

section 7 of the ESA is not required for this action.

Authorization

As a result of these determinations, NMFS has issued two IHAs to the USACE for conducting the North Jetty Maintenance and Repairs Project in Coos Bay, Oregon over the course of two non-consecutive years, beginning September 2022 through February 2025, with the previously mentioned mitigation, monitoring, and reporting requirements incorporated.

Dated: August 19, 2022.

Kimberly Damon-Randall,

*Director, Office of Protected Resources,
National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648-XC292]

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a half-day meeting of its Joint Coral, Shrimp and Spiny Lobster Advisory Panels (AP) via webinar.

DATES: The meeting will take place Monday, September 12 from 1 p.m.–4 p.m., EDT.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via webinar. Registration information will be available on the Council's website by visiting www.gulfcouncil.org and clicking on the Meetings Tab and selecting Advisory Panel meetings, then Joint Coral, Shrimp and Spiny Lobster AP meeting.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 4107 W Spruce Street, Suite 200, Tampa, FL 33607; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Natasha Mendez-Ferrer, Fishery Biologist, natasha.mendez@gulfcouncil.org and Dr. Matt Freeman, Economist, matt.freeman@gulfcouncil.org, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Monday, September 12, 2022; 1 p.m.–4 p.m., EDT

The meeting will begin with Introductions of Members, Adoption of Agenda, and review of Scope of Work.

The APs will receive a presentation on the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary (FKNMS) Proposed Rule and will provide recommendations to the Council.

The Joint Advisory Panels will receive Public Comment and discuss any Other Business items if time allows.

—Meeting Adjourns

The meeting will be via webinar only. You may register for the webinar by visiting www.gulfcouncil.org and clicking on the Advisory Panel meeting on the calendar. The Agenda is subject to change, and the latest version along with other meeting materials will be posted on www.gulfcouncil.org as they become available.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before the Advisory Panel for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Actions of the Advisory Panel will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under Section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take action to address the emergency.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: August 22, 2022.

Rey Israel Marquez,

Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

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U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces Proposed Rules Changes

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of proposed changes to the rules of practice and procedure of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a proposed addition and changes to the Rules of Practice and Procedure, United

States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces. Although these rules of practice and procedure fall within the Administrative Procedure Act's exemptions for notice and comment, the Department, as a matter of policy, has decided to make these changes available for public review and comment before they are implemented.

DATES: Comments on the proposed changes must be received by September 26, 2022.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>.

- *Mail:* Department of Defense, Office of the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency, Regulatory Directorate, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Attn: Mailbox 24, Suite 08D09, Alexandria, VA 22350-1700.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Malcolm H. Squires, Jr., Clerk of the Court, telephone (202) 761-1449.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice announces the following proposed addition of Rule 36B and changes to Rules 9(e), 21A, 30A(c), and 36(a) of the Rules of Practice and Procedure, United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces.

Dated: August 19, 2022.

Aaron T. Siegel,

*Alternate OSD Federal Liaison Officer,
Department of Defense.*

Rule 9(e)

Rule 9(e)—Clerk—currently reads:

(e) Hours. The Clerk's office shall be open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. every day except Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, or as otherwise ordered by the Court. *See* Rule 36(a). The Court is always open for filing of pleadings and other papers. A pleading or other paper may be filed outside of normal operating hours of the Clerk's office by delivery to Court security personnel on duty in the front lobby of the courthouse. Pleadings will be deemed filed on the date and time delivered to Court security personnel. Court security

personnel will notify the Clerk of the filing in accordance with procedures provided by the Clerk.

The proposed change to Rule 9(e) would read:

(e) Hours. The Clerk's office shall maintain regular operating hours every day except Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, or as otherwise ordered by the Court. *See* Rule 36(a). A pleading or other paper may be filed at any time by delivery to Court security personnel on duty in the front lobby of the courthouse or by electronically filing in accordance with the "Guidelines for Electronic Filings of Pleadings" available on the Court's website. Pleadings will be deemed filed on the date and time delivered to Court security personnel or filed electronically. Court security personnel will notify the Clerk of the filing in accordance with procedures established by the Clerk.

Comment: Currently, Rule 9 makes no reference to the electronic filing system as a means of filing outside of the Court's regular operating hours. Electronic filing is the most common means by which counsel file outside of work hours. The proposed revision will make attorneys unfamiliar with the e-filing procedures of the Court aware of it and direct them to the proper guidelines. The operating hours have been removed because they do not accurately represent the hours during which an attorney may file directly with the Clerk's office.

