

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

The Nevada Power Company, Inc.
Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District

Project No. 11858-002
California

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETINGS FOR DISCUSSION OF
THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR THE LAKE
ELSINORE ADVANCED PUMPED STORAGE PROJECT

(March 1, 2006)

On February 17, 2006, the Commission staff delivered the Lake Elsinore Advanced Pumped Storage (LEAPS) Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement (draft EIS) to the Environmental Protection Agency and mailed it to resource and land management agencies, interested organizations, and individuals.

The draft EIS was noticed in the Federal Register on February 24, 2006, (71 FR 9819) and comments are due **April 25, 2006**. The draft EIS evaluates the environmental consequences and developmental benefits of issuing an original license for building, operating and maintaining the LEAPS Project, located in Riverside County, California. The project would occupy 2,412 acres of federal lands, including lands managed by the Cleveland National Forest. Besides evaluating the applicant's proposal, the draft EIS evaluates a FERC staff proposal and the no-action alternative.

Two public meetings, which will be recorded by an official stenographer, are scheduled as follows.

DATE : Tuesday, April 4, 2006
TIME : 7:00 - 10:00 p.m. (PST)
PLACE : San Juan Capistrano Community Center
25925 Camino del Avion
San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675

DATE : Wednesday, April 5, 2006
TIME : 7:00 - 10:00 p.m. (PST)
PLACE : Lake Elsinore Cultural Center
183 N. Main Street
Lake Elsinore, CA 92530

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At these meetings, resource agency personnel and other interested persons will have the opportunity to provide oral and written comments and recommendations regarding the DEIS for the Commission's public record.

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