

transmission line right-of-way would be 200 feet wide.

Two access roads would be required for the proposed Project. One of the access roads would originate from Stockton Hill Road and extend approximately 3.7 miles east to the solar power facility. The other road would originate from Antares Road and extend approximately 2 miles to the preferred substation or 1 mile to the alternative substation.

Two off-site temporary laydown areas would be used during the construction phase of the Project. The laydown areas would total about 640 acres and would be used for storage and assembly of proposed Project components.

Agencies Proposed Actions and Alternatives

Western's proposed actions are to build a new substation and interconnect the proposed Project to Western's transmission system at one of the substation locations described above. BLM's proposed actions are to grant rights-of-way to HVS for the transmission line and associated access roads and any other Project components crossing Federal lands and to amend one of Western's existing rights-of-way to build a substation at one of the substation locations described above.

Western and BLM will also consider the no-action alternative in the EIS. Under the no-action alternative, Western would neither build a new substation nor interconnect the proposed Project and/or the BLM would not grant or amend rights-of-way.

Agency Responsibilities

Because interconnection of the proposed Project would incorporate a major new generation resource into Western's power transmission system, Western has determined that an EIS is required under DOE NEPA implementing procedures, 10 CFR part 1021, Subpart D, Appendix D, class of action D6.¹ Western would be the lead Federal agency for preparing the EIS, as defined at 40 CFR 1501.5. The proposed Project includes construction of facilities on lands managed by the BLM; therefore, the BLM has agreed to be a cooperating agency for preparation of the EIS. Western invites other Federal, State, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to be cooperating agencies on the EIS, as defined at 40 CFR 1501.6. Such agencies

¹ On October 4, 1999, DOE's Assistant Secretary for Environmental, Safety and Health delegated to Western's Administrator the authority to approve EISs for integrating transmission facilities with Western's transmission grid.

may also make a request to Western to be a cooperating agency by contacting Ms. Barger at the address listed above in the **ADDRESSES** section.

The proposed Project may affect floodplains or wetlands. This notice also serves as notice of proposed floodplain or wetland action, in accordance with 10 CFR part 1022.

Environmental Issues

This notice is to inform agencies and the public of Western's intent to prepare an EIS and solicit comments and suggestions for consideration in the EIS. To help the public frame its comments, the following list contains potential environmental issues preliminarily identified for analysis in the EIS:

1. Impacts on protected, threatened, endangered, or sensitive species of animals or plants;
2. impacts on migratory birds;
3. impacts from noxious weeds, invasive and non-native species;
4. impacts on recreation and transportation;
5. impacts on land use, wilderness, farmlands, and Areas of Critical Environmental Concern;
6. impacts on cultural or historic resources and tribal values;
7. impacts on human health and safety;
8. impacts on air, soil, and water resources (including air quality and surface water impacts);
9. visual impacts;
10. socio-economic impacts and disproportionately high and adverse impacts to minority and low-income populations.

This list is not intended to be all-inclusive or to imply any predetermination of impacts. Western invites interested parties to suggest specific issues within these general categories, or other issues not included above, to be considered in the EIS.

Public Participation

The EIS process includes a public scoping period; public review and hearings on the draft EIS; publication of a final EIS; and publication of a record of decision (ROD). The public scoping period begins with publication of this notice and closes October 23, 2009. At the conclusion of the NEPA process, Western and the BLM would each prepare a ROD. Persons interested in receiving future notices, Project information, copies of the EIS, and other information on the NEPA review process should contact Ms. Barger at the address listed above in the **ADDRESSES** section.

Western will hold a public scoping meeting on October 1, 2009, at the

Kingman High School Auditorium, 4182 Bank Street, Kingman, AZ 86409. The meeting is scheduled for 6–8 p.m. with a short presentation followed by an open-house meeting, during which attendees are invited to speak one-on-one with agency and Project representatives. Attendees are welcome to come and go at their convenience throughout the meeting.

The purpose of the scoping meeting is to provide information about the proposed Project, review Project maps, answer questions, and take written comments from interested parties. All meeting locations are handicapped-accessible. Anyone needing special accommodations should contact Ms. Barger to make arrangements.

The public will have the opportunity to provide written comments at the public scoping meetings. Written comments may also be sent to Ms. Barger by fax, U.S. Postal Service mail, or e-mail. To help define the scope of the EIS, comments should be received by Western no later than October 23, 2009. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be advised that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Dated: September 9, 2009.

Timothy J. Meeks,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PR09–32–000]

DCP Raptor Pipeline, LLC; Notice of Petition for Rate Approval

September 4, 2009.

