Engineers (USACE) published a Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to jointly analyze the direct, indirect and cumulative effects of two water supply projects that were proposed collectively as the Halligan-Seaman Water Management Project. USACE has determined that the two projects will be separated and independently evaluated as the Halligan Water Supply Project EIS and the Seaman Water Supply Project EIS. Constructing the proposed Projects would impact jurisdictional waters of the United States, thereby requiring Clean Water Act Section 404 permits. The Cities of Fort Collins and Greeley (Cities) have proposed the Projects to meet existing and future water demands during droughts, more efficiently manage the Cities' existing or future water rights, provide some operational redundancy, and possibly enhance river functions. The proposed Projects involve enlarging two existing reservoirs, Halligan Reservoir and Milton Seamen Reservoir (Seaman Reservoir), which would provide approximately 56,125 acre-feet of additional storage capacity in the Cache la Poudre River Basin. The Halligan and Seaman Water Supply Projects would both be non-federal projects constructed, owned and operated by the Cities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions regarding the proposed action and Draft EISs should be addressed to Cody Wheeler, Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 9307 South Wadsworth Boulevard, Littleton, CO 80128–6901; *cody.s.wheeler@usace.army.mil.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In 2006, the Cities of Fort Collins and Greeley and six other water providers (Participants) had originally proposed to replace the existing dams with new, larger dams immediately downstream of the existing Halligan and Seaman dams. This would have provided 88,592 acre-feet of additional storage capacity. The Participants were composed of water providers in the region and included three water districts collectively known as the Tri-District including North Weld County Water District, Fort Collins-Loveland Water District, and East Larimer County Water District; the City of Evans; the North Poudre Irrigation Company; and the Water Supply and Storage Company. However, six participants have terminated their participation in the Halligan and Seaman water supply projects leaving Fort Collins and Greeley as the sole project proponents. The additional storage capacity needed has accordingly decreased from 88,592 to 56,125 acre-feet. This smaller amount of needed storage might be provided by raising the existing Halligan and Seaman dams rather than replacing them with larger new dams immediately downstream.

Water stored in the expanded reservoirs would address municipal and industrial water demands as well as some agricultural demands. Preliminary analyses by the Cities indicate that the enlarged reservoirs would fill primarily during the summer and fall months from North Fork Poudre River flows. Seaman Reservoir would also fill via a pump station on the Poudre River main stem near the dam site. Small releases are proposed throughout the year on a periodic basis to maximize operational efficiency. The cities anticipate that both reservoirs would remain mostly full except during drought periods.

USACE has completed its analysis of the purpose and need for the two projects. Alternatives to the Halligan project have been identified and USACE is evaluating the impacts of those alternatives. However, the City of Greeley has expressed concerns about USACE-identified alternatives to the Seaman project. Addressing these concerns would also delay evaluating the Fort Collins' Halligan project. Several contributing factors including the differing study schedules led Fort Collins and Greeley to request that the two projects be separated and independently evaluated. USACE carefully considered the request and determined that it is appropriate and in the best interest of all involved to independently evaluate the two projects.

The EIS will be prepared according to the USACE's procedures for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, 42 U.S.C.4332(2)(c), and consistent with the USACE's policy to facilitate public understanding and review of agency proposals. Scoping as described in the original Notice of Intent (February 1, 2006 (71 FR 5250)) was completed. Although needed storage has decreased, the scopes of the two projects and the issues identified in the initial scoping process remain essentially the same. Therefore, additional public scoping meetings are not required. As part of the EIS process, a full range of reasonable alternatives including the proposed Project and no action will be evaluated.

As two separate projects, the USACE anticipates completing and releasing the Draft Halligan Water Supply EIS during the spring of 2016. The Draft Seaman Water Supply EIS will be completed at a later date. Each Draft EIS will be published for public review and comments. Public comments will be considered and addressed in each Final EIS serving as a basis for the USACE decision to issue or deny Section 404 Permits to enlarge Halligan and Seaman reservoirs.

USACE has invited the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the U.S. Forest Service, Colorado Parks and Wildlife, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Larimer County, and Weld County to be cooperating agencies in preparing the EISs.

Cody S. Wheeler,

Project Manager, Regulatory Branch.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Energy Information Administration

Agency Information Collection Extension With Changes

AGENCY: U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), Department of Energy.

ACTION: Agency Information Collection Activities: Information Collection Extension with Changes; Notice and Request for Comments.

