

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[ER-FRL-6621-5]

**Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments**

Availability of EPA comments prepared 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 May 18, 2001 (97 FR 27647).

**Draft EISs**

ERP No. D-NPS-J65346-WY Rating LO, Devil's Tower National Monument General Management Plan, Implementation, Crook County, WY.

Summary: EPA had no objections to the preferred alternative.

ERP No. D-USA-G11040-TX Rating EC2, Programmatic EIS—Fort Sam Houston, Camp Bullis, and Canyon Lake Recreation Area Master Plan, Implementing Revisions to the Existing 1988 Land Use Plan, City of San Antonio, TX.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns and requested additional information in the areas of alternatives analysis, wetland impacts, floodplains, wildlife habitat, prime farmland soils, and mitigation.

**Final EISs**

ERP No. F-AFS-J65336-MT, Lolo National Forest, Big Game Winter Range and Burned Area Management, Restoration, Prevention and Cooperation, Implementation, Missoula, Lake, Mineral, Sanders, Granite, Powell, Lewis and Clark, Flathead and Ravalli Counties, MT.

Summary: EPA expressed lack of objections. The preferred alternative includes adequate mitigation and controls for invasive weeds and forage improvement on 21 big game ranges and areas burned in year 2000 wildfires.

ERP No. F-AFS-L65358-ID, Starbuckey Restoration Project, Implementation of Vegetative Treatment, Road Construction and Watershed Improvements, Nez Perce National Forest, Red River Ranger District, Idaho County, ID.

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

ERP No. F-FRC-E08021-00, 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 remaining concerns with the proposed project concerning air quality, water quality, noise, cumulative impacts and safety. EPA requests that the prospective FERC ROD address these concerns.

ERP No. F-MMS-E02011-00, 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.

Summary: EPA continues to be concerned about cumulative impacts of oil and gas activity in the Gulf, although the revised lease sale area has been reduced by 25-30% of the original proposal.

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

Summary: EPA had no objection to the proposed action.

ERP No. FA-DOE-A22088-SC, Savannah River Site Salt Processing Alternatives, Evaluation for Separating High-Activity and Low-Activity Fractions of Liquid High-Level Radioactive Waste and Potential Environmental Impacts of Alternatives to the In-Tank-Precipitation Process (ITP), Aiken and Barnwell Counties, SC.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns relating to the disposal of secondary waste streams.

Dated: August 28, 2001.

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Associate Division Director, NEPA, Office of Federal Activities.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[OPP-00734; FRL-6797-8]

**Workshop Series on Bt Corn Insect Resistance Management Framework Development; Notice of Public Meeting**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** EPA will hold the third and fourth workshops in a series focusing on Bt corn insect resistance management (IRM). Workshops will involve small expert groups (about 15 people). These

four workshops are designed to provide EPA with information on the following general topics: (1) Pest simulation model design and validation, (2) resistance monitoring and detection design and validation, (3) insect resistance management strategies and refuge validation, and (4) remedial action strategies. Information from these workshops will be used to assist the Agency in the design and evaluation of effective insect resistance management strategies for Bt corn. EPA will provide a publically-available workshop report after all four workshops have been concluded.

**DATES:** The third workshop on insect resistance management strategies and refuge validation will be held on September 10-11, 2001, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The fourth workshop will focus on remedial action strategies and will be held October 29-30, 2001, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Requests for participation in the meeting must be received on or before September 4, 2001, for the third workshop on September 10-11, 2001, and October 22, 2001, for the fourth workshop on October 29-30, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at EPA, Crystal Station, Room A, 2800 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA 22202. Space is limited. Requests to participate may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit III. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, your request must identify docket control number OPP-00734 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Glaser; National Risk Management Research Laboratory, Environmental Protection Agency, 26 W. King Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45268; telephone number: (513) 569-7568; fax number: (513) 487-2511; e-mail address: glaser.john@epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Does this Action Apply to Me?**

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest to: Registrants and users of Bt corn under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), or the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) as well as non-users of Bt corn and the public. Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person

listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

## II. 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," "Regulations and Proposed Rules," 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/>.

