

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Premanufacturer notices.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared 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 202-564-7146.

An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 6, 2008 (73 FR 19833).

Draft EISs

EIS No. 20080250, ERP No. D-FHW-K53013-CA, Orange County Gateway Project, To Provide Grade Separation Alternative along the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad Tracks from west of Bradford Avenue to west of Imperial Highway (State Route 90), Cities of Placentia and Anaheim, Orange County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about water quality, air quality, induced traffic, construction and cumulative impacts, and requested additional analysis and/or mitigation strategies for each resource area of concern. Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20080258, ERP No. D-NHT-A86245-00, Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) Proposed Standards for Model Year 2011-2025 Passenger Cars and Light Trucks, Implementation

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about the methodology used to determine the relative costs and benefits of the alternatives analyzed in the DEIS. Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20080260, ERP No. D-AFS-F65071-WI, Medford Aspen Project, To Implement a Number of Vegetation and Transportation Management

Activities, Medford-Park Falls Ranger District, Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, Taylor County, WI.

Summary: EPA does not object to the selection of the preferred alternative. Rating LO.

EIS No. 20080263, ERP No. D-COE-K39114-CA, Three Rivers Levee Improvement Authority, proposes construct and maintain the Feather River Levee Repair Project, Segment 2, Issuing 408 Permission and 404 Permit, Yuba County, CA.

Summary: While EPA has no objection to the proposed action, EPA did request clarification of air and water quality issues and mitigation. Rating LO.

EIS No. 20080272, ERP No. DB-COE-K32046-CA, Port of Los Angeles Channel Deepening Project, To Dispose of Approximately 3.0 Million Cubic Yards of Dredge Material Required to Complete the Channel Deepening Project and to Beneficially Reuse the Dredge Material with the Port of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about air quality, human health, environmental justice, and impacts associated with the ocean disposal and dredged materials. Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20080268, ERP No. DS-FTA-F40434-MN, Central Corridor Project, New Information on the 11 miles Light Rail Transit between downtown Minneapolis and downtown St. Paul, Minnesota, Twin Cities Metropolitan Area, MN.

Summary: EPA continues to have environmental concerns about hazardous waste, and air quality impacts. New impacts to surface water and habitat were identified. Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20080283, ERP No. DS-AFS-F65069-MN, Glacier Project, Updated Information to Develop and Analyze a Fourth Alternative, To Maintain and Promote Native Vegetation, Communities that are Diverse, Productive, Healthy, Implementation, Superior National Forest, Kawishiwi Ranger District, St. Louis and Lake Counties, MN.

Summary: EPA does not object to the proposed action.

Final EISs

EIS No. 20080278, ERP No. F-NPS-L65486-WA, Mountain Lake Fisheries Management Plan for the North Cascades National Service Complex, Implementation, North Cascades National Park, Whatcom, Skagit and Chelan Counties, WA.

Summary: EPA's previous issues have been resolved; therefore, EPA does not object to the proposed action.

EIS No. 20080280, ERP No. F-AFS-J65513-WY, Winter Elk Management Programs, Long-Term Special Use Authorization for Wyoming Game and Fish Commission to use National Forest System Land Within the Bridger-Teton National Forest at Alkali Creek, Dog Creek, Fall Creek, Fish Creek, Muddy Creek, Patrol Cabin, and Upper Green River, Jackson and Sublette, WY.

Summary: No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

EIS No. 20080294, ERP No. F-FHW-D40332-VA, U.S. 460 Location Study Project, Transportation Improvements from I-295 in Prince George County to the Interchange of Route 460 and 58 along the Suffolk Bypass, Funding, U.S. Army COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Prince George, Sussex, Surry, Southampton and Isle of Wight Counties, VA.

Summary: EPA continues to have environmental concerns about aquatic, terrestrial, and environmental justice impacts.

EIS No. 20080298, ERP No. F-BLM-L70014-ID, Cottonwood Resource Management Plan, Implementation, Latah, Clearwater, Nez Perce, Lewis, Idaho and Adams Counties, ID.

Summary: EPA's previous concerns have been resolved; therefore, EPA does not object to the proposed action.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Environmental Impacts Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-1399 or <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/>.

Weekly Receipt of Environmental Impact Statements
Filed 09/01/2008 Through 09/05/2008
Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9

EIS No. 20080344, Draft EIS, COE, MN, Mississippi River Headwaters Reservoir Operating Plan Evaluation (ROPE), Proposed Revision to the Operating Plan for the Reservoirs, Upper Mississippi River Headwaters,

Bemidji to St. Paul, MN, Comment Period Ends: 11/03/2008, Contact: Steve Clark 651-290-5278.

EIS No. 20080345, Draft EIS, USN, NC, Navy Cherry Point Range Complex, Proposed Action is to Support and Conduct Current and Emerging Training and Research, Development, Testing and Evaluation (RDT&E) Activities, South Atlantic Bight, Cape Hatteras, NC, Comment Period Ends: 10/27/2008, Contact: Arron Slater 757-322-4960.

EIS No. 20080346, Draft EIS, USN, WA, Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA), Naval Undersea Warfare Center (NUWC), Keyport Complex Extension, Propose to Extend the Operational Areas, Three Distinct Range Sites: Keyport Range Site; Dabob Bay Range Complex (DBRC) Site, Quinault Underwater Tracking Range Site, Gray Harbor, Jefferson, Kitsap and Mason Counties, WA, Comment Period Ends: 10/27/2008, Contact: Kimberly Kler 360-396-0927.

