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Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852. All filings must clearly identify the project name and docket number on the first page: Pine Valley Hydroelectric Project (9282–040).

m. The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

n. *Project Description:* The Pine Valley Hydroelectric Project includes a 200-foot-long, 23-foot-high stone-masonry gravity dam with a 128-foot-long spillway. The dam is equipped with two waste gates and topped with 4-foot-high flashboards with a crest elevation of 323.6 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 (NGVD 29) at the top of the flashboards. The dam creates an impoundment that has a surface area of 7 acres at 323.6 feet NGVD 29.

From the impoundment, water flows into an intake structure located a short distance upstream of the dam on the eastern shoreline of the impoundment. The intake includes trashracks with 1.625-inch clear bar spacing and a gatehouse with an 8-foot-wide hydraulically operated headgate. From the intake, water flows through an 8-foot-diameter, approximately 0.5-mile-long penstock, directly to a 525-kilowatt horizontal Francis turbine-generator unit located on the lower level of a former mill building. Water is discharged from the turbine-generator unit to a 155-foot-long tailrace. The project creates an approximately 3,258-foot-long bypassed reach.

The project includes a downstream fish passage facility adjacent to the intake structure that consists of a surface inlet weir, a bypass inlet box, and a 24-inch diameter bypass pipe that discharges into the bypassed reach. The downstream fish passage facility operates annually from April 1 to June 1.

Electricity generated by the turbine-generator unit is transmitted to the electric grid via a 200-foot-long, 4.16-kilovolt transmission line. The minimum and maximum hydraulic capacities of the turbine-generator unit are 24 and 240 cubic feet per second (cfs), respectively. The average annual energy production of the project from 2019 through 2024, was 1,458 megawatt-hours.

The current license requires the project to operate in a run-of-river mode

such that project outflow approximates inflow to the impoundment. Pine Valley Hydro maintains the normal maximum surface elevation of the impoundment at 323.6 feet NGVD 29. The current license also requires Pine Valley Hydro to release a minimum flow of 24 cfs or inflow, whichever is less, from the project to the bypassed reach. The minimum flow is released either through a sluice gate adjacent to the spillway during project operation, over the spillway when not operating, or through the downstream fish passage facility from April 1 to June 30.

*Pine Valley Hydro proposes to:* (1) continue operating the project in a run-of-river mode; (2) increase the minimum flow from 24 cfs or inflow, whichever is less, to 50 cfs or inflow, whichever is less; (3) install a flow gage in the bypassed reach to monitor streamflow and project discharge; (4) continue operating the downstream fish passage facility from April 1 to June 1; (5) consult with resource agencies on the scope and schedule of any future eel passage protection measures that may be necessary; and (6) develop an operations compliance monitoring plan.

o. In addition to publishing the full text of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this notice, as well as other documents in the proceeding (e.g., license application) 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 document (P–9282). For assistance, contact FERC at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208–3676 (toll free), or (202) 502–8659 (TTY).

You may also register online at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/ferconline.aspx> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

p. The Commission's Office of Public Participation (OPP) supports meaningful public engagement and participation in Commission proceedings. OPP can help members of the public, including landowners, community organizations, Tribal members and others, access publicly available information and navigate Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502–6595 or [OPP@ferc.gov](mailto:OPP@ferc.gov).

q. *Procedural Schedule:* The application will be processed according

to the following preliminary schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Deficiency Letter and Request Additional Information November 2025

Issue Acceptance Letter and Notice March 2026

Issue Scoping Notice March 2026

Scoping Comments due April 2026

Issue Ready for Environmental Analysis Notice June 2026

r. Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of the notice of ready for environmental analysis.

Dated: October 14, 2025.

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CD26–1–000]

#### St. Marys Area Water Authority; Notice of Preliminary Determination of a Qualifying Conduit Hydropower Facility and Soliciting Comments and Motions To Intervene

On November 14, 2025, St. Marys Area Water Authority filed a notice of intent to construct a qualifying conduit hydropower facility, pursuant to section 30 of the Federal Power Act (FPA). The proposed St. Marys Water Treatment Plant Hydro Project would have an installed capacity of 18 kilowatts (kW) and would be located at the St. Marys Water Treatment Plant, in St. Marys, Elk County, Pennsylvania.

