

support the OPP/EPA mission under the FIFRA mandate.

1. *Risk assessments.* Assess risks of specific pesticides using the best scientific rationale and state-of-the-art information to evaluate adverse effects to exposed human and ecological populations in support of the Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA) and ecological risk assessments conducted under FIFRA. In addition, provide state-of-the-art risk assessment methodologies (i.e., probabilistic risk assessment) as requested.

2. *Fate and transport.* Develop and evaluate environmental fate and transport data and models in support of the Ecological Committee on FIFRA Risk Assessment Methods (ECOFRAM) Guidance. In addition, provide research in areas of uncertainty and sensitivity analyses to advance the use and usefulness of probabilistic techniques in fate and transport modeling.

3. *Geo-spatial analysis.* Provide data analysis, modeling, Geographic Information System (GIS) and software programming support to enhance assessments of potential pesticide transport from crop areas to surface waters and drinking water intake sources. Assess potential impacts of pesticide use at differing spatial scales and resolution.

4. *Computerization of toxicology data.* Systematically compile toxicity data submitted by the registrants into an electronic format. This would enable easy access and effective retrieval of data that would assist in the evaluation of chemicals under current review, and make recommendations to OPP/EPA in identifying data/information gaps for future studies.

5. *Evaluations of complex toxicology studies and issues.* Perform evaluations of difficult and complex toxicology studies, and provide assessments of the overall significance of the findings as they relate to the expected effects and environmental persistence of a chemical. Such studies may include population based dynamics in addition to those specified under Task 1. Evaluations of difficult and complex issues in toxicology will be performed. The Oak Ridge National Laboratory will be exploring the state-of-the-art biostatistical and dose/response methodologies for hazard assessments, identifying data gaps for research studies, and making recommendations to OPP/EPA for handling data gap issues.

The OPP has determined that access by Oak Ridge National Laboratory/DOE and its subcontractors, Waterborne Environmental, Inc. and Summitec Corporation, to information on all

pesticide chemicals is necessary for the performance of this contract.

Some of this information may be entitled to confidential treatment. The information has been submitted to EPA under sections 3, 4, 6, and 7 of FIFRA and under sections 408 and 409 of FFDCA.

In accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 2.307(h)(2), the contract with Oak Ridge National Laboratory/DOE and its subcontractors, Waterborne Environmental, Inc., and Summitec Corporation, prohibits use of the information for any purpose not specified in the contract; prohibits disclosure of the information to a third party without prior written approval from the Agency; and requires that each official and employee of the contractor sign an agreement to protect the information from unauthorized release and to handle it in accordance with the FIFRA Information Security Manual. In addition, Oak Ridge National Laboratory/DOE and its subcontractors, Waterborne Environmental, Inc., and Summitec Corporation, are required to submit for EPA approval a security plan under which any CBI will be secured and protected against unauthorized release or compromise. No information will be provided to Oak Ridge National Laboratory/DOE and its subcontractors, Waterborne Environmental, Inc., and Summitec Corporation, until the requirements in this document have been fully satisfied. Records of information provided to Oak Ridge National Laboratory/DOE and its subcontractors, Waterborne Environmental, Inc., and Summitec Corporation, will be maintained by EPA Project Officers for this contract. All information supplied to Oak Ridge National Laboratory/DOE and its subcontractors, Waterborne Environmental, Inc., and Summitec Corporation, by EPA for use in connection with this contract will be returned to EPA when Oak Ridge National Laboratory/DOE and its subcontractors, Waterborne Environmental, Inc., and Summitec Corporation, have completed their work.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Business and industry, Government contracts, Government property, Security measures.

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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
www.epa.gov/oeca/ofa

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements

Filed July 02, 2001 Through July 06, 2001

Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 010241, Draft EIS, FHW, RI, Sakonnet River Bridge Rehabilitation or Replacement Project, Portsmouth & Tiverton, Newport County, RI, Due: September 07, 2001, Contact: Daniel J. Berman (401) 528-4541.

EIS No. 010242, Draft EIS, FHW, CA, CA-78/111 Brawley Bypass, Construction of an Expressway from CA-86 to CA-11, City of Brawley, Funding, Imperial County, CA, Due: August 27, 2001, Contact: Jeffrey W. Kolb (916) 498-5037.

EIS No. 010243, Final EIS, FHW, IL, Illinois Route 3 (FAP-14) Relocation, Improved Transportation from Sauget to Venice, Funding, NPDES Permit and COE Section 404 Permit, Madison and St. Clair Counties, IL, Due: August 13, 2001, Contact: Daniel M. Mathis (217) 492-4640.

EIS No. 010244, Final EIS, FHW, NY, NY-120/22, Reconstruction Corridor, from Exits 2 and 3 on I-684 and Old Post Road (PIN-8130.75), Funding, COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Town of North Castle, Westchester County, NY, Due: August 13, 2000, Contact: H.J. Brown (518) 472-3616.

EIS No. 010245, Final EIS, NRS, WV, Upper Tygart Valley River Watershed Plan, Water Supply Project, Approval and Funding, Randolph and Pocahontas Counties, WV, Due: August 13, 2001, Contact: William J. Hartman (304) 284-7545.

