

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission

[Project No. 9074–054]

**Boralex Hydro Operations, Inc.; Notice
of Scoping Period Requesting
Comments on Environmental Issues
for the Proposed Warrensburg
Hydroelectric Project**

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

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 9074–054.

c. *Date Filed:* December 31, 2024.

d. *Applicant:* Boralex Hydro Operations, Inc. (Boralex Hydro).

e. *Name of Project:* Warrensburg Hydroelectric Project (Warrensburg Project or project).

f. *Location:* On the Schroon River in Warren County, New York.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Erik Bergman, Boralex Hydro Operations Inc., 39 Hudson Falls Road, South Glens Falls, New York 12803; telephone at (518) 480–3962, or email at erik.bergman@boralex.com.

i. *FERC Contact:* Erin Kimsey, Project Coordinator, South Branch, Division of Hydropower Licensing; telephone at (202) 502–8621, email at erin.kimsey@ferc.gov.

j. The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental document that will discuss the environmental effects of relicensing the Warrensburg Hydroelectric Project. The Commission will use this environmental document in its decision-making process to determine whether to issue a new license for the project.

k. This notice announces the opening of the scoping process the Commission will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies regarding the project. This notice is intended to advise all participants as to the potential scope of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) document and to seek additional information pertinent to this analysis. Commission staff does not intend to issue a separate scoping document.

As part of the NEPA review process, the Commission takes into account concerns the public may have about proposals and the environmental effects that could result from its action whenever it considers the issuance of a

hydropower license. This gathering of public input is referred to as “scoping.” The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the environmental document on the important environmental issues.

l. *Scoping Comments:* By this notice, the Commission requests written public comments on the scope of issues to address in the environmental document. To ensure that your comments are timely and properly recorded, please submit your comments so that the Commission receives them in Washington, DC by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on September 11, 2026.

Comments should focus on the potential environmental effects and reasonable alternatives. Your input will help the Commission staff determine what issues they need to evaluate in the environmental document. Commission staff will consider all written comments during the preparation of the environmental document.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file scoping comments using the Commission’s eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FEROnline.aspx>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 10,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FEROnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208–3676 (toll free), or (202) 502–8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Debbie Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852. All filings must clearly identify the project name and docket number on the first page: Warrensburg Hydroelectric Project (P–9074–054).

The Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors 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 intervenor 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.

m. The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

n. *Project Description:* The project consists of: (1) a broad crested concrete gravity dam, 184-feet-long and 22.5-feet-high, with nine 6-foot-high and 18-foot-wide hydraulically operated steel flashboards and one 6-foot-high and 18-foot-wide crest gate; (2) a 55-acre impoundment at elevation 643.6 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 (NGVD 29), with a gross storage capacity of 500 acre-feet; (3) a 3-foot-wide by 40-foot-long intake equipped with a trash rack with 3.5-inch spacing; (4) a 38-foot by 88-foot concrete powerhouse containing a single Kaplan turbine-generating unit rated at 2,900 kilowatts at an average net head of 28 feet, with a hydraulic capacity of 1,565 cubic feet per second (cfs) and an average annual output of 11.7 gigawatt-hours; (5) a reinforced concrete retaining wall, integral with the powerhouse, backfilled to an elevation of 653 feet NGVD 29; (6) a 171-foot-long, 120-foot-wide riprap-lined tailrace channel; (7) a 0.7-mile, 34.5-kilovolt transmission line connecting to the Warrensburg Chesterton No. 6 circuit; and (8) appurtenant facilities.

There is one existing recreation facility at the project, a car-top boat launch and parking area. The gravel parking lot can accommodate up to 15 cars, and the boat launch consists of a dirt and rock slope from the parking lot to the project impoundment.

Boralex Hydro proposes to: (1) continue to operate the project in a run-of-river mode; (2) continue releasing a minimum flow of 20 cfs through the bypass pipe; (3) develop an operations compliance and monitoring plan to maintain run-of-river operations and downstream minimum flows; (4) develop a canoe portage trail on the south shore from the existing car-top boat launch located above the project dam to the town of Warrensburg’s waterfront Paper Mill Park; and (5) develop a recreational and facility management plan for project recreation facilities.

o. A copy of the application, with details of the proposed project, can be viewed on the Commission’s website at <https://www.ferc.gov> using the “eLibrary” link. Enter the project’s docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document (P–9074). For assistance, contact FERC at FEROnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208–3676 (toll free), or (202) 502–8659 (TTY).

p. *NEPA Process and the Environmental Document:* Any environmental document issued by the Commission will discuss effects that could occur as a result of the project’s

relicensing under the relevant general resource areas, such as:

- geology and soils;
- water resources;
- fish resources;
- aquatic resources;
- terrestrial resources;
- threatened and endangered species;
- recreation resources
- land use resources;
- aesthetic resources;
- cultural resources;
- socioeconomic resources; and
- air quality.

