

Potter Valley Hydroelectric Project (FERC Project No. 77)

License Surrender Application Public Presentation

THE PRESENTATION WILL BEGIN AT 3:00

August 11, 2025
3:00-5:00



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PG&E Representatives

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ERPA Representative

David Manning, Executive Director, Eel-Russian Project Authority

Facilitator

Diane Barr, Camas LLC

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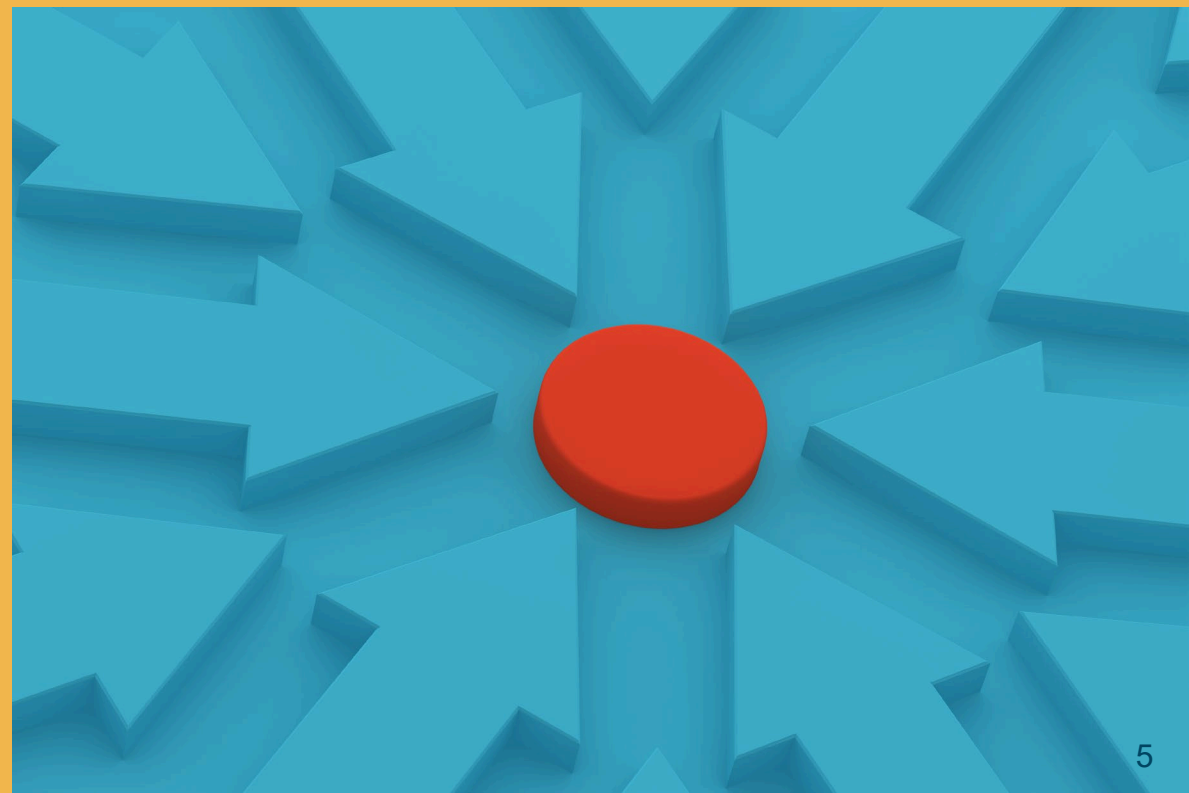
Q/A will be opened for ~30 minutes at the end covering

- FERC Regulatory Surrender Process
- Organization of the Surrender Application
- Opportunities to participate going forward
- Specific questions on the information presented

Directions for submitting comments on the License Surrender Application will be covered in the presentation.

To share information about the July 25th FERC filing containing the Potter Valley Project (FERC #77) License Surrender and Non-Project Use of Project Lands Applications

- **Regulatory process**
- **Document organization**
- **Public participation opportunities**





Agenda

TOPIC	Presenter
Agenda Review	<i>Diane Barr/Facilitator</i>
Meeting Overview	<i>Diane Barr/Facilitator</i>
Project Location and History	<i>Tony Gigliotti/PG&E</i>
FERC Surrender Process	<i>Tony Gigliotti/PG&E</i>
Project Description(s) • Potter Valley Project Decommissioning • New Eel-Russian Facility	<i>Tony Gigliotti/PG&E</i> <i>David Manning/ERPA</i>
PG&E's FERC Submittal • License Surrender Application • Non-Project Use of Project Lands	<i>Tony Gigliotti/PG&E</i>
Engaging with FERC	<i>Diane Barr/Facilitator</i>
Q&A Session and Closing (30 min)	<i>Diane Barr/Facilitator</i> <i>Janet Walther/PG&E</i>



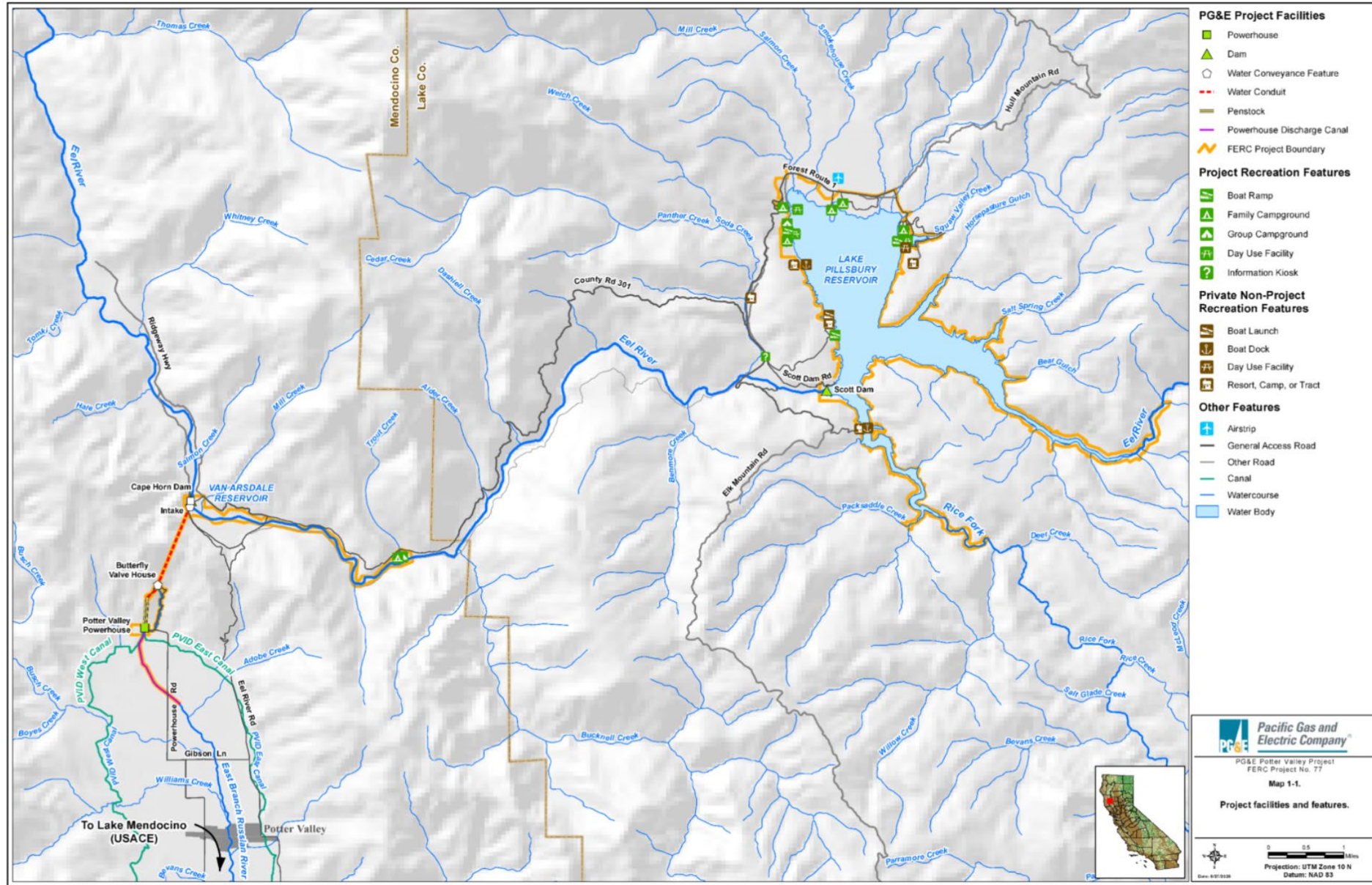
Meeting Overview: Today we will...

