

Newberry and Fairfield counties, South Carolina, and occupies federal lands.

The final EA contains Commission staff's analysis of the potential environmental effects of the proposed temporary variance of seasonal venting requirements, alternatives to the proposed action, and concludes that the proposed variance, with appropriate environmental protective measures, would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment. The final EA may be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "elibrary" link. Enter the docket number (P-1894-233) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659.

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For further information, contact Ms. Joy Kurtz at 202-502-6760 or [joy.kurtz@ferc.gov](mailto:joy.kurtz@ferc.gov).

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**Debbie-Anne A. Reese,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

**[Project No. 7274-035]**

### Town of Wells; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment

On July 31, 2023, the Town of Wells filed a relicense application for the 698-kilowatt Lake Algonquin Hydroelectric Project No. 7274 (Lake Algonquin Project or project). The project is located

on the Sacandaga River in the Town of Wells, Hamilton County, New York.

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, on June 25, 2025, Commission staff issued a notice that the Lake Algonquin Project was ready for environmental analysis (REA Notice). Based on the information in the record, including comments filed on the REA Notice, staff does not anticipate that licensing the Lake Algonquin Project would constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. Therefore, staff intend to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) on the application to relicense the Lake Algonquin Project.<sup>1</sup>

The EA will be issued and circulated for review by all interested parties. All comments filed on the EA will be analyzed by staff and considered in the Commission's final licensing decision.

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The application will be processed according to the following schedule. The EA will be issued for a 30-day comment period. Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate.

Milestone	Target date
Commission issues EA ....	September 8, 2026.

Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Samantha Pollak at (202) 502-6419 or via email at [samantha.pollak@ferc.gov](mailto:samantha.pollak@ferc.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

**[Project No. 2547-095]**

### Village of Swanton, Vermont; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests, Ready for Environmental Analysis, and Soliciting Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Prescriptions

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

- a. *Type of Application:* New License.
- b. *Project No.:* 2547-095.
- c. *Date Filed:* April 29, 2022.
- d. *Applicant:* Village of Swanton, Vermont (Village).
- e. *Name of Project:* Highgate Falls Hydroelectric Project.
- f. *Location:* On the Missisquoi River in Franklin County, Vermont.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Paul V. Nolan, Energy Consultant, 5515 17th Street North, Arlington, VA 22205; telephone at (703) 534-5509; email at [pvnpvndiver@gmail.com](mailto:pvnpvndiver@gmail.com).
- i. *FERC Contact:* Arash Barsari, Project Coordinator, Great Lakes Branch, Division of Hydropower Licensing; telephone at (202) 502-6207; email at [Arash.JalaliBarsari@ferc.gov](mailto:Arash.JalaliBarsari@ferc.gov).
- j. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene, protests, comments, recommendations, terms, conditions, and prescriptions:* November 7, 2025 by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Deadline for filing reply comments: December 22, 2025 by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene, protests, comments, recommendations, terms, conditions, and prescriptions 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>. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier

<sup>1</sup> For tracking purposes under the National Environmental Policy Act, the unique identification number for documents relating to this environmental review is EAXX-019-20-000-1755775659.