

Ad Hoc Committee Proposed Work Plan

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Ad Hoc Committee Purpose and Role

The Ad Hoc Committee will continue meeting to inform the FERC process and discuss and study issues that fall outside of FERC jurisdiction. The Ad Hoc Committee will provide feedback and share insights with the Two Basin Solution Partners, recognizing that the Partners are under timeline constraints and need to keep moving forward.

The Two Basin Solution Partners are a proxy for a potential license applicant. They are subject to FERC Integrated Licensing Process (ILP) regulations. The Ad Hoc Committee and its meetings will supplement and not implement the Partners' obligations under these regulations. All information, comments, etc. intended to inform the ILP must be submitted as required by these regulations. The Two Basin Solution Partners are not required to participate in, report out, respond to, or advocate for decisions made in the Ad Hoc Committee.

The Ad Hoc Committee is unique because it provides a venue for informed stakeholders including tribes, resources agencies, county and local government, and non-profit organizations to understand project developments, vet technical concepts, and garner support for the project as part of the FERC process and for the regional entity before the California legislature. The Ad Hoc would have facilitation support services via the Consensus Building Institute.

The work plan is built on these assumptions:

- Ad Hoc Committee members would otherwise participate in FERC events.
- Ad Hoc Committee meetings are anchored to FERC events, either preparing the Ad Hoc to participate in FERC events or to process the input received via the FERC comment process.
- The work plan does not contemplate “non-FERC” tasks except for the regional entity. Other non-FERC tasks that the Ad Hoc might discuss include the fisheries restoration plan for the Eel River and the Potter Valley Water Supply Project.
- The Ad Hoc Committee may investigate other potential areas of study in addition to FERC re-licensing studies that may include:
 - Watershed-wide Eel River restoration planning
 - Watershed-wide salmonid life cycle modeling or limiting factors analysis
 - Evaluation of new Cape Horn Dam/Van Arsdale fish passage concepts
 - Upper Eel River (and maybe watershed-wide) pikeminnow suppression methods
 - PVID pump-back and water management strategies.

Work Plan

The Two Basin Solution Partners are the same as the NOI Parties, the term used in the June 2019 filing. FERC-stipulated schedule in **Blue** and **Green**

	Responsible Party	Milestone	Due Date	FERC Reg
	FERC	Issued Notice Soliciting Applications	3/1/2019	16.6(d); 16.25
	NOI Parties	Filed Notice of Intent and Pre- Application Document to File an Application for a New License	6/28/2019	5.5
	FERC	Issued Notice of Continuation of Relicensing Proceeding	8/1/2019	N/A
	NOI Parties	Filed Feasibility Study Report	5/13/2020	N/A
Phase 1				
	FERC	(tentative) FERC Issue Scoping Document 3	7/28/2020	5.8
1.1	Ad Hoc Committee	<p>Congressman Discuss Ad Hoc Process and Role moving Forward</p> <p>Review FERC Integrated Licensing Process (ILP)</p> <p>Two Basin Solution Partners discuss comments received and study plans and provide an outline of the initial study elements</p> <p>Discuss and Prepare for Ad Hoc member participation in the Initial Study Report public meeting on 9/29/20</p>	9/11/20 [10:30-12:30]	
1.2	All Stakeholders	File Comments on Scoping Document 3	8/27/2020	5.9
1.3	FERC	(tentative) Issue Scoping Document 4	TBD	5.1
1.4	NOI Parties	File Initial Study Report on the Commission's Approved Study Plan (Issued February 15, 2018)	9/14/2020	5.15(c)(1)
1.5	All Stakeholders	Initial Study Report Meeting - Public Meeting	9/29/2020	5.15(c)(2)
1.6	NOI Parties	File Initial Study Report Meeting Summary	10/14/2020	5.15(c)(3)
1.7	Ad Hoc Committee	<p>Meet to discuss meeting input, discuss disagreements and study plan amendments if needed</p> <p>Discuss Regional Entity Development Process</p> <p><i>NOTES:</i> <i>Public meeting will occur as well.</i> <i>The Partners may attend, but will not present or take a formal role in the meeting.</i></p>		

		<i>Discussion will not guide the Two Basin Solution Partner's FERC Filings in 1.9 or shape 1.10 Need to determine timing of refined study plan submittal</i>		
1.8	All Stakeholders	File Disagreements and Requests to Amend Study Plan	11/13/2020	5.15(c)(4)
1.9	All Stakeholders	File Response to Disagreements and Amendments Requests	12/14/2020	5.15(c)(5)
1.10	FERC	Issue Director's Determination on Disagreements and Amendments	1/13/2021	5.15(c)(6)
Phase 2: Study		<i>Phase 2 Ad Hoc is tentative. Two Basin Solution Partners unable to predict beyond 2020.</i>		
2.1	NOI Parties	Conduct Studies	Jan-Dec 2021	5.15(a)
2.5	NOI Parties	File Updated Study Report	9/14/2021	5.15(f)
2.6	All Stakeholders	Updated Study Report Meeting	9/29/2021	5.15(f)
2.8	NOI Parties	File Updated Study Report Meeting Summary	10/14/2021	5.15(f)
2.10	All Stakeholders	File Study Disputes/Request to Modify Study Plan due	11/15/2021	5.15(f)
2.11	All Stakeholders	File Responses to Disputes/Study Requests	12/15/2021	5.15(f)
2.12	FERC	Issue Director's Study Plan Determination	1/14/2021 ? Mistake?	5.15(f)
Phase 3: License Application Preparation				
	NOI Parties	File Preliminary Licensing Proposal (or Draft License Application)	11/15/2021 ? Mistake?	5.16(a)-(c)
	All Stakeholders	File Comments on Preliminary Licensing Proposal (or Draft License Application)	2/13/2022	5.16(e)
	Regional Entity	File Final License Application	4/14/2022	5.17
	FERC	Issue Public Notice of Final License Application Filing	4/28/2022	