

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The City of Boulder is proposing to maintain the historical water delivery function of the Lakewood Pipeline facility. Continued operation to serve this function will require reconstruction of the facility. The City's proposal consists of installing the replacement pipeline in the vicinity of the 1906 pipeline, with some specific deviations to avoid potentially adverse impacts to environmentally sensitive areas. The City will restore, to the extent reasonably possible, the contours and vegetation on National Forest System lands, estimated to be 18 acres, and the private lands, estimated to be 25 acres, along the Pipeline corridor. The City will require access to the pipeline for repair and maintenance.

The existing Lakewood Pipeline must be replaced because air entrainment, caused by the current pipeline, reduces the Betasso Water Treatment Plant's capability to remove drinking water contaminants. New stricter drinking water standards have been adopted by the EPA. The City will not meet the new standards based on water tests performed under current operating conditions. Also, the pipeline interior lining is deteriorating and collecting in the pipeline low points, restricting the flow in the pipeline. This has reduced the pipeline's capacity from the historical rate of 20 million gallons per day (mgd) to 14 mgd.

The Forest Service is considering analyzing five alternatives in the Lakewood Raw Water Pipeline Environmental Impact Statement. (1) A No Action Alternative, where the Forest Service would not authorize the use of National Forest System lands for the pipeline. The City would not be required to remove the existing pipeline because removal would create undesirable environmental impacts. (2) A Cleaning and Relining Alternative which entails refurbishing the existing pipeline, and reducing air entrainment to Betasso Water Treatment Plant through the use of vacuum deaeration equipment. (3) Sugarloaf Road or a Pump-Driven Replacement Pipeline alternative. The objective of the Sugarloaf Road Alternative is to confine pipeline construction to established road corridors, thereby avoiding the potential environmental effects from construction disturbance along the existing pipeline and North Boulder Creek, but would require pumping. (4) The Existing Pipeline Alignment is the City of Boulder's proposed action. This alternative closely follows the existing and 1906 Lakewood Pipeline alignment along North Boulder Creek. (5) Peewink Alignment—Gravity-Fed Replacement Pipeline. This alternative seeks to

address concerns regarding impacts to the North Boulder Creek riparian zone and to reduce pumping and traffic concerns associated with the Sugarloaf Road alternative.

Lakewood Pipeline reconstruction has been considered since 1988. Over the years both the City of Boulder and the Forest Service have asked the public to express their concerns and issues. The primary concerns are about impacts of reconstruction to aquatic and riparian ecosystems in North Boulder Creek if the pipeline follows the historical right-of-way, or concerns for personal safety and convenience if Sugarloaf Road is closed for periods of time for construction along the road. The environmental analysis will also address impacts to air, soils, forested and nonforested terrestrial ecosystems, recreation and visual resources, cultural resources and private properties and residents.

The Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests and Pawnee National Grassland intend to publish the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for public comment in mid-February, 1996. The Comment period on the draft environmental impact statement will be 45 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes the notice of availability in the Federal Register.

The Forest Service believes, at this early stage, it is important to give reviewers notice of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of draft environmental impact statements must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. versus NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the draft environmental impact statement stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final environmental impact statement may be waived or dismissed by the courts. *City of Angoon versus Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. versus Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participated by the close of the 45 day comment period so that substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final environmental impact statement.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments on the draft environmental impact statement should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft environmental impact statement or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act as 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

The Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests and Pawnee National Grassland intend to issue the final Environmental Impact Statement the end of June 1996.

Dated: December 13, 1995.

M.M. Underwood, Jr.,

Forest Supervisor.

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Natural Resources Conservation Service

Hickory Creek Watershed, Newton County, Missouri; Finding of No Significant Impact

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service.

ACTION: Notice of a Finding Of No Significant Impact.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969; the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR Part 1500); and the Natural Resources Conservation Service Regulations (7 CFR Part 650); the Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, gives notice that an environmental impact statement is not being prepared for the Hickory Creek Watershed, Newton County, Missouri.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roger A. Hansen, State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Parkade Center Suite 250, 601 Business Loop 70 West, Columbia, Missouri, 65203, (314) 876-0901.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The environmental assessment of this federally assisted action indicates that the project will not cause significant local, regional, or national impacts on the environment. As a result of these findings, Roger A. Hansen, State

Conservationist, has determined that the preparation and review of an environmental impact statement are not needed for this project.

