

Middle Fork Project

Relicensing Process Plan

April 25, 2006

Relicensing Process Plan

Purpose

- Describes Overall Approach and Schedule for Licensing the Project
- Consistent with Timeframes in the ILP Regulations
- Integrates Other Agency Process Needs

Relicensing Process Plan

Content

- Overview of ILP Process, Schedule and Key Milestones
- Proposed Collaborative Stakeholder Process
 - Guiding Principles and Commitments
 - Participation Opportunities
 - Communication Tools and Protocols
 - Formal Meeting Structure, Purpose and Schedule

Relicensing Process Plan

- Proposed Collaborative Stakeholder Process (cont'd)
 - Key Decisions
 - Decision Making Protocols and Dispute Resolution
 - Documentation
 - FERC Scoping Meeting and Site Visit

Relicensing Process Plan Development

- Establish Communication Protocol Sub-Group (April 2006)
- Discuss Relicensing Process Plan (May 2006)
- Distribute Draft Relicensing Process Plan (June 2006)

Relicensing Process Plan Development

- Discuss Stakeholder Comments on Relicensing Process Plan (July 2006)
- Finalize Draft Relicensing Process Plan (August 2006)
- Update Relicensing Process Plan (August 2006-August 2007)

Proposed Stakeholder Meeting

May 16, 2006

Meeting Topics:

- Stakeholder Interests Statements
- Communication Protocol Sub-Group Update
- Communication Tools Presentation
- Draft Relicensing Process Plan Overview

Proposed Stakeholder Meeting

June 20 and 21, 2006

Meeting Topics:

- Review “Shared” Interests
- Overview of Existing Environmental Resource Information
- Detailed Project Description
- **Project and Unimpaired Hydrology**
- Establish Technical Working Groups and Operations Model Sub-Group

Proposed Stakeholder Meeting

July 2006

Meeting Topics:

- Review Draft Communication Protocols
- Discuss Comments on Draft Relicensing Process Plan
- Regulatory Management Objectives
- Study Plan Development Process and Schedule
- Study Plan Outline (Format)
- List of Proposed Technical Study Plans

Proposed Working Group Meetings August and September 2006

Meeting Topics:

- Discuss Technical Approaches for Environmental Studies

Proposed Stakeholder Meeting

October 2006

Meeting Topics:

- Distribution of Technical Study Plans
- Overview of Technical Study Plan Content
- Study Plan Comment Process and Schedule