- Provide Potter Valley Hydroelectric Project background
- Summarize FERC's **License Surrender Process and public involvement**
- Describe PG&E's FERC Submittal components
 - Provide guidance for reading the FERC submittal
 - Explain why the FERC submittal includes two applications:
 - ***Surrender Application and Decommissioning Plan***
 - ***Non-Project Use of Project Lands Application (third-party water diversion)***
- Question and Answer 30-minute session.

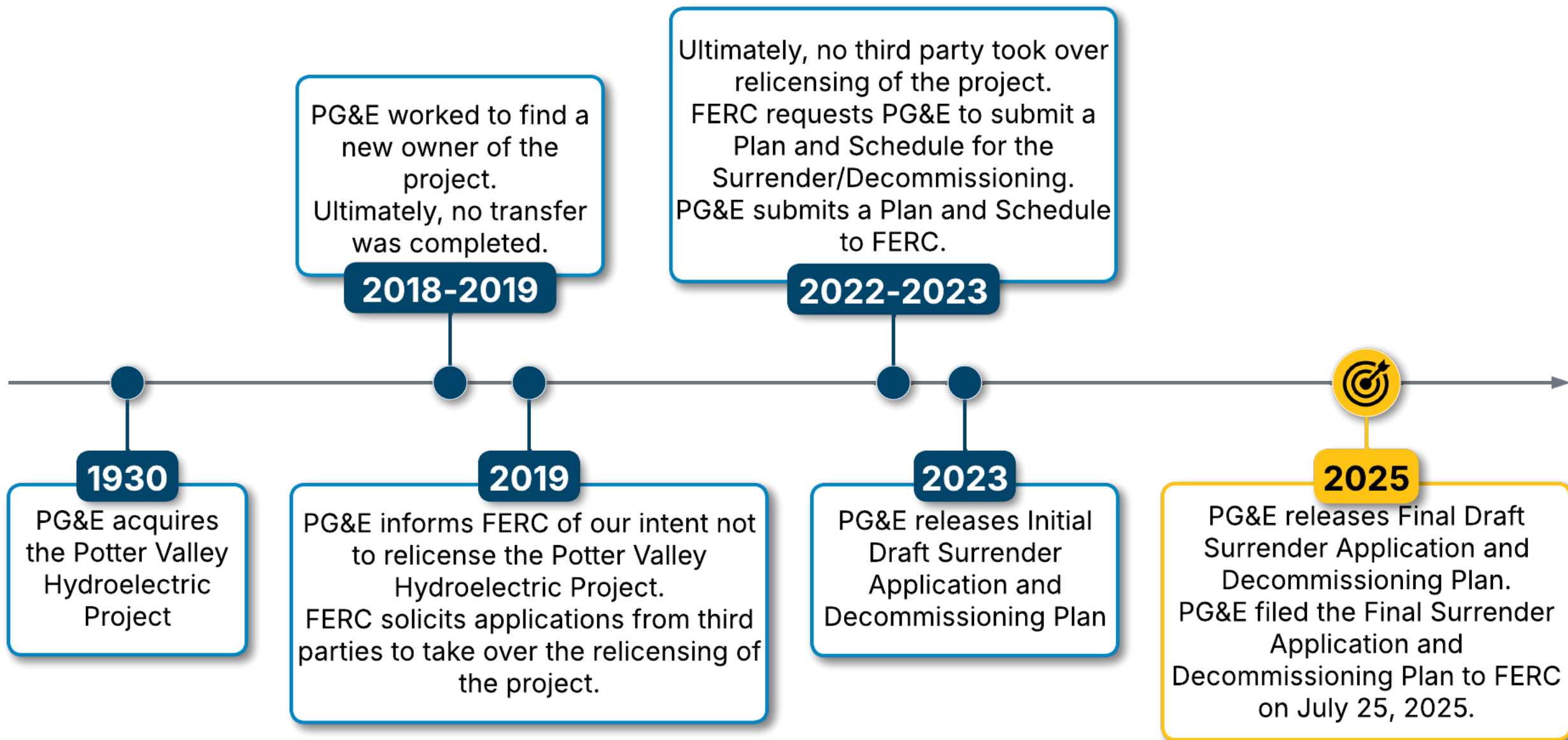
The Pathway to Here



Project Location



Project History



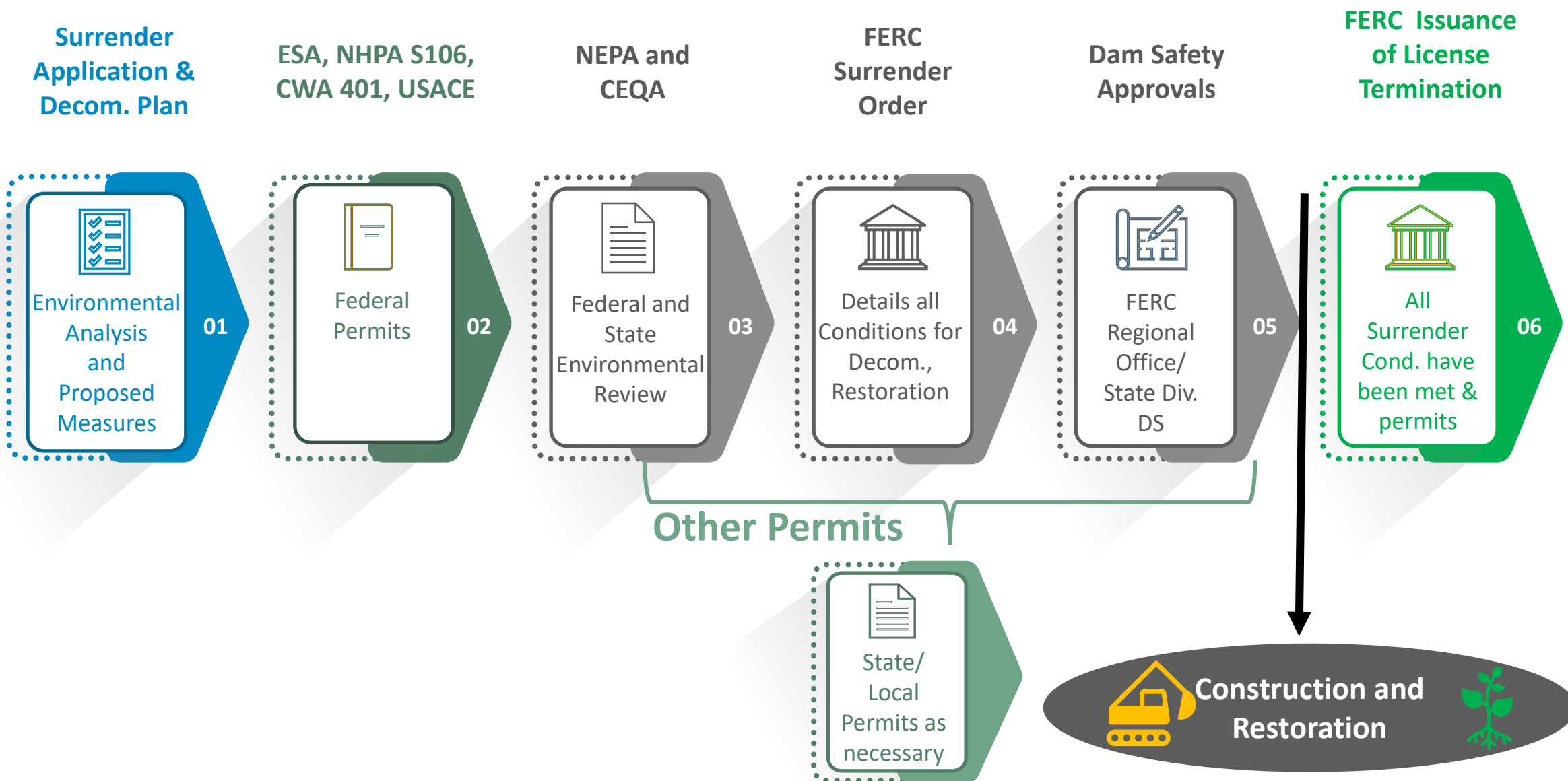
What is required for FERC to issue a Surrender Order?



License surrender process includes:

- **Studies:** Focused on short term facility removal.
- **Engineering-focused:** FERC Division of Dam Safety and State Division of Safety of Dams.
