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Project No. 2079-069 – California
Middle Fork American River
Hydroelectric Project
Placer County Water Agency

Andrew Fecko, Resource Planning Administrator
Placer County Water Agency
144 Ferguson Road
Auburn, CA 95603

Subject: Integrated Licensing Process Relicensing Schedule Change

Dear Mr. Fecko:

On November 30, 2011, Placer County Water Agency (PCWA) filed a supplement intended to augment information contained within PCWA's application for a new license for the Middle Fork American River Project No. 2079-069 (filed February 23, 2011). The filing includes a description and analysis of an alternative (Alternative 1) to PCWA's proposed action including: (1) revised instream flow and reservoir minimum pool requirements; (2) additional recreation enhancements included in the U.S. Department of Agriculture - Forest Service's preliminary terms and conditions; and (3) revised management plans on which PCWA and stakeholders reached consensus.

PCWA's filing contains a vast amount of information that Commission staff will need to analyze thoroughly in its environmental document. Therefore, pursuant to section 5.29(f)(2) of the Commission's regulations, the processing schedule for the Middle Fork American River Project has been revised and is provided in Appendix A.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Carolyn Templeton at (202) 502-8785, or via email at carolyn.templeton@ferc.gov.

Sincerely,

Jeff C. Wright
Director
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**Appendix A - Revised Schedule for Processing the License
Application for the Middle Fork American River Project No. 2079-069**

Responsible Entity	Pre-Filing Milestone	Date	FERC Regulation
FERC	Issue Draft EA/EIS	7/17/2012	5.24
All stakeholders	Comments on Draft EA/EIS due	9/15/2012	5.24(c)
Agencies	Modified 4(e) and Fishway Prescriptions	11/14/2012	5.24(d)
FERC	Issue Final EA/EIS	2/12/2013	