

mitigating measures, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management (BLM) participated as a cooperating agency in the preparation of the EA. Cooperating agencies have jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to resources potentially affected by the proposal and participate in the NEPA analysis. The BLM will adopt and use the EA to consider the issuance of a right-of-way grant for the use of a potential temporary workspace on BLM-administered public lands adjacent to the Ogilby Meter Station. North Baja submitted an application requesting a right-of-way for use of a temporary workspace on BLM-administered public lands.

The proposed North Baja XPress Project includes the following facilities:

- The construction of one new 31,900-horsepower compressor unit and restaging of two existing 7,700-horsepower compressor units at North Baja's existing Ehrenberg Compressor Station in La Paz County, Arizona; and
- the addition of flow measurement facilities and piping modifications at North Baja's existing El Paso and Ogilby Meter Stations in La Paz County, Arizona and Imperial County, California, respectively.

The Commission mailed a copy of the *Notice of Availability* for the project to federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; potentially affected landowners and other interested individuals and groups; and newspapers and libraries in the project area. The EA is only available in electronic format. It may be viewed and downloaded from the FERC's website (www.ferc.gov), on the natural gas environmental documents page (<https://www.ferc.gov/industries-data/naturalgas/environment/environmental-documents>). In addition, the EA may be accessed by using the eLibrary link on the FERC's website. Click on the eLibrary link (<https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/elibrary/overview>), select "General Search" and enter the docket number in the "Docket Number" field, excluding the last three digits (*i.e.* CP20-27). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

The EA is not a decision document. It presents Commission staff's independent analysis of the

environmental issues for the Commission to consider when addressing the merits of issues raised in this proceeding. Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. Your comments should focus on the EA's disclosure and discussion of potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. To ensure that the Commission has the opportunity to consider your comments prior to making its decision on this project, it is important that we receive your comments in Washington, DC on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on October 8, 2020.

For your convenience, there are three methods you can use to file your comments to the Commission. The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments and has staff available to assist you at (866) 208-3676 or FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. Please carefully follow these instructions so that your comments are properly recorded.

(1) You can file your comments electronically using the eComment feature on the Commission's website (www.ferc.gov) under the link to FERC Online. This is an easy method for submitting brief, text-only comments on a project;

(2) You can also file your comments electronically using the eFiling feature on the Commission's website (www.ferc.gov) under the link to FERC Online. With eFiling, you can provide comments in a variety of formats by attaching them as a file with your submission. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on "eRegister." You must select the type of filing you are making. If you are filing a comment on a particular project, please select "Comment on a Filing";

(3) You can file a paper copy of your comments by mailing them to the Commission. Be sure to reference the project docket number (CP20-27-000) on your letter. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

Filing environmental comments will not give you intervenor status, but you do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered. Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing or judicial review of the

Commission's decision. At this point in this proceeding, the timeframe for filing timely intervention requests has expired. Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene out-of-time pursuant to Rule 214(b)(3) and (d) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214(b)(3) and (d)) and show good cause why the time limitation should be waived. Motions to intervene are more fully described at <https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/ferc-online/how-guides>.

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208-FERC, or on the FERC website (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of all formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription which allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to <https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/overview> to register for eSubscription.

Dated: September 8, 2020.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14514-003]

Community of Elfin Cove Non Profit Corporation, DBA Elfin Cove Utility Commission; Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission and Soliciting Additional Study Requests

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

- a. *Type of Application*: Original minor license.
- b. *Project No.*: P-14514-003.
- c. *Date filed*: August 24, 2020.
- d. *Applicant*: Community of Elfin Cove Non Profit Corporation, DBA Elfin Cove Utility Commission.
- e. *Name of Project*: Crooked Creek and Jim's Lake Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location*: On Crooked Creek and Jim's Lake, near the community of Elfin Cove, in the Sitka Recording District, Unorganized Borough, Alaska. The project would occupy 13.98 acres of federal land in the Tongass National Forest, managed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service.