- **Permitting:** ESA, Section 106, and 401 certification focused on construction impacts.
- **No denial:** FERC cannot require a licensee to keep and operate a FERC project.

FERC Surrender Process



Project Description:

- Potter Valley Project Decommissioning
- Non-Project Use of Project Lands

Scott Dam Area

- Scott Dam
- Lake Pillsbury Reservoir
- Recreation, Ancillary, and other Facilities and Features

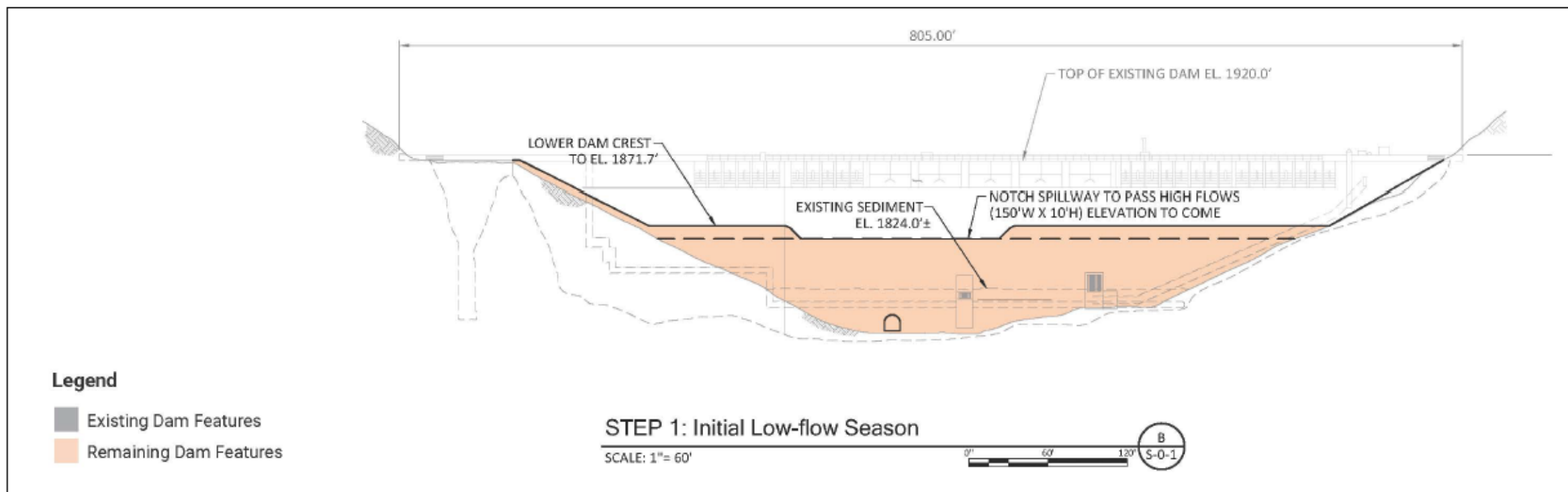
Cape Horn Dam Area

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- Van Arsdale Reservoir
- Recreation, Ancillary, and other Facilities and Features



Scott Dam Removal

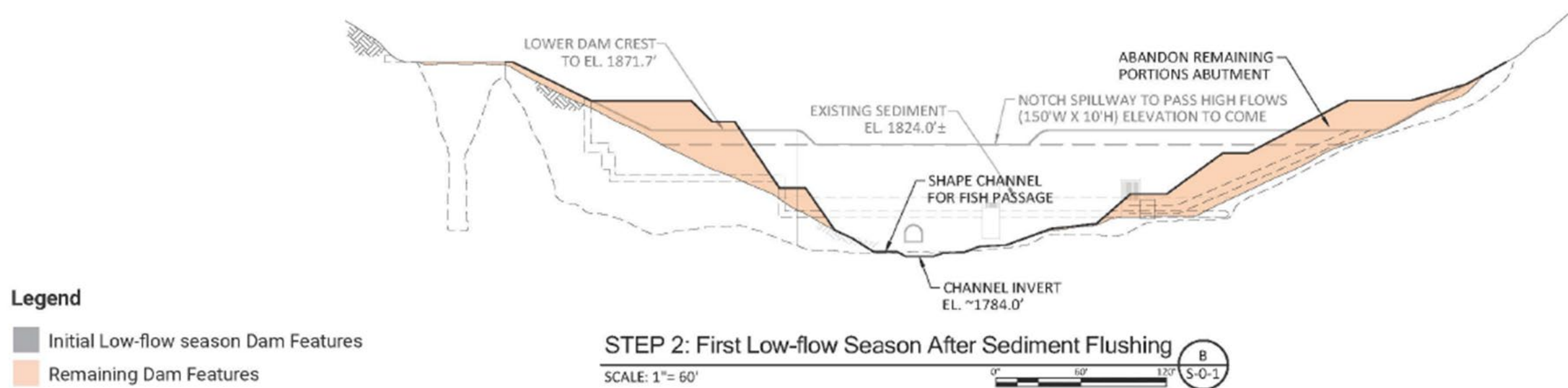
Pre-Construction Efforts and Initial Low-Flow Season Activities



Scott Dam removal—initial dam removal cross section (cross section—initial low-flow season).

