

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**[Docket No.: ED–2017–ICCD–0040]****Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) 2018–2019****AGENCY:** National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), Department of Education (ED).**ACTION:** Notice.**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing a revision of an existing information collection.**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before May 22, 2017.**ADDRESSES:** To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching the Docket ID number ED–2017–ICCD–0040. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. *Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Room 224–84, Washington, DC 20202–4537.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact NCES Information Collections at NCES.Information.Collections@ed.gov.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in

public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) 2018–2019.*OMB Control Number:* 1850–0928.*Type of Review:* A revision of an existing information collection.*Respondents/Affected Public:* Individuals.*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 759,283.*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 371,166.*Abstract:* The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), is a federally authorized survey of student achievement at grades 4, 8, and 12 in various subject areas, such as mathematics, reading, writing, science, U.S. history, civics, geography, economics, technology and engineering literacy (TEL), and the arts. The National Assessment of Educational Progress Authorization Act (Pub. L. 107–279 Title III, section 303) requires the assessment to collect data on specified student groups and characteristics, including information organized by race/ethnicity, gender, socio-economic status, disability, and limited English proficiency. It requires fair and accurate presentation of achievement data and permits the collection of background, noncognitive, or descriptive information that is related to academic achievement and aids in fair reporting of results. The intent of the law is to provide representative sample data on student achievement for the nation, the states, and subpopulations of students and to monitor progress over time. The nature of NAEP is that burden alternates from a relatively low burden in national-level administration years to a substantial administration years when the sample has to allow for estimates for individual states and some of the large urban districts. This submission requests OMB's approval for main NAEP assessments in 2018 and 2019,

including operational, pilot, and special studies. The NAEP results will be reported to the public through the Nation's Report Card as well as other online NAEP tools.

Dated: March 20, 2017.

Kate Mullan,*Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Office of the Chief Privacy Officer, Office of Management.*

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BILLING CODE 4000–01–P**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****[Project No. 2337–077]****PacifiCorp; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests, Ready for Environmental Analysis, and Soliciting Comments, Recommendations, Preliminary Terms and Conditions, and Preliminary Fishway 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.:* 2337–077.c. *Date filed:* December 30, 2016.d. *Applicant:* PacifiCorp.e. *Name of Project:* Prospect No. 3 Hydroelectric Project.f. *Location:* On the South Fork Rogue River, in Jackson County, Oregon. The project occupies 38.1 acres of United States lands within the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Forest Service (Forest Service).g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791 (a)–825(r).h. *Applicant Contact:* Steve Albertelli, Relicensing Project Manager, PacifiCorp, 925 South Grape Street, Building 5, Medford, OR 97501; (541) 776–6676 or email at steve.albertelli@pacificorp.com.i. *FERC Contact:* Dianne Rodman at (202) 502–6077 or email at dianne.rodman@ferc.gov.j. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests, comments, recommendations, preliminary terms and conditions, and preliminary prescriptions:* 60 days from the issuance date of this notice; reply comments are due 105 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene, protests, comments, recommendations, preliminary terms

and conditions, and preliminary fishway prescriptions 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>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-2337-077.

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 for filing and is now ready for environmental analysis.

l. *The existing project consists of:* (1) A 24-foot-high, 172-foot-long concrete diversion dam with an integrated 98-foot-long ungated, uncontrolled ogee spillway section; (2) a 1-acre reservoir that extends 550 feet upstream from the dam with a gross storage capacity of 19 acre-feet at normal full pool elevation of 3,375 feet above sea level; (3) an 18-foot-wide intake structure at the north end of the dam on the right bank with trash rack; (4) a 15,894-foot-long flow conveyance system (project waterway) consisting of: A 273-foot-long concrete-lined canal fitted with a 25-foot-long, 9.75-foot-wide fish screen; a 66-inch-diameter, 5,448-foot-long woodstave pipe; a 5,805-foot-long concrete-lined canal; a 5-foot-wide, 6.5-foot-high, 698-foot-long concrete-lined horseshoe-shaped tunnel; a 416-foot-long canal to the forebay with a 2,486-foot-long side channel spillway discharging to Daniel Creek; and a 66-inch- to 48-inch-diameter, 3,254-foot-long riveted steel penstock; (5) a powerhouse containing one vertical-shaft Francis-type turbine with an installed capacity of 7.2 megawatts; (6) a 20-foot-long, 20-foot-wide, 5-foot-deep concrete tailrace; (7) a 66-inch-diameter, 887-foot-long woodstave inverted siphon that routes flow from the tailrace to the non-project Middle Fork Canal; (8) a 6.97-mile-long,

69-kilovolt transmission line interconnecting at the Prospect Central substation; (9) an 86-foot-long, 15-pool concrete pool-and-weir ladder to provide upstream fish passage past the dam; and (10) appurtenant facilities. The project produces an average of 35.05 gigawatt-hours annually.

