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BEFORE THE
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

- - - - -x Docket Number
IN THE MATTER OF: : P-13570-002
WARM SPRINGS DAM HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT :
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Juntura Elementary School
5855 6th Street
Juntura, OR 97911

Wednesday, April 30, 2014

The above-entitled matter came on for Scoping Meeting,
pursuant to notice, at 7:28 p.m., Kenneth Wilcox FERC Moderator.

1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 (7:28 p.m.)

3 MR. WILCOX: So we'll go ahead and open the
4 scoping meeting.5 My name is Ken Wilcox with the Federal Energy
6 Regulatory Commission. And we have some FERC staff here for
7 the meeting. And this is in regard to the Warm Springs Dam
8 Hydroelectric Project, which has been proposed by the Warm
9 Springs Irrigation District.

10 Just real quick introduce staff here.

11 MS. NGUYEN: Kim Nguyen, civil engineer in
12 Licensing.13 MR. CUTLIP: Matt Cutlip. I'm a fish biologist
14 also in Licensing.15 MS. WOLCOTT: Kelly Wolcott. I'm an
16 environmental biologist also in Licensing.17 MS. DE CHAMPS: Cleo DeChamps, an attorney in the
18 Office of General Counsel.

19 MR. WILCOX: Okay. Thank you.

20 And also today we have some representatives of
21 the Oregon Water Resources Department.22 MS. GRAINEY: I'm Mary Graine with Oregon Water
23 Resources, Hydroelectric Section.24 MS. REECE: Ann Reece with Oregon Water
25 Resources, Hydroelectric.

1 MS. HART: I'm Pam Hart with the Bureau of Land
2 Management, Burns Office, Lands and Realty Specialist.

3 MR. WILCOX: And then we also have the applicant
4 here, if you want to introduce yourself.

5 MR. KINNEY: Hi. My name is Randy Kinney,
6 District Manager of the Warm Springs Irrigation District.

7 MR. JOSTEN: And I'm Nick Josten. I'm with Warm
8 Springs Hydro LLC.

9 MR. WILCOX: Okay.

10 I think we'll have a short meeting tonight. We
11 don't have any members of the public, apparently. And all
12 of the people in attendance, as far as I can tell, were
13 either at the meeting today or intend to be at the public
14 meeting tomorrow morning in Burns. We're meeting again at
15 nine o'clock at the Hardy County Community Center. So I
16 will see you all there.

17 In the interest of time and efficiency, it makes
18 sense to maybe call this meeting short and spend our time
19 with the larger group tomorrow covering essentially the same
20 material.

21 So does anybody have any comments or questions
22 they want to raise before we do that? And I don't want to
23 adjourn quite yet.

24 (No response.)

25 MR. WILCOX: So no comments.

1 Also, Mary, do you want to explain that this was
2 also intended to be a public meeting for the --

3 MS. GRAINEY: Right.

4 Water Resources, as part of its application
5 process -- every beneficial use of water is required to have
6 a water right. So even though the Irrigation District will
7 be releasing water in the same way that it does for its
8 irrigation customers, it will get a new -- or it has applied
9 for a new water right for the hydroelectric project. So
10 this was intended to be our public meeting.

11 We have thirty days more of open comment period
12 for people to submit comments to our office. And then we
13 will be preparing an order on the potential for cumulative
14 impacts. We think that this is the only project in the --
15 hydroelectric project in the Malheur Basin. So we don't
16 expect there to be any potential for cumulative impacts with
17 any other hydroelectric projects.

18 And then later, as FERC finishes their analysis
19 on the environmental assessment, we'll be using that
20 information to put together our proposed order on the
21 potential -- or the public interest issues for the project.
22 So we're open to comments on any of those things.

23 MR. WILCOX: Okay.

24 We do have copies of the scoping document here on
25 the table. If you haven't grabbed one, please do.

1 And we also have sign-in sheets for both the
2 Water Resources Department and FERC has sign-in sheets. I'd
3 appreciate it if you would sign both of those so we can keep
4 track of who is coming to our meetings.

5 And if there is nothing else, I think we'll go
6 ahead and adjourn this meeting and save our discussions for
7 tomorrow morning.

8 So thank you all for coming.

9 (Applause.)

10 (Whereupon, at 7:35 p.m., the scoping meeting in
11 the above-entitled matter was adjourned.)

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