

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns with potential adverse impacts to fish and wildlife populations, including big game and air quality within and surrounding the analysis area. The final EIS should supply information on existing air quality and an analysis of projected air quality impacts.

ERP No. D-AFS-L61223-OR Rating EC2, Mt. Ashland Ski Area Expansion, Implementation, Ashland Ranger District, Rogue River National Forest and Scott River Ranger District, Klamath National Forest, Jackson County, OR.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns with the purpose and need, range of alternatives and potential impacts to water quality, especially Riparian Reserves, and sensitive plants. EPA also commented on the mitigation and monitoring plans, skier demand, and transportation options.

ERP No. D-AFS-L65350-ID Rating EC2, JJ (Jerry Johnson) Ecosystem Restoration Project, Ranger District (Powell), Idaho County, ID.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding potential adverse impacts of concentrated tree removal, especially old growth, and disturbing highly unstable terrain increasing the risk of sediment delivery to streams. EPA requests that the final EIS further address the ecological impacts, especially cumulative effects, monitoring and CWA Section 303(d) listed waters.

ERP No. D-AFS-L65355-ID Rating EC2 *Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns with entry into the Sheep Gulch Roadless Area and potential adverse impacts to water quality, fish and wildlife. The final EIS should clarify how the proposed road treatments will restore soils and hydrologic function, as well as impacts from OHVs and information on landslide events in the project area.

ERP No. D-BLM-L65347-00 Rating EC2, Cascade Siskiyou Ecological Emphasis Area Management Plan, To Maintain, Protect, Restore or Enhance the Ecological Processes, Planning Area for Designation as a National Monument by the President, OR and CA.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns about potential adverse impacts from grazing and OHV use on water quality, soils, sensitive plants and wildlife, especially in non-designated areas.

ERP No. D-SFW-K64019-NV Rating EC2, Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge Complex Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Boundary Revision, Implementation, Churchill and Washoe Counties, NV.

Summary: While EPA supported the preferred alternative, the preferred alternative did not express concerns with the water quality of inflows and management options to help ensure that water entering the wetlands is of sufficient quality to meet water quality standards and protect beneficial uses. EPA urged the Service to commit to implementation of mitigation measures, monitoring, and adaptive management.

ERP No. DS-AFS-J65268-CO Rating EO2, Legislative—DSEIS—North Fork of the South Platte Rivers Wild and Scenic River Study for the Designation or Non-Designation into the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, Pike and San Isabel National Forests, Comanche and Cimarron National Grasslands, Douglas, Jefferson, Park and Teller Counties, Co.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental objections with the selection of the "not suitable" alternative, lack of implementing documents, and absence of protection for recognized attributes of the North Fork.

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ERP No. F-AFS-K65345-CA Pendola Fire Restoration Project, Implementation, Tahoe National Forest, Downieville Ranger District, Yuba County, CA.

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

ERP No. F-NPS-L65331-WA Whitman Mission National Historic Site, General Management Plan, Development Concept Plan, Implementation, Walla Walla County, WA.

Summary: EPA expressed lack of objections with the proposed action.

ERP No. F-SFW-K05056-CA High Desert Power Project, Construction and Operation, A Combined-Cycle Natural Gas-Fueled Electrical Generation Power Plant, Approval of Incidental Taking Authorization under Sections 7 and 10 of the Federal ESA, San Bernardino County, CA.

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

Dated: July 3, 2000.

Joseph C. Montgomery,

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6731-1]

Technical Workshop on Issues Associated With Considering Developmental Changes in Behavior and Anatomy When Assessing Exposure to Children

AGENCY: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of Meeting.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing that ERG, a contractor to EPA's Risk Assessment Forum, is organizing, convening, and conducting a workshop for external scientific peer consultation on issues related to the assessment of childhood exposure. The workshop is being held to discuss issues associated with how to consider important developmental changes in behavior and anatomy when assessing the exposure of children to environmental contaminants.

