

produce new air quality violations, worsen existing violations, or delay timely attainment of the national ambient air quality standards.

The criteria by which we determine whether a SIP's motor vehicle emissions budgets are adequate for conformity purposes are outlined in 40 CFR 93.118(e)(4). Please note that an adequacy review is separate from our completeness review which is required by section 110(k)(1) of the Clean Air Act, and it also should not be used to prejudge EPA's ultimate approval of the SIP. Even if we find a budget adequate, the SIP could later be disapproved.

We've described our process for determining the adequacy of submitted SIP budgets in guidance (May 14, 1999 memo titled "Conformity Guidance on Implementation of March 2, 1999 Conformity Court Decision"). We followed this guidance in making our adequacy determination.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.

Dated: December 17, 1999.

Felicia Marcus,

Regional Administrator, Region IX.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-6249-5]

Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7167 OR www.epa.gov/oeca/ofa.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements filed December 20, 1999 through December 23, 1999 pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 990488, Draft EIS, AFS, NC, Croatan National Forest Revised Land and Resource Management Plan (1986), Implementation, Carteret Craven and Jones Counties, NC, Due: February 14, 2000, Contact: John Ramey (828) 257-4268.

EIS No. 990489, Draft EIS, BLM, OR, North Bank Habitat Management Area (NBHMA)/Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC), Federally Endangered Columbian White-Tailed Deer (CWTD) and Special Status Species Habitat Enhancements to Ensure Viability Over Time, Implementation, OR, Due: February 14, 2000, Contact: Jim Luse (541) 440-4930.

EIS No. 990490, Final EIS, USA, AZ, Fort Huachuca Real Property Master Planning, Approval of Land Use and

Real Estate Investment Strategies, Cochise County, AZ, Due: January 28, 2000, Contact: Gregory Brewer (703) 692-9220.

EIS No. 990491, Final EIS, USN, GU, Agana Naval Air Station Disposal and Reuse, Implementation, Guam, Due: January 28, 2000, Contact: John Bigay (808) 471-9338.

EIS No. 990492, Draft EIS, AFS, AK, Finger Mountain Timber Sales, Timber Harvesting, Implementation, US Coast Guard, NPDES and COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Tongass National Forest, Sitka Ranger District, AK, Due: February 28, 1999, Contact: Lisa Winn (907) 747-6671.

EIS No. 990493, Draft EIS, AFS, OR, Tower Fire Recovery Project, Restoration and Salvage, Implementation, Umatilla National Forest, North Fork John Day Ranger District, Umatilla and Grant Counties, OR, Due: February 16, 2000, Contact: Janel Lacey (541) 427-5311.

EIS No. 990494, Final EIS, NPS, VA, Booker T. Washington National Monument (BOWA), General Management Plan, Implementation, Franklin County, VA, Due: January 28, 2000, Contact: Fred Herling (215) 597-1702.

EIS No. 990495, Draft Supplement, NOAA, Atlantic Tunas, Swordfish and Sharks, Highly Migratory Species Fishery Management Plan, Updated Information, Reduction of Bycatch and Incidental Catch in the Atlantic Pelagic Longline Fishery, Due: February 14, 2000, Contact: Rebecca J. Lent (301) 713-2347.

Amendment Notice:

EIS No. 990397, Draft EIS, FAA, OH, Cleveland Hopkins International Airport, To Provide Capacity, Facilities, Highway Improvements and Enhancement to Safety, Funding, Cugahoga County, OH, Due: January 31, 2000, Contact: Ernest P. Guby (734) 487-7280. Revision of FR notice published on 10/29/1999: CEQ Comment Date extended from 12/29/1999 to 01/31/2000.

EIS No. 990413, Draft EIS, AFS, ID, Salmon River Canyon Project, Implementation, Nez Perce, Payette, Bitterroot and Salmon-Challis National Forests, Idaho County, ID, Due: January 19, 2000, Contact: Bill Shields (208) 983-1950. Revision to FR notice published on 11/5/1999: CEQ Comment Date has been extended from 12/20/1999 to 01/19/2000.

EIS No. 990426, Draft EIS, USA, CA, Oakland Army Base Disposal and Reuse Plan, Implementation, City of Oakland, Alameda County, CA, Due:

January 17, 2000, Contact: Theresa Persick Arnold (703) 697-0216. Published FR 11/19/1999: Review Period Extended from 1/03/2000 to 01/17/2000.

Dated: December 27, 1999.

William D. Dickerson,

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-6249-6]

Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared December 13, 1999 through December 17, 1999 pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at (202) 564-7167.

An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 09, 1999 (63 FR 17856).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-AFS-J65315-UT Rating EC2, Monroe Mountain Ecosystem Restoration Project, Implementation, Fishlake National Forest, Richfield Ranger District, Sevier and Piute Counties, UT.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns with the proposed action due to potential significant impacts to water quality, sensitive fish habitat (Utah Bonneville cutthroat trout) and two regionally sensitive bird species. Also, we expressed concerns with the scope of alternatives lack of a detailed monitoring plan to determine if ecosystem restoration will actually be achieved, the analysis of cumulative impacts, and the limited approach to managing livestock and elk grazing on the area where aspen will be harvested.