Commission staff will also evaluate reasonable alternatives to the proposed project or portions of the project and make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid effects on the various resource areas. Your comments will help Commission staff identify and focus on the issues that might have an effect on the human environment and potentially eliminate others from further discussion in the environmental document.

Following this scoping period, Commission staff will determine whether to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) or an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The EA or EIS will present Commission staff's independent analysis of the issues. If Commission staff prepares an EA, a *Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment* will be issued. The EA may be issued for an allotted public comment period. The Commission would consider timely comments on the EA before making its decision regarding the proposed project. If Commission staff prepares an EIS, a *Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement* will be issued. Staff will then prepare a draft EIS which will be issued for public comment. Commission staff will consider all timely comments received during the comment period on the draft EIS and revise the document, as necessary, before issuing a final EIS. Any EA or draft and final EIS will be available in electronic format in the public record through eLibrary. If eSubscribed, you will receive instant email notification when the environmental document is issued (see paragraph (r) of this notice for instructions on using eSubscription).

q. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502-6595 or *OPP@ferc.gov*.

r. This notice is being distributed to the Commission's official mailing list for the project and any additional entities on the applicant's distribution

list. You can access the Commission's official mailing list for this project at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/MailListLOR.aspx?Type=MailList&ListVar=P-9074>. If you want to receive future mailings for the project and are not included on the Commission's official mailing list, or if you wish to be removed from the Commission's official mailing list, please send your request by email to *FEROnlineSupport@ferc.gov*. In lieu of an email request, you may submit a paper request. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852. All written or emailed requests must specify your wish to be added to or removed from the mailing list and must clearly identify the following on the first page: Warrensburg Hydroelectric Project No. 9074-054.

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In addition to publishing the full text of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this notice, as well as other documents in the proceeding (e.g., license application) via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document (P-9074). For assistance, contact FERC at *FEROnlineSupport@ferc.gov*, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY).

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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

Filings Instituting Proceedings

Docket Numbers: PR26-76-000.
Applicants: Spire Storage Salt Plains LLC.

Description: § 284.123 Rate Filing: Salt Plains Revised SOC 8-10-26 to be effective 7/9/2026.

Filed Date: 8/10/26.
Accession Number: 20260810-5148.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 8/31/26.

Docket Numbers: RP26-1045-000.
Applicants: Cheyenne Plains Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Negotiated Rate Agreement Filing (Mercuria) to be effective 8/11/2026.
Filed Date: 8/10/26.

Accession Number: 20260810-5127.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 8/24/26.
Docket Numbers: RP26-1046-000.

Applicants: Nautilus Pipeline Company, L.L.C.
Description: Compliance filing: Order No. 587-AB (Docket No. RM96-1-044) Compliance Filing to be effective 1/1/2027.

Filed Date: 8/11/26.
Accession Number: 20260811-5028.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 8/24/26.

Docket Numbers: RP26-1047-000.
Applicants: Granite State Gas Transmission, Inc.

Description: Compliance filing: Revisions to Tariff Records re: Order No. 587-AB to be effective 1/1/2027.

Filed Date: 8/11/26.
Accession Number: 20260811-5029.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 8/24/26.

Docket Numbers: RP26-1048-000.
Applicants: Steckman Ridge, LP.
Description: Compliance filing: Order No. 587-AB (Docket No. RM96-1-044) Compliance Filing to be effective 1/1/2027.

Filed Date: 8/11/26.
Accession Number: 20260811-5041.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 8/24/26.

Docket Numbers: RP26-1049-000.
Applicants: Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company, LP.

Description: Compliance filing: NAESB 4.0 Revisions Compliance to be effective 1/1/2027.

Filed Date: 8/11/26.
Accession Number: 20260811-5043.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 8/24/26.

Docket Numbers: RP26-1050-000.