

notice, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of the issues to address in the EA. All comments received will be considered during the preparation of the EA.

In the EA we will discuss impacts that could occur as a result of the construction and operation of the proposed project under these general headings:

- Geology and soils;
- land use;
- water resources, fisheries, and wetlands;
- vegetation and wildlife;
- endangered and threatened species;
- cultural resources;
- air quality and noise; and
- public safety.

We will also evaluate reasonable alternatives to the proposed project or portions of the project, and make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid impacts on the various resource areas.

Our independent analysis of the issues will be presented in the EA. The EA will be placed in the public record and, depending on the comments received during the scoping process, may be published and distributed to the public. A comment period will be allotted if the EA is published for review. We will consider all comments on the EA before we make our recommendations to the Commission. To ensure your comments are considered, please carefully follow the instructions in the Public Participation section beginning on page 4.

With this notice, we are asking agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to formally cooperate with us in the preparation of the EA. These agencies may choose to participate once they have evaluated the proposal relative to their responsibilities. Agencies that would like to request cooperating agency status should follow the instructions for filing comments provided under the Public Participation section of this notice.

#### Public Participation

You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the project. Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. To ensure that your comments are timely and properly recorded, please send your comments so they will be received in Washington, DC on or before January 3, 2011.

For your convenience, there are three methods which you can use to submit your comments to the Commission. In all instances please reference the project docket number (CP11-16-000) with your submission. The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments and has expert eFiling staff available to assist you at (202) 502-8258 or [efiling@ferc.gov](mailto:efiling@ferc.gov).

(1) You may file your comments electronically by using the *eComment* feature, which is located on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the link to *Documents and Filings*. An eComment is an easy method for interested persons to submit brief, text-only comments on a project;

(2) You may file your comments electronically by using the *eFiling* feature, which is located on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the link to *Documents and Filings*. With eFiling you can provide comments in a variety of formats by attaching them as a file with your submission. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on "eRegister." You will be asked to select the type of filing you are making. A comment on a particular project is considered a "Comment on a Filing"; or

(3) You may file a paper copy of your comments at the following address: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.

#### Environmental Mailing List

The environmental mailing list includes Federal, State, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American Tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. This list also includes all affected landowners (as defined in the Commission's regulations) who are potential right-of-way grantors, whose property may be used temporarily for project purposes, and anyone who submits comments on the project. We will update the environmental mailing list as the analysis proceeds to ensure that we send the information related to this environmental review to all individuals, organizations, and government entities interested in and/or potentially affected by the proposed project.

#### Becoming an Intervenor

In addition to involvement in the EA scoping process, you may want to become an "intervenor" which is an

official party to the Commission's proceeding. Intervenor play a more formal role in the process and are able to file briefs, appear at hearings, and be heard by the courts if they choose to appeal the Commission's final ruling. An intervenor formally participates in the proceeding by filing a request to intervene. Instructions for becoming an intervenor are included in the User's Guide under the "e-filing" link on the Commission's Web site.

#### Additional Information

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208-FERC, or on the FERC Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on "General Search" and enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field (i.e., CP11-16). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission now offers a free service called eSubscription which allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to <http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm>.

Finally, public meetings or site visits will be posted on the Commission's calendar located at <http://www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx> along with other related information.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

#### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12713-002]

#### Reedsport OPT Wave Park, LLC; Oregon; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

December 3, 2010.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and

the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission or FERC's) regulations, 18 CFR part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed Reedsport OPT Wave Park, LLC's application for license for the Reedsport OPT Wave Park Project (FERC Project No. 12713-002), which would be located in Oregon State territorial waters about 2.5 nautical miles off the coast near Reedsport, in Douglas County, Oregon.

Staff prepared an environmental assessment (EA), which analyzes the potential environmental effects of licensing the project and concludes that licensing the project, with appropriate environmental protective measures, would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the EA is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site 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 [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, 202-502-8659.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via e-mail of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Any comments should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice. Comments may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ferconline.asp>) under the "eFiling" link. 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. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filings, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please affix Project No. 12713-002 to all comments.

For further information, contact Jim Hastreiter by telephone at 503-552-

2760 or by e-mail at [james.hastreiter@ferc.gov](mailto:james.hastreiter@ferc.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Western Area Power Administration

#### 2015 Resource Pool—Sierra Nevada Region

**AGENCY:** Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of Final Power Allocations.

**SUMMARY:** The Western Area Power Administration (Western), a Federal power marketing administration of DOE, announces the Final 2015 Resource Pool allocations pursuant to its 2004 Power Marketing Plan (Marketing Plan) for the Sierra Nevada Customer Service Region (SNR). This notice includes a summary of the comments received on Western's proposed 2015 Resource Pool allocations and Western's responses.

**DATES:** The Final 2015 Resource Pool allocations will become effective on January 10, 2011.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Sonja Anderson, Power Marketing Manager, Western Area Power Administration, Sierra Nevada Customer Service Region, 114 Parkshore Drive, Folsom, CA 95630-4710, (916) 353-4421, [sanderso@wapa.gov](mailto:sanderso@wapa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

Western published its Marketing Plan for SNR in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 34417, June 25, 1999). The Marketing Plan specifies the terms and conditions under which Western markets power from the Central Valley Project and the Washoe Project beginning January 1, 2005, and continuing through December 31, 2024. The Marketing Plan sets aside a portion of the SNR's marketable power resources to establish a 2015 Resource Pool for new power allocations.

On June 3, 2009, Western published the Call for 2015 Resource Pool Applications in the **Federal Register** (74 FR 26671). On September 28, 2009, Western published a Notice of Extension in the **Federal Register** (74 FR 49366). The Call for 2015 Resource Pool Applications required that applications be submitted by August 3, 2009, and the Notice of Extension extended the application date to October 28, 2009. In response to the call for applications,

Western received 57 applications. After reviewing and considering the applications, on July 30, 2010, Western published the Proposed 2015 Resource Pool Allocations in the **Federal Register** (75 FR 44942) and opened a 30-day comment period on those allocations. The formal comment period on the proposed power allocations from the 2015 Resource Pool ended on August 30, 2010. A summary of the comments received and Western's responses are provided below. After considering all comments, Western has decided to finalize the proposed power allocations.

#### Responses to Comments Received on The Notice of Proposed 2015 Resource Pool Allocations (75 FR 44942, July 30, 2010)

During the comment period, Western received six letters commenting on the proposed allocations from the 2015 Resource Pool. Western reviewed and considered all comments. The comments and Western's responses are provided below.

**Comment:** Two commentors expressed their appreciation and support for the proposed 2015 Resource Pool allocations.

**Response:** Western notes the comments of support for its 2015 Resource Pool allocations.

**Comment:** Three commentors requested that Western reconsider providing them with an allocation from the 2015 Resource Pool. One commentor stated the cost of electricity is critical to the success of its programs, which carry out energy-intensive scientific and national defense research. Another stated it is committed to the environment and that commitment is demonstrated through various projects using Western's power such as providing power to docked ships and charging batteries for ground equipment at the airport. Another stated that it is ready and able to use an increased allocation to meet Reclamation Act goals of widespread use.

**Response:** Western recognizes that the commentors perform important functions. Western has a limited amount of power to allocate, and not all applicants received an allocation of Federal power. The Resource Pool was made up of only 2 percent of the SNR's resources available for marketing. Western received 57 applications for an allocation from the 2015 Resource Pool and evaluated those applications and made allocations according to the eligibility and allocation criteria set forth in the Marketing Plan.

**Comment:** Four commentors requested that, in the event some allottees are unable to take the