

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

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Finding of No Significant Impact for Potomac Headwaters Land Treatment Watershed Project, Hardy, Hampshire, Mineral, Grant, and Pendleton Counties, West Virginia

Introduction

The Potomac Headwaters Land Treatment Watershed Project is a federally assisted action authorized for planning under Public Law 78-534, the Flood Control Act. An environmental assessment was undertaken in conjunction with the development of the watershed plan. This assessment was conducted in consultation with local, State, and Federal agencies as well as with interested organizations and individuals. Data developed during the assessment are available for public review at the following location: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, 75 High Street, Room 301, Morgantown, West Virginia 26505.

Recommended Action

Proposed is the installation of animal waste storage systems, dead bird composters, livestock confinement improvements, nutrient management plans, and riparian buffer zones for the purpose of reducing nutrient and bacterial pollution in the Potomac River headwaters.

Effects of the Recommended Action

Improvements in animal waste management will result in decreased runoff of nutrients and bacteria to streams, improving the water quality of the project area. Proper storage and application of manure and poultry litter will not only improve water quality, but will also improve the farmers efficiencies and make the product available for market. Installation of dead bird composters will enable more growers to manage this poultry waste product in an environmentally sound and economical means. Development of nutrient management plans will assure proper field application rates of animal waste. Installation of riparian buffer zones will reduce nutrient and bacteria runoff to streams and surface waters.

Risks of water-borne illnesses will be reduced, and the water pollution threat to fishing, boating, swimming, and tourism in the area will be lessened.

The proposed action will have little or no effect on wetlands. No adverse effects to threatened/endangered species are anticipated.

Consultation has been initiated with the State Historic Preservation Office. Should significant cultural resources be identified during implementation, they will be avoided or otherwise preserved in place to the fullest practical extent. If significant cultural resources cannot be avoided or preserved, pertinent information will be recovered before construction. If there is a significant cultural resource discovery during construction, appropriate notice will be made by NRCS to the state Historic Preservation Officer and the National Park Service. Consultation and coordination have been and will continue to be used to ensure the provisions of Section 106 of Public Law 89-665 have been met and to include provisions of Public Law 89-523, as amended by Public Law 93-291. NRCS will take action as prescribed in NRCS GM 420, Part 401, to protect or recover any significant cultural resources discovered during construction.

Alternatives

The planned action is the most practical means of reducing nutrient and bacterial pollution of streams. Because no significant adverse environmental impacts will result from installation of the measures, no other alternatives, other than the no project one, were considered.

Consultation—Public Participation

Formal agency consultation began with the initiation of the notification of the State Single Point of Contact for Federal Assistance in September 1995. Scoping meetings were held in September, October, and December 1995 and interdisciplinary efforts were used in all cases. A public meeting was held on May 2, 1996 to present the Draft Plan-Environmental Assessment to the Public and to receive comments and questions.

Specific consultation was conducted with the State Historic Preservation Officer concerning cultural resources in the watershed, and with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regarding threatened/endangered species. The U.S. Geological Survey, through a cooperative agreement, conducted water sampling and testing to establish baseline water quality values.

The plan-environmental assessment was transmitted to all participating and

interested agencies, groups, and individuals for review and comment on March 29, 1996.

Agency consultation and public participation to date have shown no unresolved conflicts with the implementation of the selected plan.

Conclusion

The Environmental Assessment summarized above indicates that this Federal action will not cause significant local, regional, or national impacts on the environment. Therefore, based on the above findings, I have determined that an environmental impact statement for the Potomac Headwaters Land Treatment Watershed Project is not required.

Dated: October 1, 1996.

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Task Force on Agricultural Air Quality

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Task Force on Agricultural Air Quality will meet for the first time to establish operating procedures and outline objectives. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will take place Friday, October 25, 1996 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Natural Resources Conservation Service on or before October 21, 1996.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Williamsburg Room, Room 104A, in the Jamie L. Whitten Federal Building, 12th and Jefferson Drive, SW, Washington, DC. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should be sent to George Bluhm, University of California, Land, Air, Water Resources, 151 Hoagland Hall, Davis, CA 95616-6827.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George Bluhm, telephone (916) 752-1018, fax (916) 752-1552.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

Agenda of October 25, 1996 Meeting

- (1) Welcome by Task Force Chair Paul Johnson.
- (2) Remarks by George Bluhm, Designated Agency Official
- (3) Introduction of members.

- (4) Establish operating procedures and outline objectives.
- (5) As time allows, other issues brought up by the public or Task Force members.
- (6) Set date and location for next meeting.