g. *Filed Pursuant to*: Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact*: Mr. Joel Groves, Polarconsult Alaska, Inc., 1503 W 33rd Avenue, #310, Anchorage, Alaska 99503; phone: (907) 258–2420 ext. 204.

i. *FERC Contact*: John Matkowski at (202) 502–8576; or email at john.matkowski@ferc.gov.

j. *Cooperating agencies*: Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues that wish to cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document should follow the instructions for filing such requests described in item l below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document cannot also intervene. *See*, 94 FERC ¶ 61,076 (2001).

k. Pursuant to section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than 60 days from the date of filing of the application, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

l. Deadline for filing additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status: October 23, 2020.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208–3676 (toll free), or (202) 502–8659 (TTY).

m. The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

n. The proposed project would consist of two developments, the Upper System and the Lower System.

The Upper System development would consist of the following new facilities: (1) A 16-foot-long, 6-foot-diameter intake structure to divert up to five cubic feet per second (cfs) from Crooked Creek; (2) a 1,050-foot-long, 14-

inch-diameter buried penstock extending between the intake structure and the powerhouse; (3) a 16-foot-long, 20-foot-wide, 20-foot-high powerhouse containing a 35-kilowatt (kW) crossflow turbine; (4) a tailrace discharging flows into Jim's Lake; and (5) appurtenant facilities.

The Lower System development would consist of the following facilities: (1) 225-foot-long, 18-foot-high rock-fill dam and intake structure at the outlet of Jim's Lake to divert up to 6.5 cfs from Jim's Lake; (2) a 2,550-foot-long, 16 to 18-inch-diameter buried penstock extending between the intake and the powerhouse; (3) 20-foot-long, 28-foot-wide, 14-foot-high powerhouse containing a 105-kW impulse turbine; (4) a tailrace discharging flows into Port Althorp; and (5) appurtenant facilities.

The project would also include an underground 8,800-foot-long, 7.2/12.47-kilovolt (kV) transmission line extending from the project powerhouses at each of the developments to Elfin Cove's existing 7.2/12.47-kV transmission line. The project would generate an average of 788.3 megawatt-hours annually.

o. In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to the Commission's Public Reference Room, due to the proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), issued by the President on March 13, 2020. For assistance, contact FERC at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (866) 208–3676 or TYY, (202) 502–8659.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

p. *Procedural schedule*: The application will be processed according to the following preliminary schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Deficiency Letter (if necessary)—November 2020

Request Additional Information—

November 2020

Issue Acceptance Letter—February 2021

Issue Scoping Document 1 for comments—March 2021

Request Additional Information (if necessary)—May 2021

Issue Scoping Document 2—June 2021

Issue Notice of Ready for Environmental Analysis—June 2021

Commission issues Environmental Assessment—December 2021

Dated: September 8, 2020.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 7274–034]

Town of Wells; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, Approving Use of the Traditional Licensing Process

a. *Type of Filing*: Notice of Intent to File License Application and Request to Use the Traditional Licensing Process.

b. *Project No.*: 7274–034.

c. *Date Filed*: July 28, 2020.

d. *Submitted By*: Town of Wells.

e. *Name of Project*: Lake Algonquin Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location*: On the Sacandaga River in the Town of Wells, Hamilton County, New York. The project does not occupy any federal land.

g. *Filed Pursuant to*: 18 CFR 5.3 of the Commission's regulations.

h. *Potential Applicant Contact*: Nicholas Mauro, Town of Wells, 1438 State Route 30, Wells, NY 12190; (518) 775–9390; email—nick-mauro@townofwells.org.

i. *FERC Contact*: Samantha Pollak at (202) 502–6419; or email at samantha.pollak@ferc.gov.

j. The Town of Wells filed its request to use the Traditional Licensing Process on July 28, 2020. The Town of Wells provided public notice of its request on July 20, 2020. In a letter dated September 8, 2020, the Director of the Division of Hydropower Licensing approved the Town of Wells' request to use the Traditional Licensing Process.

k. With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR, Part 402. We are also initiating consultation with the New York State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by section 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the