Rules 21A

Rules 21A—Submissions Under U.S. v. Grostefon—currently reads:

(b) *Grostefon* issues shall be identified by counsel with particularity substantially in the following form:

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(c) *Grostefon* issues raised within 30 days of the filing of the supplement under Rule 19(a)(5)(c) are subject to and included within the 15-page limit in Rule 21A(a).

The proposed change to Rule 21A would read:

(b) *Grostefon* issues shall be identified by counsel with particularity and, where pertinent, references to the record of trial must be to the specific page in the record. *Grostefon* issues shall be presented substantially in the following form:

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(c) *Grostefon* issues raised within 30 days of the filing of the supplement under Rule 19(a)(5)(c) are subject to and included within the 15-page limit in Rule 21A(a). An appellee's answer to *Grostefon* issues may be filed no later

than 20 days after the filing of such issues.

Comment: The addition of pertinent page citations to the record for *Grostefon* submissions would greatly facilitate the analysis of the issue; the rule change recognized that certain *Grostefon* issues, such as sentence severity and general claims of innocence, are not amenable to citation to specific pages of the record. Presently, Rule 21A(c) does not provide a time frame within which the government must file its answer. The inclusion of such a time frame will create consistency for counsel and timely review by the Court.

Rule 30A(c)

Rule 30A(c)—Factfinding—currently reads:

(c) Remand for Factfinding. If an issue concerning an unresolved material fact may affect the Court's resolution of the case, a party may request, or the Court may *sua sponte* order, a remand of the case or the record to the Court of Criminal Appeals. If the record is remanded, the Court retains jurisdiction over the case. If the case is remanded, the Court does not retain jurisdiction, and a new petition for grant of review or certificate for review will be necessary if a party seeks review of the proceedings conducted on remand.

The proposed change to Rule 30A(c) would read:

(c) Remand for Factfinding. If an issue concerning an unresolved material fact may affect the Court's resolution of the case, a party may request, or the Court may *sua sponte* order, a remand of the case or the record to the Court of Criminal Appeals. If the record is remanded, the Court retains jurisdiction over the case. *See* Article 66(f)(3), UCMJ, 10 U.S.C. 866(f)(3) (2018). If the case is remanded, the Court does not retain jurisdiction, and a new petition for grant of review or certificate for review will be necessary if a party seeks review of the proceedings conducted on remand.

Comment: The cite to Article 66(f)(3) reflects legislation regarding *DuBay* hearings. *See United States v. DuBay*, 37 C.M.R. 411 (C.M.A. 1967).

Rule 36(a)

Rule 36(a)—Filing of Pleadings—currently reads:

(a) In General. Pleadings or other papers relative to a case shall be filed in the Clerk's office, 450 E Street Northwest, Washington, DC 20442–001, either in person, by mail, by third-party commercial carrier. *See* Rule 37(b)(2).

The proposed change to Rule 21(b) would read:

(a) In General. Pleadings or other papers relative to a case shall be filed in the Clerk's office, 450 E Street Northwest, Washington, DC 20442–001, either in person, by mail, by third-party commercial carrier, or by electronic filing. *See* Rule 37(b)(2). Documents submitted online must conform to the "Guidelines for Electronic Filings of Pleadings" available on the Court's website.

Comment: Presently, Rule 36 makes no reference to electronic filing—the most common method utilized by attorneys—or the Court's guidelines for e-filing. The most common practice for e-filing procedures is to have a separate handbook available online, as the Court does, rather than included in the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Court or as a separate rule. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit has no numerical rule, but the Foreword to the Rules of Appellate Procedure provides a link to a separate handbook. Rule 29.7 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the United States references separate electronic filing guidelines. Rule 29.7 states only: ". . . all filers who are represented by counsel must submit documents to the Court's electronic filing system in conformity with the 'Guidelines for the Submission of Documents to the Supreme Court's Electronic Filing System.'"

Additionally, Rule 25(a)(1) of the U.S. Court of Veterans Claims' Rules of Practice and Procedure directs to that Court's E-Rules. Updating Rule 36(a) to include the information on e-filing will bring our Court in line with the Article III and other Article I courts, and will provide the reader with clear and accurate instructions on filing with this Court.

Rule 36B

The proposed Rule 36B would read:

Any reference to the Uniform Code of Military Justice or the Manual for Courts-Martial, United States, in any pleading or other paper filed with the Court, shall cite the relevant version of the statute, rule, or other provision, by date of edition.

