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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers

Withdrawal of Notice of Intent (NOI) To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) Mississippi River and Tributaries-Morganza, Louisiana to the Gulf of Mexico Hurricane Protection—Houma Navigation Canal General Re-Evaluation

AGENCY: Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of intent; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) is issuing this notice to advise Federal, State, and local governmental agencies and the public that USACE is withdrawing the notice of intent for the preparation of the DEIS pursuant to Energy and Water Development Appropriation Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 103–316) for the Mississippi River and Tributaries-Morganza, Louisiana to the Gulf of Mexico Hurricane Protection-Houma Navigation Canal Deepening (HNCD) General Re-Evaluation which was published in the **Federal Register** on May 23, 2003. Since publication of the NOI, the project authority has changed; HNCD was conditionally authorized under Section 403 of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2020. Additionally, the USACE has since determined that an Environmental Assessment (EA) rather than an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is the appropriate level of environmental documentation.

DATES: The notice of intent to prepare an EIS published in the **Federal Register** on May 23, 2003 (68 FR 28199), is withdrawn as of October 8, 2026.

ADDRESSES: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans; 7400 Leake Ave., New Orleans, Louisiana 70118.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions about the withdrawal of the Notice of Intent can be directed to Elizabeth Behrens, (504) 862–2025 or Elizabeth.H.Behrens@usace.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The study was previously authorized under Energy and Water Development Appropriation Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 103–316) for the Mississippi River and Tributaries-Morganza, Louisiana to the Gulf of Mexico Hurricane Protection-Houma Navigation Canal Deepening (HNCD) General Re-Evaluation and scoped as an EIS. Subsequently, the project was submitted as a Section 203 Integrated Feasibility Report/Environmental Impact Statement by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LADOTD). HNCD was conditionally authorized under Section 403 of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2020 pending resolution of comments and completion of NEPA. Since release of the NOI, it was determined that a portion of environmental impacts resulting from the HNC deepening would be addressed through operations of the HNC Lock Complex. Salinity thresholds are included for HNC lock complex operations within the draft Water Control Plan developed for Morganza to the Gulf Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction Project SEIS (2026). The reduction in anticipated impacts from salinity intrusion resulted in the change from EIS to EA as the appropriate level NEPA documentation.

Resolution of comments from the NOI 03–13010 (68 FR 28199) and any future Federal action related to the Energy and Water Development Appropriation Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 103–316) for the Mississippi River and Tributaries-Morganza, Louisiana to the Gulf of Mexico Hurricane Protection-Houma Navigation Canal Deepening (HNCD) General Re-Evaluation will comply with the requirements of NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), and Department of War National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures and other related environmental review requirements. The USACE will initiate a separate environmental review process for the federal action pursuant to Section 403 of WRDA 2020. The USACE will notify the public in advance of the

availability of the draft EA through public notice.

James A. Bodron,
Programs Director, Mississippi Valley Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Science Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of Science, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Science Advisory Committee (SCAC). The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Thursday, November 12, 2026; 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. EDT.

ADDRESSES: Bethesda North Marriott Hotel & Conference Center, 5701 Marinelli Drive, Rockville, MD 20852. Remote attendance of the SCAC meeting will be available via Zoom. Instructions will be posted on the SCAC website at <https://science.osti.gov/About/Federal-Advisory-Committee/SCAC> prior to the meeting and can also be obtained by contacting Katie Runkles by email at katie.runkles@doe.gov or by telephone at (301) 903–6529. Advanced registration is required.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Katie Runkles, Office of the Deputy Director for Science Programs; SC–DDSP/Germantown Building; U.S. Department of Energy; 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585–1290; Phone: (301) 903–6529 or Email at katie.runkles@doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Committee: The purpose of the committee is to provide advice and guidance on a continuing basis to the Under Secretary for Science, the Office of Science (SC), and the Department of Energy on a variety of complex scientific and technical issues that arise in the planning, management, and implementation of the Office of Science research programs.

Purpose of the Meeting: This meeting is the third meeting of the Committee.

Tentative Agenda:

- Updates from the Office of Science
- Presentation of New Charges
- Presentation and Discussion from the SC User Facilities Subcommittee
- Updates from the Under Secretary for Science

- Public Comment (10-minute rule)

Agenda updates and presentations will be posted on the SCAC website prior to the meeting: <https://science.osti.gov/About/Federal-Advisory-Committee/SCAC/Meetings>.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public in-person and virtually. Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions may do so during the meeting. Approximately 30 minutes will be reserved for public comments. The time allotted per speaker will depend on the number who wish to speak, but will not exceed 10 minutes. If you have any questions or need a reasonable accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act for this event, please send your request to Katie Runkles at katie.runkles@doe.gov, two weeks but no later than 48 hours, prior to the event. Closed captions will be enabled. The Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Those wishing to speak should submit their request at least five days before the meeting. Those not able to attend the meeting or who have insufficient time to address the committee are invited to send a written statement to Katie Runkles, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, email to katie.runkles@doe.gov.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available within 90 days on the SCAC website at <https://science.osti.gov/About/Federal-Advisory-Committee/SCAC/Meetings>.

Signing Authority: This document of the Department of Energy was signed on October 6, 2026, by David Borak, Committee Management Officer, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE Federal Register Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC, on October 6, 2026.

Jennifer Hartzell,

*Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer,
U.S. Department of Energy.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 11197–005]

Northern California Power Agency; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document (PAD), Commencement of Pre-Filing Process, And Scoping; Request for Comments on the PAD and Scoping Document, and Identification of Issues and Associated Study Requests

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File License Application for a New License and Commencing Pre-filing Process.

b. *Project No.:* 11197–005.

c. *Date Filed:* August 4, 2026.

d. *Submitted By:* Northern California Power Agency (NCPA).

e. *Name of Project:* Collierville and Spicer Meadow Transmission Lines Project.

f. *Location:* Approximately 68 miles northeast of the city of Stockton, California in Calaveras and Tuolumne Counties.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR part 5 of the Commission's Regulations.

h. *Potential Applicant Contact:* Jake Eymann, Manager, Northern California Power Company, 477 Bret Harte Drive, Murphys, CA 95247; Telephone (209) 728–1387 or email hydrorelicensing@ncpa.com.

i. *FERC Contact:* Shannon Archuleta, Project Coordinator, West Branch, Division of Hydropower Licensing; telephone (503) 552–2739 or email shannon.archuleta@ferc.gov.

j. *Cooperating agencies:* Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues that wish to cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document should follow the instructions for filing such requests described in item o below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document cannot also intervene. See 94 FERC ¶ 61,076 (2001).

k. *With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with:* (a) the U.S.

Fish and Wildlife Service and/or NOAA Fisheries under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR, Part 402 and (b) the State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by section 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.

l. With this notice, we are designating NCPA as the Commission's non-federal representative for carrying out informal consultation, pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

m. Northern California Power Company filed with the Commission a Pre-Application Document (PAD; including a proposed process plan and schedule), pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.

n. A copy of the PAD is available for review on the Commission's website (<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. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCONlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208–3676 (toll free), or (202) 502–8659 (TTY). A copy is also available via the contact in item (h) above.

Register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filing and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support. For public inquiries and assistance with intervening or participating contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502–6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

o. With this notice, we are soliciting comments on the PAD and Commission's staff Scoping Document 1 (SD1), as well as study requests. All comments on the PAD and SD1, and study requests should be sent to the address above in paragraph h. In addition, all comments on the PAD and SD1, study requests, requests for cooperating agency status, and all communications to and from Commission staff related to the merits of the potential application must be filed with the Commission.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file all documents using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 10,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/>