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**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

### Technical Conference on Transmission Vegetation Management Practices

Docket No. AD11-2-000

October 26, 2010

#### Agenda

##### 1 p.m. Welcome and Opening Remarks

The purpose of the conference is to discuss current vegetation management programs and practices as required under the Commission-approved Reliability Standard FAC-003-1—Transmission Vegetation Management Program (TVMP).<sup>1</sup> Reliability Standard FAC-003-1 applies to all transmission lines operated at 200 kV and above, and to lower voltage lines designated as “critical to the reliability of the electric system in the region.”<sup>2</sup>

Certain landowners and other affected parties have raised concerns about changes in vegetation management practices that utilities implemented following adoption of FAC-003-1. Because reliability of the Bulk-Power System is critical, the Commission is interested in obtaining a better understanding of the scope of any changes in vegetation management practices since FAC-003-1 was approved as mandatory and enforceable, and the extent to which such changes resulted from the requirements imposed under FAC-003-1. The Commission is also interested in obtaining a better understanding of the range of vegetation management practices used by transmission owners, and the reasons for selecting a given practice over alternatives.

##### Panelists (for Both Panels)

David Morrell—Utility Environmental Analyst, New York Public Service Commission.

Robert Novembri—Senior Event Investigator, North American Electric Reliability Corporation.  
Randall H. Miller—Director, Vegetation Management, PacifiCorp.  
David E. Schleicher, PE—Vice President—Transmission, PPL Electric Utilities.  
Derek Vannice—Executive Director, Utility Arborist Association, International Society of Arboriculture.  
Charles Goodman—Co-Founder, Indiana Tree Alliance.  
Mark Gilliland—Chairperson, LORAX Working Group, Greenburgh Environmental Forum.  
Representative from another State public service commission (invited).

1:10 p.m. Session 1—This session will explore the requirements and impact of mandatory Reliability Standard FAC-003-1.

- What is required by Reliability Standard FAC-003-1? What is its purpose? Who must comply and what facilities are subject to it?
- Are there corresponding or conflicting vegetation management requirements at the State level? How are such requirements developed and to what facilities do they apply?
- What are common methods used for vegetation management, and what are the benefits of each method?
- Why do utilities choose one method over another? Cost, benefit of one method over another, or for other reasons?
- What’s contained in a typical TMVP? Are there different types of TVMPs so that a utility might have one for FAC-003-1 compliance and another for compliance with State/local vegetation management requirements? How is a TVMP created, implemented, and approved?
- What effect did mandatory Reliability Standard FAC-003-1 have on vegetation management practices? Was there a change in vegetation management practices post-June 18, 2007?
- Questions from Staff.

##### 3 p.m. Break

3:15 p.m. Session 2—This session will focus on Right of Way (ROW) agreements and landowner concerns and possible solutions.

- What provisions are typically contained in a electric transmission line ROW agreement (e.g., common provisions, rights and obligations of the utility and landowner)? How are these agreements developed/negotiated? Who has jurisdiction over them? Who is the arbiter of any disputes?
- Concerns raised by landowners regarding ROW maintenance, causes of

disputes that say the utility blamed FERC for having to clear cut the right of way and remove trees that had long been in place.

- Landowner avenues for relief; can a landowner prevent ROW maintenance?
- Costs for vegetation management and who bears them? Are any such costs recovered in transmission tariffs subject to the Commission’s jurisdiction? How are they reviewed by State PSC/PUCs?
- What is the impact, if any, of vegetation management practices on the siting of new (or upgraded) transmission lines? How can this impact be mitigated?
- Questions from Staff.
- Questions from the public.

##### 4:45 Concluding Remarks

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-R10-OAR-2010-0858; FRL-9218-7; EPA ICR No. 2020.05; OMB Control No. 2060-0558]

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Federal Implementation Plans Under the Clean Air Act for Indian Reservations in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit a request to renew an existing approved Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). This ICR is scheduled to expire on May 31, 2011. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before December 28, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R10-OAR-2010-0858, by one of the following methods:

- <http://www.regulations.gov>: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments;
- E-mail: [spenillo.justin@epa.gov](mailto:spenillo.justin@epa.gov);
- Fax: (206) 553-0110;
- Mail: Justin A Spenillo, Environmental Protection Agency

<sup>1</sup> See *Mandatory Reliability Standards for the Bulk-Power System*, Order No. 693, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,242, at P 695-735; *Order on reh’g*, Order No. 693-A, 120 FERC ¶ 61,053 at P 95-99 (2007).

<sup>2</sup> Reliability Standard FAC-003-1, section A.4.3.

Region 10, Office of Air, Waste and Toxics (AWT-107), 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900, Seattle, WA 98101;

- **Hand Delivery:** Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10 Mailroom, 9th Floor, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101. Attention: Justin A Spenillo, Office of Air, Waste and Toxics (AWT-107). Such deliveries are only accepted during normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

**Instructions:** Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-R10-OAR-2010-0858. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through <http://www.regulations.gov> or e-mail. The <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going through <http://www.regulations.gov> your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. {For additional information about EPA's public docket visit the EPA

Docket center homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm>.}

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Justin A Spenillo, Office of Air, Waste and Toxics (AWT-107), Environmental Protection Agency Region 10, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101; telephone number: (206) 553-6125; fax number: (206) 553-0110; e-mail address: [spenillo.justin@epa.gov](mailto:spenillo.justin@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**How can I access the docket and/or submit comments?**

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID No. EPA-R10-OAR-2010-0858, which is available for online viewing at <http://www.regulations.gov>, or in person viewing during normal business hours at the Environmental Protection Agency Region 10, Office of Air, Waste and Toxics (AWT-107), 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA.

Use <http://www.regulations.gov> to obtain a copy of the draft collection of information, submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the docket ID number identified in this document.

**What information is EPA particularly interested in?**

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA and 5 C.F.R. 1320.8(d)(1), EPA specifically solicits comments and information to enable it to:

- (i) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (ii) Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (iii) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. In particular, EPA is requesting comments from very small businesses (those that employ less than 25) on examples of specific additional efforts that EPA could make to reduce the paperwork burden for very small businesses affected by this collection.

**What should I consider when I prepare my comments for EPA?**

You may find the following suggestions helpful for preparing your comments:

- 1. Explain your views as clearly as possible and provide specific examples.
- 2. Describe any assumptions that you used.
- 3. Provide copies of any technical information and/or data you used that support your views.
- 4. If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at the estimate that you provide.
- 5. Offer alternative ways to improve the collection activity.
- 6. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline identified under **DATES**.
- 7. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to identify the docket ID number assigned to this action in the subject line on the first page of your response. You may also provide the name, date, and **Federal Register** citation.

**What information collection activity or ICR does this apply to?**

[Docket ID No. EPA-R10-OAR-2010-0858.]

**Affected entities:** Entities potentially affected by this action include owners and operators of air emission sources in all industry groups and Tribal governments, located in the identified Indian reservations. Categories and entities potentially affected by this action are expected to include:

Category	NAICS <sup>a</sup>	Examples of regulated entities
Industry .....	4471	Gasoline station storage tanks and refueling.
	5614	Lumber manufacturer support.
	21211	Coal mining.
	31332	Surface coating operation.
	33712	Furniture manufacture.
	56221	Medical waste incinerator.
	115112	Repellent and fertilizer applications.
	211111	Natural gas plant.
	211111	Oil and gas production.
	211112	Fractionation of natural gas liquids.
	212234	Copper mining and processing.

Category	NAICS <sup>a</sup>	Examples of regulated entities
	212312	Stone quarrying and processing.
	212313	Stone quarrying and processing.
	212321	Sand and gravel production.
	221112	Power plant—coal-fired.
	221119	Power plant—biomass fueled.
	221119	Power plant—landfill gas fired.
	221210	Natural gas collection.
	221210	Natural gas pipeline.
	321113	Sawmill.
	321911	Window and door molding manufacturer.
	323110	Printing operations.
	323113	Surface coating operations.
	324121	Asphalt hot mix plants.
	325188	Elemental phosphorus plant.
	325188	Sulfuric acid plant.
	331314	Secondary aluminum production and extrusion.
	331492	Cobalt and tungsten recycling.
	332431	Surface coating operations.
	332812	Surface coating operations.
	421320	Concrete batching plant.
	422510	Grain elevator.
	422710	Crude oil storage and distribution.
	422710	Gasoline bulk plant.
	486110	Crude oil storage and distribution.
	486210	Natural gas compressor station.
	562212	Solid waste landfill.
	811121	Automobile refinishing shop.
	812320	Dry cleaner.
	111140	Wheat farming.
	111998	All other miscellaneous crop farming.
	115310	Support activities for forestry.
Federal government .....	924110	Administration of Air and Water Resources and Solid Waste Management Programs.
State/local/Tribal government.	924110	Administration of Air and Water Resources and Solid Waste Management Programs.

