Acquisition of Land via Lease, and Construction of Facilities on existing and acquired Parcel, Berkely County, WV, Wait Period Ends: August 30, 2004, Contact: Ray Detig (301) 836-8120.

Dated: July 27, 2004.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-6654-2]

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 2, 2004 (69 FR 17403).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-BIA-C60004-NY Rating EC2, St. Regis Mohawk Tribe, Mohawk Mountain Casino and Resort, Proposed Transfer of 66 Acres of Land into Federal Trust Status, Fee-to-Trust Acquisition, Sullivan County, NY.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns due to direct and cumulative impacts to groundwater and surface water.

ERP No. D-BLM-J67031-ND Rating EC2, West Mine Area, Freedom Mine Project, Application to Acquire Federal Coal Lease, Mercer County, ND.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about air quality impacts and adequate protection for fens and peatland wetlands.

ERP No. D-COE-C40162-NJ Rating EO2, NJ 92 Project, New Jersey Turnpike

Authority, Transportation Improvement from East-West Highway Link Connecting U.S. Route 1 in South Brunswick Township with the New Jersey Turnpike at Interchange 8A in Monroe Township, Middlesex County, NJ.

Summary: EPA objected to the proposed permit based on the potential for significant environmental impacts and that all reasonable alternatives, including those with fewer environmental impacts, have not been fully evaluated.

ERP No. D-COE-E39065-FL Rating LO, Central and Southern Florida Project, Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan, Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) Pilot Operation, Aquifer Storage and Recovery Pilot Project, To Test the Feasibility Utilizing ASR Technology for Water Storage at Seven Well Sites, Right-of-Way and NPDES Permits, Several Counties.

Summary: While EPA had no objections to the proposed project, EPA requested clarification on to identifying applicable standards for groundwater injection and surface water discharges.

ERP No. D-DOI-J39031-UT Rating EC2, Utah Lake Drainage Basin Water Delivery System (ULS), Construction and Operation, Bonneville Unit of the Central Utah Project (CUP), Utah, Salt Lake, Wasatch and Juab Counties, UT.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns relating to water quality impacts, as well as project purpose and information on affected environment, and implementation of water conservation.

ERP No. D-HUD-C85045-NY Rating EC2, Ridge Hill Village Project, Construction, Comprehensive Development Plan, (CDP), Planned Mixed-Use Development District (PMD), U.S. Army COE Section 404, City of Yonkers, Westchester County, NY.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns due to air quality impacts given Westchester County's current non-attainment status. EPA requested that the Final EIS include additional information such as a meso-scale analysis to address the air quality issues.

ERP No. D-NOA-E39066-FL Rating LO, Programmatic EIS—Seagrass Restoration in the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary, Implementation, U.S. Army COE Section 404 and CZMA Permits, Monroe County, FL.

Summary: While EPA has no objection to the proposed action, EPA did request clarification on the preferred alternative in relation to specific regions within the Sanctuary, and defining thresholds for developing future site-

specific NEPA documents tiering from this document.

ERP No. D-NOA-L91023-00 Rating EC2, Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan, Amendment 16-3 Adopts Rebuild Plans for Bocaccio, Cowcod, Widow Rockfish and Yelloweye Rockfish, Maximum Sustainable Yield (MSY), Implementation, WA, OR, ID and CA.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns due to impacts on habitat, cowcod stock status, and uncertainty of bycatch information, and impacts on habitat.

ERP No. D-NOA-L91024-00 Rating EC2, Puget Sound Chinook Harvest Resource Management Plan (RMP) 2004-2009, Implementation, Endangered Species Act, OR and WA.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns that the proposed action will not meet many of the escapement and rebuilding goals established in the management plan. EPA also expressed concerns with Puget Sound chinook salmon fishing mortalities in Canadian waters, hatchery augmentation and the applicability of the management plan to the 2004 fishing season.

ERP No. D-SFW-B64004-ME Rating LO, Petit Manan National Wildlife Refuge Complex, Comprehensive Conservation Plan, Implementation, the Gulf of Maine.

Summary: EPA had no objection to the proposed project.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-AFS-J65405-ND Equity Oil Company Federal 32-4 and 23-21 Oil and Gas Wells Surface Use Plan of Operation (SUP0), Implementation, Located in the Bell Lake Inventoried Roadless Area (IRA), Dakota Prairie Grasslands, Medora Ranger District, Golden Valley County, ND.

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

ERP No. F-BLM-J01080-WY West Hay Creek Coal Lease Application, Federal Coal Leasing, Buckskin Mine, Powder River Basin, Campbell County, WY.