Comment: As the UCMJ and the MCM continue to change, it is imperative that it is clear exactly which version of the statute the parties are relying upon. Including this new rule will allow the Court to proceed with certainty on whether the law put forth by counsel has changed since the initial pleading, whether counsel is relying on an outdated version of the statute, and

whether it may now be inappropriate or inapplicable.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP21–498–000]

Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC; Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Virginia Electrification Project

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared a draft environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Virginia Electrification Project (Project), proposed by Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC (Columbia) in the above-referenced docket. Columbia requests authorization to construct and operate natural gas facilities in Virginia. The Project is designed to provide 35,000 dekatherms per day of incremental mainline capacity on Columbia's pipeline system. The Project would address a request from Columbia Gas of Virginia, an unaffiliated local distribution company, for firm transportation service to meet growing energy demand in the southeast Virginia market area off of Columbia's existing VM–107, VM–108, and VM–109 pipelines.

This draft EIS assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the Project in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Columbia's Project facilities include: one zero emission electric motor compressor unit at the Boswells Tavern Compressor Station located in Louisa County; facility modifications to the Boswells Tavern point of receipt located in Louisa County to allow for increased capacity; replacement of all five existing gas-powered compressor units at the Goochland Compressor Station, located in Goochland County, with new units that will run exclusively on electric motors, but will have the ability to run on gas in order to ensure reliability; and change the status of an existing compressor unit from backup mode to active mode and increase the site-rated station horsepower to 5,500 horsepower at the Petersburg Compressor Station located in Prince George County. The FERC staff concludes that approval of the proposed Project, with the

mitigation measures recommended in the EIS, would result in some adverse environmental impacts; however, with the exception of climate change impacts, those impacts would not be significant. The EIS is not characterizing the Project's greenhouse gas emissions as significant or insignificant because the Commission is conducting a generic proceeding to determine whether and how the Commission will conduct significance determinations going forward.¹ The EIS also concludes that no system, route, or other alternative would meet the Project objective while providing a significant environmental advantage over the Project as proposed.

The Commission mailed a copy of the *Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Virginia Electrification Project* to federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; local libraries; newspapers; elected officials; Native American Tribes; and other interested parties. The draft EIS is only available in electronic format. It may be viewed and downloaded from the FERC's website (www.ferc.gov), on the natural gas environmental documents page (<https://www.ferc.gov/industries-data/natural-gas/environmental-documents>). In addition, the draft EIS may be accessed by using the eLibrary link on the FERC's website. Click on the eLibrary link (<https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/search>) select "General Search" and enter the docket number in the "Docket Number" field (i.e., CP21–498–000). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208–3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502–8659.

The draft EIS is not a decision document. It presents Commission staff's independent analysis of the environmental issues for the Commission to consider when addressing the merits of all issues in this proceeding. Any person wishing to comment on the draft EIS may do so. Your comments should focus on the draft EIS's disclosure and discussion of potential environmental effects, measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts and the completeness of the submitted alternatives, information, and analyses. To ensure consideration of your comments on the proposal in the final EIS, it is important that the Commission receive your comments on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on October 11, 2022.

For your convenience, there are three methods you can use to submit your comments to the Commission. The Commission encourages electronic filing

of comments and has staff available to assist you at (866) 208–3676 or FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. Please carefully follow these instructions so that your comments are properly recorded.

(1) You can file your comments electronically using the *eComment* feature on the Commission's website (www.ferc.gov) under the link to *FERC Online*. This is an easy method for submitting brief, text-only comments on a project;

(2) You can file your comments electronically by using the *eFiling* feature on the Commission's website (www.ferc.gov) under the link to *FERC Online*. With eFiling, you can provide comments in a variety of formats by attaching them as a file with your submission. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on "eRegister." If you are filing a comment on a particular project, please select "Comment on a Filing" as the filing type; or

(3) You can file a paper copy of your comments by mailing them to the Commission. Be sure to reference the project docket number (CP21–498–000) on your letter. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR part 385.214). Motions to intervene are more fully described at <https://www.ferc.gov/how-intervene>. Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing or judicial review of the Commission's decision. The Commission grants affected landowners and others with environmental concerns intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have a clear and direct interest in this proceeding which no other party can adequately represent. Simply filing environmental comments will not give you intervenor status, but you do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

Questions?

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. The eLibrary link also