


Amended Notices


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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 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 the Federal Register dated April 12, 2002 (67 FR 17992).

Draft EISs


Summary: While EPA supports road decommissioning, EPA expressed environmental concerns about potential effects on roadless characteristics from timber harvests in roadless areas, and about potential water quality impacts to a 303(d) listed stream. EPA recommended additional seeding and planting in severely burned areas.

ERP No. D–AFS–L65401–ID Rating EC2, Sixshooter Project, Reduction of Threats from Insect Infestation and Wildfire, Sixmile and West Fork Creek, Boise National Forest, Emmett Ranger District, Gem County, ID.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns with potential adverse environmental impacts to old growth forest habitat and water quality. The final EIS should fully disclose these impacts and any appropriate mitigation measures.

ERP No. D–FHW–H40174–IA Rating LO, Avenue G Viaduct and Connecting Corridor, Access Improvement for Local Emergency Services and Safety Through Expanded Capacity across the Trail Corridor, Funding and NPDES Permit, Pottawattamie County, IA.

Summary: EPA has no objection to the proposed action. However, applicability and compliance with the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (asbestos) should be clarified in the FEIS.

ERP No. D–NRC–E06021–NC Rating EC1, Generic EIS—McGuire Nuclear Power Station Units 1 and 2, Supplement 8 to NUREG–1437, Located on the Shore of Lake Norman, Mecklenburg County, NC.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about and requested clarification on anticipated waste quantities and the status of groundwater wells.

ERP No. DR–AFS–K65203–CA Rating LO, Sirretta Peak Trail Project to Explore Locations for the Construction of Trail Routes Open to Off-Highway Vehicles and New Information Relating to the Sierra Nevada Forest Plan Amendment, Cannell Meadow Ranger District, Sequoia National Forest, Tulare County, CA.

Summary: EPA has no objections to the proposed action.


Summary: EPA has environmental objections to both action alternatives because they are predicted to exceed MCLs of Iodine-129 and contribute to exceedances of MCLs for other radionuclides, thereby worsening contamination in the groundwater and vadose zone. EPA also notes that the draft provides insufficient information to fully describe existing and predicted impacts. EPA recommends that the EIS expand its alternative discussion to include changes in design or waste acceptance criteria to meet environmental standards and that it include additional information about the affected environment and environmental impacts.

Final EISs


Summary: EPA expressed lack of objections.


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

ERP No. F–APH–A85169–00 Programmatic—EIS Rangeland Grasshopper and Mormon Cricket Suppression Program, Authorization, Funding and Implementation in 17 Western States, AZ, CA, CO, ID, KS, MT, NE, NV, NM, ND, OK, OR, SD, TX, UT, WA and WY.

Summary: EPA expressed lingering concerns with the FEIS with respect to mitigation measures for human exposure, water quality and pesticide drift mitigation. EPA suggested that APHIS consider these concerns as it proceeds to develop a Record of Decision for the Cricket Suppression Program.

ERP No. F–FHW–E40790–00 Corridor 1B/1–69 Proposed Improvements from the US 412/US 51 Interchange to the US 51 Fulton Bypass/Purchase Parkway Interchange, Funding, Dyer and Obion Counties, TN and Fulton County, KY.

Summary: EPA expressed no objections to this project, provided that mitigation measures and monitoring programs, as described in the Final EIS, are implemented as applicable.
Notice of Public Meeting

FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: There will be a 1-day meeting of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA) Scientific Advisory Panel (FIFRA SAP) to consider and review a proposed methodology for projecting domestic percent-crop-treated with pesticides for dietary risk assessment.

DATES: The meeting will be held on October 1, 2002, from 8:30 a.m. to approximately 5 p.m., eastern standard time.

For dates on requests to present oral comments, submission of written comments, or requests for special seating arrangements, see Unit I.C. of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

ADDRESS: The meeting will be held at Sheraton Crystal City Hotel, 1800 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA. The telephone number for the Sheraton Crystal City Hotel is: (703) 466–1111.

Requests to present oral comments, submission of written comments, or requests for special seating arrangements may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit I of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, your request must identify docket ID number OPP–2002–0228 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Knott, Designated Federal Official (DFO), Office of Science Coordination and Policy (7201M), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 564–8450; fax number: (202) 564–8382; e-mail addresses: knott.steven@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest to persons who are or may be required to conduct testing of chemical substances under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), FIFRA, and FQPA. 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 DFO 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,” “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/fedreg/. A meeting agenda, EPA’s background paper, questions to FIFRA SAP, and FIFRA SAP composition (i.e., members and consultants) will be available as soon as possible, but no later than early September. In addition, the Agency may provide additional background documents as the materials become available. You may obtain electronic copies of these documents, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the FIFRA SAP Internet Home Page at http://www.epa.gov/scipoly/sap.

2. In person. The Agency has established an official record for this meeting under docket ID number OPP–2002–0228. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this notice, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other material information, 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. In addition, the Agency may provide additional background documents as the material becomes available. The public version of the official 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.

C. How May I Participate in this Meeting?

You may submit requests to present oral comments, written comments, or requests for special seating arrangements through the mail, in person, or electronically. Do not submit any information in your request that is considered CBI. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket ID number OPP–2002–0228 in the subject line on the first page of your request.

1. Oral comments. Although requests to present oral comments are accepted until the date of the meeting (unless otherwise stated), to the extent that time permits, interested persons may be permitted by the Chair of FIFRA SAP to present oral comments at the meeting. Each individual or group wishing to make brief oral comments to FIFRA SAP is strongly advised to submit their request to the DFO listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT no later than noon, eastern standard time, September 24, 2002, in order to be included on the meeting agenda. The request should identify the name of the individual making the presentation, the organization (if any) the individual will represent, and any requirements for audiovisual equipment (e.g., overhead projector, 35 mm projector, chalkboard). Oral comments before FIFRA SAP are limited to approximately 5 minutes unless prior arrangements have been made. In addition, the speaker should bring to the meeting 30 copies of the oral comments and presentation slides for distribution to FIFRA SAP at the meeting.

2. Written comments. Although submission of written comments are accepted until the date of the meeting (unless otherwise stated), the Agency encourages that written comments be submitted no later than noon, eastern standard time, September 24, 2002, to provide FIFRA SAP the time necessary to consider and review the written comments. There is no limit on the extent of written comments for consideration by FIFRA SAP. Persons