



DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2107-065]

Pacific Gas & Electric Company; Notice of Availability Of Environmental Assessment

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission or FERC) regulations, 18 CFR Part 380, Commission staff reviewed Pacific Gas & Electric's (licensee) application for a temporary variance from required minimum flows under California State Water Resources Control Board's section 401 Water Quality Certification condition 1 and U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service (Forest Service) 4(e) condition 23 Part 1 of its project license and have prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the variance.¹ The licensee proposes to reduce flows released from Poe Dam so that instream flows of the bypassed reach are maintained at least at 100 cubic feet per second, from the time of variance approval through November 15, 2025. The licensee states that this temporary reduction is necessary to facilitate recoating the radial bypass gates and replacing the seals, the gate hoist, and its controls. The project is located on the North Fork Feather River upstream of Lake Oroville near the Town of Pulga, in Butte County, California. It

¹ In accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality's regulations, the unique identification number for documents relating to this environmental review is EAXX-019-20-000-1747814721.

occupies federal land within the Plumas National Forest, administered by the Forest Service.

The EA contains Commission staff's analysis of the potential environmental effects of the proposed temporary flow variance, alternatives to the proposed action, and concludes that the proposed variance, would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

The EA may be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "elibrary" link. Enter the docket number (P-2107-065) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659.

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