

- Potential impacts on cold water fisheries
 - Threatened and Endangered Species
- Potential impacts on 4 federally listed species, including the Bald eagle, Black-footed ferret, Preble's meadow jumping mouse, and Ute ladies'-tresses
 - Cultural Resources
- Potential impacts on 72 cultural resources, including the Oregon Trail
- Native American concerns
 - Land Use
- Impacts on about 21 miles of public lands
- Impacts on about 133 miles of rangeland
 - Air and Noise Quality
- Impacts on local air quality and noise environment as a result of the addition of the new compressor unit

Public Participation

You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the project. By becoming a commentor, your concerns will be addressed in the EA and considered by the Commission. You should focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal, alternatives to the proposal (including alternative locations or routes), and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impact. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send an original and two copies of your letter to: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426;
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of the Gas/Hydro Group, PJ-11.3;
- Reference Docket No. CP00-471-000; and
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before December 8, 2000. Comments and protests 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 at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

(If you do not want to send comments at this time but still want to remain on our mailing list, please return the Information Request (appendix 3). If you do not return the Information Request, you will be removed from the environmental mailing list.)

Public Scoping Meetings and Site Visit

In addition to or in lieu of sending written comments, we invite you to attend the public scoping meetings the FERC will conduct in the project area. The locations and times for these meetings are listed below.

Monday, December 4, 2000, 7 pm: Best Western Hitching Post Inn, Rm. CCR East, 1700 W. Lincolnway, Cheyenne, WY 82001, (307) 638-3301

Tuesday, December 5, 2000, 7 pm: 4H Community Bldg., Platte County Fairgrounds, 59 Antelope Gap Rd., Wheatland, WY 82201, (307) 322-9504

Wednesday, December 6, 2000, 7 pm: Best Western Douglas Inn, Riverbend Ballroom, 1450 Riverbend Rd., Douglas, WY 82633, 307-358-9790

The public meetings are designed to provide you with more detailed information and another opportunity to offer your comments on the proposed project. WIC representatives will be present at the scoping meetings to describe their proposal. Interested groups and individuals are encouraged to attend the meetings and to present comments on the environmental issues they believe should be addressed in the EA. A transcript of each meeting will be made so that your comments will be accurately recorded.

On December 4, 5, and 6, 2000, we will also be conducting a site visit to the project area. This would be an on-the-ground inspection, conducted by automobile on public roads, or where access to private property has been granted (specific locations to be determined later). Anyone interested in participating in the site visit may contact the Commission's Office of External Affairs identified at the end of this notice for more details and must provide their own transportation.

Becoming an Intervenor

In addition to involvement in the EA scoping process, you may want to become an official party to the proceeding known as an "intervenor." Intervenor play a more formal role in the process. Among other things, intervenors have the right to receive copies of case-related Commission documents and filings by other intervenors. Likewise, each intervenor must provide 15 copies of its filings to the Secretary of the Commission and must send a copy of its filings to all other parties on the Commission's service list for this proceeding. If you want to become an intervenor you must file a motion to intervene according to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR

385.214) (see appendix 2). Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision.

Affected landowners and parties with environmental concerns may be granted intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have a clear and direct interest in this proceeding which would not be adequately represented by any other parties. You do not need intervenor status to have your environmental comments considered.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (202) 208-0004 or on the FERC website (www.ferc.fed.us) using the "RIMS" link to information in this docket number. Click on the "RIMS" link, "Docket #" from the RIMS Menu, and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to RIMS, the RIMS helpline can be reached at (202) 208-2222.

Similarly, the "CIPS" link on the FERC Internet website provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings. From the FERC Internet website, click on the "CIPS" link, select "Docket #" from the CIPS menu, and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to CIPS, the CIPS helpline can be reached at (202) 208-2474.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Amendment of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

November 1, 2000.

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

- a. *Application Type:* Non-Project Use of Project Lands
- b. *Project No.:* P-1494-218
- c. *Date Filed:* October 3, 2000
- d. *Applicant:* Grand River Dam Authority
- e. *Name of Project:* Pensacola Project
- f. *Location:* The project is located on the Grand (Neosho) River in Craig, Delaware, Mayes, and Ottawa Counties, Oklahoma.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(t)

h. *Applicant Contact*: Bob Sullivan, Grand River Dam Authority, P.O. Box 409, Vinita, OK 74301, (918) 256-5545.

i. *FERC Contact*: Shannon Dunn at shannon.dunn@ferc.fed.us, or telephone (202) 208-0853.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions, or protests*: December 3, 2000.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. Please include the project number (P-1494-218) on any comments or motions filed. Comments and protests 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 at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

k. *Description of Project*: Grand River Dam Authority, licensee for the Pensacola Project, requests approval to grant permission to The Queens, LLC to dredge approximately 76,000 cubic yards of material to increase water depth for riverboats and for future installation of docks. The proposed project is on Grand Lake in section 22, Township 25 North, Range 23 East, Delaware County.

l. *Locations of the application*: A copy of the application is available for inspection and redaction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. The application may be viewed on the web at www.ferc.fed.us. Call (202) 208-2222 for assistance. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing the Secretary of the Commission.

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.

Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS

FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "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 the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

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.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Intent To Surrender License

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

a. *Application Type*: Surrender of License.

b. *Project No.*: P-1986-010.

c. *Date Filed*: September 29, 2000.

d. *Applicant*: Oregon Trail Electric Consumers Cooperative, Inc. (Oregon Trail).

e. *Name of Project*: Rock Creek Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location*: The project is located on Rock Creek, a tributary of the Powder River, in Baker County, Oregon.

g. *Filed Pursuant to*: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact*: David Justice, Oregon Trail Electric Consumers Cooperative, Inc., 4005 23rd Street, Baker City, Oregon 97814.

i. *FERC Contact*: Shannon Dunn at shannon.dunn@ferc.fed.us, or telephone (202) 208-0853.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions, or protests*: December 3, 2000.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P.

Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please include the project number (P-1986-010) on any comments or motions filed. Comments and protests 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 at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

k. *Description of Project*: Oregon Trail requests to surrender its license for the Rock Creek Hydroelectric Project No. 1986. The project consists of: (a) a five-foot-tall, 70-foot-long concrete diversion dam/intake structure on Rock Creek; (b) an 8,800-foot-long wooden flume; (c) a 15-foot-tall, 500-foot-long earthfill dam; (d) a 2,720-foot-long penstock; (e) a powerhouse containing two 400 kW generators; (f) a tailrace returning flows to Rock Creek; and appurtenant facilities.

l. *Locations of the application*: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. The application may be viewed on the web at www.ferc.fed.us. Call (202) 208-2222 for assistance. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

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