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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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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 Company's application for non-capacity amendment of the Mokelumne Hydroelectric Project No. 137 and have prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project.[1] To mitigate seepage along the downstream embankment of Lower Blue Lake dam, the licensee proposes to install a filter and buttress. To minimize potential effects of seismic activity, the licensee proposes to increase the height of the dam by 2 feet. The licensee does not propose any changes to the operating elevation of the reservoir. The licensee also proposes to repair a monitoring weir downstream of the dam and incorporate the weir into the project boundary. Lower Blue Lake is a storage development of the Mokelumne Project located on Middle Creek, a tributary of Blue Creek, in Alpine County, California. The Mokelumne Project partially is located on lands administered by the U.S. Forest Service.

The EA contains Commission staff's analysis of the potential environmental effects of the proposed amendment, alternatives to the proposed action, and concludes

[1] The unique identification number for documents relating to this environmental review is EAXX-019-20-000-1759504341.

that the proposed amendment, with the licensee's proposed environmental protective measures, 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-137-227) 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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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

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