



DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 10896-027]

Northbrook Virginia Hydro, LLC

City of Danville, Virginia

**Notice of Intent to File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document,
and 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.: 10896-027
- c. Dated Filed: February 27, 2026
- d. Submitted By: Northbrook Virginia Hydro, LLC (Northbrook) and the City of Danville, Virginia (City)
- e. Name of Project: Pinnacles Hydroelectric Project
- f. Location: The Pinnacles Project is located on the Dan River in Patrick, Henry, and Pittsylvania counties, Virginia.

- g. Filed Pursuant to: 18 CFR § 5.3 of the Commission's regulations
- h. Applicant Contact: Chuck Ahlrichs, Northbrook Virginia Hydro, LLC, 14550 N Frank Lloyd Wright Boulevard, Suite 101, Scottsdale, Arizona 85260, cahlrichs@nbenergy.com; Jason Grey, Director, Danville Utilities, City of Danville, Virginia, P.O. Box 3300, Danville, Virginia 24543, greyjc@danvilleva.gov
- i. FERC Contact: Silvia Pineda-Munoz at (202) 502-8388; or e-mail at silvia.pineda-munoz@ferc.gov.
- j. Northbrook and the City filed their request to use the Traditional Licensing Process on February 27, 2026, and provided public notice of its request on February 25, 2026. In a letter dated April 17, 2026, the Director of the Division of Hydropower Licensing approved Northbrook's and the City's request to use the Traditional Licensing Process.
- k. With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR, Part 402. We are also initiating consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer, Virginia Department of Historic Resources, 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 Northbrook and the City as the Commission's non-federal representatives for carrying out informal consultation pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

- m. Northbrook and the City 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 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 Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY).

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- o. The licensee states its unequivocal intent to submit an application for a new license for Project No. 10896. 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, 2029.

- p. 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.

(Authority: 18 CFR 2.1)

Dated: April 17, 2026.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Secretary.

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