

recommended that the Corps improve the Purpose and Need Statement, provide additional and/or revised alternatives, supply supportive information on environmental sustainability, disclose compliance with floodplain management (Executive Order 110998) and address approved flood maps, and address indirect and cumulative impacts for this proposed project.

ERP No. D-FRC-L05228-ID Rating NS, Bear River Hydroelectric Project, Application for a New License (Relicense) for Three Existing Hydroelectric Projects: Soda (FERC No. 20-019), Grace-Cove (FERC No. 2401-007) and Oneida (FERC No. 472-017), Bear River Basin, Caribou and Franklin Counties, ID.

Summary: EPA used a screening tool to conduct a limited review of the draft EIS. Based on the screen, EPA does not foresee having any environmental objections to the proposed project. Therefore, a detailed review of the draft EIS was not conducted.

ERP No. D-IBR-K39076-00 Rating EC2, Navajo Reservoir Operations, Operational Changes to Navajo Dam and Reservoir, Related Flow Recommendation, Implementation and Funding, Navajo Unit-San Juan River, NM, CO and UT.

Summary: EPA has environmental concerns with the long-term sustainability of additional water development in the Basin and urged an equitable balance of available water supplies, water supply commitments, and environmental needs. EPA strongly encouraged development of the Memorandum of Agreement to protect water released for endangered species from diversion by intervening appropriators. While EPA supports reoperation of Navajo Dam to implement the Flow Recommendations, EPA has concerns regarding water quality, mitigation, indirect and cumulative impacts, monitoring and the adaptive management plan.

ERP No. D-NOA-K91011-00 Rating EC2, 2003 Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery, Groundfish Acceptable Biological Catch and Optimum Yield Specifications and Management Measures, Implementation, WA, OR and CA.

Summary: EPA has environmental concerns based on insufficient information on stock rebuilding, enforcement of harvest measures, relationship between federal and state groundfish fisheries, trawl vessels exemptions, indirect impacts and tribal fishing rights.

ERP No. D-SFW-K64022-CA Rating EC2, Aquatic Habitat Conservation Plan

and Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances to Conserve Habitat for and Mitigate Impacts on Six Aquatic Species, USFWS Enhancement of Survival Permit and an USMFS Incidental Take Permit Issuance, Humboldt and Del Norte Counties, CA.

Summary: EPA commended the approach of developing a comprehensive aquatic management strategy to address potential impacts to listed and potentially listed fish and amphibian species, but expressed specific environmental concerns related to water temperature impacts.

ERP No. D-USN-K52004-CA Rating EC2, Advanced Amphibious Assault Vehicle (AAAV) Development, Replacement and Establishment, Implementation, Del Mar Basin Area of Marine Base Corps (MCB) Camp Pendleton, San Diego County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns, noting that additional mitigation may be available to potentially reduce the project's environmental impacts, including impacts to (non-ocean) surface water quality and air quality.

ERP No. DA-FAA-E40785-FL Rating EC2, Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport, Runway 9R-2FL Expansion and other Associated Improvements, New Information concerning the Predicted Number of Residents Impacted by Noise for Alternatives using 2000 Census Block Data or Field Inspection, Funding, Broward County, FL.

Summary: EPA continues to have environmental concerns with noise regarding the residences located south of the runway proposed for extension. Additional mitigation through residential acquisition over time was requested.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-COE-K39073-CA, Middle Creek Flood Damage Reduction and Ecosystem Restoration Project located between Highway 20 and Middle Creek immediately northwest of Clear Lake, Implementation, Lake County, CA.

Summary: EPA reviewed the EIS and found that the document adequately addresses the issues raised in our comment letter on the DEIS.

ERP No. F-IBR-K31003-CA, Imperial Irrigation District Water Conservation and Transfer Project and Draft Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP), Implementation and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Section 10 Incidental Take Permit Approval and Issuance, Colorado River, Imperial County, CA.

Summary: EPA continues to have environmental objections to the potential adverse impacts on surface

and groundwater quality, air quality and biological resources and believes these objections could be addressed by the new proposed Habitat Conservation Plan and the Salton Sea Restoration Project.

ERP No. F-IBR-K39072-00, Implementation Agreement (IA), Inadvertent Overrun and Payback Policy (IOP) and Related Federal Actions, Implementation, Quantification Settlement Agreement (QSA), Lower Colorado River, in the States of AZ, CA and NV.

Summary: EPA continues to have environmental concern with the potential cumulative impacts on water quality constituents in drinking water sources and cumulative impacts on Indian Trust assets. EPA believes these concerns could be addressed by the new proposed Habitat Conservation Plan and the Salton Sea Restoration Project.

ERP No. F-NAS-A12043-00, PROGRAMMATIC—MARS Exploration Rover—2003 (MER—2003) Project, Continuing the Long-Term Exploration of MARS, Implementation.

Summary: EPA has no objection to the proposed action.

Dated: January 21, 2003.

