

NUREG-0654/FEMA-REP-1, Rev.1 is a joint NRC/FEMA policy document that provides guidance on the sixteen Planning Standards referenced in FEMA's regulations at 44 CFR 350.5, and the NRC's regulations at 10 CFR part 50. Both agencies use these Planning Standards, and associated Evaluation Criteria, to evaluate the adequacy of emergency preparedness plans of commercial nuclear power plant owners and operators, and the State, local, and Tribal jurisdictions in which commercial nuclear power plants are sited.

Since the publication of NUREG-0654/FEMA-REP-1, Rev.1 in November 1980, four supplementary documents and one addendum have been issued that update and modify specific planning and procedural elements. These documents are available online at <http://www.regulations.gov> (Docket ID FEMA-2012-0026). Considering stakeholder interest and the various emergency planning and preparedness lessons learned since its initial publication, FEMA and the NRC are considering revising NUREG-0654/FEMA-REP-1, Rev.1.

The purpose of these public meetings is to: (1) Solicit input from stakeholders and interested members of the public on the scope of future revisions to NUREG-0654/FEMA-REP-1, Rev.1; (2) describe the proposed timeline for the revisions to NUREG-0654/FEMA-REP-1, Rev.1; and (3) promote transparency, public participation, and collaboration during the NUREG-0654/FEMA-REP-1, Rev.1 revision process. To make oral statements at the public meeting, please send a request to the contact person listed under the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section by close of business August 17, 2012 for the first meeting and by September 7, 2012 for the second meeting.

Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

FEMA provides reasonable accommodations to individuals with disabilities where appropriate. If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this meeting (e.g., sign language), or need this meeting notice or other information from the meeting in another format, please notify the person listed above in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section as soon as possible before each meeting date, so that arrangements can be made.

Dated: July 30, 2012.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID FEMA-2012-0025]

Plantings Associated with Eligible Facilities (RP9524.5)

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is accepting comments on Recovery Policy, RP 9524.5, *Plantings Associated with Eligible Facilities*. **DATES:** Comments must be received by September 5, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Comments must be identified by docket ID FEMA-2012-0025 and may be submitted by one of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments. Please note that this proposed policy is not a rulemaking and the Federal Rulemaking Portal is being utilized only as a mechanism for receiving comments.

Mail: Regulatory Affairs Division, Office of Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Room 835, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472-3100.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jurice Hardin, Public Assistance Division, via email at Jurice.Hardin@dhs.gov or by facsimile at (202) 646-3304. If you have any questions, please call Ms. Hardin at (202) 646-2931, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Public Participation

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket ID. Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted, without change, to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>, and will include any personal information you provide.

Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to read the Privacy Act notice, which can be viewed by clicking on the "Privacy Notice" link on the homepage of www.regulations.gov.

You may submit your comments and material by the methods specified in the **ADDRESSES** section. Please submit your comments and any supporting material by only one means to avoid the receipt and review of duplicate submissions.

Docket: The proposed policy is available in docket ID FEMA-2012-0025. For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for the docket ID. Submitted comments may also be inspected at FEMA, Office of Chief Counsel, Room 835, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472.

II. Background

Generally, plantings such as trees, shrubs, and other vegetation are not eligible for replacement under Section 406 of the Robert T. Stafford Relief and Emergency Disaster Assistance Act (Stafford Act) (Repair, Restoration, and Replacement of Damaged Facilities). FEMA acknowledges the economic and environmental benefits of replacing trees, shrubs, and other plantings, but has determined that replacement of trees, shrubs, and other plantings damaged or destroyed by a disaster does not impact essential services. This policy defines ineligible work related to trees, shrubs, and other plantings, and defines the limited eligibility for replacement of grass and sod associated with facilities eligible for repair and restoration.

Limited instances when plantings are eligible include grass and sod replacement if it is an integral part of the repair of an eligible recreational facility (e.g., publicly owned football, soccer, baseball fields, golf courses); plantings when they are part of an emergency protective measure or the repair of an eligible facility for the purposes of stabilizing slopes (including dunes on eligible improved beaches), erosion control, or minimizing sediment runoff; and plantings required for the mitigation of environmental impacts such as impacts to wetlands or endangered species habitat. Eligibility of the above plantings is limited to plantings that are required under a Federal, State, Tribal, or local government code or regulation.

This policy was previously issued on July 18, 2007. The policy was reviewed according to the established schedule for FEMA Public Assistance policies.

FEMA seeks comment on the proposed policy, which is available online at <http://www.regulations.gov> in docket ID FEMA-2012-0025. Based on the comments received, FEMA may make appropriate revisions to the proposed policy. Although FEMA will consider any comments received in the drafting of the final policy, FEMA will not provide a response to comments document. When or if FEMA issues a final policy, FEMA will publish a notice of availability in the **Federal Register** and make the final policy available at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207.

