

assessment; and (f) environmental statistics.

Process and Deadline for Submitting Nominations

Any interested person or organization may nominate individuals qualified in the areas of expertise described above to serve on the Subcommittee.

Nominations should be submitted in electronic format through the Form for Nominating Individuals to Panels of the EPA Science Advisory Board provided on the SAB Web site, <http://www.epa.gov/sab>. The form can be accessed through a link on the blue navigational bar on the SAB Web site, <http://www.epa.gov/sab>. To be considered, all nominations must include the information required on that form.

Anyone who is unable to submit nominations using this form, and any questions concerning any aspects of the nomination process may contact the DFO, as indicated above in this notice. Nominations should be submitted in time to arrive no later than August 20, 2004. Any questions concerning either this process or any other aspects of this notice should be directed to the DFO.

The SAB will acknowledge receipt of the nomination and inform nominators of the panel selected. From the nominees identified by respondents to this **Federal Register** notice (termed the "Widecast"), SAB Staff will develop a smaller subset (known as the "Short List") for more detailed consideration. Criteria used by the SAB Staff in developing this Short List are given at the end of the following paragraph. The Short List will be posted on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>, and will include, for each candidate, the nominee's name and biosketch. Public comments on the Short List will be accepted for 21 calendar days. During this comment period, the public will be requested to provide information, analysis or other documentation on nominees that the SAB Staff should consider in evaluating candidates for the Panel.

For the SAB, a balanced review panel (*i.e.*, committee, subcommittee, or panel) is characterized by inclusion of candidates who possess the necessary domains of knowledge, the relevant scientific perspectives (which, among other factors, can be influenced by work history and affiliation), and the collective breadth of experience to adequately address the charge. Public responses to the Short List candidates will be considered in the selection of the panel, along with information provided by candidates and information gathered by SAB Staff independently of

the background of each candidate (*e.g.*, financial disclosure information and computer searches to evaluate a nominee's prior involvement with the topic under review). Specific criteria to be used in evaluation of an individual subcommittee member include: (a) Scientific and/or technical expertise, knowledge, and experience (primary factors); (b) absence of financial conflicts of interest; (c) scientific credibility and impartiality; (d) availability and willingness to serve; and (e) ability to work constructively and effectively in committees.

Short List candidates will also be required to fill-out the "Confidential Financial Disclosure Form for Special Government Employees Serving on Federal Advisory Committees at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency" (EPA Form 3110-48). This confidential form allows Government officials to determine whether there is a statutory conflict between that person's public responsibilities (which includes membership on an EPA Federal advisory committee) and private interests and activities, or the appearance of a lack of impartiality, as defined by Federal regulation. The form may be viewed and downloaded from the following URL address: <http://www.epa.gov/sab/pdf/epaform3110-48.pdf>.

In addition to reviewing background material, Panel members will be asked to attend one public face-to-face meeting over the anticipated course of the advisory activity.

Dated: July 26, 2004.

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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 <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa>

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements

Filed July 19, 2004 Through July 23, 2004

Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 040339, Draft EIS, NPS, GA, Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area General Management Plan, Implementation, Chattahoochee

River, Atlanta, GA, Comment Period Ends: September 13, 2004, Contact: Dave Elk (678) 538-1321.

EIS No. 040340, Final EIS, NRS, TN, Cane Creek Watershed Remedial Plan, Widening and Degradation of the Cane Creek Channel, Lauderdale County, TN, Wait Period Ends: August 30, 2004, Contact: James W. Ford (615) 277-2531.

EIS No. 040341, Final EIS, NPS, NY, Saratoga National Historical Park General Management Plan, Implementation, Hudson River Valley, Towns of Stillwater and Saratoga, Saratoga County, NY, Wait Period Ends: August 30, 2004, Contact: Doug Lindsay (518) 664-9821.

EIS No. 040342, Draft EIS, AFS, MT, Gallatin National Forest, Main Boulder Fuels Reduction Project, Implementation, Gallatin National Forest, Big Timber Ranger District, Big Timber, Sweet Grass and Park Counties, MT, Comment Period Ends: September 13, 2004, Contact: Barbara Ping (406) 522-2570. This document is available on the Internet at: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/gallatin/?page=projects.main_boulder.

EIS No. 040343, Draft EIS, FHW, OH, U.S. 33, Nelsonville Bypass Project, To Upgrade Existing Four-Lane Controlled Access Expressway between Haydenville in Hocking County and New Floodwood in Hocking and Athens Counties, OH, Comment Period Ends: September 13, 2004, Contact: Davis Synder (614) 280-6852.

EIS No. 040344, Draft EIS, AFS, AL, Longleaf Ecosystem Restoration Project, Proposes a Five-Year Project to Begin Restoration of Native Longleaf, Talladega National Forest, Oakmulgee District, Tuscaloosa, Hale, Bibbs and Perry Counties, AL, Comment Period Ends: September 13, 2004, Contact: Jim Shores (205) 926-9765.

EIS No. 040345, Final EIS, NOA, WA, ID, OR, CA, Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan, Amendment 16-3 Adopts Rebuild Plans for Bocaccio, Cowcod, Widow Rockfish and Yelloweye Rockfish, Maximum Sustainable Yield (MSY), Implementation, WA, OR, ID and CA, Wait Period Ends: August 30, 2004, Contact: D. Robert Lohn (206) 526-6150. This document is available on the Internet at: <http://www.pcouncil.org/nepa/nepatrack.html>.