SUMMARY: EIA, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, intends to extend for three years with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), the Form EIA–111, Quarterly Electricity Imports and Exports Report. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before April 6, 2015. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed in **ADDRESSES** as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be sent to William Booth by email at *William.booth@eia.gov.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to William Booth at *William.booth@eia.gov.* The draft form and instructions are available at *http://www.eia.gov/survey/changes/electricity/.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information collection request contains:

(1) *OMB No.:* 1905–0208;

(2) *Information Collection Request Title:* Quarterly Electricity Imports and Exports Report;

(3) *Type of Request:* Extension, with changes, of a currently approved collection;

(4) *Purpose:* Form EIA–111 collects U. S. electricity import and export data. The data are used to get an accurate measure of the flow of electricity into and out of the United States. The import and export data are reported by U.S. purchasers, sellers and transmitters of wholesale electricity, including persons authorized by Order to export electric energy from the United States to foreign countries, persons authorized by Presidential Permit to construct, operate, maintain, or connect electric power transmission lines that cross the U.S. international border, and U.S. Balancing Authorities that are directly interconnected with foreign Balancing Authorities. Such entities are to report monthly flows of electric energy received or delivered across the border, the cost associated with the transactions, and actual and implemented interchange. The data collected on this form may appear in various EIA publications.

(4a) *Proposed Changes to Information Collection:* The data element ''Transfer Facility's Presidential Permit numbers'' is changed to ''Transmission Provider/Transfer Facility(ies)'' and the section for reporting Actual Interchange is expanded to collect monthly metered cross border flow over Presidential Permit holders facilities that do not involve interchange.

(5) *Annual Estimated Number of Respondents:* 158;

(6) *Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses:* 632;

(7) *Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours:* 948;

(8) *Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* EIA estimates that there are no additional costs to respondents associated with the surveys other than the costs associated with the burden hours.

Statutory Authority: Section 13(b) of the Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974, Pub L. 93–275, codified at 15 U.S.C. 772(b).

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Nanda Srinivasan,

Director, Office of Survey Development and Statistical Integration, U. S. Energy Information Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RD14–12–000]

Proposed Agency Information Collection

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Comment request.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is submitting the FERC–725D information collection in Docket No. RD14–12–000 to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review of the information collection requirements. Any interested person may file comments directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below. The Commission issued a Notice in the **Federal Register** (79 FR 68426, 11/17/2014) requesting public comments. FERC received no comments in response to that notice and is making the notation in its submission to OMB.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due by March 6, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Comments filed with OMB should be sent via email to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs: *oira_submission@omb.gov,* Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer and should be identified by FERC–725D (OMB Control Number 1902–0247), The OMB Desk Officer may also be reached via telephone at 202–395–0710.

A copy of the comments should also be sent to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, identified by the Docket No. RD14–12–000, by either of the following methods:

- eFiling at Commission's Web site: *http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp.*
- Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Instructions: All submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: *http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide.asp.* For user assistance, contact FERC Online Support by email at *ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov,* or by phone at: (866) 208–3676 (toll-free), or (202) 502–8659 for TTY.

Docket: Users interested in receiving automatic notification of activity in this docket or in viewing/downloading comments and issuances in this docket may do so at *http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/docs-filing.asp.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellen Brown may be reached by email at *DataClearance@FERC.gov,* telephone at (202) 502–8663, and fax at (202) 273–0873.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The information collection changes in Docket No. RD14–12–000 relate to the Reliability Standards FAC–001–2 (Facility Interconnection Requirements) and FAC–002–2 (Facility Interconnection Studies), developed by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), and submitted to the Commission for approval. The Commission received NERC's petition to approve the proposed Reliability Standards on August 22, 2014.

NERC summarizes the FAC group of standards as follows:

> The Facility Design, Connections, and Maintenance (''FAC'') Reliability Standards address topics such as facility interconnection requirements, facility ratings, system operating limits, and transfer capabilities.[1]

In its petition, NERC also summarizes the proposed Reliability Standards' applicability and requirements:

> Proposed Reliability Standard FAC–001–2 requires that Transmission Owners and applicable Generator Owners document and make Facility interconnection requirements available so that entities seeking to interconnect have the necessary information. Proposed Reliability Standard FAC–002–2 ensures that the reliability impact of interconnecting new or materially modified Facilities is studied. Collectively, proposed Reliability Standards FAC–001–2 and FAC–002–2 ensure that there is appropriate coordination and communication regarding the interconnection of Facilities, which improves the reliability of the Bulk-Power System.[2]

Finally, NERC also states that the proposed Reliability Standards improve reliability, clarify requirement language

[1] NERC Petition at 3.

[2] *Id.* at 3.