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SCH # 2024061139

Project Title: Yuba-Bear Hydroelectric Project FERC Relicensing

Lead Agency: Nevada Irrigation District — Contact Person: Jennifer Hanson

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City: Grass Valley — Zip: 95945 — County: Nevada County

Project Location: County: Sierra, Nevada, and Placer Counties — City/Nearest Community: Colfax

Cross Streets: — Zip Code: 95945

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 39 ° 14 ′ 45.50 ″ N / 120 ° 47 ′ 10.50 ″ W Total Acres: 6,252.6

Assessor's Parcel No.: Various — Section: — Twp.: — Range: — Base:

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 174, 80, 20 — Waterways: Middle Yuba, South Yuba, and Bear Rivers

Airports: — Railways: — Schools:

Document Type:

CEQA: ☒ NOP ☐ Early Cons ☐ Neg Dec ☐ Mit Neg Dec ☐ Draft EIR ☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR (Prior SCH No.) ☐ Other:

NEPA: ☐ NOI ☐ EA ☐ Draft EIS ☐ FONSI

Other: ☐ Joint Document ☐ Final Document ☐ Other:

Local Action Type:

☐ General Plan Update ☐ General Plan Amendment ☐ General Plan Element ☐ Community Plan
☐ Specific Plan ☐ Master Plan ☐ Planned Unit Development ☐ Site Plan
☐ Rezone ☐ Prezone ☐ Use Permit ☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)
☐ Annexation ☐ Redevelopment ☐ Coastal Permit ☒ Other: FERC Relicense

Development Type:

☐ Residential: Units — Acres
☐ Office: Sq.ft. — Acres — Employees
☐ Commercial: Sq.ft. — Acres — Employees
☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. — Acres — Employees
☐ Educational:
☒ Recreational: 6 existing and 7 new recreation facilities
☒ Water Facilities: Type Reservoirs MGD N/A, 228,618 ac-ft
☐ Transportation: Type
☐ Mining: Mineral
☒ Power: Type Hydroelectric MW 79.32
☐ Waste Treatment: Type MGD
☐ Hazardous Waste: Type
☐ Other:

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

☒ Aesthetic/Visual ☒ Agricultural Land ☒ Air Quality ☒ Archeological/Historical ☒ Biological Resources ☐ Coastal Zone ☒ Drainage/Absorption ☐ Economic/Jobs
☐ Fiscal ☒ Flood Plain/Flooding ☒ Forest Land/Fire Hazard ☒ Geologic/Seismic ☒ Minerals ☒ Noise ☒ Population/Housing Balance ☒ Public Services/Facilities
☒ Recreation/Parks ☒ Schools/Universities ☒ Septic Systems ☒ Sewer Capacity ☒ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading ☒ Solid Waste ☒ Toxic/Hazardous ☒ Traffic/Circulation
☒ Vegetation ☒ Water Quality ☒ Water Supply/Groundwater ☒ Wetland/Riparian ☒ Growth Inducement ☒ Land Use ☐ Cumulative Effects ☐ Other:

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Various: agriculture, forest, public, open space, recreation, resort, and timberland production zone

Project Description: *(please use a separate page if necessary)*

NID owns and operates the Yuba-Bear Hydroelectric Project. NID proposes to renew the existing FERC license for hydropower facilities associated with the Yuba-Bear Project. The Proposed Project consists of acceptance and implementation of the new FERC license and continued operation and maintenance of the project pursuant to the terms and conditions contained in the new license. NID would accept a new FERC license in order to:
- Continue to operate, maintain, and manage the existing Yuba-Bear Hydroelelclric Project facilities,
- Remove from licensed facilities a segment of Chicago Park Forebay Road and the unnamed recreation road that provides access to the Jackson Meadows administrative site.
- Construct a new proposed powerhouse (the Rollins upgrade) that would be located within the existing FERC Project Boundary on NID-owned land adjacent to the existing Rollins Powerhouse.
- Construct and rehabilitate existing facilities at the following recreation areas: Jackson Meadows reservoir, Milton diversion impoundment, Bowman Lake, Sawmill Lake, Canyon Creek, Dutch Flat No 2 forebay, and Dutch Flat afterbay.
- Make minor modifications lo the existing FERC Project Boundary.
- Implement lhe other lerms and conditions in the new license.

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X	Air Resources Board	X	Office of Historic Preservation
X	Boating & Waterways, Department of		Office of Public School Construction
	California Emergency Management Agency	X	Parks & Recreation, Department of
	California Highway Patrol		Pesticide Regulation, Department of
X	Caltrans District # 3	X	Public Utilities Commission
	Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	X	Regional WQCB # 5
	Caltrans Planning		Resources Agency
X	Central Valley Flood Protection Board		Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
	Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy		S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
	Coastal Commission		San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy
	Colorado River Board		San Joaquin River Conservancy
	Conservation, Department of		Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy
	Corrections, Department of		State Lands Commission
	Delta Protection Commission	X	SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
	Education, Department of	X	SWRCB: Water Quality
X	Energy Commission		SWRCB: Water Rights
X	Fish & Game Region # 2		Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
	Food & Agriculture, Department of		Toxic Substances Control, Department of
X	Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of	X	Water Resources, Department of
	General Services, Department of		
	Health Services, Department of		Other:
	Housing & Community Development		Other:
X	Native American Heritage Commission		

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date December 30, 2025 Ending Date January 28, 2026

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