

Road west to Los Banos, bypassing Los Banos, ending near the Santa Fe Grade Road, U.S. Army COE Section 404 Permit, Merced County, CA.

Summary: EPA has environmental concerns with the proposed project regarding impacts to waters of the U.S., the scope of action, and the analysis of indirect impacts. EPA recommends that Alternative 3M be selected as the preferred alternative as it avoids permanent impacts to wetlands and the Gadwall Wildlife Area. Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20050110, ERP No. D-AFS-K65279-CA, Freds Fire Restoration Project, To Reduce Long-Term Fuel Loading for the Purpose of Reducing Future Fire Severity and Resistance to Control, Eldorado National Forest, El Dorado County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about impacts to drinking water supplies and air quality, and the use of herbicides. EPA also requested additional information be provided on Clean Air Act requirements, consultation with tribal governments, and the analysis of environmental justice issues. Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20050116, ERP No. D-COE-G39042-TX, PROGRAMMATIC—Lower Colorado River Basin Study, Provide Flood Damage Reduction and Ecosystem Restoration, Colorado River, TX.

Summary: EPA had no objections to the proposed action. Rating LO.

EIS No. 20050090, ERP No. DS-IBR-K64023-CA, Battle Creek Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Project, To Address New Significant Information, Habitat Restoration in Battle Creek and Tributaries, License Amendment Issuance, Implementation, Tehama and Shasta Counties, CA.

Summary: EPA had no objections to the proposed project. Rating LO.

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EIS No. 20050100, ERP No. F-HUD-K60034-CA, Marysville Hotel Demolition Project, Proposed Acquisition and Demolition of Building, City of Marysville, Yuba County, CA.

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

EIS No. 20050122, ERP No. F-DOE-K08025-00, Sahuarita-Nogales Transmission Line, Construction and Operation of a 345,00-volt (345 kV) Electric Transmission Line across the United States Border with Mexico, Application for Presidential Permit, Tucson Electric Power (TEP), Nogales, AZ.

Summary: EPA previous issues have been resolved, therefore EPA has no objection to the action as proposed. EIS No. 20050152, ERP No. F-AFS-J65411-MT, Snow Talon Fire Salvage Project, Proposes to Salvage Harvest Trees Burned in the Fire, Helena National Forest, Lincoln Ranger District, Lewis and Clark County, MT.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns about salvage logging on severely burned soils, however supports project planning and design that appears to minimize sediment production, and included restoration work to reduce existing sources of sediment. EPA reiterates the importance that the selected alternative avoid sediment delivery to streams, including 303(d) listed Blackfoot River and Copper Creek, a critical bull trout spawning stream.

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Availability of FY 04 Grant Performance Reports for States of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee; All Local Agencies Within the States of Alabama, Florida, Kentucky, North Carolina and Tennessee

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability of grantee performance evaluation reports.

SUMMARY: EPA's grant regulations (40 CFR 35.115) require the Agency to evaluate the performance of agencies which receive grants. EPA's regulations for regional consistency (40 CFR 56.7) require that the Agency notify the public of the availability of the reports of such evaluations. EPA performed end-of-year evaluations of 8 state air pollution control programs (Alabama Department of Environmental Management; Florida Department of Environmental Protection; Georgia Department of Natural Resources; Kentucky Environmental & Public Protection Cabinet; Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality; North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources; South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control; and

Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation) and 16 local programs (City of Huntsville Division of Natural Resources, AL; Jefferson County Department of Health, AL; Broward County Environmental Protection Department, FL; City of Jacksonville Environmental Quality Division, FL; Hillsborough County Environmental Protection Commission, FL; Miami-Dade County Air Quality Management Division, FL; Palm Beach County Health Department Division of Environmental Health, FL; Pinellas County Department of Environmental Management, FL; Louisville Metro Air Pollution Control District, KY; Forsyth County Environmental Affairs Department, NC; Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency, NC; Western North Carolina Regional Air Quality Agency, NC; Chattanooga-Hamilton County Air Pollution Control Bureau, TN; Knox County Department of Air Quality Management, TN; Memphis-Shelby County Health Department, TN and Nashville-Davidson County Metropolitan Public Health Department, TN). The 24 evaluations were conducted to assess the agencies' performance under the grants awarded by EPA under authority of section 105 of the Clean Air Act. EPA Region 4 has prepared reports for each agency identified above and these reports are now available for public inspection.

ADDRESSES: The reports may be examined at the EPA's Region 4 office, 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303, in the Air, Pesticides, and Toxics Management Division.

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