Scott Dam Removal

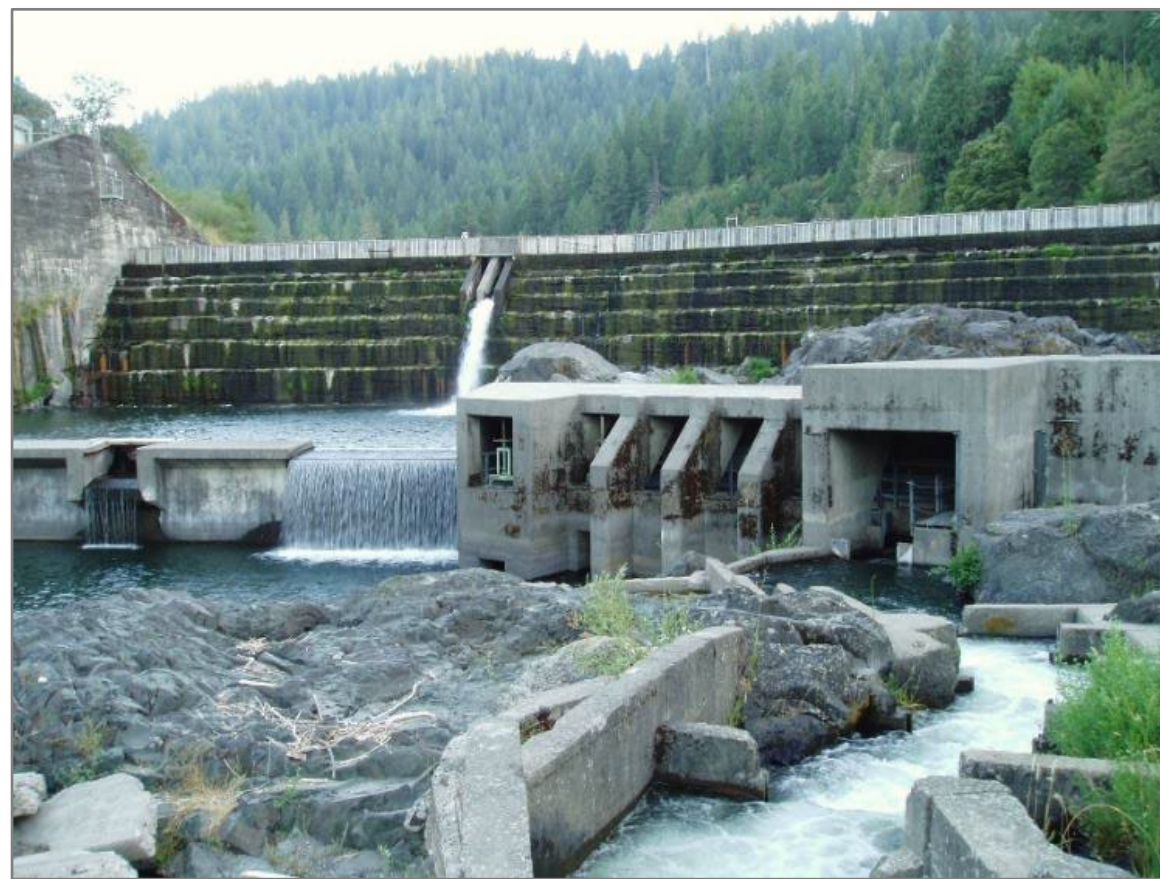
First Low-flow Season after Sediment Flushing (complete dam removal)



Scott Dam removal—final dam removal cross section (cross section—first low-flow season after sediment flushing).

Cape Horn Dam Removal

- Construct a flow bypass channel, and dewater channel in work area
- Remove Cape Horn Dam and other ancillary features
- Remove cofferdams



Implementation of Measures After Dam and Facility Removal

- Restoration of areas impacted by PG&E's construction activities that require active or passive restoration
 - Revegetation of former reservoir areas
 - Reestablishment and bank stabilization of the historical channels and floodplains of the Eel River and tributaries in and at the confluence of the former reservoir
 - Restoration of recreational facilities sites
- Water quality monitoring
- Public safety measures

This is not a complete list.

Additional commitments will also be included through permitting.

What is Non-Project Use of Project Lands?

- PG&E needs FERC authorization before PG&E can allow 3rd party occupancy of the project lands.
- The FERC authorization: Non-Project Use of Project Lands
- FERC establishes with their authorization that the “non-project use” does not impair or impede the project purpose.
- Examples of non-project use: commercial boat marina, non-project recreational facilities, and public water intakes.

Eel-Russian Project Authority

Project Description:

