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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
[Docket No. DI17-2-000]

Inside Passage Electric Cooperative;

Notice of Declaration of Intention and Soliciting Comments,
Protests, and Motions to Intervene

Take notice that the following application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

- a. Application Type: Declaration of Intention
- b. Docket No: DI17-2-000
- c. Date Filed: February 7, 2017, and supplemented on March 1, 2017
- d. Applicant: Inside Passage Electric Cooperative
- e. Name of Project: Gunnuk Creek Hydroelectric Project
- f. Location: The proposed Gunnuk Creek Hydroelectric Project Project would be located on Gunnuk Creek, near the Town of Kake, on Kupreanof Island, in Prince of Wales-Hyder Census Area, Alaska.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Section 23(b)(1) of the Federal Power Act, 16 USC 817(b) (2012).
- h. Applicant Contact: Brandon Shaw, Operations Manager, Inside Passage Electric Cooperative, P.O. Box 210149, 12480 Mendenhall Loop Road, Auke Bay, AK 99821, telephone: (907) 789-3196; e-mail: bshaw@myipecc.org
- i. FERC Contact: Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Jennifer Polardino, (202) 502-6437, or e-mail: Jennifer.Polardino@ferc.gov
- j. Deadline for filing comments, protests, and motions to intervene is: 30 days from the issuance date of this notice by the Commission.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, protests, and motions to intervene using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number DI17-2-000.

k. Description of Project: The proposed run-of-river Gunnuk Creek Hydroelectric Project would consist of: (1) an existing 17-foot-high concrete dam on Gunnuk Creek; (2) an approximately 2,100-long, 54-inch-diameter steel penstock; (3) a 22 foot by 46 foot powerhouse; (4) a single horizontal axis crossflow turbine and synchronous generator with a rated capacity of 500 kilowatt; (5) a switchyard consisting of a pad mount transformer adjacent to the powerhouse; (6) a 130-foot-long, 12.5-kilovolt transmission line connecting the power from the switchyard to a point of interconnection with an existing utility system; and (7) appurtenant facilities.

When a Declaration of Intention is filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Federal Power Act requires the Commission to investigate and determine if the project would affect the interests of interstate or foreign commerce. The Commission also determines whether or not the project: (1) would be located on a navigable waterway; (2) would occupy public lands or reservations of the United States; (3) would utilize surplus water or water power from a government dam; or (4) would be located on a non-navigable stream over which Congress has Commerce Clause jurisdiction and would be constructed or enlarged after 1935.

l. Locations of the Application: This filing may be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above and in the Commission's Public Reference Room located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene: Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, and .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

o. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents: All filings must bear in all capital letters the title COMMENTS, PROTESTS, and MOTIONS TO INTERVENE, as applicable, and the Docket Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. A copy of any Motion to Intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

p. Agency Comments: Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

Dated: March 10, 2017

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.