

Interior's Bureau of Reclamation on the Fryingpan River in Pitkin and Eagle counties, Colorado.

The licensee proposes to build a 22 by 28-foot powerhouse, add an additional 110 feet of new 30-inch penstock, install a second turbine and generator unit with the capacity of 1.2 Megawatt, construct a new 48 by 48-inch, 60-foot diameter bypass line within the powerhouse, and modernize the electrical system. The licensee states that all the modifications are within the existing project boundary.

On July 29, 2025, the Commission issued a Notice of Intent that informed the public that Commission staff plans to issue an Environmental Assessment (EA) ¹ by August 5, 2026. Commission staff is revising the schedule to issue an EA by March 27, 2026. The EA will be issued for a 30-day comment period. Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate. All comments filed on the EA will be reviewed by staff and considered in the Commission's final decision on the proceeding.

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.

Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Maryam Akhavan at (202) 502-6110 or Maryam.Akhavan@ferc.gov.

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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 8315-017]

Eagle Creek Sartell Hydro, LLC; 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 Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 8315-017.

c. *Date filed:* February 28, 2023.

d. *Applicant:* Eagle Creek Sartell Hydro, LLC.

e. *Name of Project:* Sartell Hydroelectric Project (project).

f. *Location:* On the Mississippi River in Stearns and Benton Counties, Minnesota.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Jody Smet, Senior Vice President Regulatory Affairs, Chief Compliance Officer, Eagle Creek Sartell Hydro, LLC, 7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1100W, Bethesda, MD 20814; phone: (804) 382-1764; jody.smet@eaglecreekre.com.

i. *FERC Contact:* Michael Davis at (202) 502-8339; or michael.davis@ferc.gov.

j. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests, comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions:* on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on April 13, 2026; reply comments are due on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on May 28, 2026.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene and protests, comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions using the Commission's eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FEROnline.aspx>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 10,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FEROnlineSupport@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 must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. All filings must clearly identify the project name and docket number on the first page: Sartell Hydroelectric Project (P-8315-017).

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission

relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. This application has been accepted and is ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. *The existing project consists of the following:* (1) a 46-foot-high dam with four sections, including: (a) a radial Tainter-type gate section and bascule gate section, (b) a concrete non-overflow dam section, (c) an overflow spillway, and (d) an earthen embankment; (2) a 2,350.5-acre reservoir with a normal surface elevation of 1,015 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum 1929; (3) a powerhouse containing 11 generating units for a combined capacity of 8.95 megawatts; (4) a step-up transformer; and (5) a 715-foot-long transmission line.

m. 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 website at <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. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FEROnlineSupport@ferc.gov. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

n. Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, and .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST", "MOTION TO INTERVENE", "COMMENTS", "REPLY COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS", "TERMS AND CONDITIONS", or "PRESCRIPTIONS"; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply

¹ The unique identification number for documents relating to this environmental review is EAXX-019-20-000-1750060234.

with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. 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 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

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.

o. 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.

p. A license applicant must file the following on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time April 13, 2026: (1) a copy of the water quality certification; (2) a copy of the request for certification, including proof of the date on which the certifying agency received the request; or (3) evidence of waiver of water quality certification.

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Dated: February 12, 2026.

Carlos D. Clay,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2459-279]

Lake Lynn Generation, LLC; Notice of Availability of 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 a new license to continue to operate and maintain the Lake Lynn Hydroelectric Project No.

2459 (project). The 51.2-megawatt project is located on the Cheat River, near the City of Morgantown, in Monongalia County, West Virginia, and near the Borough of Point Marion, in Fayette County, Pennsylvania. Commission staff has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project.¹

The EA contains the staff's analysis of the potential environmental effects of the project and concludes that relicensing 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 EA 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. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or at (866) 208-3676 (toll-free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY).

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Any comments should be filed on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on March 13, 2026.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments using the Commission's eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FERCOnline.aspx>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 10,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support. 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 must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. The first

¹ For tracking purposes under the National Environmental Policy Act, the unique identification number for documents relating to this environmental review is EAXX-019-20-000-1740488411.

page of any filing should include docket number P-2459-279.

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 at OPP@ferc.gov.

For further information, contact Allan Creamer at (202) 502-8365, or by email at allan.creamer@ferc.gov.

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Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OFA-2026-1322; FRL OPRM-FAD-210]

Notice of Intent To Prepare a Programmatic Environmental Assessment; Initiation of Public Scoping Under the National Environmental Policy Act; Initiation of Consultation Under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act; and Notice of Intent To Develop a Section 106 Programmatic Agreement With the Alaska State Historic Preservation Officer

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 10; Alaska Operations Office.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a programmatic environmental assessment; initiation of public scoping under the National Environmental Policy Act; initiation of consultation under section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act; and notice of intent to develop a section 106 programmatic agreement with the Alaska State Historic Preservation Officer.

SUMMARY: EPA Region 10 intends to prepare a programmatic Environmental Assessment (EA) pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. 4321-4347, to evaluate the potential environmental and sociocultural effects of the EPA Contaminated Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) Lands Assistance Program. The program provides funding to eligible Alaska Native Regional and Village Corporations, Federally Recognized Tribes in Alaska, Alaska Native Nonprofit Associations, Alaska Native Nonprofit Organizations and Alaskan Inter-Tribal Consortia ("applicants") to