



DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 9885-220]

Marysville Hydro Partners; 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.: 9885-220
- c. Date Filed: April 30, 2024
- d. Submitted By: Marysville Hydro Partners
- e. Name of Project: Falls River Hydroelectric Project
- f. Location: On the Fall River, in Fremont County, Idaho. No federal lands are occupied by the project works or located within the project boundary.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: 18 CFR 5.3 of the Commission's regulations
- h. Potential Applicant Contact: Doug Dockter, 205 N 10th St., Ste. 510, Boise, Idaho 83702; (208) 388-2987; e-mail – DDockter@ida-west.com
- i. FERC Contact: Maryam Zavareh at (202) 502-8474; or e-mail at maryam.zavareh@ferc.gov.
- j. Marysville Hydro Partners filed its request to use the Traditional Licensing Process on April, 30 2024. Marysville Hydro Partners provided public notice of its request on July 6, 2000. In a letter dated June 24, 2024, the Acting Director of the Division of Hydropower Licensing approved Marysville Hydro Partners' request to use the Traditional Licensing Process.
- k. With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and/or NOAA Fisheries under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR part 402; and NOAA Fisheries under section 305(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and implementing regulations at 50 CFR 600.920. We are also initiating consultation with the Idaho State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by section 106, National Historic Preservation

Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.

- l. With this notice, we are designating the Marysville Hydro Partners as the Commission's non-federal representative for carrying out informal consultation pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and section 305(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act; and consultation pursuant to section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.
- m. Marysville Hydro Partners filed a Pre-Application Document (PAD; including a proposed process plan and schedule) with the Commission, pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.
- n. A copy of the PAD may be viewed and/or printed on the Commission's website <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. For assistance, contact FERC at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll free, (886) 208-3676 or TTY (202) 502-8659.

You may register online at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FERCOOnline.aspx> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

- o. The licensee states its unequivocal intent to submit an application for a new license for Project No. 9885-220. Pursuant to 18 CFR 16.8, 16.9, and 16.10 each application for a new license and any competing license applications must be filed with the Commission at least 24 months prior to the expiration of the existing license. All applications for license for this project must be filed by April 30, 2027.
- p. The Commission's Office of Public Participation (OPP) supports meaningful public engagement and participation in Commission proceedings. OPP can help members of the public, including landowners, environmental justice

communities, Tribal members and others, access publicly available information and navigate Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

Dated: June 24, 2024.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Acting Secretary.

[FR Doc. 2024-14397 Filed: 6/28/2024 8:45 am; Publication Date: 7/1/2024]