<sup>a</sup>North American Industry Classification System.

This table is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities potentially affected by this action.

*Title:* Federal Implementation Plans under the Clean Air Act for Indian Reservations in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington.

*ICR number:* EPA ICR No. 2020.05, OMB Control No. 2060–0558.

*ICR status:* This ICR is currently scheduled to expire on May 31, 2011. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations in title 40 of the CFR, after appearing in the **Federal Register** when approved, are listed in 40 CFR part 9, and are displayed either by publication in the **Federal Register** or by other appropriate means, such as on the related collection instrument or form, if applicable. The display of OMB control numbers in certain EPA regulations is consolidated in 40 CFR part 9.

*Abstract:* EPA promulgated Federal Implementation Plans (FIPs) under the Clean Air Act for Indian reservations located in Idaho, Oregon, and

Washington in 40 CFR part 49 (70 FR 18074, April 8, 2005). The FIPs in the final rule, also referred to as the Federal Air Rules for Indian Reservations in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington (FARR), include information collection requirements associated with the fugitive particulate matter rule in § 49.126, the woodwaste burner rule in § 49.127; the rule for limiting sulfur in fuels in § 49.130; the rule for open burning in § 49.131; the rules for general open burning permits, agricultural burning permits, and forestry and silvicultural burning permits in §§ 49.132, 49.133, and 49.134; the registration rule in § 49.138; and the rule for non-Title V operating permits in § 49.139. EPA uses this information to manage the activities and sources of air pollution on the Indian reservations in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington. EPA believes these information collection requirements are appropriate because they will enable EPA to develop and maintain accurate records of air pollution sources and their emissions, track emissions trends and changes, identify potential air quality problems, allow EPA to issue permits or approvals, and ensure appropriate records are available to verify compliance with

these FIPs. The information collection requirements listed above are all mandatory. Regulated entities can assert claims of business confidentiality and EPA will address these claims in accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR part 2, subpart B.

*Burden Statement:* The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3.69 hours per response. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements which have subsequently changed; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

The ICR provides a detailed explanation of the Agency's estimate, which is only briefly summarized here:

*Estimated total number of potential respondents:* 1,694.

*Frequency of response:* Annual and on occasion.

*Estimated total annual burden hours:* 6,245.

*Estimated total annual costs:* \$396,245. This includes an estimated labor cost of \$396,245, and capital investment and operation and maintenance costs are assumed to be zero.

#### Are there changes in the estimates from the last approval?

There is an increase of 1,956 hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with that identified in the ICR currently approved by OMB. This increase reflects adjustments to the burden estimates for this collection using consultation input, historical data, and experience with implementing the FARR. Some components of the burden estimates increased and some components decreased. In most cases, the burden estimates increased based on input from the source consultations. For some provisions the estimates of the number of respondents increased. Some estimates changed based on additional information EPA has gained through implementing the rules.

#### What is the next step in the process for this ICR?

EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. At that time, EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.5(a)(1)(iv) to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB. If you have any questions about this ICR or the approval process, please contact the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Dated: October 22, 2010.