- New Eel-Russian Facility

More information can be found here: <https://eelrussianauthority.org>



New Eel Russian Facility Update

David Manning
Executive Director, Eel-Russian Project Authority
August 2025



Scott Dam & Lake Pillsbury



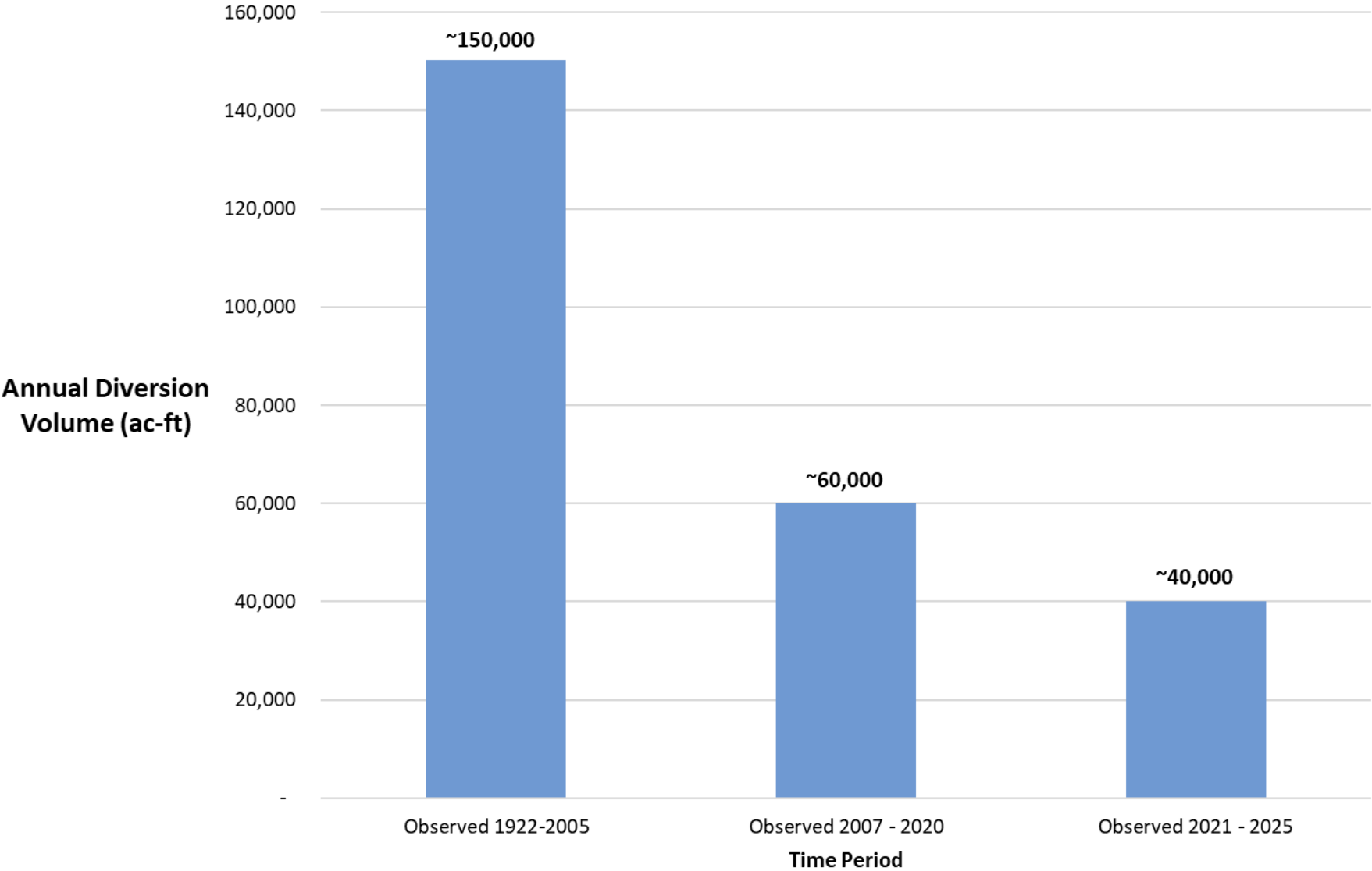
Cape Horn Dam & Van Arsdale Reservoir



Coyote Valley Dam & Lake Mendocino



Average Annual Volumes of Eel River Water Diverted through the Potter Valley Project (acre-feet per year)



Two-Basin Partnership

- Improve fish migration and habitat on the Eel River with the objective of achieving naturally reproducing, self-sustaining, and harvestable native anadromous fish populations; and
- Maintain continued water diversion from the Eel River through the existing tunnel to the Russian River to support water supply reliability, fisheries, and water quality in the Russian River Basin.