PacifiCorp proposes to: Improve fish ladder function by constructing an auxiliary bypass flow system, realigning and extending the existing fish bypass return pipe, and narrowing the weir notches; replace the existing woodstave pipe and inverted wooden siphon with steel structures to eliminate leakage; rehabilitate the temporary vehicle-access bridge over the new steel pipe to meet current Forest Service standards; construct a road spur to facilitate pass-through of materials dredged from the reservoir to the bypassed reach; upgrade the six existing wildlife crossings of the project waterway's canal by widening the crossings and constructing five new wildlife crossings; and install a communications link on the U.S. Geological Survey's South Fork Rogue gage.

PacifiCorp also proposes to increase the project's minimum flow releases and ramping rates limits, as well as extending the project boundary to include the inverted siphon and access roads.

m. A copy of the application 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. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

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, contact FERC Online Support.

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," "PRELIMINARY TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRELIMINARY FISHWAY 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 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.

o. Procedural Schedule:

The application will be processed according to the following revised Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate.

| Milestone | Target date |
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| Filing of recommendations, terms and conditions, and fishway prescriptions. | May 2017 |
| Commission issues EA | October 2017 |
| Comments on EA | November 2017 |
| Modified terms and conditions. | January 2018 |

p. Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of this notice.

q. *A license applicant must file no later than 60 days following the date of issuance of the notice of acceptance and ready for environmental analysis provided for in 5.22:* (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.

Dated: March 15, 2017.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2801-040]

Littleville Power Company, Inc.; Hitchcock Hydro, LLC; Notice of Application for Transfer of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

On February 9, 2017, Littleville Power Company, Inc. (transferor) and Hitchcock Hydro, LLC (transferee) filed an application for the transfer of license of the Glendale Hydroelectric Project No. 2801. The project is located on the Housatonic River in Berkshire County, Massachusetts. The project does not occupy Federal lands.

The applicants seek Commission approval to transfer the license for the Glendale Hydroelectric Project from the transferor to the transferee.

Applicant's Contacts: For Transferor: Mr. Stephen Pike, Vice President, Operations, Littleville Power Company, Inc., c/o Enel Green Power North America, Inc., 1 Tech Drive, Suite 220, Andover, MA 01810, Email: Stephen.Pike@enel.com, Vice President, Power Supply & General Counsel, Green Mountain Power Corporation, 163 Acorn Lane, Colchester; VT 05446; Ms. Elizabeth Kohler, Esq., Downs Rachlin Martin PLLC, 199 Main Street, P.O. Box 190, Burlington, VT 05402; and General Counsel, Enel Green Power North America, Inc., 1 Tech Drive, Suite 220, Andover, MA 01810, Email: generalcounsel@enel.com.

For Transferee: Mr. Mark J. Boumansour, Chief Operating Officer, Hitchcock Hydro, LLC, c/o Gravity Renewables, Inc., 1401 Walnut Street, Suite 220, Boulder, CO 80302, Phone: (303) 440-3378, Email: mark@gravityrenewables.com; Mr. Karl F. Kumli, III, Dietze and Davis, P.C., 2060 Broadway, Suite 400, Boulder, CO 80302; and Mr. Robert A. Panasci, Esq., Young/Sommer, LLC, Executive Woods, Palisades Drive, Albany, NY 12205.

FERC Contact: Patricia W. Gillis, (202) 502-8735, patricia.gillis@ferc.gov.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests: 30 days from the date that the Commission issues this notice. 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>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-2801-040.

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Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No., 14839-000]

Village of North Bennington; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On February 28, 2017, the Village of North Bennington, Vermont, filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Lake Paran Dam Hydroelectric Project (Lake Paran Project or project) to be located on Paran Creek, near the Village of North Bennington, in Bennington County, Vermont. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed Lake Paran Project would consist of: (1) The existing 120-foot-long, 10-foot-concrete gravity Lake Paran Dam and spillway; (2) an existing 35-acre impoundment with a normal maximum water surface elevation 646.65 feet above mean sea level; (3) a new intake structure; (4) a new 250-foot-long, 36-inch diameter penstock; (5) a new 20-foot-long, 10-foot-wide concrete

and wood powerhouse containing a single 58-kilowatt turbine-generator unit; (6) a new 1,000-foot-long, 12.47-kilovolt transmission line; and (7) appurtenant facilities. The estimated annual generation of the Lake Paran Project would be 281.84 megawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: William F. Scully, P.O. Box 338, North Bennington, Vermont 05257; phone: (802) 379-2469; email: wfscully@gmail.com.

FERC Contact: Michael Watts; phone: (202) 502-6123; email: michael.watts@ferc.gov.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications 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>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-14839-000.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-14839) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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Kimberly D. Bose,
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