**Richard Albright,**

*Director, Office of Air, Waste and Toxics.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-8993-4]

### Environmental Impacts Statements; Notice of Availability

*Responsible Agency:* Office of Federal

Activities, General Information (202) 564-1399 or <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/>.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements Filed 10/18/2010 Through 10/22/2010

Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

#### Notice

In accordance with Section 309(a) of the Clean Air Act, EPA is required to make its comments on EISs issued by other Federal agencies public. Historically, EPA has met this mandate by publishing weekly notices of availability of EPA comments, which includes a brief summary of EPA's comment letters, in the **Federal Register**. Since February 2008, EPA has been including its comment letters on EISs on its Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/eisdata.html>. Including the entire EIS comment letters on the Web site satisfies the Section 309(a) requirement to make EPA's comments on EISs available to the public. Accordingly, on March 31, 2010, EPA discontinued the publication of the notice of availability of EPA comments in the **Federal Register**.

*EIS No. 20100423, Draft EIS, HUD, WA, Yesler Terrace Redevelopment Project, Proposed Redevelopment of Yesler Terrace to Create a Mixed Income, Mixed-Use-Residential Community on a 28 Acre Site, to Better Serve Existing and Future Residents, City of Seattle, WA, Comment Period Ends: 12/13/2010, Contact: Ryan Moore 206-615-3548.*

*EIS No. 20100424, Draft EIS, USACE, TX, Rusk Permit Area, Proposes to Construct, Operate, and Reclaim Permit Area, Expansion of Existing South Hallsville No. 1 Mine. Issuance of Section 404 Permit, Rusk, Harrison and Panola Counties, TX, Comment Period Ends: 12/28/2010, Contact: Davin Messer 817-886-1744.*

*EIS No. 20100425, Draft EIS, USFS, AZ, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests, Public Motorized Travel Management Plan, Proposes to Provide for a System of Roads, Trails, and Areas, Designated for Motorized Use, Apache, Coconino, Greenlee and Navajo Counties, AZ, Comment Period Ends: 12/13/2010, Contact: Tami Conner 918-333-6267.*

*EIS No. 20100426, Draft EIS, NRC, NJ, License Renewal of Nuclear Plants, Regarding Hope Creek Generating Station and Salem Nuclear Generating Station, Units 1 and 2, Supplement 45 to NUREG-1437, Lower Alloway Creek, Township, Salem County, NJ, Comment Period Ends: 12/17/2010,*

Contact: Leslie Perkins 301-415-2375.

*EIS No. 20100427, Final EIS, NASA, VA, Wallops Flight Facility, Shoreline Restoration and Infrastructure Protection Program, Implementation, Wallops Island, VA, Wait Period Ends: 11/29/2010, Contact: Joshua A. Bundick 757-824-2319.*

*EIS No. 20100428, Second Draft Supplement, FHWA, WA, Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement Project, Between S. Royal Brougham Way and Roy Street, To Protect Public Safety and Provide Essential Vehicle Capacity to and through downtown Seattle, Updated Information to 2004 DEIS and 2006 DSEIS, Seattle, WA, Comment Period Ends: 12/13/2010, Contact: Angela Freudenstein 206-805-2832.*

*EIS No. 20100429, Draft EIS, NHTSA, 00, Medium and Heavy-Duty Fuel Efficiency Improvement Program, Proposing Coordinated and Harmonized Fuel Consumption and Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions Standards, United States, Comment Period Ends: 01/03/2011, Contact: Angel Jackson 202-366-0154.*

#### Amended Notices

*EIS No. 20100249, Draft EIS, FHWA, CA, Interstate 5 North Coast Corridor Project, Construction and Operation, Upgrade the Freeway with High Occupancy Vehicle/ Managed Lanes (HOV/ML), Auxiliary Lanes, Direct Access Ramps (DAR), and Possibly One General Purposes Lane, San Diego County, CA, Comment Period Ends: 11/22/2010, Contact: Cesar Perez 916-498-5065.*

Revision to FR Notice Published 7/9/2010. Extending Comment Period from 10/07/2010 to 11/22/2010.

*EIS No. 20100368, Draft EIS, USFS, WA, Pack and Saddle Stock Outfitter-Guide Special Use Permit Issuance, Okanogan, Chelach, and Skagit Counties, WA, Comment Period Ends: 11/22/2010, Contact: Jennifer Zbyszewski 509-996-4021.*

Revision to FR Notice Published 09/17/2010: Extending Comment Period from 11/01/2010 to 11/22/2010.

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**Robert W. Hargrove,**

*Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.*

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