

Overview of This Information Collection

The Materials Research Science and Engineering Centers (MRSECs) Program provides sustained support of materials science and education of the highest quality while addressing fundamental problems in science and engineering. The MRSECs support materials research infrastructure in the United States, promote active collaboration between universities and other sectors, including industry, national laboratories, and international organizations. They contribute to the development of national university-based centers in materials research, education, and facilities. By supporting innovation in interdisciplinary research, education, and knowledge transfer, MRSECs build intellectual and physical infrastructure within and between disciplines, and weave together knowledge creation, knowledge integration, and knowledge transfer. New knowledge thus created is meaningfully linked to society.

MRSECs enable and foster excellent education, integrate research and education, and create bonds between learning and inquiry so that discovery and creativity more fully support the learning process.

MRSECs are required to submit annual reports on progress and plans, which are used as a basis for performance review and determining the level of continued funding. To support this review and the management of a Center, MRSECs will be required to develop a set of management and performance indicators for submission annually to NSF via the Research Performance Project Reporting module in *Research.gov* and an external technical assistance contractor that collects programmatic data electronically. These indicators are both quantitative and descriptive and may include, for example, the characteristics of center personnel and students; sources of financial support and in-kind support; expenditures by operational component; characteristics of industrial and/or other sector participation; research activities; education activities; knowledge transfer activities; patents, licenses; publications; degrees granted to students involved in Center activities; descriptions of significant advances and other outcomes of the MRSEC effort. Such reporting requirements are included in the cooperative agreement that is binding between the academic institution and NSF.

Each Center's annual report will address the following categories of activities: (1) research, (2) shared

experimental facilities, (3) education, (4) knowledge transfer, (5) partnerships, (6) management, and (7) budget issues.

For each of the categories the report will describe overall objectives for the year, specific outputs and outcomes of the reporting period, challenges that the Center has encountered in making progress towards goals and remedies, and plans for the following year.

MRSECs are required to file a final annual report through the RPPR and external technical assistance contractor. Final annual reports contain similar information and metrics as annual reports, effectively they constitute the last annual report; the Program Officer maintains a cumulative database with all relevant achievements and metrics.

Use of the Information: NSF will use the information to continue funding of the Centers, and to evaluate the progress of the program.

Estimate of Burden: 185 hours per annual report for each of 22 centers for a total of 4,070 hours per year.

Respondents: Non-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Responses per Report: One from each of the 22 MRSECs.

Dated: October 1, 2026.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-615; NRC-2024-0146]

Tennessee Valley Authority; Clinch River Nuclear Unit 1; Construction Permit and Record of Decision

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the Commission) is providing notice of the issuance of Construction Permit (CP) No. CPAR-2 to Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) for the Clinch River Nuclear Unit 1 reactor facility and the associated record of decision (ROD).

DATES: The Construction Permit No. CPAR-2 was issued on September 28, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2024-0146 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly available information related to this action by any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Website:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2024-0146. Address questions about Docket IDs in *Regulations.gov* to Bridget Curran; telephone: 301-415-1003; email: Bridget.Curran@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual(s) listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- *NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):* You may obtain publicly available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select "Begin ADAMS Public Search." For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, at 301-415-4737, or by email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov. For the convenience of the reader, instructions about obtaining materials referenced in this document are provided in the "Availability of Documents" section.

- *NRC's PDR:* The PDR, where you may examine and order copies of publicly available documents, is open by appointment. To make an appointment to visit the PDR, please send an email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov or call 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. eastern time (ET), Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

Under section 2.106 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), "Notice of issuance," the NRC is providing notice of the issuance of CP No. CPAR-2 to TVA and issuance of the ROD under 10 CFR 51.102, "Requirement to provide a record of decision; preparation." The CP, which is immediately effective, authorizes TVA to construct a power reactor facility in Roane County, Tennessee, as described in the CP application. With respect to the CP application filed by TVA, the NRC found that the applicable standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and the Commission's regulations have been met. The NRC found that any required notifications to other agencies or bodies have been duly made and that, among other things, there is reasonable assurance that the activities authorized

by the permit will be conducted in compliance with the rules and regulations of the Commission, that safety questions will be satisfactorily resolved by the completion of construction, and that, taking into consideration siting criteria, the proposed facility can be constructed and operated at the proposed location without undue risk to public health and safety, subject to the conditions listed in the CP. Furthermore, the NRC found that the licensee, TVA, is technically and financially qualified to construct the facility, and that issuance of the CP will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public. The NRC further found that the conditions in the early site permit (ESP-006), with the exception of those listed in the CP, had

been met. Finally, the NRC found that issuance of the CP was in accordance with subpart A, “National Environmental Policy Act—Regulations Implementing Section 102(2),” of 10 CFR part 51, “Environmental Protection Regulations for Domestic Licensing and Related Regulatory Functions,” and that all applicable requirements had been satisfied.

Accordingly, the immediately effective CP was issued on September 28, 2026.

II. Further Information

The NRC staff prepared a Safety Evaluation (SE) and Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) which document the staff’s evaluation of the CP application and its findings. The NRC staff also prepared the ROD

that incorporates by reference the materials contained in the SEIS. In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390, “Public inspections, exemptions, requests for withholding,” of the NRC’s “Agency Rules of Practice and Procedure,” details with respect to this action, including the SE, SEIS, the ROD, and accompanying documentation included in the CP package, are available online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. From this site, persons can access the NRC’s ADAMS, which provides text and image files of NRC’s public documents.

III. Availability of Documents

The documents identified in the following table are available to interested persons through ADAMS.

Document description	ADAMS accession No.
Construction Permit No. CPAR-2, dated September 28, 2026	ML26243A056.
Record of Decision, dated September 28, 2026	ML26245A346.
Safety Evaluation Related to the Tennessee Valley Authority Construction Permit Application for Clinch River Nuclear Unit 1, dated June 24, 2026.	ML26168A505.
Supplement to NUREG-2226, “Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for a Construction Permit at the Clinch River Nuclear Site,” dated April 1, 2026.	ML26035A285.
TVA Construction Permit Application Documentation, dated April 2026	ML26119A628 (Package).
Tennessee Valley Authority, Clinch River Nuclear Site, Early Site Permit No. ESP-006, dated December 19, 2019	ML19352D868.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 2011 *et seq.*

Dated: October 1, 2026.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Jeremy Bowen,

Director, Office of Advanced Reactors.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2026-4159]

Information Collection: Information Collections Contained in the Sunset Rule

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Proposed information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) invites public comment on this proposed information collection. The information collection is entitled, “Information Collections Contained in the Sunset Rule.”

DATES: Submit comments by December 4, 2026. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the Commission is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID NRC-2026-4159, electronically through the *Federal rulemaking website*:

- *Federal rulemaking website:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2026-4159. Address questions about Docket IDs in [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) to Bridget Curran; telephone: 301-415-1003; email: Bridget.Curran@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual(s) listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

For additional direction on obtaining information and submitting comments, see “Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments” in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kristen Benney, Office of the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-6355; email: Infocollects.Resource@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

A. Obtaining Information

Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2026-4159 when contacting the NRC about

the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly available information related to this action by any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking website:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2026-4159. A copy of the collection of information and related instructions may be obtained without charge by accessing Docket ID NRC-2026-4159 on this website.

- *NRC’s Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):* You may obtain publicly available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select “Begin ADAMS Public Search.” For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, at 301-415-4737, or by email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov. The supporting statement is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML26266A265.

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