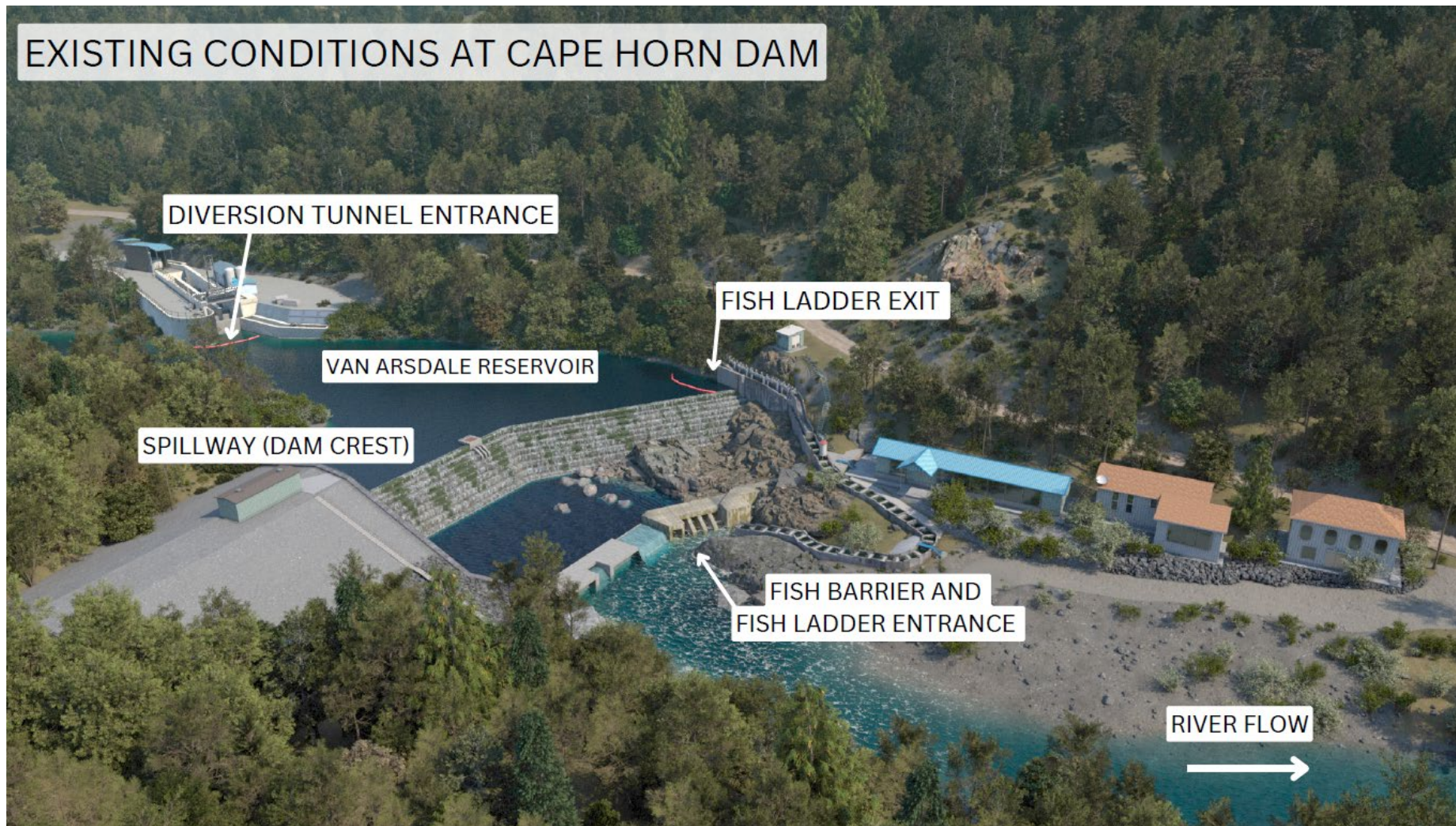


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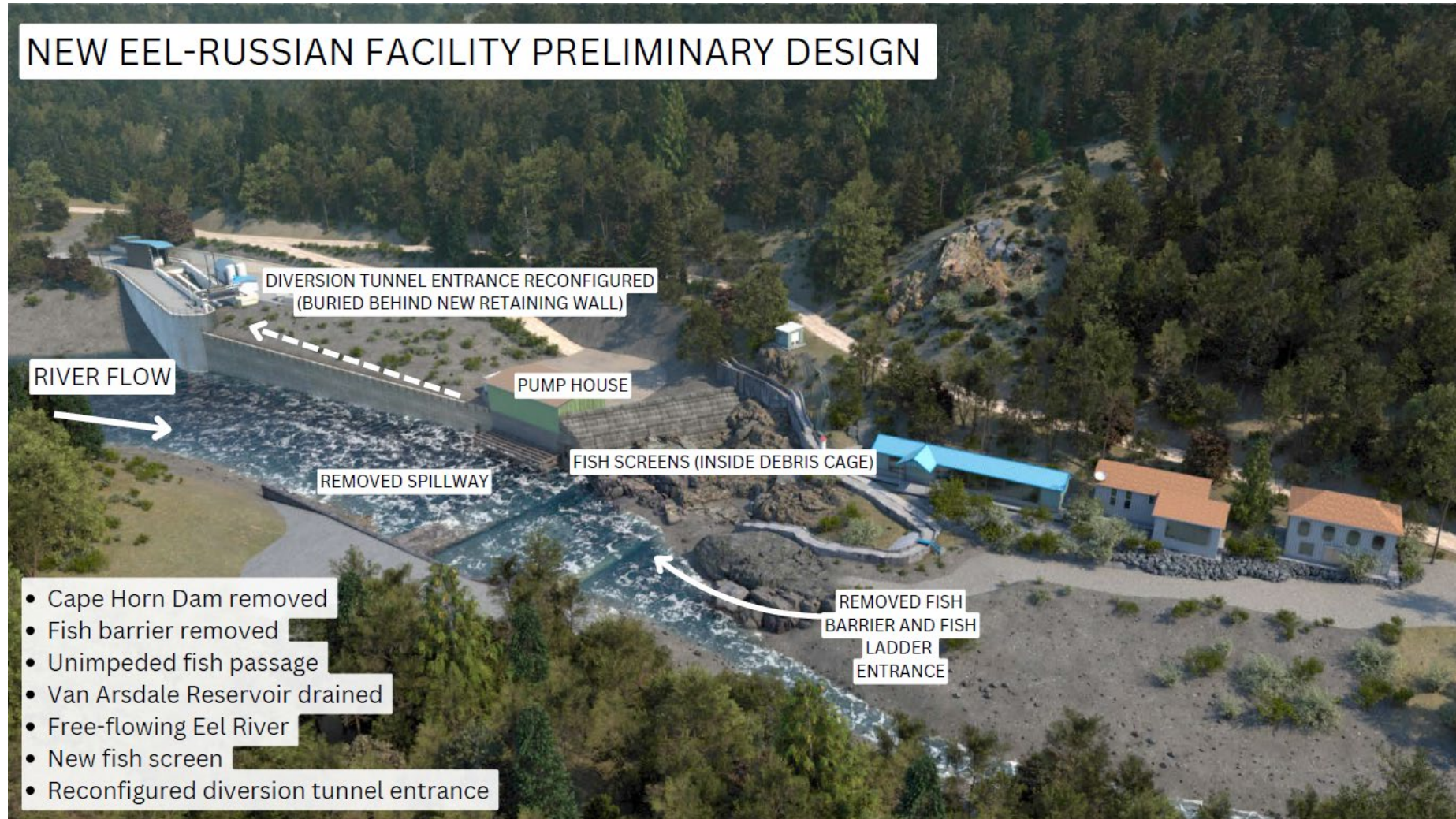
- In December 2023, Sonoma Water, Sonoma County, and Mendocino County IWPC formed ERPA as a joint powers authority. RVIT has a seat on ERPA's Board of Directors.
- ERPA proposes to construct, operate, and maintain a New Eel-Russian Facility to divert water from the Eel River, at the site of and following the decommissioning and removal of Cape Horn Dam, on terms consistent with restoration of the anadromous fisheries of the Eel.



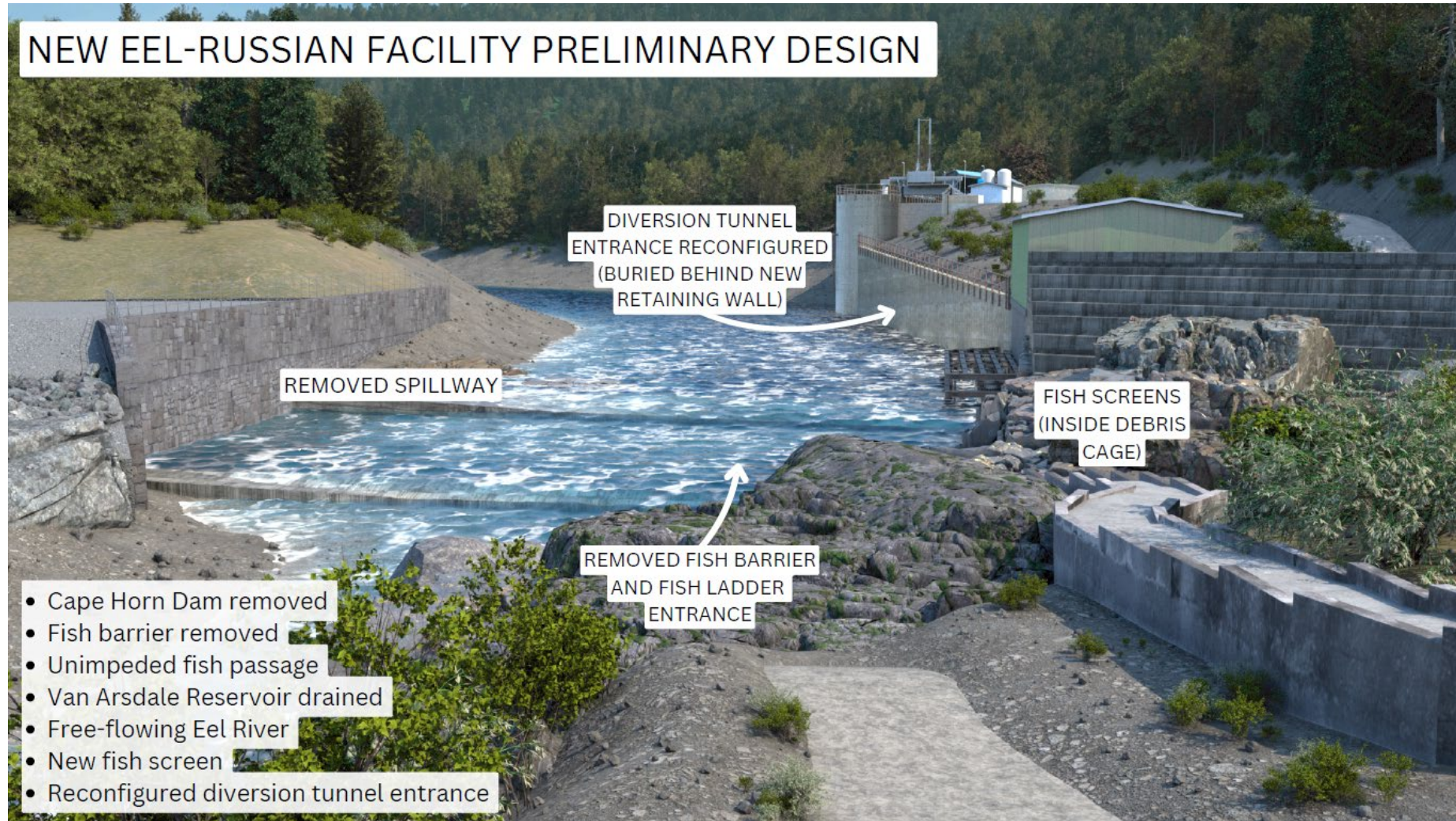
Cape Horn Dam Background



New Eel Russian Facility (NERF)



