



December 3, 2012

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Honorable Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20426

**SUBJECT:** Yuba River Development Project  
FERC Project No. 2246-058 - California  
Initial Study Report

Dear Secretary Bose:

In accordance with 18 CFR § 5.15(c), the Yuba County Water Agency (YCWA) hereby files with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) the attached Initial Study Report for relicensing of YCWA's Yuba River Development Project (FERC Project Number 2246). An extension of time from the original September 30, 2012 deadline for filing this report was granted to YCWA by the FERC by letter dated June 22, 2012.

YCWA's Initial Study Report covers the period from initiation of the various relicensing studies through November 30, 2012, and provides for each study a description of YCWA's progress in implementing the study plan and schedule, the data collected, and an explanation of any variance to the FERC-approved study plan and schedule. The report also includes a description of YCWA's proposed modifications to ongoing studies and new studies.

As described in Section 4.0 of the Initial Study Report, YCWA in consultation with Relicensing Participants has scheduled a meeting on December 12, 2012, in Marysville, California, to discuss study results to date, YCWA's proposed modifications to ongoing studies and new studies, and other Relicensing Participants' proposals, if any are put forward at that time, to modify the study plan.

By December 27, 2012, YCWA will file with FERC a summary of the December 12, 2012, meeting, including any changes to the study modifications and new studies proposed by YCWA in its Initial Study Report.

If you have any questions about the Initial Study Report, please contact me.

Sincerely,  
YUBA COUNTY WATER AGENCY



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Enclosure: YCWA's Yuba River Development Project Initial Study Report

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