Summary: EPA continues to express environmental concerns about regional air quality and impacts to and mitigation for playa wetlands. EPA supports mitigation methods for controlling fugitive dust and suggests those in use be reviewed to determine if additional measures are needed. EPA supports the efforts to control nitrogen dioxide releases from blasting and encourages measures to eliminate these toxic emissions.

ERP No. F-COE-G61042-NM Closure of the Al Black Recreation Area at the Cochiti Lake Dam Outlet Works, Implementation, Sandoval County, NM.

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

ERP No. F-DOE-F09004-OH
Portsmouth, Ohio Site Depleted Uranium Hexafluoride Conversion Facility, Construction and Operation, Pike County, OH.

Summary: Since EPA's previous concerns have been resolved, EPA has no objection to the proposed action.

ERP No. F-FRC-B05193-CT
Housatonic River Hydroelectric Project, Application to Relicense Existing Licenses for Housatonic Project No. 2576-022 and the Falls Village Project No. 2597-019, Housatonic River Basin, Fairfield, New Haven and Litchfield Counties, CT.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns about the range of alternatives considered and the consistency of the preferred alternative with conditions of the Clean Water Act Section 401 water quality certification.

ERP No. F-FRC-L05230-OR Pelton Round Butte Hydroelectric Project, (FERC No. 2030-036), Application for a New License for Existing 366.82-megawatt Project, Deschutes River, OR.

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

ERP No. F-UAF-K11113-00 Air Force Mission at Johnston Atoll Airfield (Installation) Termination, Implementation, Johnston Atoll is an Unincorporated Territory of the United States.

Summary: The FEIS addressed many of EPA's previous concerns. EPA requested commitments in the NEPA Record of Decision on waste minimization, pollution prevention and responsibility for environmental contaminants, and to identify the geographic boundaries of areas where the Defense Department will have jurisdiction and management responsibilities.

ERP No. F-USA-K11111-HI
Transformation of the 2nd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division (Light) to a Stryker Brigade Combat Team in Hawai'i, Implementation, Honolulu and Hawai'i Counties, HI.

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

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Science Advisory Board Staff Office; Notification of Upcoming Teleconference Meetings of the Science Advisory Board Committee on Valuing the Protection of Ecological Systems and Services

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office is announcing two public teleconferences of the SAB's Committee on Valuing the Protection of Ecological Systems and Services (C-VPESS).

DATES: August 23, 2004, 1-2:30 p.m. (eastern time) and August 25, 2004, 1-2:30 p.m. (eastern time).

ADDRESSES: Access to the teleconference will be by telephone only at: 866-299-3188. Dial the conference code 202-564-4562 and press # when prompted.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public wishing further information regarding this meeting may contact Dr. Angela Nugent, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), via telephone/voice mail at: (202) 343-9981, via e-mail at: nugent.angela@epa.gov, or by mail at U.S. EPA SAB (MC 1400F), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460. General information about the SAB can be found on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, the Background on the Committee and its charge was provided in 68 FR 11082 (March 7, 2003). The purpose of the teleconferences is to discuss work initiated at prior meetings of the Committee and prepare for the Committee's next meeting. The agendas for the teleconferences are likely to include:

1. Update/Discussion on Conclusions Drawn from Confined Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO) Break-out Session at the Committee's June 2004 Meeting;
2. Update/Discussion on work addressing Ecological Benefit Analysis at EPA for Economically Significant Rules;
3. Update/Discussion on work on defining "Concepts and Methods;"
4. Update/Discussion on draft report text related to "Risk Paradigms and Experience in Valuation Exercises;" and
5. Planning for the Committee's September 2004 Meeting.

Availability of Meeting Materials: Agendas for the teleconference meetings will be posted on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>, prior to the meeting. Meeting materials will also be posted on the Web site, and may be requested from the DFO for those persons who can not attend the meeting.

Procedures for Providing Public Comments. The SAB Staff Office will accept written public comments of any length, and accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. The SAB expects that public statements presented at the meeting will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral or written statements. *Oral Comments:* In general, each individual or group requesting an oral presentation at a teleconference meeting will be limited to three minutes per speaker and no more than fifteen minutes total. Interested parties should contact the DFO in writing (e-mail, fax or mail—see contact information noted above) by close of business August 16, 2004, in order to be placed on the public speaker list for the meetings. *Written Comments:* Although written comments are accepted until the date of the meeting, written comments should be received in the SAB Staff Office at least one week prior to the meeting date so that the comments may be made available to the panel for their consideration. Comments should be supplied to the DFO via the contact information noted above in the following formats: one hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat, WordPerfect, Word, or Rich Text files (in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format)).

Meeting Accommodations: Individuals requiring special accommodation to access this meeting, should contact the DFO at least five business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Dated: July 26, 2004.

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Director, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.

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Draft Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for the Mahoning River Watershed, Ohio

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).