Dated: August 1, 2012.

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Director, Office of Policy and Program Analysis, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Moapa Solar Energy Center on the Moapa River Indian Reservation, Clark County NV

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Indian Affairs, in cooperation with the Moapa Band of Paiute Indians and other Federal agencies, intends to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that evaluates a solar energy generation center on the Moapa River Indian Reservation. This notice announces the beginning of the scoping process to solicit public comments and identify potential issues related to the EIS. It also announces that two public scoping meetings will be held in Nevada this summer to identify potential issues, alternatives, and mitigation to be considered in the EIS. ID30

DATES: Written comments on the scope of the EIS or implementation of the proposal must arrive by September 5, 2012. The dates of the public scoping meetings will be published in the *Las Vegas Sun*, *Las Vegas Review-Journal*, and *Moapa Valley Progress* 15 days before the scoping meetings.

ADDRESSES: You may mail, email, or hand carry written comments to either Mr. Paul Schlafly, Natural Resource Specialist, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Southern Paiute Agency, 180 North 200

East Suite 111, P.O. Box 720, St. George, Utah 84770; telephone: (435) 674-9720; email: paul.schlafly@bia.gov, or Ms. Amy Heuslein, Regional Environmental Protection Officer, BIA Western Regional Office, 2600 North Central Avenue, 4th Floor Mailroom, Phoenix, Arizona 85004; telephone: (602) 379-6750; email: amy.heuslein@bia.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Proposed Action consists of constructing and operating a solar generation energy center, consisting of a Photovoltaic (PV), installation up to 100 Megawatts (MW), and Concentrated Solar Power (CSP), installation up to 100 MW in size on the Moapa River Indian Reservation in Clark County, Nevada. The proposed solar energy project is referred to as the Moapa Solar Energy Center (Project).

The facility would be located on tribal lands held in trust for the Moapa Band. The proposed transmission line interconnection and access road corridor associated with the project will be located on Federal lands administered and managed by BLM.

The project would:

- Help to provide a long-term, diverse, and viable economic revenue base and job opportunities for the Moapa Band while
- Help Nevada and neighboring states to meet their State renewable energy needs. The Project would
- Allow the Moapa Band, in partnership with the developer, to optimize the use of the lease site while maximizing the potential economic benefit to the Tribe.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs will prepare the EIS in cooperation with the Moapa Band of Paiute Indians, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and Nellis Air Force Base. The EIS will provide a framework for BIA and BLM to make determinations and take Federal actions. The Federal action for BIA would be to approve or deny a lease and any associated rights-of-way (ROW) on tribal lands for the proposed solar facility and for BLM to grant, grant with modifications or deny the ROW application for a proposed transmission line and access road. EPA and Nellis Air Force Base may adopt the documentation to make decisions under their authority and the Moapa Band may also use the EIS to make decisions under their Tribal Environmental Policy Ordinance. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will review the document for consistency with the Endangered Species Act, as amended, and other implementing acts.

The goals of this EIS are to:

- (1) Provide agency decision makers, the Moapa Band, and the general public with a comprehensive understanding of the impacts of the proposed solar energy center development project and alternatives on the Reservation;
- (2) Describe the cumulative impacts of increased development on the Reservation; and
- (3) Identify and propose mitigation measures that would minimize or prevent significant adverse impacts.

This EIS will analyze the proposed project and appurtenant features, viable alternatives including other interconnection options, and the No Action alternative. Other alternatives may be identified in response to issues raised during the scoping process.

The Project would be located in Township 16 South, Range 64 East, Sections 30 and 31 Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada. For the purposes of this EIS, the "Analysis Area" will include approximately 1,000 acres of land entirely located on the Reservation and the corridors for the transmission interconnection and access road located on Federal land managed by BLM.

The project would be fenced and contain up to two components. One would consist of the construction and operation of up to a 100 MW PV solar plant and associated facilities on 500 acres. The PV project would include up to 175,000 crystalline PV panels, a single-axis tracking system, inverters, and an operation and maintenance building. Construction of the PV component is expected to take up to 12 months and is expected to have a project life of 25 years.

The second component would be located on an adjacent 500 acre parcel and be a CSP installation using either:

- eSolar's state-of-the-art CSP plant technology—the basic building block of eSolar's CSP technology consists of twenty-four 250-foot tall tower/receiver combinations situated between north and south-facing subfields of heliostat mirrors. The heliostats are mounted on an above-ground frame, elevated approximately three feet from ground level to minimize dust collection and allow for easy access for maintenance. This module (the tower/receiver and associated heliostat mirrors) is repeated as needed to provide the full output of the CSP power plant design. The focused solar heat boils water within the thermal receiver and produces steam. The steam from each thermal receiver is aggregated and sent to a steam turbine that generates electricity. The steam then reverts back to water through cooling and is routed back to the tower/receivers where the process repeats.