

LEGAL NOTICE

Okanogan -Wenatchee National Forest, USDA-Forest Service Wenatchee River Ranger District

Title of Project: Permit Re-Issue for McKenzie-Beverly 115kV Transmission Line

Description of Proposed Action: The Wenatchee River Ranger District of the Okanogan - Wenatchee National Forest is proposing to issue a special use permit to Chelan County Public Utility District #1 (CPUD) to continue the operation and maintenance of the McKenzie-Beverly 115 kV transmission line across the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest for a permit term of thirty years. The proposed action of issuing a thirty year special use permit to CPUD would outline within its terms and conditions, the routine vegetation treatments for transmission line clearance, access and administration of access, if necessary, to line infrastructure and the recognized and acknowledged typical and routine maintenance activities associated with repair, stabilization and replacement of transmission line structures and components. This project is implementing the Wenatchee NF Land and Resource Management Plan and is not authorized under HFRA, and is subject to subparts A and B.

Comments on the project must be postmarked no later than 30 days after the date of publication of this legal notice in the Wenatchee World and should be addressed to the Responsible Official, (*District Ranger, Jeffrey Rivera*), 600 Sherbourne, Leavenworth, WA 98826 (Phone: (509) 548-2550; FAX: (509) 548-5817; e-mail address:

comments-pacificnorthwest-wenatchee-wrrd@fs.fed.us).

Those submitting hand-delivered comments may do so during regular office hours, 8:00AM to 4:30PM, Monday through Friday, except legal holidays. Those submitting electronic copies must do so only to the e-mail address listed above, must put the project name in the subject line, and must either submit comments as part of the e-mail message or as an attachment only in one of the following three formats: Microsoft Word, rich text format (rtf) or Adobe Portable Document Format (pdf). E-mails submitted to e-mail addresses other than the one listed above or in other formats than those listed or containing viruses will be rejected. It is the responsibility of all individuals and organizations to ensure their comments are received in a timely manner. For electronically mailed comments, the sender should normally receive an automated electronic acknowledgement from the agency as confirmation of receipt. If the sender does not receive an automated acknowledgement of the receipt of the comments, it is the sender's responsibility to ensure timely receipt by other means.

Anyone wishing to review the project or obtain additional information on the project should contact Mick Mueller at (509) 548-2550 or view at Web Link:

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