

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. P-2082-027]

**Klamath Hydroelectric Project; Notice Of Meeting**

December 29, 2004.

Commission staff is scheduled to meet with representatives of the Karuk Tribe regarding the Klamath Hydroelectric Project relicensing. The meeting will be held at the location and time listed below: Karuk Community Center, 39051 Highway 96, Orleans, California 95556, January 12, 2005, 10 a.m. (P.s.t.).

Members of the public and intervenors in the referenced proceedings may attend this meeting; however, participation will be limited to tribal representatives and the Commission representatives. If the Tribe decides to disclose information about a specific location which could create a risk or harm to an archeological site or Native American cultural resource, the public will be excused for that portion of the meeting when such information is disclosed.<sup>1</sup> If you plan to attend this meeting, please contact John Mudre at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission at 202-502-8902 or [john.mudre@ferc.gov](mailto:john.mudre@ferc.gov). The meeting will be transcribed by a court reporter, and public transcript will be made available by the Commission following the meeting.

**Magalie R. Salas,**  
*Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****National Nuclear Security Administration****Notice of Intent to Prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement to the Final Site-Wide Environmental Impact Statement for Continued Operation of the Los Alamos National Laboratory**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Department of Energy, National Nuclear Security Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et*

*seq.*), the Council on Environmental Quality's (CEQ) and the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) regulations implementing NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500-1508 and 10 CFR part 1021, respectively), the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA), an agency within the DOE, announces its intent to prepare a supplemental site-wide environmental statement (S-SWEIS) to update the analyses presented in the Final Site-Wide Environmental Impact Statement for Continued Operation of the Los Alamos National Laboratory (SWEIS) (DOE/EIS-0238; January 1999). The purpose of this notice is to invite individuals, organizations, and government agencies and entities to participate in developing the scope of the S-SWEIS.

In its September 1999 Record of Decision (ROD) based on the SWEIS, DOE announced its decision to implement the Expanded Operations Alternative analyzed in the SWEIS, with modifications to weapons related production work (the Preferred Alternative), at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL). That decision is being implemented at LANL. Pursuant to 40 CFR 1502.20, the S-SWEIS will rely on and expand on the analysis in the original SWEIS. The No Action Alternative for the S-SWEIS is the continued implementation of the SWEIS ROD, together with other actions described and analyzed in subsequent NEPA reviews. The Proposed Action in the S-SWEIS will include changes since the SWEIS 1999 ROD.

**DATES:** NNSA invites comments on the scope of this S-SWEIS through February 27, 2005. NNSA will hold a public scoping meeting in Pojoaque, New Mexico, at the Pablo Roybal Elementary School on January 19, 2005, from 6 to 8 pm. Scoping comments received after February 27, 2005, will be considered to the extent practicable.

**ADDRESSES:** To submit comments on the scope of the S-SWEIS, questions about the document or scoping meeting, or requests to be placed on the document distribution list, please write or call: Ms. Elizabeth Withers (e-mail address: [lanl\\_sweis@doeal.gov](mailto:lanl_sweis@doeal.gov); mailing address: NNSA Los Alamos Site Office, NEPA Compliance Officer, 528 35th Street, Los Alamos, New Mexico, 87544; (toll free) telephone 1-877-491-4957; or Facsimile 505-667-9998).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For general information about the DOE NEPA process, please contact: Ms. Carol Borgstrom, Director, Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance (EH-42), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000

Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585, 202-586-4600, or leave a message at 1-800-472-2756.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** LANL is located in north-central New Mexico, 60 miles north-northeast of Albuquerque, 25 miles northwest of Santa Fe, and 20 miles southwest of Española in Los Alamos and Santa Fe Counties. It is located between the Jemez Mountains to the west and the Sangre de Cristo Mountains and Rio Grande to the east. LANL occupies about 40 square miles (104 square kilometers) and is operated for NNSA under contract, by the University of California. (The contract for LANL's management and operation is undergoing a competitive bid process; however, the selection of the LANL management and operations contractor in the future will not affect the nature of the NNSA and DOE work performed at LANL.)

LANL is a multidisciplinary, multipurpose institution primarily engaged in theoretical and experimental research and development. LANL has been assigned science, research and development, and production mission support activities that are critical to the accomplishment of the national security objectives (as reflected in the ROD for the September 1996 Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Stockpile Stewardship and Management (DOE/EIS-0236)). Specific LANL assignments will continue for the foreseeable future include production of War-Reserve products, assessment and certification of the stockpile, surveillance of the War-Reserve components and weapon systems, ensuring safe and secure storage of strategic materials, and management of excess plutonium inventories. LANL's main role in the fulfillment of DOE mission objectives includes a wide range of scientific and technological capabilities that support nuclear materials handling, processing and fabrication; stockpile management; materials and manufacturing technologies; nonproliferation programs; and waste management activities.

The Final LANL SWEIS, issued in January 1999, considered the operation of LANL at various levels for about a 10-year period of time. Alternatives considered in that document were: No Action Alternative, the Expanded Operations Alternative, the Reduced Operations Alternative, and the Greener Alternative. In addition to providing an overview of the LANL site and its activities and operations, the SWEIS identified 15 LANL "Key Facilities" for the purposes of NEPA analysis. "Key

<sup>1</sup> Protection from public disclosure involving this kind of specific information is based upon 18 CFR 4.32(b)(3)(ii) of the Commission's regulations implementing the Federal Power Act.