

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Middle Fork American River Project

Project No. 2079-069

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE
FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR THE MIDDLE FORK
AMERICAN RIVER HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT

(February 22, 2013)

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) regulations contained in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)(18 CFR Part 380 [FERC Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897]), the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the application for license for the Middle Fork American River Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 2079), located on the Middle Fork of the American and Rubicon Rivers and Duncan and North and South Fork Long Canyon Creeks in Placer and El Dorado Counties, California, and has prepared a final environmental impact statement (EIS) for the project. The project occupies 3,268 acres of federal lands administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture - Forest Service.

The final EIS contains staff's analysis of the applicant's proposal and the alternatives for relicensing the Middle Fork American River Hydroelectric Project. The final EIS documents the views of governmental agencies, non-governmental organizations, affected Indian tribes, the public, the license applicant, and Commission staff.

A copy of the final EIS is available for review at the Commission or may be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "e-Library" link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits, to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at (866)208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202)502-8659.

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