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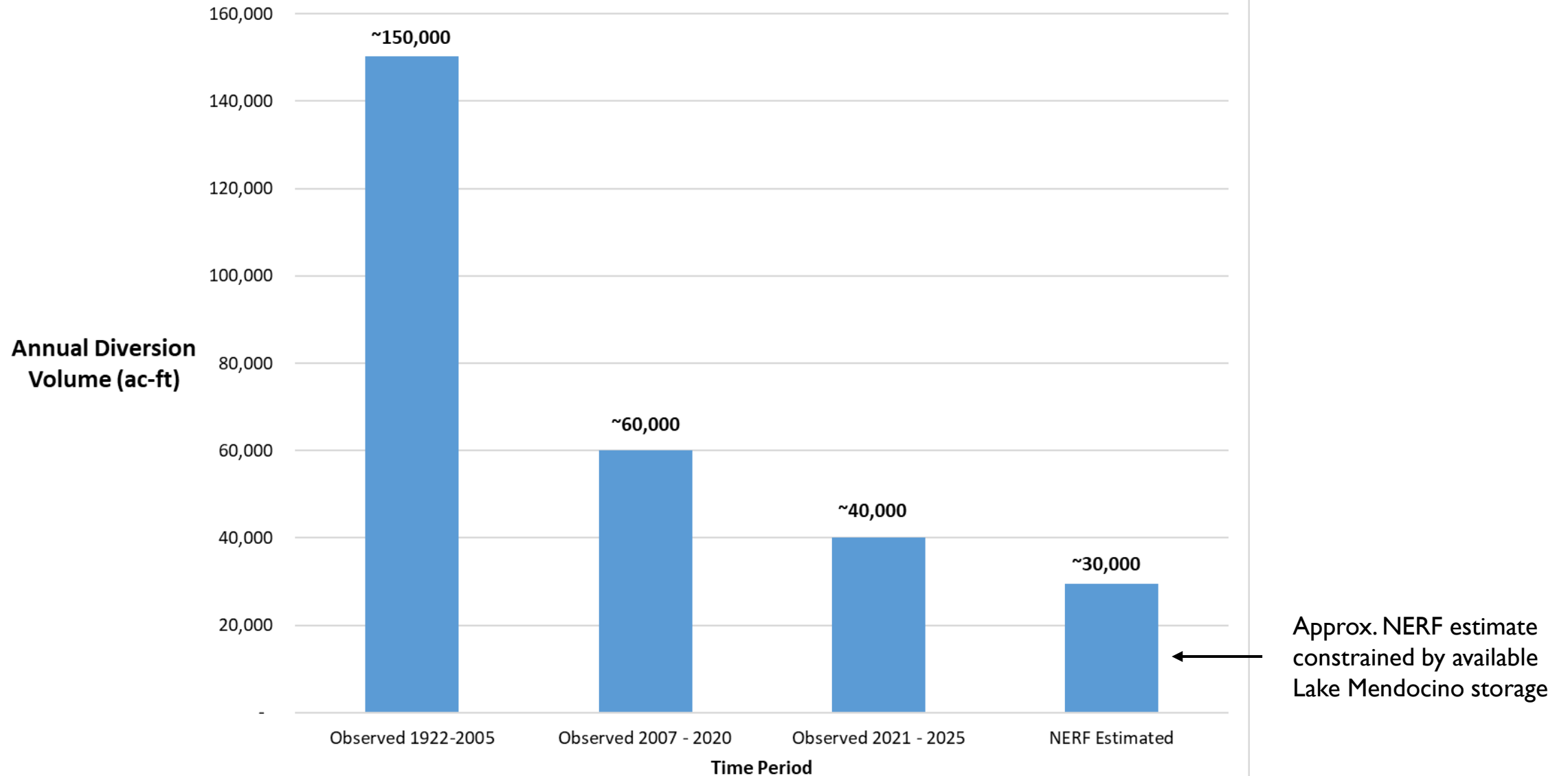


New Eel Russian Facility Diversion Rules

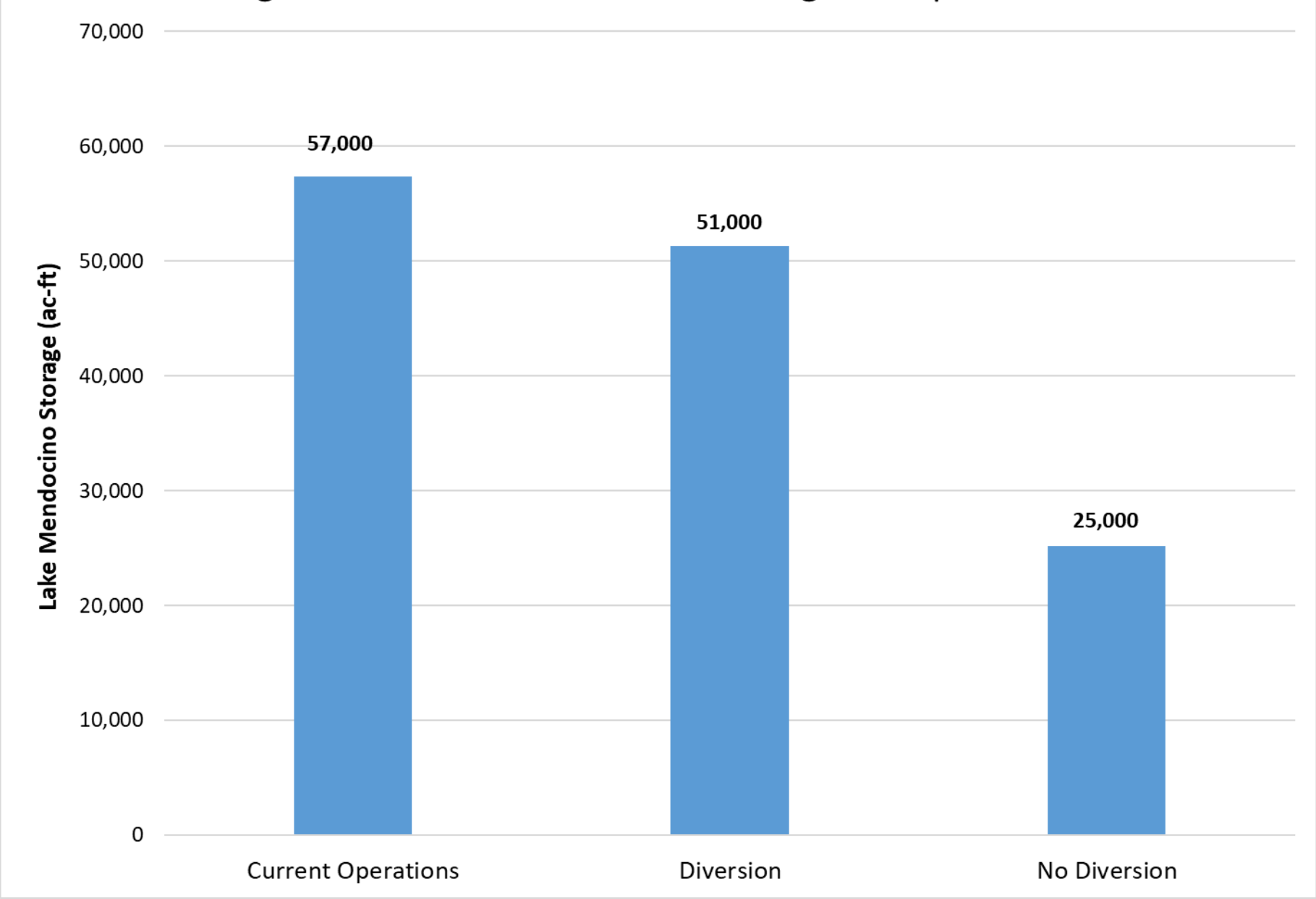
Developed by RVIT (Applied River Sciences)