Procedural

This meeting is open to the public. At the discretion of the Chairman, members of the public may present oral presentations during the October 25, 1996 meeting. Persons wishing to make oral presentations at the October 25, 1996 meeting should notify George Bluhm, Designated Agency Official, no later than October 21, 1996. If a person submitting material would like a copy distributed to each member of the committee in advance of the meeting, that person should submit 25 copies to George Bluhm no later than October 21, 1996.

Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact George Bluhm as soon as possible.

Dated: September 30, 1996.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Agreement Suspending the Antidumping Investigation on Uranium from Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Price Determination on Uranium from Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section IV.C.1. of the antidumping suspension agreement on uranium from Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Uzbekistan, the Department of Commerce (the Department) calculated a price for uranium of \$15.78/lb. On the basis of this price, the export quota for uranium pursuant to Section IV.A. of the Kazakstani agreement, as amended on March 27, 1995, is 700,000 lbs for the period October 1, 1996, through March

31, 1996. The export quota for uranium pursuant to Section IV.A. of the Uzbek agreement, as amended on October 13, 1995, is 940,000 lbs for the period October 13, 1996, through October 12, 1997. Exports pursuant to other provisions of these agreements are not affected by this price.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alexander Braier or Yury Beyzarov, Office of Agreements Compliance, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street & Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3818 or (202) 482-2243, respectively.

PRICE CALCULATION:

Background

Section IV.C.1. of the antidumping suspension agreements on uranium from Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Uzbekistan specifies that the Department will issue its observed market price on October 1, 1996, and use it to determine the quota applicable to exports from Kazakhstan during the period October 1, 1996, to March 31, 1997 and from Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan during the period of October 13, 1996, to October 12, 1997. Consistent with the February 22, 1993, letter of interpretation, the Department provided interested parties with the preliminary price determination on September 18, 1996.

Calculation Summary

Section IV.C.1. of these agreements specifies how the components of the market price are reached. In order to determine the spot market price, the Department utilized the monthly average of the Uranium Price Information System Spot Price Indicator (UPIS SPI) and the weekly average of the Uranium Exchange Spot Price (Ux Spot). In order to determine the long-term market price, the Department utilized the weighted-average long-term price as determined by the Department on the basis of information provided by market participants and a simple average of the UPIS U.S. Base Price for the months in which there were new contracts reported.

The Department's letters to market participants provided a contract summary sheet and directions requesting the submitter to report his/her best estimate of the future price of merchandise to be delivered in accordance with the contract delivery schedules (in U.S. dollars per pound U₃O₈ equivalent). Using the information reported in the proprietary summary

sheets, the Department calculated the present value of the prices reported for any future deliveries assuming an annual inflation rate of 2.52 percent, which was derived from a rolling average of the annual GDP Implicit Price Deflator index from the past four years. The Department used the base quantities reported on the summary sheet for the purpose of weight-averaging the prices of the long-term contracts submitted by market participants. The Department then calculated a simple average of the UPIS U.S. Base Price and the long-term price as determined by the Department.

Weighting

The Department used the average spot and long-term volumes of U.S. utility and domestic supplier purchases, as reported by the Energy Information Administration (EIA), to weight the spot and long-term components of the observed price. In this instance, we have used purchase data from the period 1992-1995. During this period, the spot market accounted for 73.74 percent of total purchases, and the long-term market for 26.26 percent.

As in previous determinations, the Department used the Energy Information Administration's (EIA) *Uranium Industry Annual* to determine the available average spot- and long-term volumes of U.S. utility purchases. We have updated the data to reflect the period 1992 through 1995. The EIA has withheld certain contracting data from the public versions of the *Uranium Industry Annual 1993*, *Uranium Industry Annual 1994*, and the *Uranium Industry Annual 1995* because this data was business proprietary. The EIA, however, provided this data to the Department and the Department has used it to update its weighting calculation. Accordingly, it may only be released under Administrative Protective Order.

Calculation Announcement

The Department determined, using the methodology and information described above, that the observed market price is \$15.78. This reflects an average spot market price of \$16.28, weighted at 73.74 percent, and an average long-term contract price of \$14.38, weighted at 26.26 percent. The decrease in the observed market price from our preliminary determination reflects the correction of clerical errors, as discussed below, and our inclusion in the calculation of two contracts that were inadvertently omitted from our preliminary price calculation. Since this price is between \$15.00/lb and \$15.99/lb expressed in Appendix A of the