Joseph C. Montgomery,
Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7442-6]

Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee, Notification of Public Advisory Committee Meeting; Teleconference Consultation on Project Work Plan for Revised Air Quality Criteria for Ozone and Related Photochemical Oxidants

ACTION: EPA Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee, Notification of Public Advisory Committee Meeting; Teleconference Consultation on Project Work Plan for Revised Air Quality Criteria for Ozone and Related Photochemical Oxidants.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA or Agency) Science Advisory Board (SAB) will meet via teleconference on Thursday, February 6,

2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. eastern time. This teleconference meeting will be hosted out of Conference Room 6013, U.S. EPA, Ariel Rios Federal Building North, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20004. The meeting is open to the public; however, due to limited space, seating will be on a first-come basis. The public may also attend via telephone, however, lines may be limited. Information on how to participate is provided below.

Purpose of this Meeting: The purpose of this public teleconference meeting is for the CASAC to conduct a consultation with EPA on the Project Work Plan for Revised Air Quality Criteria for Ozone and Related Photochemical Oxidants. (Note: A full CASAC review of the first revised draft AQCD for ozone and related photochemical oxidants is scheduled to take place later this calendar year, and will be announced via a separate Federal Register notice.)

Background: EPA promulgates National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) based on scientific information assessed in air quality criteria documents (AQCD) issued under the Clean Air Act (CAA), section 108. The CAA also requires periodic (i.e., every five years) revision of criteria and review of NAAQS. Furthermore, section 109 of the CAA directed the establishment of the CASAC (42 U.S.C. 7409). The CASAC has a statutorily-mandated responsibility under the CAA to review and offer scientific and technical advice to the EPA Administrator on the air-quality criteria and regulatory documents which form the basis for the NAAQS. The previous AQCD for ozone, published in July 1996, provided the scientific basis for EPA's promulgation, in July 1997, of a new eight-hour NAAQS for ground-level ozone.

The Project Work Plan for Revised Air Quality Criteria for Ozone and Related Photochemical Oxidants was prepared by EPA's Office of Research and Development (ORD) National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA), located at Research Triangle Park (RTP), NC. The plan presents information on EPA's approach to assessing the latest available scientific information to be incorporated into a revised Ozone AQCD, identifies key issues to be addressed in the Ozone AQCD, and includes brief summaries of legislative requirements and the history of previous ozone criteria revisions and NAAQS reviews. ORD will prepare a draft revised Ozone AQCD and subject it to review at expert peer-review workshops, by the public, and by the CASAC.

The main purpose of the forthcoming revised AQCD for Ozone and Related Photochemical Oxidants is to critically evaluate and assess the latest scientific knowledge useful in indicating the kind and extent of all identifiable effects on public health and welfare which may be expected from the presence of these pollutants in the ambient air. ORD will place emphasis on assessment of health and environmental effects information. Other scientific information will also be evaluated, in part to provide a better understanding of key issues such as those associated with ozone photochemistry; issues on environmental ozone concentrations attributable to anthropogenic and background sources; and issues related to the health and environmental effects associated with changes in solar UV radiation and global warming, as mediated by changes in tropospheric ozone. The final Ozone AQCD document will be used by EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS) in its review of the Ozone NAAQS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To participate in this meeting, contact Mr. Fred Butterfield, CASAC Designated Federal Officer, U.S. EPA Science Advisory Board (1400A), Suite 6450CC, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone/voice mail at (202) 564-4561; fax at (202) 501-0582; or via e-mail at: butterfield.fred@epa.gov. Members of the public desiring additional information about the meeting locations or the call-in number for the teleconference must contact Mr. Butterfield at the addresses and numbers identified above.

Submitting Public Comments: The CASAC will make a brief period of time available during the teleconference meeting to take public comments on the subject of the consultation. This oral public comment period will be no more than 15 minutes in length and will be divided among all speakers who register in advance. Registration is on a first-come basis. Speakers who have been granted time on the agenda may not yield their time to other speakers. Those wishing to speak but who are unable to register in time may provide their comments in writing. Requests for oral comments must be in writing (e-mail, fax or mail) and received by Mr. Butterfield at the address above no later than noon eastern time on February 4, 2003.

Availability of Review Material: There is only one document that is the subject of the CASAC consultation: NCEA's Project Work Plan for Revised Air

Quality Criteria for Ozone and Related Photochemical Oxidants. This document is available electronically at the following URL address: <http://cfpub.epa.gov/ncea/cfm/recordisplay.cfm?deid=55125>. For information and any questions pertaining to the review document, please contact Mr. James Raub, NCEA-RTP, via telephone: (919) 541-4157; fax: 919-541-1818; or e-mail: raub.james@epa.gov.

