

November 7, 2002

The Honorable Magalie R. Salas
Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Avenue NE
Washington, DC 20426

**Re: Cooper Lake Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 2170):
Agenda for Fall Workshop to Review ICP Comments & Discuss Plans for 2003 Studies**

As announced in a letter sent to Cooper Lake Project relicensing participants on October 1, 2002, Chugach will hold a workshop on Tuesday, December 3 to review written comments that were received on the Initial Consultation Package (ICP) and to discuss draft study plans and ongoing planning work for relicensing studies to be conducted in 2003. The workshop will be held at the Kenai Princess Lodge from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. An agenda for the workshop is attached to this letter.

Draft study plans are currently in preparation. Many of the drafts will be ready for distribution to relicensing participants within the next week or so; other draft study plans will be issued as they are completed. The purpose of the discussion at the December 3 workshop is to explain and clarify the proposed approach and methods for the studies. Comments on the draft study plans may be submitted prior to, during, or following the workshop. In accordance with the Communications Protocol, for each draft study plan there will be a full 30-day comment period, beginning from the date the draft is issued.

We look forward to seeing many of you at the December 3 workshop in Cooper Landing. (The current list of participants who have confirmed that they will attend is attached for your information.) If you plan to attend and have not already done so, *please RSVP*:

**Please RSVP by November 23 to:
Ms. May Clark, Relicensing Secretary
907-762-4547 or may_clark@chugachelectric.com**

Sincerely,



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Cooper Lake Relicensing Project Manager

Enclosures

**Cooper Lake Hydroelectric Project Relicensing (FERC No. 2170)
Fall Workshop to Review ICP Comments and Discuss Plans for 2003 Studies
Tuesday, December 3, 2002, 9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.
Kenai Princess Hotel
Cooper Landing**

Proposed Agenda

9:00–9:15 A.M.

Welcome/Introductions

Steve Padula (Long View Associates)

9:15–9:30 A.M.

Review of agenda and basic format for meeting

Steve Padula (Long View Associates)

9:30 A.M.– 3:45 P.M.

Review of ICP comments and proposed
information development

Steve Padula (Long View Associates)

NOTE: For each resource area, the comments and information development will be
discussed in terms of the following categories (as applicable):

- Requests to be addressed by near-term development of supplemental information
- Discussion of draft study plans currently in review or in preparation
(including review of 2002 data collection to support study plan development)
- Issues addressed through preliminary analysis
- Requested studies that will not be conducted at this time

Facilities/Operations/Engineering

Howard Lee (Montgomery Watson Harza)

9:30 – 10:00 A.M.

Roads / Access Routes

Sally Morsell (HDR Alaska)

10:00–10:15 A.M.

< Break >

Fish/Aquatic Resources

John Morsell (Northern Ecological Services)

10:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

< Lunch >

Terrestrial Resources

Sally Morsell, Anne Leggett (HDR Alaska)

1:15–2:15 P.M.

Recreation/Visual Resources
2:15–2:45 P.M.

Dwayne Adams (Land Design North)

< *Break* >

Cultural Resources
3:00–3:30 P.M.

Mike Yarborough (Cultural Resource Consultants)

3:30 P.M.

Review current schedule and discuss next steps

Steve Padula (Long View Associates)

4:00 P.M.

Adjourn

**Fall Workshop
Dec. 3, 2002
Kenai Princess Lodge
Cooper Landing, AK**

RSVP LIST

RSVP List current as of 11/7/02

1. Doug Mutter, DOI
2. Dan Bevington, KPB
3. Gary Prokosch,
4. plus one...DNR Water Resources
5. Phil North, EPA
6. Chris Degernes, Kenai Park Supt, ADNR
7. Glenda Landua, ADF&G
8. Jeff Breakfield, ADF&G
9. Tom Cappiello, ADF&G
10. Jason Mouw, ADF&G
11. Joe Klein, ADF&G
12. Bruce King, ADF&G
13. Rep. Ken Lancaster
14. Don Stead, HEA
15. Cassie Thomas, NPS
16. Ray Morgan, MEA
17. Dave Blanchet, USFS
18. Michael Kania, USFS
19. Margaret Beilharz, USFS
20. Bill Shuster, USFS
21. Steve Hennig, USFS
22. Libby Bella, USFS
23. Eric Johansen, USFS
24. Lawrence Peltz, NOAA
25. Gary Sonnevil, USFWS, Kenai
26. Jack Dean, Resident