

305(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and implementing regulations at 50 CFR 600.920. We are also initiating consultation with the Rhode Island State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by section 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.

l. Op Zone filed a Pre-Application Document (PAD; including a proposed process plan and schedule) with the Commission, pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.

m. A copy of the PAD may be viewed on the Commission's website (<http://www.ferc.gov>), using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCONlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY).

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n. The Commission's Office of Public Participation (OPP) supports meaningful public engagement and participation in Commission proceedings. OPP can help members of the public, including landowners, community organizations, Tribal members and others, access publicly available information and navigate

Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP25-209-000]

Great Basin Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Schedule for the Preparation of an Environmental Assessment for the 2026 Great Basin Expansion

On April 15, 2025, Great Basin Gas Transmission Company (Great Basin) filed an application in Docket No. CP25-209-000 requesting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity pursuant to Section 7(c) and an authorization to abandon under Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act to construct, operate, and abandon certain natural gas pipeline facilities. The proposed project is known as the 2026 Great Basin Expansion (Project) and would increase firm transportation capacity by 8,129 dekatherms per day (Dth/d) in response to growing market demand as requested by two existing shippers in North Nevada and Northern California.

On April 29, 2025, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) issued its Notice of Application for the Project. Among other things, that notice alerted agencies issuing federal authorizations of the requirement to complete all necessary reviews and to reach a final decision on a request for a federal authorization within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's environmental document for the Project.

This notice identifies Commission staff's intention to prepare an environmental assessment (EA) for the Project and the planned schedule for the completion of the environmental review.¹ The EA will be issued for a 30-day comment period.

Schedule for Environmental Review

Issuance of EA—November 25, 2025
90-day Federal Authorization Decision
Deadline²—February 23, 2026

If a schedule change becomes necessary, additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies

¹ For tracking purposes under the National Environmental Policy Act, the unique identification number for documents relating to this environmental review is EAXX-019-20-000-1752151875.

² The Commission's deadline applies to the decisions of other federal agencies, and state agencies acting under federally delegated authority, that are responsible for federal authorizations, permits, and other approvals necessary for proposed projects under the Natural Gas Act. Per 18 CFR 157.22(a), the Commission's deadline for other agency's decisions applies unless a schedule is otherwise established by federal law.

are kept informed of the Project's progress.

Project Description

Great Basin proposes to expand its certificated natural gas transportation capacity downstream of its existing Wadsworth Receipt Point in Washoe and Lyon Counties, Nevada. The Project would consist of the following facilities:

- installing approximately 2.3 miles of new 20-inch-diameter steel pipeline loop³ parallel to Great Basin's existing Carson Lateral (Wadsworth segment) in Washoe County, Nevada; and
- abandoning by removal and same-ditch replacement of approximately 2.4 miles of existing 10-inch-diameter steel pipeline with new 20-inch-diameter steel pipeline (Highway segment) in Lyon County, Nevada.

Background

On May 27, 2025, the Commission issued a *Notice of Scoping Period Requesting Comments on Environmental Issues for the Proposed 2026 Great Basin Expansion and Notice of Public Scoping Session* (Notice of Scoping). The Notice of Scoping was sent to affected landowners; federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. The Commission received comments from the Bureau of Land Management. The primary issues raised in the comments are wildlife and special species, survey protocols, and the need for Class III cultural resource inventories in the Project area. All substantive comments will be addressed in the EA.

The Bureau of Land Management is a cooperating agency in the preparation of the EA.

Additional Information

In order to receive notification of the issuance of the EA and to keep track of formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription. This service provides automatic notification of filings made to subscribed dockets, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to <https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/overview> to register for eSubscription.

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³ A pipeline loop is a segment of pipe constructed parallel to an existing pipeline to increase capacity.

Tribal members and others, access publicly available information and navigate Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

Additional information about the Project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (866) 208-FERC or on the FERC website (www.ferc.gov). Using the "eLibrary" link, select "General Search" from the eLibrary menu, enter the selected date range and "Docket Number" excluding the last three digits (*i.e.*, CP25-209), and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to eLibrary, the helpline can be reached at (866) 208-3676, TTY (202) 502-8659, or at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. The eLibrary link on the FERC website also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rule makings.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2021-0315; FRL-12695-01-OCSPP]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Renewal Collection and Request for Comment; Submission of Protocols and Study Reports for Environmental Research Involving Human Subjects

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), this document announces the availability of and solicits public comment on the following Information Collection Request (ICR) that EPA is planning to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Submission of Protocols and Study Reports for Environmental Research Involving Human Subjects (EPA ICR No. 2195.07 and OMB Control No. 2070-0169). This ICR represents a renewal of an existing ICR that is currently approved through April 30, 2026. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval under the PRA, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the information collection

that is summarized in this document. The ICR and accompanying material are available in the docket for public review and comment.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before September 22, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OPP-2021-0315, online at <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Additional instructions on commenting or visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at <https://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. What information is EPA particularly interested in?

Pursuant to PRA section 3506(c)(2)(A) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), EPA specifically solicits comments and information to enable it to:

1. Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.

2. Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimates of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses. In particular, EPA is requesting comments from very small businesses (those that employ less than 25) on examples of specific additional efforts that EPA could make to reduce the paperwork burden for very small businesses affected by this collection.

II. What information collection activity or ICR does this action apply to?

Title: Submission of Protocols and Study Reports for Environmental Research Involving Human Subjects.
EPA ICR No.: 2195.07.

OMB Control No.: 2070-0169.

ICR Status: This ICR is currently approved through April 30, 2026. Under the PRA, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations in title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), after appearing in the **Federal Register** when approved, are displayed either by publication in the **Federal Register** or by other appropriate means, such as on the related collection instrument or form, if applicable. The display of OMB control numbers for certain EPA regulations is consolidated in 40 CFR part 9.

Abstract: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is responsible for the regulation of pesticides under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA). Based on this regulation EPA aims to assess the risks of exposure based on studies that may occasionally use humans. Specifically, the EPA regulations at 40 CFR 26 protect subjects of "third-party" human research (*i.e.*, research that is not conducted or supported by the EPA) that may be submitted to EPA in support of pesticide product registration and/or labeling or conducted to provide data for generic exposure databases. In addition to other protections, the regulations require affected entities to submit information to EPA and an institutional review board (IRB) prior to initiating, and to the EPA upon the completion of, certain studies that involve human research participants. The information collection activity consists of activity-driven reporting and recordkeeping requirements for those who intend to conduct research for submission to EPA under the pesticide laws. If such research involves intentional exposure of human subjects, these individuals (respondents) are required to submit study protocols to the EPA and an IRB before such research is initiated so that the scientific design and ethical standards that will be employed during the proposed study may be reviewed and approved. Also, respondents are required to submit information about the ethical conduct of completed research that involved human subjects when such research is