

Public Notice

Dashields Hydropower Corporation (Applicant), in compliance with the requirements of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), hereby gives notice of its intent to seek licensing of the proposed Dashields Locks and Dam Hydroelectric Project (FERC Project No. 15292). This project is a proposed hydroelectric generating facility located on the Ohio River in Moon Township, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

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On October 31, 2024, Dashields Hydropower Corporation filed with FERC its Notification of Intent (NOI) to seek an original license, a Pre-Application Document (PAD), and a request for authorization to use the Traditional Licensing Process (TLP) under Part 4 of the Commission's Regulations for the Project. The NOI provides notice of the Applicant's intent to apply for a license. The PAD outlines the Project's description, planned operations, and an initial assessment of potential effects on environmental and cultural resources. The Project is proposed to operate in run-of-river mode with a total installed generating capacity of 8.4 megawatts across eight turbine-generator units, with an expected annual generation of approximately 53,150 megawatt-hours. Project facilities include a new powerhouse, intake, tailrace, substation, transmission line, and appurtenant facilities. The Project boundary encompasses approximately 12.80 acres, primarily on the northeastern bank of the Ohio River. The Applicant invites resource agencies, Federally recognized Tribes, and members of the public likely to be interested in the licensing proceedings to participate and provide comments on this notice and related matters. The PAD, NOI, and associated reference materials will be available for inspection and reproduction online at FERC's eLibrary by searching for **docket number P-15292**, or by visiting the Project's public website at: www.currenthydro.com/dashields. They are also available for inspection by contacting the Applicant directly. Because the Project's physical and environmental characteristics are well-understood, the Applicant believes that using the TLP will enable effective public and agency participation without hindering their ability to provide comments, nor will it hinder the Applicant's ability to address such comments. Comments on the request to use the TLP are due to FERC within 30 days of this request's filing date, or by November 29, 2024. Commenters should address, as applicable, (1) the likelihood of timely license issuance; (2) complexity of the resource issues; (3) level of anticipated controversy; (4) relative cost of the traditional process compared to the integrated process; (5) the amount of available information and potential for significant disputes over studies; and (6) other factors the commentator believes to be pertinent. Comments may be submitted electronically via FERC's website (<https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>) or filed by paper in accordance with the filing procedures of 18 CFR § 385.2003. Please reference P-15292 for all comment submissions. For paper filings, comments must be mailed to:

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