EIS No. 20080347, Final EIS, COE, MD, Atlantic Coast of Maryland Shoreline Protection Project, Proposed Dredging of Several New Offshore Shoals to Provide Sand for Borrow Sources from 2010 to 2044, Ocean City, Worcester County, MD, Wait Period Ends: 10/14/2008, Contact: Christopher Spaur 410-962-6134.

EIS No. 20080348, Draft EIS, USN, 00, Undersea Warfare Training Range Project, Installation and Operation, Preferred Site Jacksonville Operating Area, FL and Alternative Sites (within the Charleston, SC; Cherry Point, NC; and VACAPES Operating Areas, VA, Comment Period Ends: 10/27/2008, Contact: Lesky Leonard 757-322-4645

EIS No. 20080349, Draft EIS, AFS, CA, Round Valley Fuels Reduction and Vegetation Management Project, Proposes to Reduce Fuel and Manage Vegetation, Funding, Goosenest Ranger District, Klamath National Forest, Siskiyou County, CA, Comment Period Ends: 10/27/2008, Contact: Leslie Burkhart 530-398-4391.

EIS No. 20080350, Draft EIS, NOA, 00, Programmatic EIS—Fishery Management Plan for Regulating Offshore Marine Aquaculture in the Gulf of Mexico, To Increase the Maximum Sustainable Yield (MSY) and Optimun Yield (OY), Implementation, Comment Period Ends: 10/27/2008, Contact: Roy E. Crabtree 727-824-5701.

EIS No. 20080351, Final EIS, SFW, NV, Coyote Spring Investment Multispecies Conservation Plan,

Issuing a 40-year Incidental Take Permit for Five Species, Clark and Lincoln Counties, NV, Wait Period Ends: 10/14/2008, Contact: Mary Grim 916-414-6464

Amended Notices

EIS No. 20080242, Draft EIS, BLM, WV, East Lynn Lake Coal Lease Project, Proposal to Lease Federal Coal that lies Under Nine Tracts of Land for Mining, Wayne County, WV, Comment Period Ends: 11/10/2008, Contact: Chris Carusona 414-297-4463.

Revision of FR Notice Published 06/27/2008: Extending Comment Period from 09/24/2008 to 11/10/2008.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Integrated Science Assessment for Sulfur Oxides-Health Criteria

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of Availability.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing the availability of a final document entitled “Integrated Science Assessment for Sulfur Oxides-Health Criteria” (EPA/600/R-08/047F) and the supplementary annexes (EPA/600/R-08/047FA). The document was prepared by the National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA) within EPA’s Office of Research and Development as part of the review of the primary (health-based) national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for sulfur oxides.

DATES: The document will be available on or about September 12, 2008.

ADDRESSES: The “Integrated Science Assessment for Sulfur Oxides-Health Criteria” will be available primarily via the Internet on the National Center for Environmental Assessment’s home page under the Recent Additions and Publications menus at <http://www.epa.gov/ncea>. A limited number of CD-ROM or paper copies will be available. Contact Ms. Ellen Lorang by phone (919-541-2771), fax (919-541-5078), or e-mail (lorang.ellen@epa.gov) to request either of these, and please provide your name, your mailing address, and the document title,

“Integrated Science Assessment for Sulfur Oxides-Health Criteria” (EPA/600/R-08/047F), to facilitate processing of your request.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For technical information, contact Jee Young Kim, Sc.D., NCEA [telephone: 919-541-4157; facsimile: 919-541-5078; or e-mail: kim.jee-young@epa.gov] or Douglas Johns, PhD, NCEA [telephone: 919-541-5596; or e-mail: johns.doug@epa.gov].

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 108(a) of the Clean Air Act directs the Administrator to identify certain pollutants that “may reasonably be anticipated to endanger public health and welfare” and to issue air quality criteria for them. These air quality criteria are to “accurately reflect the latest scientific knowledge useful in indicating the kind and extent of all identifiable effects on public health or welfare which may be expected from the presence of [a] pollutant in the ambient air. * * *” Under section 109 of the Act, EPA is then to establish national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for each pollutant for which EPA has issued criteria. Section 109(d) of the Act requires subsequent periodic review and, if appropriate, revision of existing air quality criteria to reflect advances in scientific knowledge on the effects of the pollutant on public health and welfare. EPA is also to revise the NAAQS, if appropriate, based on the revised air quality criteria.

Sulfur oxides are one of six principal (or “criteria”) pollutants for which EPA has established NAAQS. Periodically, EPA reviews the scientific basis for these standards by preparing an Integrated Science Assessment (ISA), formerly called an Air Quality Criteria Document (AQCD). The ISA and supplementary annexes, in conjunction with additional technical and policy assessments, provide the scientific basis for EPA decisions on the adequacy of a current NAAQS and the appropriateness of new or revised standards. The Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC), an independent science advisory committee mandated by the Clean Air Act and part of the EPA’s Science Advisory Board (SAB), is charged with expert scientific review of EPA’s draft ISAs.

On May 16, 2006 (71 FR 28023), EPA formally initiated its current review of the criteria for Sulfur Oxides, requesting the submission of recent scientific information on specified topics. A draft of EPA’s “Integrated Plan for Review of the Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Sulfur Oxides” was made available in February 2007 for