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AMEREN'S OSAGE PROJECT IN MISSOURI RECEIVES NEW HYDROELECTRIC LICENSE

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission today granted a new license for Ameren's Osage Hydroelectric Project, a 176-megawatt project on the Osage River in Missouri. The new license assures the continued operation of a reliable power source in the region while minimizing downstream erosion and protecting water quality, fisheries, wetlands, recreation and historical resources at the project. An uncontested settlement agreement, submitted in support of the company's application for renewal, also was approved.

As part of the license, AmerenUE is required to file a shoreline management plan with the Commission within one year to ensure that shoreline development activities within the project boundaries are consistent with the license.

A shoreline management plan is important to manage the multiple resources and uses of the Lake of the Ozarks' 1,150 miles of shoreline within the project's boundaries, while protecting the environment and recreation values, and addressing the needs of the public, the Commission said.

The 40-year license issued to AmerenUE takes effect immediately and, among other things, provides for:

- upgrades to existing generating units;
- a fish protection plan;
- improvements to recreational facilities;
- development and implementation of a recreation management plan;
- development of an operations and flow monitoring plan;
- monitoring of downstream shoreline erosion; and
- continued monitoring of lake level, inflow and project discharge.

