

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****[Project No. 3428–205]****Brown Bear II Hydro, Inc.; Notice Granting Extension of Time**

On January 14, 2026, the Commission issued a notice that the Worumbo Hydroelectric Project No. 3428 (project) was ready for environmental analysis and solicited motions to intervene, protests, comments, recommendations, preliminary terms and conditions, and preliminary fishway prescriptions (REA

notice). On January 27, 2026, Brown Bear II Hydro, Inc. (Brown Bear) filed a request to extend the deadlines established in the REA notice by 74 days. Brown Bear states that additional time is needed to complete its ongoing evaluation of fish passage alternatives at the project in consultation with the licensing stakeholders. In support of its request, Brown Bear included correspondence from the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), and the Maine Department of Marine Resources. NMFS and FWS also filed separate letters on January 29, 2026, and

February 3, 2026, respectively, in support of the request to extend the deadlines established in the REA notice.

The information provided by Brown Bear and supported by stakeholders indicates that evaluation of the fish passage alternatives is nearly complete. Because the results of the evaluation could inform Brown Bear's and the stakeholders' responses to the REA notice, this notice extends the deadlines established in the January 14 REA notice by 74 days. Accordingly, the application will be processed according to the schedule below. Revisions to the schedule may be made, as appropriate.

Milestone	Due date
Final amendments	April 28, 2026.
Filing of motions to intervene, protests, comments, recommendations, preliminary terms and conditions, and preliminary prescriptions.	May 29, 2026.
Filing a copy of the water quality certification; a copy of the request for certification, including proof of the date on which the certifying agency received the request; or evidence of a waiver of water quality certification.	May 29, 2026.
Filing of reply comments	July 13, 2026.

(Authority: 18 CFR 2.1.)

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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**[FR ID 331150]****Sunshine Act; Open Commission Meeting Wednesday, February 18, 2026**

February 11, 2026.

The Federal Communications Commission will hold an Open Meeting on the subjects listed below on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, which is scheduled to commence at 10:30 a.m. in the Commission Meeting Room of the

Federal Communications Commission, 45 L Street NE, Washington, DC.

While attendance at the Open Meeting is available to the public, the FCC headquarters building is not open access and all guests must check in with and be screened by FCC security at the main entrance on L Street. Attendees at the Open Meeting will not be required to have an appointment but must otherwise comply with protocols outlined at: www.fcc.gov/visit. Open Meetings are streamed live at: www.fcc.gov/live and on the FCC's YouTube channel.

Item No.	Bureau	Subject
1	WIRELINE COMPETITION	<i>Title:</i> Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization (WC Docket No. 11–42); Bridging the Digital Divide for Low-Income Consumers (WC Docket No. 17–287); Telecommunications Carriers Eligible for Universal Service Support (WC Docket No. 09–197); Affordable Connectivity Program (WC Docket No. 21–450); and Emergency Broadband Benefit Program (WC Docket No. 20–445). <i>Summary:</i> The Commission will consider a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking seeking comment on reforms to the Lifeline program to ensure that federal dollars go to eligible Americans, enhance program integrity, ensure that service providers comply with the Commission's rules and regulations, and streamline Lifeline rules.
2	WIRELESS TELE COMMUNICATIONS	<i>Title:</i> Maximizing the Potential of the 900 MHz Band (WT Docket No. 24–99). <i>Summary:</i> The Commission will consider a Report and Order that would enable broadband deployment on all ten megahertz of the 900 MHz band (896–901/935–940 MHz band), facilitating additional spectrum access by utilities, critical infrastructure, and other enterprises for private wireless broadband deployments that drive innovation and stimulate the American economy.
3	MEDIA	<i>Title:</i> Proposing Application Limit in Upcoming NCE Reserved Band FM Translator Filing Window (MB Docket No. 26–20). <i>Summary:</i> The Commission will consider a Public Notice to propose and seek comment on eligibility restrictions and a general limit of ten applications filed by any applicant entity in the upcoming 2026 filing window for new noncommercial educational reserved band FM translator stations.
4	WIRELINE COMPETITION	<i>Title:</i> Reforming Legacy Rules for an All-IP Future (WC Docket No. 25–311); and Accelerating Network Modernization (WC Docket No. 25–208).