*Applicant Contact:* Dwight Hoare, General Manager, P.O. Box 33, 967 State Street, St. Marys, Pennsylvania 15857, 814–834–4362, [stwater@windstream.net](mailto:stwater@windstream.net).

*FERC Contact:* Christopher Chaney, 202–502–6778, [christopher.chaney@ferc.gov](mailto:christopher.chaney@ferc.gov).

*Qualifying Conduit Hydropower Facility Description:* The project would consist of: (1) one turbine generating unit with a capacity of 18 kW and (2) appurtenant facilities.

A qualifying conduit hydropower facility is one that is determined or deemed to meet all the criteria shown in the table below.

TABLE 1—CRITERIA FOR QUALIFYING CONDUIT HYDROPOWER FACILITY

| Statutory provision        | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Satisfies (Y/N) |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| FPA 30(a)(3)(A) .....      | The conduit the facility uses is a tunnel, canal, pipeline, aqueduct, flume, ditch, or similar manmade water conveyance that is operated for the distribution of water for agricultural, municipal, or industrial consumption and not primarily for the generation of electricity. | Y               |
| FPA 30(a)(3)(C)(i) .....   | The facility is constructed, operated, or maintained for the generation of electric power and uses for such generation only the hydroelectric potential of a non-federally owned conduit.                                                                                          | Y               |
| FPA 30(a)(3)(C)(ii) .....  | The facility has an installed capacity that does not exceed 40 megawatts .....                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Y               |
| FPA 30(a)(3)(C)(iii) ..... | On or before August 9, 2013, the facility is not licensed, or exempted from the licensing requirements of Part I of the FPA.                                                                                                                                                       | Y               |

**Preliminary Determination:** The proposed St. Marys Water Treatment Plant Hydro Project will not alter the primary purpose of the conduit, which is for municipal use. Therefore, based upon the above criteria, Commission staff preliminarily determines that the operation of the project described above satisfies the requirements for a qualifying conduit hydropower facility, which is not required to be licensed or exempted from licensing.

**Comments and Motions to Intervene:** Deadline for filing comments, comments contesting whether the facility meets the qualifying criteria, and motions to intervene: December 18, 2025 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

Anyone may submit comments or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210 and 385.214. Any motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular proceeding.

**Filing and Service of Responsive Documents:** All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the “COMMENTS,” “COMMENTS CONTESTING QUALIFICATION FOR A CONDUIT HYDROPOWER FACILITY,” or “MOTION TO INTERVENE,” as applicable; (2) state in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) state the name, address, and telephone number of the person filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of sections 385.2001 through 385.2005 of the Commission’s regulations.<sup>1</sup> All comments contesting Commission staff’s preliminary determination that the facility meets the qualifying criteria must set forth their evidentiary basis.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public

Participation at (202) 502–6595 or *OPP@ferc.gov*.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene and comments using the Commission’s eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. 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, you may send 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 must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2010.

**Locations of Notice of Intent:** The Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the internet through the Commission’s website at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (*i.e.*, CD26–1) in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. Copies of the notice of intent can be obtained directly from the applicant. For assistance, call toll-free 1–866–208–3676 or email

*FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov*. For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Dated: November 18, 2025.

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[IC25–17–000]

#### Commission Information Collection Activities (Ferc–920, Electric Quarterly Report); Comment Request; Extension

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is soliciting public comment on the currently approved information collection, FERC–920 (Electric Quarterly Report (EQR)), which will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for a review of the information collection requirements. This renewal request does not include any changes to the reporting requirements.

**DATES:** Comments on the collections of information are due January 23, 2026.

**ADDRESSES:** Please submit comments via email to *DataClearance@FERC.gov*. You must specify the Docket No. (IC25–17–000) and the FERC Information Collection number (FERC–920) in your email. If you are unable to file electronically, comments may be filed by USPS mail or by hand (including courier) delivery:

- Mail via U.S. Postal Service only, addressed to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the

<sup>1</sup> 18 CFR 385.2001–2005 (2025).