

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Notice of 229 Boundary: Establish 301 Laboratory Road, Oak Ridge, Tennessee**

**AGENCY:** Office of Environmental Management, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, as implemented by DOE's regulations regarding Trespassing on Department of Energy Property which published in the **Federal Register** (FR) on August 26, 1963, prohibits the unauthorized entry, and the unauthorized introduction of weapons or dangerous materials, into or upon the following described facilities of Office of Environmental Management, of the United States Department of Energy.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Matthew Reardon, Real Estate Contracting Officer, U.S. Department of Energy, 550 Main Street, Room 7-010, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202, Email: [matthew.reardon@jemcbc.doe.gov](mailto:matthew.reardon@jemcbc.doe.gov); Telephone: (573) 744-2143.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following declarations are made:

The U.S. Department of Energy installation known as 301 Laboratory Road, Oak Ridge TN is located in the Second Civil District of Anderson County, Tennessee, within the corporate limits of the city of Oak Ridge Designated as all of Parcel 412.01, Block 19-CE, as shown on a plat entitled "Final Plat, Resubdivision of Parcels 412.01, 412.02, 412.03 and 412.04, Blocks 19-CD and 19-CE," prepared by Urban Engineering, Inc., Knoxville, Tennessee, dated June 1, 1984, last revised May 23, 1990 and recorded May 23, 1990 in Plat Cabinet 4, envelope 83-A in the Register's Office for Anderson County, Tennessee to which plat reference is here made for a more complete description. The proposed 301 Laboratory Road, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, 229 Security Boundary contains one area which totals 0.744 acres. This security boundary is designated pursuant to Section 229 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954.

**Signing Authority**

This document of the Department of Energy was signed on March 10, 2026, by Timothy J. Walsh, Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only,

and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE Federal Register Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC, on March 11, 2026.

**Treena V. Garrett,**

*Federal Register Liaison Officer, U.S. Department of Energy.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Hanford**

**AGENCY:** Office of Environmental Management, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces an in-person/virtual meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Hanford. The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Wednesday, April 22, 2026; 8 a.m.–3 p.m. PDT.

**ADDRESSES:** U.S. Department of Energy, 2435 Stevens Center Place, Conference Room 1005, Richland, Washington 99354. This meeting will be held in-person and virtually. To receive the virtual access information, please contact the Deputy Designated Federal Officer, Meegan Tripp, at the telephone number or email listed below at least two days prior to the meeting.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Meegan Tripp, Deputy Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Environmental Management; Phone: (509) 376-2403; or Email: [meegan.tripp@hanford.gov](mailto:meegan.tripp@hanford.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of the Board is to provide advice and recommendations concerning the following EM site-specific issues: clean-up activities and environmental restoration; waste and nuclear materials management and disposition; excess facilities; future land use and long-term stewardship. The Board may also be asked to provide advice and recommendations on other EM program components. The Board also provides

an avenue to fulfill public participation requirements outlined in the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), Federal Facility Agreements, Consent Orders, Consent Decrees and Settlement Agreements.

*Tentative Agenda:* (agenda topics are subject to change; please contact Meegan Tripp for the most current agenda).

- Tri-Party Agreement Agencies Updates
- Presentations to the Board
- Board Advice Discussion and Voting

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public and public comment can be given orally or in writing. Fifteen minutes are allocated during the meeting for public comment and those wishing to make oral comment will be given a minimum of two minutes to speak. Written comments received at least two working days prior to the meeting will be provided to the members and included in the meeting minutes. Written comments received within two working days after the meeting will be included in the minutes. For additional information on public comment and to submit written comment, please contact Meegan Tripp. The EM SSAB, Hanford, welcomes the attendance of the public at its meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Meegan Tripp at least seven days in advance of the meeting.

*Meeting Conduct:* The Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Questioning of board members or presenters by the public is not permitted.

*Minutes:* Minutes will be available at the following website: <https://www.hanford.gov/page.cfm/hab/FullBoardMeetingInformation>.

*Signing Authority:* This document of the Department of Energy was signed on March 11, 2026, by David Borak, Committee Management Officer, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE Federal Register Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the

document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC, on March 11, 2026.

**Jennifer Hartzell,**

*Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer,  
U.S. Department of Energy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 3063-036]

#### **Blackstone Hydro Associates; Notice of Application for Non-Capacity Amendment of License Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests**

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

a. *Application Type:* Non-Capacity Amendment of License.

b. *Project No.:* 3063-036.

c. *Date Filed:* February 23, 2026.

d. *Applicant:* Blackstone Hydro Associates.

e. *Name of Project:* Central Falls Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The project is located on the Blackstone River in Providence County, Rhode Island. The project does not occupy any federal lands.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Shaun Dempsey, Director of Operations, Blackstone Hydro Associates, 130 Prospect Street, Cambridge, MA 02139, [sdempsey@theshorelinecorp.com](mailto:sdempsey@theshorelinecorp.com), (617) 715 3138.

i. *FERC Contact:* Aneela Mousam, (202) 502-8357, [aneela.mousam@ferc.gov](mailto:aneela.mousam@ferc.gov).

j. *Cooperating Agencies:* With this notice, the Commission is inviting federal, state, local, and Tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues affected by the proposal, that wish to cooperate in the preparation of any environmental document, if applicable, to follow the instructions for filing such requests described in item k below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of any environmental

document cannot also intervene. See 94 FERC ¶ 61,076 (2001).

k. *Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests:* April 9, 2026, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, and protests 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>. 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 must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852. The first page of any filing should include the docket number P-3063-036. Comments emailed to Commission staff are not considered part of the Commission record.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears 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.

l. *Description of Request:* The licensee filed a non-capacity amendment for the Central Falls Hydroelectric Project No. 3063 to update the primary transmission line layout to meet the Rhode Island Energy's current interconnection and safety requirements. As licensed, electricity generated at the powerhouse is transmitted to the regional electric grid via a 55-foot-long, 480-volt transmission line and a 0.48/13.2-kilovolt step-up transformer located approximately 50 feet northwest of the powerhouse. Under the proposed amendment, electricity generated at the powerhouse would be transmitted to the regional electric grid via a 55-foot long, 480-volt transmission line and a 0.48/13.8-kilovolt step-up transformer and neutral ground resistor located

approximately 60 feet northwest of the powerhouse. From there, approximately 85 feet of below grade line would connect to a new utility pole, which in turn would connect to the main grid via approximately 175 feet of overhead line. The proposal would require installing seven new wood poles: five to be installed by Rhode Island Energy and two by the licensee. The proposed construction would result in ground disturbance of approximately 500 square feet. The licensee also proposes to remove from the project license the unconstructed 300-foot-long, 480-volt underground transmission line that would have connected a new turbine-generator unit to the existing project transmission line. All proposed work would occur within the existing project boundary.

m. *Locations of the Application:* This filing may be viewed on 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. 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. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or email [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant.

n. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

o. *Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene:* 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, .214, respectively. 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.

p. *Filing and Service of Documents:* Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; and (3) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR