

mitigation, SHPO coordination, and hazardous waste site baseline data be incorporated in the FEIS to strengthen the document.

ERP No. D-FRC-E08021-00 Rating EC2, Florida Gas Transmission (FGT) Phase V Expansion Project, FGT Natural Gas Pipeline and Associated Above Ground Facilities, Construction and Operation, Approvals and Permit Issuance, several counties of FL, AL and MS.

Summary: EPA has environmental concerns about the proposed project. In particular, air quality, wetlands impact, water quality, noise, endangered species and Environmental Justice issues warrant further discussion as the project progresses.

ERP No. D-NOA-L91012-WA Rating EO2, Anadromous Fish Agreements and Habitat Conservation Plans for the Welss, Rocky Reach, and Rock Island Hydroelectric Projects, Implementation, Incidental Take Permits, Chelan and Douglas Counties, WA.

Summary: EPA objects to selection of Alternative 3 as the preferred alternative. The proposed framework for the HCPs fails to demonstrate that salmon and fish species of concern would be protected and restored during the next 50 years. Specific problems with the framework and accompanying analyses include Columbia River bull trout not being included in the HCP or extensively analyzed, development of biological information being deferred until the writing of the Biological Opinion, a lack of monitoring methodology, and inadequate water quality information. EPA recommends that NMFS invite USF&WS to become a cooperating agency to accommodate inclusion of Columbia River bull trout in the context of the HCP and that it address concerns about inadequate information and analyses described above.

ERP No. D-NRS-D28013-WV Rating EC2, Upper Tygart Valley River Watershed Plan, Water Supply Project, Approval and Funding, Randolph and Pocahontas Counties, WV.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding loss of native trout habitat and wetlands and suggested that more information be provided on stream and wetland mitigation.

ERP No. DA-FHW-F40347-IL Rating EO2, FAP Route 340 (I-355 South Extension), Interstate Route 55 to Interstate Route 80, Additional Information for the Tollroad/Freeway Alternative, Funding, US Coast Guard Permit and COE Section 404 Permit, Cook, DuPage and Will Counties, IL.

Summary: EPA raised objections to the selection of alternatives. EPA's objections would be resolved if an additional Supplemental EIS were to be issued with a full environmental impact assessment of the Lemont Bypass Alternative. Our Section 404 objections would be resolved if sufficient wetlands impacts information on the Lemont Bypass Alternative is submitted to permit a finding of compliance with the Section 404(b)(1) Guidelines.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-COE-K36107-CA Bolsa Chica Project, Construction/Road Construction, Restoration and Flood Control Improvement, Section 10/404 Permits and Land Use Plan, City of Huntington Beach, Orange County, CA.

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

ERP No. F-FHW-E40739-NC US 17 New Bern Bypass Construction, Jones-Craven County Line to NC-1438 near Vanceboro, Funding, Section 404 and U.S. Coast Guard Bridge Permit, Craven County, NC.

Summary: EPA's review indicates that all earlier concerns have been addressed satisfactorily. Adverse community, cultural and natural environmental resource impacts have been minimized substantially. The 4-lane highway improvement project on new alignment includes commitments for good mitigation of identified wetlands losses, stormwater runoff control, and habitat impacts.

ERP No. F-IBR-K39049-CA Coachella Canal Lining Water Project, Revised and Updated Information, Approval of the Transfers and Exchanges of Conserved Coachella Canal Water, Construction, Operation and Funding, Riverside and Imperial Counties, CA.

Summary: EPA recognized the commitment to mitigation for biological resources, cumulative impacts, safety, and large mammals. We recommended the ROD include additional information on consultation with tribal governments on cultural resources and local socioeconomic effects from loss of canal seepage water.

ERP No. FS-COE-K36083-CA Guadalupe River Flood Control and Adjacent Streams Investigation, Proposed Modifications to the Guadalupe River Project, Downtown San Jose, Santa Clara County, CA.

Summary: EPA found the FGRER/FSEIS adequately addresses most of the issues raised in our comment letter on the DSEIS. We reiterated our support for additional measures to control mercury impacts through sediment control traps and mitigation measures which would remove "hard" engineered flood control

structures in other parts of the basin. EPA expressed continued concern with the use of invert stabilization mechanisms.

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Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7167 or www.epa.gov/oeca/ofa

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements

Filed May 29, 2001 Through June 01, 2001

Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 010194, Draft EIS, FHW, AL, Memphis to Atlanta Corridor Study (DPS-A002(002)), Proposal to Build Highway from the Mississippi/Alabama State Line to Interstate 65, Funding and COE Section 404 Permit, Colbert, Franklin, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Limestone and Morgan Counties, AL, Comment Period Ends: July 30, 2001, Contact: Joe D. Wilkerson (334) 223-7370.

EIS No. 010195, Draft EIS, FHW, LA, I-49 Connector, Construction from Evangeline Thruway US-90 and US-197 in Urbanized Lafayette, Funding, COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Parish of Lafayette, LA, Comment Period Ends: July 23, 2001, Contact: Bill Farr (225) 757-7615.

EIS No. 010196, Draft EIS, FHW, FL, I-4 Corridor Improvements, Upgrading the Safety and Mobility of the existing I-4, from west of FL-528 (Bee Line Expressway) interchange in Orange County to east of FL-472 interchange in Volusia County, Funding, COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, NPDES Permit, Orange, Seminole, and Volusia Counties, FL, Comment Period Ends: July 23, 2001, Contact: Donald Davis (850) 942-9650.

