



DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2547-095]

Village of Swanton, Vermont; Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment

On April 29, 2022, the Village of Swanton, Vermont (Village) filed a relicense application for the 11.372-megawatt Highgate Falls Hydroelectric Project No. 2547. The project is located on the Missisquoi River in Franklin County, Vermont.

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, on September 8, 2025, Commission staff issued a notice that the project was ready for environmental analysis (REA notice). Based on the information in the record, including comments filed on the REA notice, staff does not anticipate that licensing the project would constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. Therefore, staff intends to prepare an environmental assessment (EA) on the application to relicense the project.¹

The EA will be issued and circulated for review by all interested parties. All comments filed on the EA will be analyzed by staff and considered in the Commission's final licensing decision.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

¹ For tracking purposes under the National Environmental Policy Act, the unique identification number for documents relating to this environmental review is EAXX-019-20-000-1760606606.

The application will be processed according to the following schedule. Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate.

MILESTONE	TARGET DATE
Commission issues EA	September 17, 2026

Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Arash Barsari by telephone at (202) 502-6207 or by email at Arash.JalaliBarsari@ferc.gov.

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