

Milestone	Target date
Submit final report to the Commission, including documentation of consultation with Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (Oklahoma DEQ), the City of Miami, the Tribes, and other affected stakeholders, copies of comments and recommendations, and specific descriptions of how comments from Oklahoma DEQ, the City of Miami, the Tribes, and other stakeholders were accommodated in the report.	January 31, 2027.
Issue Notice of Acceptance and Ready for Environmental Analysis	March 17, 2027.

Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Erin Kimsey by email at erin.kimsey@ferc.gov or by telephone at (202) 502–8621.

(Authority: 18 CFR 2.1)

Dated: October 26, 2026.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 11617–003]

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, Approving Use of the Traditional Licensing Process

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File License Application and Request to Use the Traditional Licensing Process.

b. *Project No.:* 11617–003.

c. *Date Filed:* September 2, 2026.

d. *Submitted By:* Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation.

e. *Name of Project:* Varick-High Dam #21 Transmission Line Project.

f. *Location:* City of Oswego, Oswego County, New York.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR 5.3 of the Commission's regulations.

h. *Potential Applicant Contact:* Meredith Mathias, 300 Erie Boulevard West, Syracuse, NY 13202; telephone at (518) 521–8700; email at meredith.mathias@nationalgrid.com.

i. *FERC Contact:* Nicholas Ettema, Project Coordinator, Great Lakes Branch, Division of Hydropower Licensing; telephone at (312) 596–4447; email at nicholas.ettema@ferc.gov.

j. Niagara Mohawk filed its request to use the Traditional Licensing Process on September 2, 2026. Niagara Mohawk provided public notice of its request on August 27, 2026. In a letter dated October 26, 2026, the Director of the Division of Hydropower Licensing approved Niagara Mohawk's request to use the Traditional Licensing Process.

k. With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the

joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR, Part 402. We are also initiating consultation with the New York 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 Niagara Mohawk as the Commission's non-federal representative for carrying out informal consultation pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and consultation pursuant to section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

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

n. A copy of the PAD may be viewed 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).

Register online at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FERCOOnline.aspx> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

o. The licensee states its unequivocal intent to submit an application for a new license for Project No. 11617–003. Pursuant to 18 CFR 16.8, 16.9, and 16.10 each application for a new license and any competing license applications must be filed with the Commission at least 24 months prior to the expiration of the existing license. All applications for license for this project must be filed by October 31, 2029.

p. 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.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 10198–000]

City of Pelican, AK; Notice of Authorization for Continued Project Operation

The license for the Pelican Hydroelectric Project No. 10198 was issued for a period ending September 16, 2026.

Section 15(a)(1) of the FPA, 16 U.S.C. 808(a)(1), requires the Commission, at the expiration of a license term, to issue from year-to-year an annual license to the then licensee(s) under the terms and conditions of the prior license until a new license is issued, or the project is otherwise disposed of as provided in section 15 or any other applicable section of the FPA. If the project's prior license waived the applicability of section 15 of the FPA, then, based on section 9(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 558(c), and as set forth at 18 CFR 16.21(a), if the licensee of such project has filed an application for a subsequent license, the licensee may continue to operate the project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the license after the minor or minor part license expires, until the Commission acts on its application. If the licensee of such a project has not filed an application for a subsequent license, then it may be required, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.21(b), to continue project operations until the Commission issues someone else a license for the project or otherwise orders disposition of the project.

If the project is subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that an annual license for Project No. 10198 is issued to the City of Pelican, AK for a period effective September 17, 2026, through September 16, 2027, or until the issuance of a new license for the project or other disposition under the FPA, whichever comes first.