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set forth in §806.2 continue to be served.

# Subpart B—Application Procedure

## §806.10 Purpose of this subpart.

The purpose of this subpart is to set forth procedures governing applications required by §§ 806.4, 806.5, 806.6 and 18 CFR part 801.

### § 806.11 Preliminary consultations.

- (a) Any project sponsor of a project that is or may be subject to the Commission's jurisdiction is encouraged, prior to making application for Commission review, to request a preliminary consultation with the Commission staff for an informal discussion of preliminary plans for the proposed project. To facilitate preliminary consultations, it is suggested that the project sponsor provide a general description of the proposed project, a map showing its location and, to the extent available, data concerning dimensions of any proposed structures, anticipated water needs, and the environmental impacts.
- (b) Preliminary consultation is optional for the project sponsor (except with respect to aquifer test plans, see §806.12 but shall not relieve the sponsor from complying with the requirements of the compact or with this part.

# §806.12 Constant-rate aquifer testing.

- (a) Prior to submission of an application pursuant to §806.13, a project sponsor seeking approval to withdraw or increase a withdrawal of groundwater shall perform a constant-rate aquifer test in accordance with this section.
- (b) The project sponsor shall prepare a constant-rate aquifer test plan for prior review and approval by Commission staff before testing is undertaken. Such plan shall include a groundwater availability analysis to determine the availability of water during a 1-in-10-year recurrence interval.
- (c) Unless otherwise specified, approval of a test plan is valid for two years from the date of approval.
- (d) Approval of a test plan shall not be construed to limit the authority of the Commission to require additional testing or monitoring.

(e) The project sponsor may be required, at its expense, to provide temporary water supply if an aquifer test results in interference with an existing water use.

## §806.13 Submission of application.

Project sponsors of projects subject to the review and approval of the Commission under §806.4, 806.5 or 806.6 shall submit an application and applicable fee to the Commission, in accordance with this Subpart.

### § 806.14 Contents of application.

- (a) Applications shall include, but not be limited to, the following information and, where applicable, shall be submitted on forms and in the manner prescribed by the Commission.
- (1) Identification of project sponsor including any and all proprietors, corporate officers or partners, the mailing address of the same, and the name of the individual authorized to act for the sponsor.
- (2) Description of project and site in terms of:
- (i) Project location, including global positioning system (gps) coordinates accurate to within 10 meters.
  - (ii) Project purpose.
- (iii) Proposed quantity of water to be withdrawn.
- (iv) Proposed quantity of water to be consumed, if applicable.
- (v) Constant-rate aquifer tests. The project sponsor shall provide the results of a constant-rate aquifer test with any application which includes a request for a groundwater withdrawal. The project sponsor shall obtain Commission approval of the test procedures prior to initiation of the constant-rate aquifer test.
  - (vi) Water use and availability.
- (vii) All water sources and the date of initiation of each source.
- (viii) Supporting studies, reports, and other information upon which assumptions and assertions have been based.
- (ix) Plans for avoiding or mitigating for consumptive use.
- (x) Copies of any correspondence with member jurisdiction agencies.
- (xi) Evidence of compliance with applicable water registration requirements of the member jurisdiction in which the project is located.

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- (3) Anticipated impact of the proposed project on:
- (i) Surface water characteristics (quality, quantity, flow regimen, other hydrologic characteristics).
- (ii) Threatened or endangered species and their habitats.
- (iii) Existing water withdrawals.
- (4) Project estimated completion date and estimated construction schedule.
- (b) The Commission may also require the project sponsor to submit the following information related to the project, in addition to the information required in paragraph (a) of this section, as deemed necessary.
- (1) Description of project and site in terms of:
  - (i) Engineering feasibility.
- (ii) Ability of project sponsor to fund the project or action.
- (iii) Identification and description of reasonable alternatives, the extent of their economic and technical investigation, and an assessment of their potential environmental impact. In the case of a proposed diversion, the project sponsor should include information that may be required by \$806.25 or any policy of the Commission relating to diversions.
- (iv) Compatibility of proposed project with existing and anticipated uses.
- (v) Anticipated impact of the proposed project on:
- (A) Flood damage potential considering the location of the project with respect to the flood plain and flood hazard zones.
  - (B) Recreation potential.
- (C) Fish and wildlife (habitat quality, kind and number of species).
- (D) Natural environment uses (scenic vistas, natural and manmade travel corridors, wild and wilderness areas, wild, scenic and recreation rivers).
- (E) Site development considerations (geology, topography, soil characteristics, adjoining and nearby land uses, adequacy of site facilities).
- (F) Historical, cultural and archaeological impacts.
- ${\bf (2)}\ Governmental\ considerations:$
- (i) Need for governmental services or finances.
- (ii) Commitment of government to provide services or finances.

- (iii) Status of application with other governmental regulatory bodies.
- (3) Any other information deemed necessary by the Commission.
- (c) A report about the project prepared for any other purpose, or an application for approval prepared for submission to a member jurisdiction, may be accepted by the Commission provided the said report or application addresses all necessary items on the Commission's form or listed in this section, as appropriate.

## §806.15 Notice of application.

- (a) Any project sponsor submitting an application to the Commission shall provide notice thereof to the appropriate agency of the member State, each municipality in which the project is located, and the county planning agency of each county in which the project is located. The project sponsor shall also publish notice of submission of the application at least once in a newspaper of general circulation serving the area in which the project is located. The project sponsor shall also meet any of the notice requirements set forth in paragraphs (b) through (e) of this section, if applicable. All notices required under this section shall be provided or published no later than 10 days after submission of the application to the Commission and shall contain a description of the project, its purpose, the requested quantity of water to be withdrawn obtained from for sources other than withdrawals or consumptively used, and the address, electronic mail address, and phone number of the project sponsor and the Commission. All such notices shall be in a form and manner as prescribed by the Commission.
- (b) For withdrawal applications submitted pursuant to §806.4(a)(2), the project sponsor shall also provide the notice required under paragraph (a) of this section to each property owner listed on the tax assessment rolls of the county in which such property is located and identified as follows:
- (1) For groundwater withdrawal applications, the owner of any property that is located within a one-half mile radius of the proposed withdrawal location.