EIS No. 040346, Final EIS, DOE, OR, Northeast Oregon Hatchery Program, Grande Ronde—Imnaha Spring Chinook Hatchery Modification and

Modernization of Two Existing Hatchery Facilities and Construction of Three New Auxiliary Hatchery Facilities, Wallowa County, OR, Wait Period Ends: August 30, 2004, Contact: Mickey Carter (503) 230-5885.

EIS No. 040347, Final EIS, UAF, WV, Aircraft Conversion for the 167th Air Wing (167 AW) of the West Virginia Air National Guard, Converting C-130H Transport Aircraft to the Larges C-5 Transport Aircraft, Acquisition of Land via Lease, and Construction of Facilities on existing and acquired Parcel, Berkely County, WV, Wait Period Ends: August 30, 2004, Contact: Ray Detig (301) 836-8120.

Dated: July 27, 2004.

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Environmental Protection Specialist, Office of Federal Activities.

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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 FR dated April 2, 2004 (69 FR 17403).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-BIA-C60004-NY Rating EC2, St. Regis Mohawk Tribe, Mohawk Mountain Casino and Resort, Proposed Transfer of 66 Acres of Land into Federal Trust Status, Fee-to-Trust Acquisition, Sullivan County, NY.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns due to direct and cumulative impacts to groundwater and surface water.

ERP No. D-BLM-J67031-ND Rating EC2, West Mine Area, Freedom Mine Project, Application to Acquire Federal Coal Lease, Mercer County, ND.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about air quality impacts and adequate protection for fens and peatland wetlands.

ERP No. D-COE-C40162-NJ Rating EO2, NJ 92 Project, New Jersey Turnpike

Authority, Transportation Improvement from East-West Highway Link Connecting U.S. Route 1 in South Brunswick Township with the New Jersey Turnpike at Interchange 8A in Monroe Township, Middlesex County, NJ.

Summary: EPA objected to the proposed permit based on the potential for significant environmental impacts and that all reasonable alternatives, including those with fewer environmental impacts, have not been fully evaluated.

ERP No. D-COE-E39065-FL Rating LO, Central and Southern Florida Project, Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan, Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) Pilot Operation, Aquifer Storage and Recovery Pilot Project, To Test the Feasibility Utilizing ASR Technology for Water Storage at Seven Well Sites, Right-of-Way and NPDES Permits, Several Counties.

Summary: While EPA had no objections to the proposed project, EPA requested clarification on identifying applicable standards for groundwater injection and surface water discharges.

ERP No. D-DOI-J39031-UT Rating EC2, Utah Lake Drainage Basin Water Delivery System (ULS), Construction and Operation, Bonneville Unit of the Central Utah Project (CUP), Utah, Salt Lake, Wasatch and Juab Counties, UT.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns relating to water quality impacts, as well as project purpose and information on affected environment, and implementation of water conservation.

ERP No. D-HUD-C85045-NY Rating EC2, Ridge Hill Village Project, Construction, Comprehensive Development Plan, (CDP), Planned Mixed-Use Development District (PMD), U.S. Army COE Section 404, City of Yonkers, Westchester County, NY.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns due to air quality impacts given Westchester County's current non-attainment status. EPA requested that the Final EIS include additional information such as a meso-scale analysis to address the air quality issues.

ERP No. D-NOA-E39066-FL Rating LO, Programmatic EIS—Seagrass Restoration in the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary, Implementation, U.S. Army COE Section 404 and CZMA Permits, Monroe County, FL.

Summary: While EPA has no objection to the proposed action, EPA did request clarification on the preferred alternative in relation to specific regions within the Sanctuary, and defining thresholds for developing future site-

specific NEPA documents tiering from this document.

ERP No. D-NOA-L91023-00 Rating EC2, Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan, Amendment 16-3 Adopts Rebuild Plans for Bocaccio, Cowcod, Widow Rockfish and Yelloweye Rockfish, Maximum Sustainable Yield (MSY), Implementation, WA, OR, ID and CA.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns due to impacts on habitat, cowcod stock status, and uncertainty of bycatch information, and impacts on habitat.

ERP No. D-NOA-L91024-00 Rating EC2, Puget Sound Chinook Harvest Resource Management Plan (RMP) 2004-2009, Implementation, Endangered Species Act, OR and WA.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns that the proposed action will not meet many of the escapement and rebuilding goals established in the management plan. EPA also expressed concerns with Puget Sound chinook salmon fishing mortalities in Canadian waters, hatchery augmentation and the applicability of the management plan to the 2004 fishing season.

ERP No. D-SFW-B64004-ME Rating LO, Petit Manan National Wildlife Refuge Complex, Comprehensive Conservation Plan, Implementation, the Gulf of Maine.

Summary: EPA had no objection to the proposed project.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-AFS-J65405-ND Equity Oil Company Federal 32-4 and 23-21 Oil and Gas Wells Surface Use Plan of Operation (SUP0), Implementation, Located in the Bell Lake Inventoried Roadless Area (IRA), Dakota Prairie Grasslands, Medora Ranger District, Golden Valley County, ND.

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

ERP No. F-BLM-J01080-WY West Hay Creek Coal Lease Application, Federal Coal Leasing, Buckskin Mine, Powder River Basin, Campbell County, WY.

Summary: EPA continues to express environmental concerns about regional air quality and impacts to and mitigation for playa wetlands. EPA supports mitigation methods for controlling fugitive dust and suggests those in use be reviewed to determine if additional measures are needed. EPA supports the efforts to control nitrogen dioxide releases from blasting and encourages measures to eliminate these toxic emissions.

ERP No. F-COE-G61042-NM Closure of the Al Black Recreation Area at the Cochiti Lake Dam Outlet Works, Implementation, Sandoval County, NM.