DATES: The workshop will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, July 26, 2000 and from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday, July 27, 2000.

ADDRESSES: The workshop will be held at the Holiday Inn on the Hill, 415 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. Eastern Research Group, Inc., an EPA contractor, will convene and facilitate the workshop. To register to attend the workshop as an observer, contact Eastern Research Group, Inc., Tel: (781) 674-7374, or visit their HomePage at <http://www.erg.com/conf/epa.htm> by July 19, 2000. Space is limited so please register early.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information concerning the workshop on age groups for assessing exposure to children please contact Steven Knott, U.S. EPA Office of Research and Development (8601-D), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460, Telephone (202) 564-3359.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 1993 National Academy of Sciences (NAS) report "Pesticides in the Diets of Infants and Children" highlights important differences between children and adults with respect to risks posed by pesticides. Some of the principles in the NAS report provided the foundation for the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996 (FQPA) and the President's Executive Order 13045, Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risk. FQPA requires the consideration of aggregate exposure to children when establishing pesticide tolerances (legal limits for residues in food). Executive Order 13045 broadens

consideration of impacts on children by stating that "each Federal agency: shall ensure that its policies, programs, activities, and standards address disproportionate risks to children that result from environmental health risks or safety risks." Many of the comments the EPA received on the Proposed Guidelines for Carcinogen Risk Assessment relate to the implementation of Executive Order 13045. In response to these comments and regulatory initiatives, EPA has been investigating ways to improve Agency risk assessments for children.

An Agency workgroup convened under the auspices of the Risk Assessment Forum has been exploring children's exposure assessment issues. This workgroup has concluded that a major issue facing Agency assessors is how to consider age related changes in behavior and physiology when preparing exposure assessments for children. Children's behavior changes over time in ways that can have an important impact on exposure. Further, children's physiology changes over time in ways that can impact both their exposures and their susceptibility to certain health effects. There are two aspects to these physiological changes. First, there are anatomical changes resulting from physical growth. Second, there are changes in pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics which affect the absorption, distribution, excretion and effects of environmental contaminants. The Agency is examining the pharmacokinetic/pharmacodynamic changes in children through other efforts and future meetings on this topic are anticipated. This ERG hosted workshop will focus on incorporating age related changes in behavior and anatomy into Agency exposure assessments.

Dated: June 29, 2000.

George W. Alapas,
Acting Director, National Center for Environmental Assessment.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[PF-940; FRL-6556-8]

Notice of Filing a Pesticide Petition to Establish a Tolerance for Certain Pesticide Chemicals in or on Food

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the initial filing of a pesticide petition proposing the establishment of regulations for residues of a certain pesticide chemical in or on various food commodities.

DATES: Comments, identified by docket control number PF-940, must be received on or before August 7, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit I.C. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.** To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number PF-940 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Linda Hollis, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, Ariel Rios Bldg., 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 308-8733; e-mail address: hollis.linda@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

You may be affected by this action if you are an agricultural producer, food manufacturer or pesticide manufacturer. Potentially affected categories and entities may include, but are not limited to:

Cat-egories	NAICS codes	Examples of potentially affected entities
Industry	111 112 311 32532	Crop production Animal production Food manufacturing Pesticide manufac-turing

This listing is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities likely to be affected by this action. Other types of entities not listed in the table could also be affected. The North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes have been provided to assist you and others in determining whether or not this action might apply to certain entities. If you have questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.**

B. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document and Other Related Documents?

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain electronic copies of this document, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. To access this document, on the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations" and then look up the entry for this document under the "**Federal Register**—Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number PF-940. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as confidential business information (CBI). This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

C. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

You may submit comments through the mail, in person, or electronically. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number PF-940 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

1. *By mail.* Submit your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, Ariel Rios Bldg., 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

2. *In person or by courier.* Deliver your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Information Resources and Services