preliminary permit application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30(b) and 4.36.

m. Competing Development Application—Any qualified development applicant desiring to file a competing development application must submit to the Commission, on or before a specified comment date for the particular application, either a competing development application or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent to file a development application allows an interested person to file the competing application no later than 120 days after the specified comment date for the particular application. A competing license application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30(b) and 4.36.

n. Notice of Intent—A notice of intent must specify the exact name, business address, and telephone number of the prospective applicant, and must include an unequivocal statement of intent to submit, if such an application may be filed, either a preliminary permit application or a development application (specify which type of application). A notice of intent must be served on the applicant(s) named in this

public notice.

o. Proposed Scope of Studies under Permit—A preliminary permit, if issued, does not authorize construction. The term of the proposed preliminary permit would be 36 months. The work proposed under the preliminary permit would include economic analysis, preparation of preliminary engineering plans, and a study of environmental impacts. Based on the results of these studies, the Applicant would decide whether to proceed with the preparation of a development application to construct and operate the project.

p. 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. 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.

q. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION", "COMPETING APPLICATION",

"PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the  $\,$ Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing an original and eight copies to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Hydropower Administration and Compliance, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above-mentioned address. A copy of any notice of intent, competing application or motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

Comments, protests, and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper; see 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages

electronic filings.

r. Agency Comments—Federal, State, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

## Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

# **Notice of Application Accepted for** Filing and Soliciting Motions To **Intervene and Protests**

March 21, 2003.

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

- a. Type of  $\bar{A}pplication$ : New license.
- b. *Project No.:* 2726–012.
- c. Date filed: July 29, 2002.
- d. Applicant: Idaho Power Company. e. Name of Project: Upper and Lower
- Malad Hydroelectric Project. f. Location: On the Malad River, in the Town of Hagerman, Gooding County,
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. Applicant Contact: Robert W. Stahman, Idaho Power Company, 1221 West Idaho Street, Boise, Idaho 83707, (208) 388-2676.

i. FERC Contact: John Blair, (202) 502–6092 or john.blair@FERC.gov.

j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission's rules of practice require all interveners 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 intervener 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.

Motions to intervene and protests may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (http://www.ferc.gov) under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission encourages electronic filings.

k. This application has been accepted, but is not ready for environmental

analysis at this time.

1. Description of the Project: the project consists of (1) an upper diversion dam consisting of a gated spillway section 100 feet long and a flume section 123 long; (2) a concrete flume 4,635 feet long between the upper diversion dam and the upper intake structure; (3) the upper concrete intake structure 80.5 feet long and approximately 21 feet wide; (4) a steel penstock 10 feet in diameter and approximately 238 feet long connected to the upper powerhouse; (5) the upper reinforced concrete powerhouse containing one generating unit having an installed nameplate capacity of 8.27 megawatts; (6) a lower diversion dam consisting of a gated spillway section 163 feet long and a flume section 136 feet long; (7) a concrete flume 5,318 feet long between the lower diversion dam and the lower intake structure; (8) the lower concrete intake structure 85 feet long and approximately 23 feet wide; (9) a steel penstock 12 feet in diameter and approximately 301 feet long connected to the lower powerhouse; (10) the lower reinforced concrete powerhouse containing one generating unit having an installed capacity of 13.5 megawatts; and (11) other appurtenances.

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 "FERRIS" 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 or tollfree at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the

address in item h above.

n. Anyone may submit a protest or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of rules of practice and procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, and 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests 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 protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST" or "MOTION TO INTERVENE;" (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. 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.

#### Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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# **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[ER-FRL-6638-7]

# **Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability**

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7167 or http://www.epa.gov/ compliance/nepa/.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements

Filed March 17, 2003 through March 21, 2003

Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 030119, Draft Supplement, AFS, MT, Threemile Stewardship Project, Proposed Short-Term and Long-Term Vegetation and Road Management Activities, Ashland Ranger District, Custer National Forest, Powder and Rosebud Counties, MT, Comment Period Ends: May 12, 2003, Contact: Elizabeth McFarland (406) 784-2344. This document is available on the Internet at: http://www.fs.fed.us/rl/ custer/.

