Project substation and adjacent WAPA switchyard in section 16 of Township 28 North, Range 20 West, on the south side of the parallel transmission lines. Visits to the original location resulted in the identification of potential jurisdictional waters due to the washes and erosional features present. The new location avoids jurisdictional waters and related washes and has favorable slopes and elevation. The new location would require less grading and avoids the need to re-direct active washes, so overall environmental impacts are expected to be reduced when compared to the original location.

### Mitigation Measures

Since the WAPA switchyard is an integral component of the Project, it will be subject to the applicable mitigation measures identified in the BLM’s ROD under 4.0 Mitigation Measures, chapter 4 of the Final EIS, the Project POD, and the Project and WAPA’s ROW grant. The BLM also has a series of specific plans addressing particular aspects of the Project, including an Integrated Reclamation Plan; Health, Safety, Security, and Environment Plan; Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure Plan; Transportation and Traffic Plan; Dust and Emissions Control Plan; Blasting Plan (if required); Mining Plan of Operations; Flaring Plan; Decommissioning Plan; Eagle Conservation Plan/Bird Conservation Strategy; Bat Conservation Strategy; Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan; and Environmental Construction Compliance and Monitoring Plan. Specific measures for the switchyard in the ROW grant from the BLM, if any, will also be implemented. In addition, best management practices and construction requirements included in WAPA’s Construction Standard 13 will be in effect for the switchyard, and enforced through a mandatory clause in the switchyard construction contract. As the switchyard location will be graded flat and covered with aggregate, environmental concerns are mostly related to dust abatement, stormwater control, and erosion prevention. WAPA’s design for and construction of the switchyard will anticipate these potential impacts and avoid or minimize them so additional mitigation is not required. The various plans, requirements, and mitigations discussed above incorporate all practicable means to avoid or minimize environmental harm from the proposed Project.

### Comments on the Final EIS

The BLM received comments on the Final EIS from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the National Park Service, among others. None of these comments raised substantive issues requiring a response, but were considered in the BLM’s and Reclamation’s decision making. Additionally, Defenders of Wildlife provided recommendations to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regarding the Eagle Conservation Plan. None of the comments received on the Final EIS were specific to WAPA’s switchyard. WAPA determined that the comments did not present any significant new circumstances or information relevant to environmental concerns and bearing on the Project or its impacts, and a Supplemental EIS was not required.

### Decision

WAPA’s decision is to allow NextEra’s request for interconnection to WAPA’s Mead-Peacock 345-kV transmission line; to construct, own and operate a new switchyard; and to replace or upgrade certain equipment within the existing Mead Substation at NextEra’s expense. WAPA’s decision to grant this interconnection request satisfies the agency’s statutory mission and NextEra’s objectives and is consistent with the BLM’s and Reclamation’s decisions while minimizing harm to the environment. Full implementation of this decision is contingent upon NextEra meeting all BLM and Reclamation requirements and obtaining all other applicable permits and approvals as well as executing an interconnection agreement in accordance with WAPA’s Open Access Transmission Service Tariff.

This decision is based on the information contained in the Mohave County Wind Farm Project Draft and Final EIS, BLM’s ROD, BLM’s POD, recent coordination with the BLM’s Arizona State Office, and WAPA’s updated interconnection facilities study. This ROD was prepared pursuant to the requirements of the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for Implementing NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500–1508) and DOE’s Procedures for Implementing NEPA (40 CFR part 1021).


Mark A. Gabriel, Administrator.

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EIS No. 20190095, Final, FHWA, SC, Carolina Crossroads I–20/26/126 Corridor Improvement Project, Contact: Jeffrey S. Belcher 803–253–3187. Under 23 U.S.C. 139(n)(2), FHWA has issued a single document that consists of a final environmental impact statement and record of decision. Therefore, the 30-day wait/review period under NEPA does not apply to this action.

Amended Notice


EIS No. 20190060, Draft, USFWS, CA, Proposed Habitat Conservation Plan and Incidental Take Permit for Sierra Pacific Industries, Comment Period Ends: 07/01/2019, Contact: Kim Turner 916–414–6600. Revision to FR Notice Published 04/19/2019; Extending the Comment Period from 06/18/2019 to 07/01/2019.


Robert Tomiak, Director, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY


Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest System ("e-Manifest") Advisory Board; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will convene the Hazardous Waste Electronic System ("e-Manifest") Advisory Board for a three (3) day public meeting to seek the Board’s consultation and recommendations regarding the e-Manifest system (Meeting Theme: “Increasing Adoption of the e-Manifest System”).

DATES: The meeting will be held on June 18–20, 2019, from approximately 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EDT.

Comments: The Agency encourages written comments be submitted on or before June 4, 2019, and requests for oral comments be submitted on or before June 11, 2019. Written comments and requests to make oral comments may be submitted up until the date of the meeting; however, anyone submitting written comments or requests for oral comments after June 11, 2019, should contact the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT. Additional instructions, see section I.C. under SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

Webcast. This meeting may be webcast. Please refer to the e-Manifest website at www.epa.gov/e-manifest for information on how to access the webcast. Please note that the webcast is a supplementary public service provided only for convenience. If difficulties arise resulting in webcasting outages, the meeting will continue as planned.

Special accommodations. For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, and to request accommodation of a disability, please contact the DFO listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting to give the EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

ADDRESSES: Meeting: The meeting will be held at the Environmental Protection Agency Conference Center, Lobby Level, One Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 2777 S Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA 22202.

Comments. Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OLEM–2019–0194 at http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once submitted, comments cannot be edited or withdrawn. The EPA may publish any comment received to its public docket. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Multimedia submissions (audio, video, etc.) must be accompanied by a written comment. The written comment is considered the official comment and should include discussion of all points you wish to make. The EPA will generally not consider comments or comment contents located outside of the primary submission (e.g., on the web, cloud, or other file sharing system). For additional submission methods, the full EPA public comment policy, information about CBI or multimedia submissions, and general guidance on making effective comments, please visit https://www.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Jenkins, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Resource Conservation and Recovery, (MC: 5303P), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC, 20460. Phone: 703–308–7049; or by email: jenkins.fred@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this action apply to me?

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may be of particular interest to persons who are or may be subject to the Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest Establishment (e-Manifest) Act.

B. How may I participate in this meeting?

You may participate in this meeting by following the instructions in this document. To ensure proper receipt of your public comments by the EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket ID number EPA–HQ–OLEM–2019–0194.

Written comments. The Agency encourages written comments be