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Via Email

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RE: Appalachian Power Company
Smith Mountain Pumped Storage Project No. 2210
Draft updated Shoreline Management Plan

Dear Stakeholder:

I am writing on behalf of Appalachian Power Company (Appalachian) to seek your comments on the proposed DRAFT update of the Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) for the Smith Mountain Pumped Storage Project (Project).

As you are aware, Appalachian operates the Project – which includes Smith Mountain and Leesville lakes – pursuant to a license issued by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). Under the terms and requirements of its federal license, Appalachian has the responsibility and the authority to manage and permit certain uses and occupancies of Project lands and waters. To this end, Appalachian worked with community stakeholders and local, state, and federal agencies to develop a plan to guide and manage development activities along the shoreline of the lakes. The SMP was originally implemented in August 2003 and was most recently updated by FERC Order Modifying and Approving Updated Shoreline Management Plan issued January 30, 2014 (2014 Order).

On January 29, 2024, after determining that an update is needed to the SMP and following consultation with appropriate stakeholders, Appalachian filed its proposed plan and schedule for updating the SMP. FERC approved Appalachian's proposed plan and schedule on February 26, 2024. Per the approved plan and schedule, Appalachian is to provide stakeholders with a "track changes" draft of proposed updates to the 2014 SMP within 60 days of FERC approval of the plan and schedule. Enclosed please find the draft updated SMP¹.

Per the approved plan and schedule, stakeholders have 45 days to review and comment on proposed changes. Comments are, therefore, due no later than June 10, 2024. Appalachian will subsequently have 45 days to consider stakeholder comments and file an updated SMP with

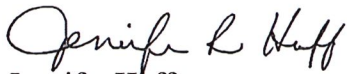
¹ No changes are being proposed for Appendices A, B, C, D, F, G, and H so they are not being provided for review. They can be accessed at <https://smithmountainproject.com/shoreline/>.

FERC. Per the 2014 Order, Appalachian must take into consideration all comments on the proposed updated SMP. If Appalachian does not adopt a recommendation, it will include its reasons in the FERC filing.

To assist you in your review, Appalachian is providing both a track changes version and a clean version of the proposed updated SMP. The track changes version indicates instances where language in the 2014 SMP has been modified, deleted, or replaced with new language. The clean version indicates how the SMP would read if all proposed updates are accepted. (Please note that page numbering has not been updated at this point but will be in conjunction with final formatting of the SMP.)

Please provide your written comments to me at Jen.Huff@hdrinc.com by June 10, 2024. Additionally, should you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,



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