

Purpose Pipeline (MPP) Project, Construction and Operation of Raw Water Delivery System, Contra Costa Canal, COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Contra Costa County, CA.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding the significant potential cumulative impacts of the project and requested information on means to mitigate these impacts.

ERP No. D-NPS-J65285-MT Rating EO2, Interagency Bison Management Plan for State of Montana and Yellowstone National Park, Implementation, Maintain a wild, Free Ranging Population, Address the risk of Brucellosis Transmission, Park and Gallatin Counties, MT.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental objections about reasonable alternative that have not been considered in detail in the document. This document is an improper segmentation of NEPA and it appears that there has not been government-to-government consultation performed with concerned Tribes, especially when some tribes have officially requested that they be consulted with on this matter.

#### Final EISs

ERP No. F-AFS-J67027-MT Stillwater Mine Revised Waste Management Plan and Hertzler Tailings Impoundment, Construction and Operation, Plan-of-Operation, and COE Section 404 Permit, Custer National Forest, Stillwater County, MT.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns about the cumulative effect of the mine on water quality. Nitrate levels in ground and surface waters are expected to increase over time.

ERP No. F-BLM-K65198-00 Rangeland Health Standards and Guidelines for Livestock Grazing on Public Rangelands in California and Northwestern Nevada, CA and NV.

*Summary:* The Final EIS addresses the majority of our concerns however EPA recommended the ROD include clear rationale for the differences between S&Gs for the three RACs, specific criteria to be used to prioritize allotments for corrective action, expand the implementation plan to include specific timelines and triggers for action and that BLM consider drinking water supplies when trying to meet water quality management objectives.

ERP No. F-BLM-K67047-NV, Trenton Canyon Mining Project, Construction, Operation and Expansion, Plan of Operation, Valma and North Peak Deposits, Humboldt and Lander Counties, NV.

*Summary:* EPA's concerns have been adequately addressed in the Final EIS. EPA requested that the Record of Decision (ROD) include specific mitigation and monitoring provisions to ensure protection of certain aquatic resources and describe contingency plans for unanticipated adverse environmental impacts.

ERP No. F-COE-E32196-FL, Jacksonville Harbor Navigation Channel Deepening Improvements, Construction, St. Johns River, Duval County, FL.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns about the possibility of using the offshore disposal site for any of the limestone excavated during the deepening operations.

ERP No. F-FRC-J02035-00, Alliance Natural Gas Pipeline Project, Construction and Operation, Funding, NPDES Permit, COE Section 10 and 404 Permit, ND, MN, IA and IL.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding system alternatives, route variations and wetland mitigation and compensation.

ERP No. F-NPS-K70007-00, P140 Coaxial Cable Removal Project, Plan Approval and Permits Issuance, Socorro, New Mexico to Mojave, California, NM, CA and NV.

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

ERP No. F-NPS-L61221-AK, Sitka National Historical Park, General Management Plan, Implementation, City and Borough of Sitka, AK.

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

ERP No. FA-COE-K36009-CA, Napa River and Napa Creek Flood Protection Project, New Information, City of Napa, Napa County, CA.

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

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### National Drinking Water Advisory Council

#### Small Systems Implementation Working Group; Notice of Open Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Under Section 10(a)(2) of Public Law 92-423, "The Federal Advisory Committee Act," notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Small Systems Implementation Working Group of the National Drinking Water Advisory Council established under the Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. S300f *et seq.*), will be held on March 1 and 2, 1999 at the Baltimore Marriott Inner Harbor Hotel, 110 South Eutaw Street, Baltimore, Maryland. The meeting will begin at 8:30 am and conclude at 5:30 pm each day. The meeting is open to the public, but seating will be limited.

The purpose of this meeting is to identify and discuss challenges faced by small water systems in complying with the Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended in 1996. The meeting is open to the public to observe. The working group members are meeting to gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts and discuss options. Statements will be taken from the public at this meeting, as time allows.

For more information, please contact, Peter E. Shanaghan, Designated Federal Officer, Small Systems Implementation Working Group, U.S. EPA, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (4606), 401 M Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20460. The telephone number is 202-260-5813 and the email address is shanaghan.peter@epamail.epa.gov.

Dated: February 8, 1999.

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### Oxygenate Use in Gasoline

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**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.