

meetings. Meeting times and locations are:

Evening Scoping Meeting

Date: May 21, 2002.

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Place: Concrete High School

Multipurpose Room, 7830 Superior Avenue, Concrete, Washington.

Morning Scoping Meeting

Date: May 22, 2002.

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Place: Cottontree Inn, 2401 Riverside Drive, Mount Vernon, Washington.

Copies of SD1 outlining the subject areas to be addressed in an EA were distributed to the parties on the Commission's mailing list. Copies of SD1 will be available at the scoping meetings or may be viewed on the web at www.ferc.gov using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Site Visit

Commission staff and Puget will have a site visit to the Baker River Project at 10:00 a.m. on May 21, 2002. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend. All participants should meet at the Baker River Project Visitor Center at 46110 East Main Street, Concrete, Washington. Any person interested in attending the site visit should call the Baker Message Line at 1-888-225-5773 (option 5, extension 81-3110) or send an email to bakerlicense@puget.com. Puget will supply on-site transportation for the site visit.

Objectives

At the scoping meetings, Commission staff will: (1) Summarize the environmental issues tentatively identified for analysis in the EA; (2) solicit from meeting participants all available information, especially quantifiable data, on the resources at issue; (3) encourage statements from experts and the public on issues that should be analyzed in the EA, including viewpoints in opposition to, or in support of, Commission staff's preliminary views; (4) determine the resource issues to be addressed in the EA; and (5) identify those issues that require a detailed analysis, as well as those issues that do not require a detailed analysis. Individuals, organizations, and agencies with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the scoping meetings and to assist Commission staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in an EA. Both scoping meetings will be recorded by a

stenographer and the transcripts will become part of the Commission's official record for this project.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM98-1-000]

Regulations Governing Off-the-Record Communications; Public Notice

April 19, 2002.

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2201(h), of the receipt of exempt and prohibited off-the-record communications.

Order No. 607 (64 FR 51222, September 22, 1999) requires Commission decisional employees, who make or receive an exempt or a prohibited off-the-record communication relevant to the merits of a contested on-the-record proceeding, to deliver a copy of the communication, if written, or a summary of the substance of any oral communication, to the Secretary.

Prohibited communications will be included in a public, non-decisional file associated with, but not part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become part of the decisional record, the prohibited off-the-record communication will not be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision. Parties to a proceeding may seek the opportunity to respond to any facts or contentions made in a prohibited off-the-record communication, and may request that the Commission place the prohibited communication and responses thereto in the decisional record. The Commission will grant such requests only when it determines that fairness so requires. Any person identified below as having made a prohibited off-the-record communication should serve the document on all parties listed on the official service list for the applicable proceeding in accordance with Rule 2010, 18 CFR 385.2010.

Exempt off-the-record communications will be included in the decisional record of the proceeding, unless the communication was with a cooperating agency as described by 40 CFR 1501.6, made under 18 CFR 385.2201(e)(1)(v).

The following is a list of exempt and prohibited off-the-record communications received in the Office of the Secretary within the preceding 14 days. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. The documents may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Exempt

Docket No.	Date filed	Presenter or requester
1. Docket No. CP01-153-000.	4-18-02	Charles P. Pope.
2. Project No. 1494-232.	4-19-02	Mike Brady.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-2002-0014; FRL-6833-5]

Region III Strategic Agriculture Grants; Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA Region III is announcing the availability of approximately \$150,000 in fiscal year (FY) 2002 grant/cooperative agreement funds under section 20 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) as amended, (the Act), for grants to States and federally recognized Native American Tribes for research, public education, training, monitoring, demonstration, and studies. For convenience, the term "State" in this notice refers to all eligible applicants.

DATES: In order to be considered for funding during the FY 2002 award cycle, all applications must be received by EPA Region III on or before May 28, 2002. EPA will make its award decisions by May 31, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Please submit applications to the contact under Unit V. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susie Chun, Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, Mail code 3WC32, Waste Chemicals and Management Division, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029; telephone number: (215) 814-2469; fax