

SOUTH SUTTER WATER DISTRICT

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April 13, 2016



Filed via Electronic Submittal (E-File)

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
888 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20426

SUBJECT: Camp Far West Hydroelectric Project
FERC Project No. 2997-031
Proof of Publications of NOI/PAD Notice and of TLP Request Letter Notice

Dear Secretary Bose:

On March 14, 2016, the South Sutter Water District (SSWD or Licensee), filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) a Notice of Intent to File an Application for a New License (NOI) and Pre-Application Document (PAD) in support of SSWD's relicensing of its Camp Far West Hydroelectric Project, FERC Project Number 2997 (Project). On the same day, SSWD filed with FERC a request to use FERC's traditional licensing process (TLP) to relicense the Project.

Prior to filing, SSWD posted in local newspapers of general circulation a notice of the NOI and PAD filing and a separate notice of the TLP request letter filing.

Attached to this letter is proof that these notices were published in the newspapers.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brad Arnold'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Brad' being more prominent.

Brad Arnold
General Manager/Secretary
SOUTH SUTTER WATER DISTRICT

Attachment: 1. Proof of Publications for NOI/PAD Notice in The Union, Appeal-Democrat and Lincoln News Messenger
 2. Proof of Publications for TLP Request Letter in The Union, Appeal-Democrat and Lincoln News Messenger

cc: Camp Far West Hydroelectric Project Relicensing Contact List (via e-mail)

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ATTACHMENT 1:
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**NEVADA COUNTY
PUBLISHING COMPANY
Grass Valley, CA**

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION
THE UNION

Customer Account: # 7415247

Reference: Announcement of South Sutter
Water Distr

Legal Account

Jodi Brown

2379 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 200

Sacramento, CA 95833

Attn: Legal

County of Nevada, State of Calif. The undersigned, **Leslie Robbins**, being the principal clerk of the **Nevada County Publishing Co.** declares that the **Nevada County Publishing Co.** now is, and during all times herein named, was a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, and now is, and during all times herein named was the printer of **THE UNION**, a newspaper of general circulation, as defined by Section 6000 of the Government Code of the State of California, printed and published daily (Sundays excepted) in the City of Grass Valley, County of Nevada, State of California, and that affiant is the principal clerk of said Nevada County Publishing Co.

That the printed advertisement hereto annexed was published in the said UNION, for the full required period of **1** time(s) commencing on **3/11/2016**, and ending on **3/11/2016**, all days inclusive.

I certify, under penalty of perjury, the foregoing is true and correct.

Signed: Leslie Robbins

Legals Advertising Clerk

Proof and Statement of Publication

Ad #: 11966674D

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The NOI and PAD are available in electronic format on FERC's eLibrary and on SSWD's Relicensing Website at www.sswdrelicensing.com, and a paper or electronic copy of each document is available for inspection and reproduction during regular business hours at the Marysville, Auburn and Grass Valley public libraries, and at SSWD's office at 2464 Pacific Avenue, Trowbridge, CA. Paper copies of the NOI and PAD may also be obtained upon request, after reasonable reimbursement for postage and reproduction, by calling SSWD at (530) 656-2242.

Upon acceptance of the NOI and PAD, FERC will issue a Notice of Commencement of Proceeding, which will include a schedule for filing with FERC comments on the PAD.

Questions regarding this notice should be addressed to Brad Arnold, General Manager, South Sutter Water District, at (530) 656-2242.

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APPEAL-DEMOCRAT

1530 Ellis Lake Drive, Marysville, CA 95901 * (530) 749-4700

STATE OF CALIFORNIA * Counties of Yuba and Sutter

I am not a party to, nor interested in the above entitled matter. I am the principal clerk of the printer and publisher of THE APPEAL-DEMOCRAT, a newspaper of general circulation, printed & published in the City of Marysville, County of Yuba, to which Newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by The Superior Court of the County of Yuba, State of California under the date of November 9, 1951, No. 11481, and County of Sutter to which Newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of Sutter, State of California under the date of May 17, 1999, Case No.CV PT99-0819. The Notice, of which the annexed is a copy, appeared in said newspaper on the following dates:

March 11, 2016

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

March 11, 2016

Date

Signature



HDR

SSWD NOI Notice

COPY:

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County of Placer

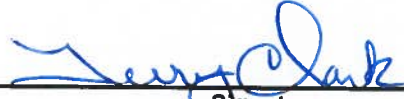
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LEGAL NOTICE-PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLICATION DATE / DATES:

MARCH 10

I certify, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct.



Signature
Terry Clark

Dated in Lincoln, California

MARCH 10, 2016

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Lincoln, CA 95648

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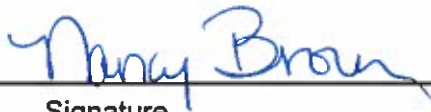
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SSWD TLP Notice

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