To access information about the Office of Research and Development workshops on Bt corn IRM, go directly to the Home Page for Biopesticides at: <http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/biopesticides/>, and select "ORDworkshops."

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an administrative record for this meeting under docket control number OPP-00734. The administrative record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this notice, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to the ORD Workshops on Bt Corn IRM, including any information claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI). This administrative 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 administrative record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments that may be 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 Hwy., 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.

## III. How Can I Request to Participate in this Meeting?

You may submit a request to participate in this meeting through the mail, in person, or electronically. Do not submit any information in your request that is considered CBI. Your request must be received by EPA on or before September 4, 2001, for the third workshop on September 10th and 11th and October 22, 2001, for the fourth workshop on October 29th and 30th. To

ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPP-00734, in the subject line on the first page of your request.

1. *By mail.* You may submit a request to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

2. *In person or by courier.* Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA. The PIRIB is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

3. *Electronically.* You may submit your request electronically by e-mail to: [opp-docket@epa.gov](mailto:opp-docket@epa.gov). Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. Use WordPerfect 6.1/8.0 or ASCII file format and avoid the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Be sure to identify by docket control number OPP-00734. You may also file a request online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

### List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Bt corn.

Dated: August 17, 2001.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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### U.S. EPA Notice of Public Meeting on the Draft Strategy for Waterborne Microbial Disease

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

**ACTION:** This action announces a public meeting on the draft Strategy for Waterborne Microbial Disease.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is holding a meeting on September 18, 2001, to present to interested parties the draft Strategy for Waterborne Microbial Disease. The draft

Strategy explains suggested approaches to reducing microbial pollution of the Nation's waters. Interested parties will have an opportunity to comment on the approaches listed in the draft Strategy at this meeting. In addition interested parties may provide written comments on the draft strategy.

**DATES:** The public meeting concerning the draft Strategy for Waterborne Microbial Disease will be held September 18, 2001, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST. Written comments on the draft strategy will be accepted until October 19, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Hilton Crystal City Hotel, 2399 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia, in the Roanoke conference room. Sciences, Inc. (an EPA contractor) will provide logistical support for the meeting. Written comments should be sent to Ms. Harriet McCollum at Sciences, Inc., 1800 Diagonal Road, Suite 500, Alexandria, VA 22314; phone (703) 684-0123; fax (703) 684-2223, or email at [hmccollum@sciences.com](mailto:hmccollum@sciences.com).

**FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information about the meeting, please contact Ms. Harriet McCollum at Sciences, Inc., 1800 Diagonal Road, Suite 500, Alexandria, VA 22314; phone (703) 684-0123; fax (703) 684-2223, or email at [hmccollum@sciences.com](mailto:hmccollum@sciences.com).

Approximately 100 seats will be available on a first-come, first serve basis. On-site registration for the meeting will begin at 8 a.m., EST. Members of the public wishing to attend the meeting may pre-register by phone by contacting Ms. McCollum by September 10, 2001. Those registered by September 10, 2001 will receive background materials prior to the meeting.

For information concerning the Draft Strategy for Waterborne Microbial Disease, or a copy of the draft Strategy please, contact Lisa Almodovar, at the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, (MC-4304), Washington, DC 20460; phone; (202) 260-1310, fax: (202) 260-1036 or email at [almodovar.lisa@epa.gov](mailto:almodovar.lisa@epa.gov). Copies of the draft Strategy are available on EPA's Internet at [www.epa.gov/ost/criteria/microbialdraft.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/ost/criteria/microbialdraft.pdf).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA, States, local governments and the private sector have made significant strides in reducing water pollution. Much of this progress is the result of controls on pollution from industries and sewage treatment facilities. Despite this progress, States report that about 30% of the waters they assess do not meet clean water goals. Today, water pollution problems are caused by a wide