The project purposes are flood prevention, flood damage reduction, fish and wildlife habitat development, and recreational development. The planned works of improvement include construction of 11 single-purpose floodwater retarding dams, acquisition of 40 flood plain properties, demolition or relocation of buildings from the acquisition area, and construction of recreational facilities in the stream corridor and flood plain.

The Notice of a Finding Of No Significant Impact (FONSI) has been forwarded to the Environmental Protection Agency and to various federal, state, and local agencies and interested parties. A limited number of copies of the FONSI are available to fill single copy requests at the above address. Basic data developed during the environmental assessment are on file and may be reviewed by contacting Michael D. Wells, Assistant State Conservationist (WR).

No administrative action on implementation of the proposal will be taken until 30 days after the date of this publication in the Federal Register.

(This activity is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under NO.10.904, Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention, and is subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372, which requires intergovernmental consultation with state and local officials.)

Roger A. Hansen,

State Conservationist.

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Aua Watershed, Ma'oputasi County, American Samoa

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service.

ACTION: Notice of availability of record of decision.

SUMMARY: Joan B. Perry, responsible Federal Official for projects administered under the provisions of Public Law 83-566, 16 U.S.C. 1001-1008, in the Territory of American Samoa, is hereby providing notification that a record of decision to proceed with the installation of the Aua Watershed project is available. Single copies of this record of decision may be obtained from Joan B. Perry at the address below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joan B. Perry, Director, Pacific Basin Area, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Suite 301, FHB Building, 400 Route 8,

Maitte, Guam 96927, telephone 671-472-7490.

(This activity is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under No. 10.904, Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention, and is subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372, which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials.)

Dated: December 6, 1995.

Joan B. Perry,

Director, Pacific Basin Area.

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ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

Meeting

AGENCY: Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (Access Board) has scheduled its regular business meetings to take place in Washington, DC on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 9-10, 1996 at the times and location noted below.

DATES: The schedule of events is as follows:

Tuesday, January 9, 1996

9:00 am-10:30 am Briefing on Rulemaking (Closed Session)
10:45 am-12:00 Noon Planning and Budget Committee
1:30 pm-3:15 pm Vision Statement Work Group
3:30 pm-5:00 pm Technical Programs Committee

Wednesday, January 10, 1996

9:00 am-12:00 Noon Ad Hoc Committee on Bylaws and Statutory Review

1:30 pm-3:30 pm Board Meeting

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at: Marriott at Metro Center, 775 12th Street, NW., Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information regarding the meetings, please contact Lawrence W. Roffee, Executive Director, (202) 272-5434 ext. 14 (voice) and (202) 272-5449 (TTY).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: At the Board meeting, the Access Board will consider the following agenda items:

- Approval of the Minutes of the July 12 and September 14 Board Meetings.
- Executive Director's Report.
- Vision Statement Work Group Report.

• Ad Hoc Committee on Bylaws and Statutory Review Report.

- Fiscal Year 1996 Spending Plan.
- Fiscal Year 1997 Budget Request.
- Fiscal Years 1994 and 1995

Research Projects Status.

- Fiscal Year 1996 Research Projects.
- Extension of Detectable Warnings Suspension.
- Election of Officers.

All meeting are accessible to persons with disabilities. Sign language interpreters and an assistive listening system are available at all meetings.

Lawrence W. Roffee,

Executive Director.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Vermont Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a meeting of the Vermont Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 9:00 a.m. and adjourn at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 11, 1996, at the Pavilion Office Building, 4th Floor Conference Room, 109 State Street, Montpelier, Vermont 05609. The purpose of the meeting is to plan a project for fiscal year 1996.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Committee Chairperson Dr. Samuel B. Hand, 802-656-3180, or Edward Darden, Acting Director of the Eastern Regional Office, 202-376-7533 (TDD 202-376-8116). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least five (5) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, December 12, 1995.

Carol-Lee Hurley,

Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.

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Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Maryland Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a meeting of the