EIS No. 010197, Draft EIS, BOP, FL, GA, MS, AL, Criminal Alien Requirement (CAR) II, To Contract for a Private Contractor-Owned/Contractor-Operated Correctional Facility in Florida, Mississippi, Georgia and Alabama to House Adult-Male and Non-US Citizen, AL, FL, GA and/or MS, Comment Period Ends Due: July

- 23, 2001, Contact: David J. Dorworth (202) 514-6470.
EIS No. 010198, Draft EIS, GSA, NY, U.S. Mission to the United Nations (USUN), Demolition of Current USUN and the Construction of New Facility on the Same Site, Located at 799 United Nations Plaza, New York, NY, Comment Period Ends: July 23, 2001, Contact: Peter Sneed (212) 264-3581.
EIS No. 010199, Final EIS, RUS, KY, Jackson County Lake Project, Implementation, To Provide Adequate Water Supplies for the Projected Residential, Commercial and Industrial Needs, Funding and Possible COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Jackson County, KY, Wait Period Ends: July 09, 2001, Contact: Mark S. Plank (202) 720-1649.
EIS No. 010200, Final EIS, IBR, CA, Grassland Bypass Project (2001 Use Agreement), To Implement the New Use Agreement for the period from October 1, 2001 through December 21, 2009, San Joaquin River and Merced River, Fresno, Merced and Stanislaus Counties, CA, Wait Period Ends: July 09, 2001, Contact: Michael Delamore (559) 487-5039.
EIS No. 010201, Final EIS, AFS, NV, CA, Northern Sierra Amendment to the Toiyabe Land and Resource Management, To Unify and Revise Management Direction, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, Carson Ranger District, Stanislaus National Forest, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, Douglas and Washoe Counties, NV and Alpine and Toulomne Counties, CA, Wait Period Ends: July 09, 2001, Contact: Dave Loomis (775) 882-2766.
EIS No. 010202, Final Supplement, COE, KY, Lower Cumberland and Tennessee Rivers Navigation Improvements, Kentucky Lock Addition, Implementation, Nashville District, Marshall and Livingston Counties, KY, Wait Period Ends: July 09, 2001, Contact: Tim Higgs (615) 736-7863.
EIS No. 010203, Final EIS, AFS, CA, Fuels Reduction for Community Protection Phase 1 Project on the Six Rivers National Forest, Proposes to Reduce Fuels High Severity Burned Stands, Lower Trinity Ranger District, Humboldt and Trinity Counties, CA, Wait Period Ends: July 09, 2001, Contact: David Webb (707) 457-3131.

Amended Notices

EIS No. 010128, Draft EIS, FHW, MT, Montana State Primary Route 78 (P-78), Reconstruction, Widening and Realignment, from the junction with State Secondary Route 419 (S-419) which is just South of Abarokee, to

the Southern end of the Yellowstone River Bridge which is just south of Columbus, MT, Due: June 25, 2001, Contact: Dale W. Paulson (406) 449-5302. Revision of FR Notice Published on 04/27/2001: CEQ Review Period Ending 06/11/2001 has been Extended to 06/25/2001.

EIS No. 010172, Draft EIS, FHW, MD, MD-210 (Indian Head Highway) Multi-Modal Study, MD-210 Improvements between I-95/I-495 (Capitol Beltway) and MD-228 Funding and US COE Section 404 Permit Issuance, Prince George's County, MD, Due: July 23, 2001, Contact: Nelson Castellanos (410) 962-4342. Revision of FR notice published on 05/18/2001: CEQ Due Date Corrected from 09/23/2001 to 07/23/2001.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Notice to Existing Assistance Agreement Recipients Funded With Fiscal Year (FY) 2000 or 2001 Appropriations: New Requirements Regarding Litigation and Lobbying Certification

ACTION: Notice.

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

SUMMARY: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circulars A-21, A-87, and A-122, which establish the principles for determining allowable costs under Federal assistance agreements, prohibit the use of Federal assistance funds for certain lobbying and litigation costs.

In addition, Section 424 of the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001, Public Law 106-277, requires that: "A chief executive officer of any entity receiving funds under this Act shall certify that none of the funds have been used to engage in the lobbying of the Federal Government or in litigation against the United States unless authorized under existing law." Section 426 of the Department of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000,

Public Law 106-74, contains a similar provision. This requirement applies to not-for-profit institutions, educational institutions, state, local or tribal governments and other entities receiving assistance awards under EPA's FY 2000 and 2001 Appropriations Acts.

The Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), 44 U.S.C.A. 3500 et seq., requires that a Federal agency intending to request information from ten or more persons must obtain OMB approval before requesting that information. The appropriations act provisions described above impose additional information collection requirements on EPA assistance agreements. Therefore, EPA is currently seeking OMB approval of an information collection request for a certification document to be distributed and signed by a chief executive officer representing each entity. The certification document will not be disseminated until it has been approved by OMB.

Even though OMB has not yet approved the information collection request for the certification document, the mandates in the appropriations acts remain in effect because they are imposed directly by statute. Thus, recipients with assistance agreements funded with FY 2000 or FY 2001 appropriations must comply with this certification requirement. However, a particular format is not required until that form is approved by OMB. Until that time, each entity may provide this certification in any reasonable manner of choice. The certification must be submitted to EPA after the funds received under those appropriations have been expended.

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Science Advisory Board; Notification of Public Advisory Committee Meetings

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given of four meetings