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Any person desiring to intervene, to protest, or to answer a complaint in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211, 214, or 206 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214, or 385.206) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf>. For other information, call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

Dated: January 28, 2026.

Carlos D. Clay,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2077-130]

Great River Hydro, LLC; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment

On November, 12, 2025, supplemented January 5, 2026, Great River Hydro, LLC filed an application for a temporary variance from minimum flows under Article 401 for the Fifteen Mile Falls Hydroelectric Project No. 2077. The project is located on the Connecticut River in Grafton County, New Hampshire, and Caledonia County, Vermont. The project does not occupy federal lands.

Due to drought conditions, Great River Hydro, LLC reduced minimum flows from the Comerford Development, beginning on September 29, 2025. A variance in the minimum flows required by Article 401 was necessary to preserve the depleted storage capacity of its upstream Moore reservoir. The variance allowed the licensee to decrease the seasonal minimum flows of 818 cubic feet per second (cfs) from June 1 to September 30, and 1,145 cfs from October 1 to March 31, to 600 cfs. The

reduction in flows occurred from September 29 to December 15, 2025. A public notice was issued on December 5, 2025, and no comments were received.

This notice identifies Commission staff's intention to prepare an environmental assessment (EA) under the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) for the project.¹ Commission staff plans to issue an EA by April 10, 2026. Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate. The EA will be issued for a 30-day comment period. All comments filed on the EA will be reviewed by staff and considered in the Commission's final decision on the proceeding.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Erik Hazelton at (212) 273-5911 or erik.hazelton@ferc.gov.

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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2242-159]

Eugene Water & Electric Board; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment

On June 21, 2021, supplemented May 16, 2024, July 3, 2024, April 21, 2025, and January 21, 2026, Eugene Water and Electric Board filed an application to install a load bank in lieu of a turbine bypass valve under license Article 3 for the Carmen-Smith Hydroelectric Project No. 2242. The project is located on the McKenzie and Smith Rivers in Lane and Linn counties, near McKenzie Bridge, Oregon, and occupies U.S. Forest Service Land within the Willamette National Forest.

Eugene Water and Electric Board proposed to install a load bank at the Carmen Power Plant for protecting the Smith Bypass Reach and its associated environment against spill events from Smith Dam. The load bank would

¹ The unique identification number for documents relating to this environmental review is EAXX-019-20-000-1767861898.

dissipate electricity produced at the Carmen Power Plant equivalent to at least 800 cubic feet per second of spill that is required to be diverted from the Smith Bypass Reach. On May 22, 2025, the Commission noticed the application for a 30-day comment period. On June 20, 2025, the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality and Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife filed motions to intervene. On June 23, 2025, Oregon Wild filed comments on the application.

This notice identifies Commission staff's intention to prepare an environmental assessment (EA) under the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) for the project.¹ Commission staff plans to issue an EA by July 31, 2026. Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate. The EA will be issued for a 30-day comment period. All comments filed on the EA will be reviewed by staff and considered in the Commission's final decision on the proceeding.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Erich Gaedeke at 503-552-2716 or erich.gaedeke@ferc.gov.

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Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EF26-2-000]

Western Area Power Administration; Notice of Filing

Take notice that on January 23, 2026, Western Area Power Administration submitted a tariff filing: Sierra Nevada Region-Pacific Alternating Current Interie-Western Area Power Administration 211-20260122 to be effective April 1, 2026.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214).

¹ The unique identification number for documents relating to this environmental review is EAXX-019-20-000-1769181469.

Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the “eFiling” link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically may mail similar pleadings to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. Hand delivered submissions in docketed proceedings should be delivered to Health and Human Services, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

Comment Date: 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on February 23, 2026.

Dated: January 28, 2026.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. AD24-7-000]

Federal and State Current Issues Collaborative; Notice of Meeting and Agenda

As first announced in the Commission’s January 14, 2026 Notice in this docket,¹ the fourth public meeting of the Federal and State Current Issues Collaborative (Collaborative) will be held on Wednesday, February 11, 2026, from approximately 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. EST, at the Potomac Ballroom in the Westin DC Downtown hotel in Washington, DC. Commissioners may attend and participate in this meeting.

¹ *Fed. and State Current Issues Collaborative, Notice Announcing Meeting, Docket No. AD24-7-000* (issued Jan. 14, 2026).

Attached to this Notice is an agenda for the meeting.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss how affordability considerations are being addressed at the state and regional levels as load growth and transmission expansion accelerate in response to rapid AI and other demand growth. Commissioners do not intend to discuss at this meeting any specific proceeding before the Commission, including proceedings that involve similar issues. A non-exhaustive list of these proceedings can be found in the Appendix to this Notice.

The meeting will be open to the public for listening and observing and will be on the record. There is no fee for attendance and registration is not required. The public may attend in person or via Webcast.² This meeting will be transcribed. Transcripts will be available for a fee from Ace Reporting, 202-347-3700.

Commission meetings are accessible under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. For accessibility accommodations, please send an email to accessibility@ferc.gov or call toll free 1-866-208-3372 (voice) or 202-208-8659 (TTY), or send a fax to 202-208-2106 with the required accommodations.

More information about the Collaborative is available here: <https://www.ferc.gov/federal-state-current-issues-collaborative>. For questions related to the Collaborative, please contact: Robert Thormeyer, 202-502-8694, robert.thormeyer@ferc.gov, Joseph Popely, 202-502-8513, joseph.popely@ferc.gov, Zoe Philippides, 202-502-8826, zoe.philippides@ferc.gov, or Kimberly Duffley, 202-898-1305, kduffley@naruc.org.

* * * Agenda not attached * * *

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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 15094-002]

Ohio Power and Light, LLC; Notice Of Schedule for The Final License Order for The Robert C. Byrd Locks and Dam Hydroelectric Project

On January 23, 2025, Ohio Power and Light, LLC filed an original application, pursuant to Part I of the Federal Power Act, for the proposed Robert C. Byrd Locks and Dam Hydroelectric Project No. 15094. On January 14, 2026, the Commission issued a combined Notice of Application Ready for Environmental Analysis and Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA), which established an anticipated issuance date for the EA of September 29, 2026.¹

The project is covered under Title 41 of the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act (FAST-41). Under FAST-41, agencies are to publish completion dates for all federal environmental reviews and authorizations. This notice identifies the Commission’s anticipated schedule for issuance of the final license order for the project, which is dependent on the completion of consultation under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the issuance of a water quality certification under section 401 of the Clean Water Act. We currently anticipate issuing the final order no later than:

Issuance of Final Order—March 18, 2027

If a schedule change becomes necessary, additional notice will be provided so that interested parties and the relevant agencies are kept informed of the project’s progress.

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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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² A link to the Webcast will be available here on the day of the event: <https://www.ferc.gov/federal-state-current-issues-collaborative>.