Take notice that on September 1, 2009, DCP Raptor Pipeline, LLC (Raptor) filed a petition for rate approval for NGPA Section 311 maximum transportation rates, pursuant to section 284.123(b)(2) of the Commission's regulations. Raptor requests that the Commission approve a maximum firm reservation charge of \$2.342 per MMBtu per month, firm commodity charge of \$0.0000 per MMBtu, maximum interruptible transportation charge of

\$0.0770 per MMBtu, a lost and unaccounted for charge of 2.53 percent and a fuel charge of 2.06 percent for gas transported under section 311.

Any person desiring to participate in this rate proceeding must file a motion to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the date as indicated below. Anyone filing an intervention or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. Anyone filing an intervention or protest on or before the intervention or protest date need not serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible online at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern time on Friday, September 11, 2009.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13123-002—California Eagle Mountain Pumped Storage Project]

Eagle Crest Energy Company; Notice of Proposed Restricted Service List for a Programmatic Agreement for Managing Properties Included in or Eligible for Inclusion In the National Register of Historic Places

September 8, 2009.

Rule 2010 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure provides that, to eliminate unnecessary expense or improve administrative efficiency, the Secretary may establish a restricted service list for a particular phase or issue in a proceeding.¹ The restricted service list should contain the names of persons on the service list who, in the judgment of the decisional authority establishing the list, are active participants with respect to the phase or issue in the proceeding for which the list is established.

The Commission staff is consulting with the California State Historic Preservation Officer (hereinafter, SHPO) and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (hereinafter, Council) pursuant to the Council's regulations, 36 CFR part 800, implementing section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, *as amended*, (16 U.S.C. 470 f), to prepare and execute a programmatic agreement for managing properties included in, or eligible for inclusion in, the National Register of Historic Places at the Eagle Mountain Pumped Storage Project No. 13123-002.

The programmatic agreement, when executed by the Commission and the SHPO, would satisfy the Commission's section 106 responsibilities for all individual undertakings carried out in accordance with the license until the license expires or is terminated (36 CFR 800.13[e]). The Commission's responsibilities pursuant to section 106 for the Eagle Mountain Pumped Storage Project would be fulfilled through the programmatic agreement, which the Commission proposes to draft in consultation with certain parties listed below. The executed programmatic agreement would be incorporated into any Order issuing a license.

For the purpose of commenting on the programmatic agreement, we propose to restrict the service list for the aforementioned project as follows:

Don Klima or Representative Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, The Old Post Office Building, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 803, Washington, DC 20004;

Stephen Lowe or Representative, Eagle Crest Energy Company, One El Paseo West Building, 74-199 El Paseo Drive, Suite 204, Palm Desert, CA 92260;

Cherilyn E. Widell, SHPO, or Representative, CA Office of Historic Preservation, 1416 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814;

Richard M. Milanovich, Chairman, or Representative, Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, 5401 Dinah Shore Drive, Palm Springs, CA 92264;

Pattie Tuck, THPO, Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, 5401 Dinah Shore Drive, Palm Springs, CA 92264;

Diana L. Chihuahua, or Representative, Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians, P.O. Box 1160, Thermal, CA 92274;

Ron Escobar, Chemehuevi Reservation, P.O. Box 1976, Havasu Lake, CA 92363;

John Gomez, Ramona Band of Cahuilla Mission Indians, 56310 Highway 371, Suite B, Anza, CA 92539;

Robert Martin, Chairman, or Representative, Morongo Band of Mission Indians, 11581 Potrero Road, Banning, CA 92220;

Director or Representative, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, 22835 Calle San Juan De Los Lagos, Moreno Valley, CA 92553;

Donald H. Clarke, Law Offices of GKRSE, 1500 K Street, NW., Suite 330, Washington, DC 20005;

Michael Contreras, Jr., Morongo Band of Mission Indians, 13000 Fields Road, Banning, CA 92220;

Luther Salgado, Sr., or Representative, Cahuilla Band of Indians, P.O. Box 391741, Anza, CA 92539.

Any person on the official service list for the above-captioned proceeding may request inclusion on the restricted service list, or may request that a restricted service list not be established, by filing a motion to that effect within 15 days of this notice date. In a request for inclusion, please identify the reason(s) why there is an interest to be included. Also please identify any concerns about historic properties, including properties of traditional religious and cultural importance to an Indian tribe. If historic properties would be identified within the motion, please use a separate page, and label it NON-PUBLIC Information.

The original and 8 copies of any such motion must be filed with Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426,

¹ 18 CFR 385.2010.