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AIR

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AIR

New York SIP/Regional Haze

AIR

Proposed rule of the EPA would approve a revision to the New York SIP for regional haze. The revision includes a five-year progress report toward reasonable progress goals (RPGs) for regional haze and a determination of adequacy of the existing regional haze SIP. The progress report specifies that the state has implemented the necessary measures and that visibility in federal Class I areas affected by the state's emissions is improving and meets the applicable RPGs for 2018. Comments are due Aug. 31, 2017. Contact: Robert Kelly; Air Programs Branch; 212-637-4249; kelly.bob@epa.gov. Citations: 40 CFR 52

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Regulatory Update

FOOD SAFETY

Modernization of Poultry Slaughter Inspection

FOOD SAFETY

Notice of the Food Safety and Inspection Service announces the submission of a continuing information collection request to the OMB concerning the modernization of poultry slaughter inspection to address standard operating procedures or other prerequisite programs and written procedures. The collection addresses maintenance of programs for prevention of contamination of carcasses and parts by enteric pathogens and by fecal matter throughout the entire slaughter and dressing operation, including microbial test results, documentation of prevention of carcasses afflicted with septicemia and toxemia from entering a chiller, and records that document that the products resulting from slaughter operations meet the definition of ready-to-cook poultry. The collection also addresses requirements for establishments to submit annual attestation of maintenance of a program to monitor and document work-related conditions of establishment workers. Comments are due Aug. 31, 2017. Contact: Gina Kouba; FSIS, Office of Policy and Program Development; 202-720-5627

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Regulatory Update

GENERAL ENVIRONMENT AND SAFETY

Mariana Islands/Training and Testing Study Area

GENERAL ENVIRONMENT AND SAFETY

Notice announces the intention of the Department of the Navy to prepare a supplemental environmental impact statement/overseas environmental impact statement for the Mariana Islands Training and Testing Study Area. A prior EIS (80 FR 46252; 08/04/2015) assessed the impact of military readiness activities on the study area, composed of the existing Mariana Islands Range Complex (MIRC), areas on the high seas to the north and west of the MIRC, a transit corridor between the MIRC and the Hawaii Range Complex, and Apra Harbor and select Navy pierside and harbor locations. The current supplemental EIS will assess ongoing and future military readiness activities conducted at sea and on Farallon de Medinilla within the study area beyond 2020. The current EIS also will incorporate new information available after the release of the 2015 EIS, including an updated acoustic effects model, updated marine mammal density data, and other best available science. Comments are due Sept. 15, 2017. Contact: Department of the Navy, Naval Facilities Engineering Command Pacific; 808-472-1007

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GENERAL ENVIRONMENT AND SAFETY

Oregon/Calf Copeland Restoration Project

GENERAL ENVIRONMENT AND SAFETY

Notice announces the intention of the U.S. Forest Service to prepare an environmental impact statement regarding the Calf Copeland Restoration Project in the Umpqua and Diamond Lake districts of the Umpqua National Forest in Oregon. The project would use timber harvest, noncommercial thinning, and prescribed fire to reduce stem densities and improve the fuel profiles in plantations and in older stands with sugar pine or ponderosa pine. The project also

would place shaded fuel breaks along roads to help manage wildlife to reduce the risk of stand replacement fire in the remaining late-successional and old-growth stands. In addition, the project would provide log placement in lower Calf Creek to improve stream conditions, restore two wetlands, and possibly decommission or close roads to improve watershed conditions. The issuance of a draft EIS is scheduled for December 2018, and the issuance of a final EIS is scheduled for July 2019. Comments are due Aug. 31, 2017. Contact: Richard Helliwell; USFS; 541-957-3337; rhelliwell@fs.fed.us

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GENERAL ENVIRONMENT AND SAFETY

Oregon/Wallowa Lake County Service District Hydro Station Project

GENERAL ENVIRONMENT AND SAFETY

Notice of FERC announces receipt of an application by Wallowa Resources Community Solutions Inc., of Enterprise, Ore., to construct the Wallowa Lake County Service District Hydro Station Project, a qualifying conduit hydropower facility near Joseph, Ore. The project would consist of a new 20 kilowatt impulse turbine and induction generator and a 13-by-14-foot powerhouse. The project would be located along the existing State Park Spring municipal water pipeline and have an estimated annual generating capacity of 149,000 kilowatt-hours. Motions to intervene are due Aug. 24, 2017. Comments are due Sept. 8, 2017. Contact: Christopher Chaney; FERC; 202-502-6778; Christopher.Chaney@ferc.gov

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GENERAL ENVIRONMENT AND SAFETY

Texas/Kinder Morgan US, Mexico Border Natural Gas Facilities

GENERAL ENVIRONMENT AND SAFETY

Notice of FERC announces the filing of an application by Kinder Morgan Border Pipeline, of Houston, to amend its current authorization under Natural Gas Act Section 3 and presidential permit to increase the design capacity of the company's border facilities from approximately 300 million cubic feet per day (MMcf/d) to 450 MMcf/d. FERC will complete an environmental assessment or issue a notice of schedule for environmental review by Oct. 23, 2017. Comments are due Aug. 15, 2017. Contact: FERC, Office of External Affairs; 866-208-3676; FERCOOnlineSupport@ferc.gov

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GENERAL ENVIRONMENT AND SAFETY

Wisconsin/Cross-Media Electronic Reporting

GENERAL ENVIRONMENT AND SAFETY

Notice of the EPA announces approval of a request from Wisconsin concerning cross-media electronic reporting requirements. The approval authorizes the state to revise its EPA-authorized

programs to allow electronic reporting as part of its programs regarding state implementation plans, NESHAPs, operating permit programs, NPDES permitting, drinking water, underground injection control, hazardous waste, underground storage tanks, general pretreatment standards, and state sludge management programs. The drinking water rule approval is effective Aug. 31, 2017, if no hearing requests are received by that date. The remaining approvals are effective Aug. 1, 2017. Contact: Karen Seeh; EPA, Office of Environmental Information; 202-566-1175; seeh.karen@epa.gov. Citations: 40 CFR 52, 62, 63, 70, 123, 142, 145, 239, 271, 403, and 501

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OIL AND GAS INDUSTRY

Gas Pipeline Rates/Capacity Reports and Index of Customers

OIL AND GAS INDUSTRY

Notice of FERC announces the submission of a continuing information collection request to the OMB regarding gas pipeline rates, capacity reports, and index of customers (FERC-549B). The collection gathers an index of customer reports from pipeline operators on a quarterly basis and requires operators to post information concerning capacity and flow online. The collection also gathers a capacity report concerning firm and interruptible services and an annual report concerning peak day design capacity or the actual peak day capacity achieved. Comments are due Aug. 31, 2017. Contact: Ellen Brown; FERC; 202-502-8663; DataClearance@FERC.gov. Citations: 18 CFR 284

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RADIATION

Nuclear Power Reactors/Upgrades to Digital Instrumentation and Control Systems

RADIATION

Notice of the NRC announces an extension of the comment period for a draft regulatory issue summary (RIS) announced in a July 3, 2017, notice (82 FR 30913). The RIS supplements the Electric Power Research Institute/Nuclear Energy Institute Joint Task Force report on guidance concerning licensee upgrades to digital instrumentation and control systems (NEI 01-01). The RIS also clarifies the performance and documentation of technical evaluations and documented qualitative assessments to comply with requirements regarding changes, tests, and experiments. Comments now are due Aug. 16, 2017. Contact: Tekia Govan; NRC, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation; 301-415-6197; tekia.govan@nrc.gov. Citations: 10 CFR 50.59

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