EIS No. 030120, Draft Supplement, AFS, UT, Long Deer Vegetation Management Project, To the South Spruce Ecosystem Rehabilitation Project, Implementation, Dixie National Forest, Cedar City Ranger District, Iron and Kane Counties, UT, Comment Period Ends: May 12, 2003, Contact: Phillip G. Eisenhauer (435) 865-3200.

EIS No. 0230121, Draft EIS, COE, CA, East Cliff Drive Bluff Protection and Parkway Project, Evaluate Alternatives for Coastal Bluff Erosion Protection, City of Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz County, CA, Comment Period Ends: May 12, 2003, Contact: Sarah Cameron (415) 977-8538.

EIS No. 030122, Final EIS, FHW, CA, CA-78/111 Brawley Bypass, Construction of an Expressway from CA-86 to CA-11, City of Brawley, Funding, Imperial County, CA, Wait Period Ends: April 28, 2003, Contact: Jeff Lewis (916) 498–5035.

EÍS No. 030123, Final Supplement, JUS, CA, Pinal County Private Detention Facility, Updated Information, Single Contract for 3,000 Beds Possible Sites (1) Undeveloped Parcel of Land in the City of Eloy and the Existing Central Arizona Detention Center Located in Florence, Pinal County, AZ, Wait Period Ends: April 28, 2003, Contact: Charles Coburn (202) 307-9045.

EIS No. 030124, Draft EIS, NPS, DC, Rock Creek Park and the Rock Creek and Potomac Parkway Project, General Management Plan, Implementation, Washington, DC, Comment Period Ends: May 12, 2003, Contact: Adrienna Coleman (202) 282-1063. This document is available on the Internet at: http:// www.nps.gov/rocr.

EIS No. 030125, Draft EIS, TVA, TN, Rarity Pointe Commercial Recreation and Residential Development on Tellico Reservoir Project, Request for TVA's Land and Approval of Water Use Facilities, Tellico Reservoir, Loudon County, TN, Comment Period Ends: May 12, 2003, Contact: Richard Toennisson (865) 632-8517.

EIS No. 030126, Draft EIS, AFS, UT, Monticello and Blanding Municipal

Watershed Improvement Projects, Implementation, Manti-La Sal National Forest, Monticello Ranger District, San Juan County, UT. Comment Period Ends: May 12, 2003, Contact: Greg T. Montgomery (435) 587-2041.

EIS No. 030127, Draft EIS, BLM, WY, West Hay Creek Coal Lease Application, To Lease Federal Coal to the Buckskin Mine in Wyoming Powder River Basin, Campbell County, WY, Comment Period Ends: May 27, 2003, Contact: Patricia Karbs (307) 261-7600. This document is available on the Internet at: http:// www.wy.blm.gov/nepa/.

EIS No. 030128, Draft EIS, NPS, AZ, Petrified Forest National Park General Management Plan Revision, Implementation, Navajo and Apache Counties, AZ, Comment Period Ends: May 30, 2003, Contact: Suzy Stutzman (303) 987-6671. This document is available on the Internet at: http://planning.den.nps.gov/ plans.cfm.

EIS No. 030129, Draft EIS, FHW, ND, Liberty Memorial Bridge Replacement Project, Rehabilitate or Reconstruct Due to Poor and Deteriorating Structural, U.S. Coast Guard Permit and U.S. Army COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Missouri River, Bismarck and Mandan, ND, Comment Period Ends: May 12, 2003, Contact: Mark Schrader Ext.111 (701) 250-4343.

EIS No. 030130, FINAL EIS, BLM, OR, Rogue National Wild and Scenic River Hellgate Recreation Area (Applegate River to Grave Creek) Management Plan, Implementation, Bedford District, Josephine County, OR, Wait Period Ends: April 28, 2003, Contact: Cori Cooper (541) 618-2428.

## **Amended Notices**

EIS No. 030115, Draft EIS, FRC, CA, Pit 3, 4, 5 Hydroelectric Project, (FERC No. 233–081), Application for New License, Pit River, Shasta-Trinity National Forest, Shasta County, CA. Due: May 5, 2003, Contact: John Mudre (202) 502-8902. Revision of FR Notice Published on 3/21/2003: Correction to Document Status from Final to Draft.

Dated: March 25, 2003.

## Joseph C. Montgomery,

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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