ERP No. D-BIA-L65330-WA Rating EC2, White River Amphitheater Project, Construction and Operation of a 20,000 Seat Open-Air Amphitheater on the Muckleshoot Indian Reservation, COE Section 404 Permit and NPDES Permit, Seattle-Tacoma, WA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns due to air quality, water quality and noise impacts. EPA recommended that the

final EIS provide an expanded evaluation of environmental effects, clearly identify mitigation measures (including monitoring efforts), and commit to implement appropriate mitigation measures.

ERP No. D-COE-C32035-00 Rating EO2, New York and New Jersey Harbor Navigation Study, Identify, Screen and Select Navigation Channel Improvements, NY and NJ.

Summary: EPA raised objections based on the significant adverse impacts that could result from the expansion of port facilities and related infrastructure, that would be associated with increasing cargo movement in the Port. EPA also requested additional information, including information on cumulative impacts, the no action alternative, and air quality impact analyses. EPA also requested a formal commitment by the involved agencies to move forward with a comprehensive port improvement plan EIS.

ERP No. D-FHW-C40151-NY Rating EC2, County Road (Mill Hill Road and Glen Road) Improvements, From Howard Drive to State Route 9N including a New Bridge over the East Branch of the Ausable River, Funding and COE Section 404 Permit, Essex County, NY.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about wetlands, water quality, and cumulative impacts associated with the project. EPA requested that these issues and other issues be addressed in the final EIS.

ERP No. D-FHW-G40153-NM Rating LO, New Mexico Forest Highway 45 (Forest Road 537) known locally as the Sacramento River Road, Improvements from Sunspot to Timberon, Otero County, NM.

Summary: EPA has no objections to the preferred alternative as proposed in the DEIS.

ERP No. D-FHW-K40239-CA Rating EC2, Interstate 215 (I-215) Transportation Improvements, From the short segments of CA-60 and CA-91 in the Cities of Riverside and Moreno Valley, Funding, Riverside County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns that, both in the short-term and over the long-term, air quality could be impacted by implementing either of the build alternatives. In addition, in the long-term, the project's stated purpose of congestion relief may not be realized.

ERP No. D-NPS-L65331-WA Rating LO, Whitman National Historic Site, General Management Plan, Development Concept Plan, Implementation, Walla Walla County, WA.

Summary: EPA expressed lack of objections and suspects the proposed action will improve existing conditions.

ERP No. DS-UAF-A11074-00 Rating LO, Evolved Expendable Launch Vehicle Program, Updated Information, To Allow the Addition of up to Five Strap-on Solid Rocket Motors (SRM) to the Atlas V and Delta IV Lift Vehicle, Launch Locations are Cape Canaveral Air Station, Brevard County, FL and Vandenberg Air Force Base (AFB), Santa Barbara County, CA.

Summary: EPA has no objection to the proposed action, some technical/clarification items were provided.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-DOE-A09828-00 Surplus Plutonium Disposition (DOE/EIS-0283) for Siting, Construction and Operation of three facilities for Plutonium Disposition, Possible Sites Hanford, Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory, Pantex Plant and Savannah River, CA, ID, NM, SC, TX and WA.

Summary: EPA has no objection to the action as proposed.

ERP No. FR-BOP-E81033-MS Yazoo City, Mississippi Federal Correctional Complex, Construction and Operation, Possibly Consisting of a High Security U. S. Penitentiary, Medium Security Federal Correctional Institution and Minimum Security Federal Prison, Site Selection and Possible COE Section 404 Permit, Yazoo City, Yazoo County, MS.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding potential wetland impacts and requested additional clarification and mitigation information.

Dated: December 27, 1999.

William D. Dickerson,

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6517-7]

Gulf of Mexico Program Policy Review Board Meeting.

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Under the Federal Advisory Act, Public Law 92-463, EPA gives notice of a meeting of the Gulf of Mexico Program (GMP) Policy Review Board (PRB).

DATES: The PRB meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 19, 2000 from 1

p.m. to 5 p.m. and on Thursday, January 20, 2000 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the DoubleTree Hotel, 101 South Adams Street, Tallahassee, Florida (850) 224-5000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gloria D. Car, Designated Federal Officer, Gulf of Mexico Program Office, Building 1103, Room 202, Stennis Space Center, MS 39529-6000 at (228) 688-2421.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Proposed agenda items will include: Overview of the GMP's Objectives, Sub-objectives, Annual Performance Goals & Work Plan for FY 2000 and 2001, Overview of Successes and Issues in 1999, GMP Funding & Support—FY 2000 and Beyond, and Discussion of Gulf Regional Awards and Gulf-wide Art Contest.

The meeting is open to the public.

Dated: December 14, 1999.

James D. Giattina,

Director, Gulf of Mexico Program Office.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Proposed CERCLA Administrative Cost Recovery Settlement; The Pyridium Mercury Disposal Superfund Sites #1 & #2, Village of Harriman, Orange County, New York

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 122(i) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9622(i), notice is hereby given of a proposed administrative settlement for recovery of past response costs concerning the Pyridium Mercury Disposal Superfund Sites #1 & #2 located in the Village of Harriman, Orange County, New York with the following settling party: the Estate of William S. Lasdon. The settlement requires the settling party to pay \$1,280,000 to the Hazardous Substance Superfund in partial reimbursement of EPA's past response costs incurred with respect to the Sites. The settlement includes a covenant not to sue the settling party pursuant to Section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607 (a) for past response costs. For thirty (30) days