

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared April 7, 1997 through April 11, 1997 pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at (202) 564-7167. An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in the **Federal Register** dated April 4, 1997 (62 FR 16154).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-DOE-L91001-ID Rating EC2, Nez Perce Tribal Hatchery Program, Implementation, Restore Chenook Salmon to the Clearwater River Subbasin, Snake River, Idaho.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns based on the potential for adverse impacts to existing fisheries resources. EPA had requested additional information on fisheries impacts, mitigation and monitoring.

ERP No. D-FAA-E51044-NC Rating EC2, Initial Development of the North Carolina Global TransPark (NCGTP) Complex, Implementation, Airport Layout Plan Approval, COE Section 404 Permit, Kinston, Lenoir County, NC.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding the sequencing of wetland mitigation and hydrologic restoration of Dove Bay.

ERP No. D-FHW-F40373-WI Rating EO2, Milwaukee East-West Corridor, Transportation Improvements, Major Investment Study, IH-43 and Hampton Avenue to downtown Milwaukee and along IH-94 to WI-16, Funding, U.S. Coast Guard and COE Section 404 Permits, Milwaukee and Waukesha Counties, WI.

Summary: EPA continued to have environmental objection to the potential conversion of parkland and other valuable acreage to light rail which may increase commute time.

ERP No. D-FHW-K50011-CA Rating EC2, Carquinez Bridge Project, Replace/Retrofit the westbound I-80 between Cummings Skyway and CA-29, U.S. Coast Guard and COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Contra Costa and Solano Counties, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding potential impacts to water quality and

worker health and safety from lead-based paint on the 1927 bridge which is proposed for removal or retrofitting. These issues were not discussed in the draft EIS, nor were appropriate lead-based paint mitigation measures proposed.

ERP No. D-FTA-C54007-NJ Rating EC2, Newark-Elizabeth Rail Link (NERL) Study Corridor, Transportation Improvements, Light Rail Transit (LRT), Essex and Union Counties, NJ.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about impacts to air quality and requests that additional information regarding air quality and environmental justice be presented in the final EIS.

ERP No. D-FTA-G40143-TX Rating LO, North Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (LRT) Extension, Transportation Improvements, Funding, NPDES Permit and COE Section 404 Permit, Dallas and Collin Counties, TX.

Summary: EPA had no objection to the selection of the Locally Preferred Alternative. EPA requests that the mitigation measures discussed in the draft EIS be given equal consideration in the implementation of the LPA.

ERP No. D-USN-D11026-PA Rating EC2, Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division (NAWCAD) Warminster, Disposal and Reuse, Bucks County, PA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns and requested additional information with regard to the Navy's actions, intentions, and responsibility for correcting existing problems before and after reuse in terms of water supply and groundwater. EPA also expressed concern with the cumulative impacts associated with increases in traffic volume, air quality, and noise impacts on the neighboring communities as a result of the Reuse Plan.

ERP No. DS-USN-C10003-00 Rating EC2, Relocatable Over the Horizon Radar (ROTHR) System Construction and Operation, New and Updated Information on Fort Allen as Potential Site, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and Chesapeake, VA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns and requested additional information regarding wetlands delineation and impacts, indirect impacts, radio frequency, radiation exposure, and ongoing contamination investigations and site remediation.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-FTA-K40208-CA, South Sacramento Corridor, Transit Improvements, Funding, Sacramento, Yolo, EL Dorado and Placer Counties, CA.

Summary: Review of the Final EIS was not deemed necessary. No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

ERP No. F-USN-E11037-FL, Programmatic EIS—Mayport Naval Station, Evaluation of Facilities Development Necessary to Support Potential Aircraft Carrier Homeporting, Duval County, FL.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concern regarding the use of the Jacksonville offshore disposal site for dredged material.

ERP No. F-USN-K11070-CA, Naval Station Long Beach Disposal and Reuse, Implementation, COE Section 10 and 404 Permits Issuance and Possible NPDES Permit Issuance, Los Angeles County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns on project segmentation and insufficient cumulative impacts analysis, in particular, cumulative air quality effects.

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Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7167 or (202) 564-7153.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements Filed April 14, 1997 Through April 18, 1997 Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 970140, Final EIS, NPS, CA, Santa Rosa Island Resources Management Plan, Improvements of Water Quality and Conservation of Rare Species and their Habitats, Channel Islands National Park, Santa Barbara County, CA, Due: May 27, 1997, Contact: Alan Schmierer (415) 427-1441.

EIS No. 970141, Final Supplement, AFS, CO, Stevens Gulch Road Extension and Related Timber Sales, Implementation, New Information and Changed Circumstances Related to the Proposed Action, Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests, Delta County, CO, Due: May 27, 1997, Contact: Carol McKenzie (970) 874-6618.

EIS No. 970142, Draft EIS, RUS, KY, City of Albany's Cagle Water