

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Western Area Power Administration****Notice of Intent To Prepare a Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement—Interconnection of the Proposed Wilton IV Wind Energy Center Project, North Dakota (DOE/EIS-0469)**

**AGENCY:** Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent to Prepare a Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement and to Conduct a Scoping Meeting; Notice of Floodplain and Wetlands Involvement.

**SUMMARY:** Western Area Power Administration (Western), an agency of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), intends to prepare a Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS) for the interconnection of NextEra Energy Resources' proposed Wilton IV Wind Energy Center Project (Project), Burleigh County, North Dakota. Western is issuing this Notice of Intent (NOI) to inform the public and interested parties about a change in the proposed Project and to invite the public to comment on the scope, proposed action, and other issues to be addressed in the SDEIS. Based on substantial changes to the proposed Project, Western has made the decision to prepare an SDEIS. These changes include the relocation of 30 planned turbine locations and 5 alternate turbine locations in Crofte Township, and moving them as far as 12 miles north-east to Rock Hill Township. Additionally, up to 20 miles of new overhead transmission line will be necessary to connect the Project collector substation to the existing Wilton/Baldwin substation. Portions of the proposed Project may affect floodplains and wetlands, so this NOI also serves as a notice of proposed floodplain or wetland action in accordance with DOE floodplain and wetland environmental review requirements.

**DATES:** A public scoping meeting will be held on December 11, 2013, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Wilton Memorial Hall, located at 105 Dakota Avenue, Wilton, North Dakota. Local notification of this meeting has been made through direct mailings to affected parties and by advertising in local media to ensure a minimum of 15 days of prior notice. The public scoping period starts with the publication of this notice and ends on December 20, 2013. Western will consider all comments on the scope of the SDEIS received or postmarked by

that date. However, the public is invited to submit comments on the proposed Project at any time during the SDEIS process.

**ADDRESSES:** Western will host a public scoping meeting at the Wilton Memorial Hall, located at 105 Dakota Avenue, Wilton, North Dakota, to provide information on the Project and gather comments on the proposal. Oral or written comments may be provided at the public scoping meeting or mailed or emailed to Matt Marsh, Upper Great Plains Regional Office, Western Area Power Administration, P.O. Box 35800, Billings, MT 59107-5800, email [MMarsh@wapa.gov](mailto:MMarsh@wapa.gov), telephone (800) 358-3415.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information on the proposed Project, the SDEIS process, or to receive a copy of the SDEIS when it is published, contact Matt Marsh at the addresses above. For general information on the DOE's NEPA review process, contact Carol M. Borgstrom, Director of NEPA Policy and Compliance, GC-54, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0119, telephone (202) 586-4600 or (800) 472-2756, facsimile (202) 586-7031.

Dated: November 12, 2013.

**Mark A. Gabriel,**

*Administrator.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

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**Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; Approval of State Coastal Nonpoint Pollution Control Programs**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), "Approval of State Coastal Nonpoint Pollution Control Programs (CZARA Section 6217)" (EPA ICR No. 1569.08, OMB Control No. 2040-0153) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. Before doing so, EPA is soliciting public comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below. This is a

proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through January 31, 2014. 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.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before January 21, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2006-0394, online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method), by email to [OW-Docket@epa.gov](mailto:OW-Docket@epa.gov), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460.

EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Don Waye, Assessment and Watershed Protection Division, Office of Wetlands Oceans and Watersheds, Mail Code 4503-T, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 566-1170; fax number: (202) 566-1333; email address: [waye.don@epa.gov](mailto:waye.don@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Supporting documents which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or in person at the EPA Docket Center, EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, EPA is soliciting 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