Providing Oral or Written Comments: It is the policy of the EPA Science Advisory Board to accept written public comments of any length, and to accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. The EPA Science Advisory Board expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously-submitted oral or written statements. Specific instructions are as follows:

Oral Comments: In general, each individual or group requesting an oral presentation at a face-to-face meeting will be limited to a total time of 10 minutes (unless otherwise indicated above). For teleconference meetings, opportunities for oral comment will usually be limited to no more than three minutes per speaker and no more than 15 minutes total (unless otherwise indicated above). Deadlines for getting on the public speaker list for a meeting are given above. Speakers who plan to attend the teleconference meeting in person should bring at least 25 copies of their comments and presentation slides for distribution to the reviewers and public at the meeting.

Written Comments: Although the SAB accepts written comments until the date of the meeting, written comments are requested to be provided so that they will be received in the SAB Staff Office at least one week prior to the meeting date, in order for the comments to be made available to the reviewers at the meeting for their consideration. Comments should be supplied to the appropriate DFO at the address/contact information noted above, as follows: one hard copy with original signature and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file formats: Adobe Acrobat [.pdf], WordPerfect or MS Word). Those providing written comments who also attend the meeting are requested to bring 25 copies of their comments for public distribution.

Meeting Access: Individuals requiring special accommodations at this meeting, including wheelchair access to the conference room, should contact Mr. Butterfield at least five business days prior to the meeting (i.e., by Thursday, January 30) so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

General Information: The SAB was statutorily-established in 1978 (42 U.S.C. 4365) to provide independent scientific and technical advice, consultation, and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on the technical basis for Agency positions and regulations. Additional information concerning the EPA Science Advisory Board, including its structure, function, and composition, may be found on the EPA SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab/>; and in the EPA Science Advisory Board FY2001 Annual Staff Report, which is available from the EPA SAB Publications Staff at phone: (202) 564-4533; via fax at: (202) 501-0256; or on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab/annreport01.pdf>.

Dated: January 16, 2003.

A. Robert Flaak,

Acting Deputy Director, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Good Neighbor Environmental Board Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The next meeting of the Good Neighbor Environmental Board, a federal advisory committee that reports to the President and Congress on environmental and infrastructure projects along the U.S. border with Mexico, will take place in Washington, D.C. on February 18 and 19, 2003. It is open to the public.

DATES: On February 18, a special half-day session called "Border Environmental Forecast 2003" will begin at 9 a.m. (registration at 8:30 a.m.) and end at 12 noon, followed by the Board's Strategic Planning Session from 2 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. On February 19, the Board will hold its routine business meeting from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. A pre-meeting orientation session for new members will take place from 4-6 p.m. on February 17.

ADDRESSES: The meeting site is the Hotel Washington located at the corner of 15th St. NW. and Pennsylvania Ave. (515 15th Street, NW., Pennsylvania Ave.) Washington, DC 20004.

The closest metro is Metro Center (on the Red Line).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Elaine M. Koerner, Designated Federal Officer for the Good Neighbor Environmental Board, Office of Cooperative Environmental Management, Office of the Administrator, USEPA, MC1601A, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20004, (415) 972-3437, koerner.elaine@epa.gov.

Meeting Access: Individuals requiring special accommodation at this meeting, including wheelchair access to the conference room, should contact the Designated Federal Officer at least five business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Agenda:

The Border Environmental Forecast 2003 seminar is one of three activities scheduled for February 18 and 19. This three-hour expert Forecast seminar will begin at 9 a.m. (registration at 8:30 a.m.) and conclude at noon. In keeping with a similar session hosted last year, two panels of border-region experts will forecast the most pressing environmental challenges the border region will face in the year ahead. Immediately following the seminar, from 12 to 12:30 p.m. a public comment session will take place. During the afternoon of February 18, the Board will hold its annual Strategic Planning Session; a Road Map for the year ahead and criteria for measuring its effectiveness are among the products to be developed. The following morning, February 19, the Board will hold a routine business meeting. All of these activities are open to the public.

Public Attendance: The public is welcome to attend all portions of the meeting. Members of the public who plan to file written statements and/or make brief (suggested 5-minute limit) oral statements at the public comment session are encouraged to contact the Designated Federal Officer for the Board prior to the meeting.

Background: The Good Neighbor Environmental Board meets three times each calendar year at different locations along the U.S.-Mexico border and also holds an annual strategic planning session. It was created by the Enterprise for the Americans Initiative Act of 1992. An Executive Order delegates implementing authority to the Administrator of EPA. The Board is responsible for providing advice to the President and the Congress on environmental and infrastructure issues and needs within the States contiguous to Mexico in order to improve the quality of life of persons residing on the United States side of the border. The

statute calls for the Board to have representatives from U.S. Government agencies; the governments of the States of Arizona, California, New Mexico and Texas; and private organizations with expertise on environmental and infrastructure problems along the southwest border. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency gives notice of this meeting of the Good Neighbor Environmental Board pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463).

Dated: January 13, 2003.

Oscar Carrillo,

Acting Designate Federal Officer.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval

January 13, 2003.

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commissions, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before February 24, 2003. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.