

558(c), and as set forth at 18 CFR 16.21(a), if the licensee of such project has filed an application for a New Minor License, the licensee may continue to operate the project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the license after the minor or minor part license expires, until the Commission acts on its application. If the licensee of such a project has not filed an application for a subsequent license, then it may be required, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.21(b), to continue project operations until the Commission issues someone else a license for the project or otherwise orders disposition of the project.

If the project is subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that an annual license for Project No.10887 is issued to Carthage Specialty Paperboard, Inc. for a period effective November 1, 2021 through October 31, 2022 or until the issuance of a new license for the project or other disposition under the FPA, whichever comes first. If issuance of a new license (or other disposition) does not take place on or before October 31, 2022, notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.18(c), an annual license under section 15(a)(1) of the FPA is renewed automatically without further order or notice by the Commission, unless the Commission orders otherwise.

If the project is not subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that Carthage Specialty Paperboard, Inc. is authorized to continue operation of the Carthage Paper Maker Mill Hydroelectric Project, until such time as the Commission acts on its application for a New Minor License.

Dated: April 19, 2022.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No.15237-000]

PacifiCorp; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On October 13, 2021, PacifiCorp filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of Barn Canyon Pumped Storage Project to be located about 4 miles North of Helper, Utah. The sole

purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed project would consist of the following: (1) A new upper reservoir with a surface area of 42 acres and a total storage capacity of 986 acre-feet at a normal maximum operating elevation of 8,355 feet average mean sea level (msl); (2) a new lower reservoir with a surface area of 28 acres and a total storage capacity of 1,664 acre-feet at a normal maximum operating elevation of 6,240 feet msl; (3) a 12,672-foot-long penstock, with a hydraulic head of 2,035 feet, connecting the upper and lower reservoirs to the powerhouse; (4) a new underground powerhouse that would be sited along the western shore of the lower reservoir containing three Francis turbine-generator units with a total rated capacity of 300 megawatts; (5) a new 10.2-mile-long, 345-kilovolt (kV) transmission line connecting the powerhouse to PacifiCorp's existing Huntington-Spanish Fork substation constructed in 1979 for alternative 1; (6) a new 0.8-mile-long, 138-kV transmission line to interconnect the powerhouse to PacifiCorp's existing Carbon substation for alternative 2; and (7) appurtenant facilities. The estimated annual power generation at the Barn Canyon Pumped Storage would be 624 gigawatt-hours.

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Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission's eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/ferconline.aspx>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>. You must include your name and contact information at

the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-15237-000.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's website at <https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/elibrary/overview>. Enter the docket number (P-15237) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 5124-022]

Washington Electric Cooperative, Inc.; Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Assessment

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR part 380, the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the application for license for the North Branch No. 3 Hydroelectric Project, located on the North Branch of the Winooski River in Washington County, Vermont, and has prepared a Final Environmental Assessment (FEA) for the project. No federal land is occupied by project works or located within the project boundary.

The FEA contains staff's analysis of the potential environmental impacts of the project and concludes that licensing the project, with appropriate environmental protective measures, would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

The Commission provides all interested persons with an opportunity to view and/or print the FEA via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (<http://www.ferc.gov/>), using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits in the docket number field, to access the