EIS No. 010246, Draft Supplement, BLM, ID, Smoky Canyon Mine Panels B and C, Propose to Mine Phosphate Ore Reserves in the Final Two Mine Panels, National Forest System Lands and Federal Mineral Leases, Caribou National Forest, Permit, Caribou County, ID, Due: September 11, 2001, Contact: Jeffery Cundick (208) 478-6354. The U.S. Department of Interior's Bureau of Land Management and U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service are Joint Lead Agencies for this project.

EIS No. 010247, Final EIS, MMS, LA, AL, MS, FL, Eastern Planning Area

Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Lease Sale 181 (December 2001), Gulf of Mexico, Offshore Marine Environment and Coastal Counties/Parishes of LA, MI, AL and northwestern FL, Due: August 13, 2001, Contact: Archie Melancon (703) 787-1547.

EIS No. 010248, Draft EIS, USN, HI, Programmatic EIS—Ford Island Development Program, Proposed Consolidation of Selected Operation at Pearl Harbor by Locating and Relocating Certain Activities Ford Island, HI, Due: August 27, 2001, Contact: Stanley Uehara (808) 471-9338.

EIS No. 010249, Draft EIS, COE, CA, Pine Flat Dam Fish and Wildlife Habitat Restoration Investigation, Propose to Restore and Protect the Ecosystem for Fish and Wildlife Resource, King River Basin, Fresno County, CA, Due: August 27, 2001, Contact: David Tedrick (916) 557-7087.

EIS No. 010250, Draft EIS, FRC, MA, CT, Phase III/Hubline Project, Construction and Operation a Natural Gas Pipeline, Maritimes and Northeast Pipeline (Docket No. CPO1-4-000), Algonquin Gas Transmission (Docket No. CP01-5-000) and Texas Eastern Transmission (Docket No. CP01-8-000), MA and CT, Due: September 03, 2001, Contact: Berne Mosley (202) 208-0004.

EIS No. 010251, Final EIS, FTA, CA, Mid-Coast Corridor Mass Transit Improvement Project, Funding, San Diego County, CA, Due: August 13, 2001, Contact: Tim Pennington (415) 744-3116.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared June 04, 2001 through June 08, 2001 pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at

(202) 564-7167. An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 14, 2000 (65 FR 20157).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-AFS-J65337-MT Rating EC2, Cave Gulch Post-Fire Salvage Sale, Harvesting Dead or Dying Trees, Implementation, Helena National Forest, Big Belts Mountain, Lewis and Clark Counties, MT.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns about adverse effects of timber harvest on water quality. EPA indicated that harvest methods and mitigation measures should avoid and minimize further adverse impacts to fire stressed water bodies and recommended additional mitigation, and monitoring to detect effects on water quality.

ERP No. D-AFS-L65232-OR Rating EC2, Deep Vegetation Management Project, Implementation, Ochoco National Forest, Paulina Ranger District, Crook and Wheeler Counties, OR.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns about possible impacts to air and water quality, the limited information on cumulative impacts, and the limited range of alternatives. EPA requests that the final EIS discuss these potential impacts in greater detail.

ERP No. D-AFS-L65369-00 Rating EC2, Boise National Forest, Payette National Forest and Sawtooth National Forest, Forest Plan Revision, Implementation, Southwest Idaho Ecogroup, several counties, ID, Malheur County, OR and Box Elder County, UT.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding air and water quality impacts and with the discussion regarding alternatives and cumulative impacts.

ERP No. D-BOP-K81025-CA Rating LO, Fresno Federal Correctional Facility Development, Orange Cove, Fresno County, CA.

Summary: EPA had no objections to the project.

ERP No. DS-DOE-A06181-00 Rating EC2, Geologic Repository for the Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste, Construction, Operation, Monitoring and Eventually Closing a Geologic Repository at Yucca Mountain, Updated and Additional Information, Nye County, NV.

Summary: The Supplement updates information about the repository design, but because of its limited scope, the Supplement does not address most of the comments EPA had on the draft EIS. EPA therefore continues to have environmental concerns with the project. EPA also requests additional

information to clarify information presented in the Supplement.

ERP No. D1-AFS-J65250-CO Rating LO, Forest Development Trail (FDT) 1135 (Arapaho Ridge Trail), Forest Development Road (FDR) 711.1 and FDR 711.1A Motorized or Non-Motorized Determination and Trailhead Parking Areas Creation at both ends of the Trail, Routt National Forest, Jackson County, CO.

Summary: EPA expressed a lack of objections with the preferred alternative.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-AFS-J65322-MT, Spar and Lake Subunits Forest Health Project, Improvements, Kootenai National Forest, Three Rivers Ranger District, Lincoln County, MT.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about the lack of information on aquatics monitoring and weed control chemicals to be used in the project area.

ERP No. F-RUS-E39053-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.

Summary: EPA's original environmental concerns remain, especially since other water supply options can address purpose/need goals with lesser adverse (long-term) water quality impacts.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Notice of Filing a Pesticide Petition to Establish a Tolerance for a Certain Pesticide Chemical 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-1028, must be received on or before August 13, 2001.