	Fall Flows*	Winter Flows	Spring Flows	Summer Flows
Date Range:	Oct 1 – Dec 31	Jan 1 – Feb 29	Mar 1 – May 31	Jun 1 – Sep 30
Floor:	300 cfs	250 cfs	125 cfs	35 cfs
Maximum Diversion Rate:	20%	30%	20%	20%
Ramping Rates	To protect floor, NERF hits Maximum Diversion Rate (20%) When Eel River flow is 375 cfs	To protect floor, NERF hits Maximum Diversion Rate (30%) When Eel River flow is 357 cfs	To protect floor, NERF hits Maximum Diversion Rate (20%) when Eel River flow is 156 cfs	To protect floor, NERF hits Maximum Diversion Rate (20%) when Eel River flow is 43.75 cfs
Maximum Diversion Capacity	300 cfs	300 cfs	300 cfs	300 cfs

Average Annual Volumes of Eel River Water Diverted through the Potter Valley Project (acre-feet per year)



Average Modeled Lake Mendocino Storage on September 30th

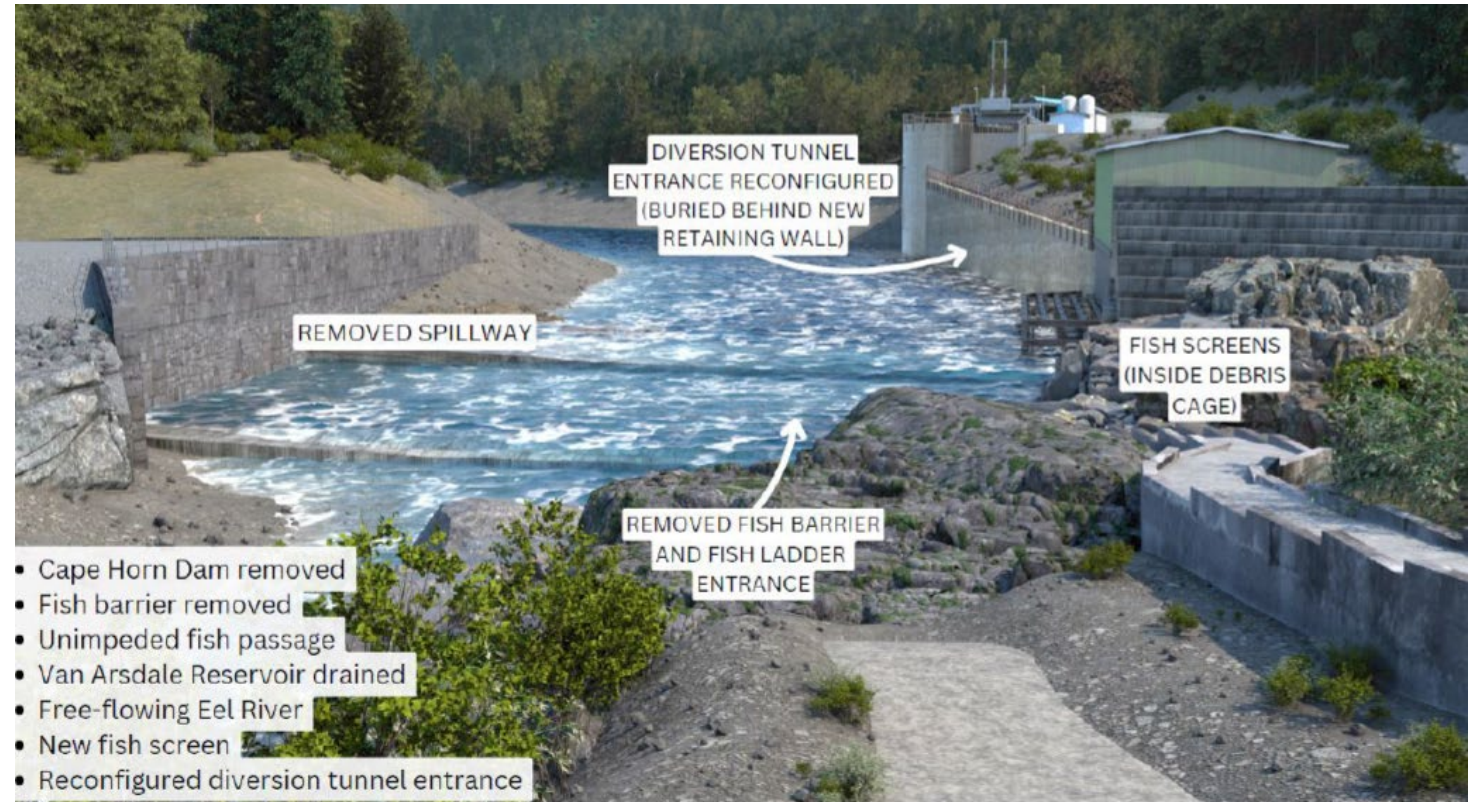


New Eel-Russian Facility CEQA Process

- Scope of Work in development anticipating Environmental Impact Report (EIR) preparation covering project construction, operations, and maintenance
 - Will include multiple opportunities for public and agency input during process
 - Initial work to:
 - Clarify New Eel-Russian Facility Project Description and Objectives
 - Distinguish from PG&E project
 - Identify future diversion scenarios
 - Organize, synthesize existing information and identify studies needed for environmental compliance
 - Technical analyses for hydrology, biological resources, cultural resources, recreation, agriculture, others
 - Project-specific and cumulative effects

New Eel-Russian Facility CEQA Process

- Close coordination with ERPA member agencies, State Water Board and other agencies to complete studies on schedule, keeping pace with PG&E license surrender environmental review
- Timeline approximately 24 months once initiated



ERPA/NERF Next Steps and Potential Schedule

- PG&E License Surrender Application filed with FERC on July 25, 2025
- All Parties Sign Water Diversion Agreement by July 29, 2025
- 2025-2028
 - ERPA Business Plan
 - NERF 60%-90% design
 - ERPA CA Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for NERF
 - U.S.Army Corps Of Engineers NEPA for ERPA Clean Water Act Compliance
 - National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Biological Opinions for NERF construction and operations
- 2028-2030
 - ERPA Final Engineering, Permits, Bidding, Contracting
- 2030-2035
 - NERF Construction

ERPA Communications Coordinated with Partner Agencies

Providing information to the public:

- Project related background information
- Past timelines and estimated schedules
- Topical informational Fact Sheets
 - NERF / ERPA overview
 - Explaining how new diversion would affect Russian River water supply
 - Explaining how Water Diversion Agreement rules work and how they protect Eel River ecosystem
- Robust information on ERPA website
- Respond to media inquiries



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Eel-Russian Project Authority Reports

[New Eel-Russian Facility Preliminary Engineering Report describing fish passage and water supply infrastructure design alternatives at the site of Cape Horn Dam on the Eel River](#)
(PDF 40.3 MB)

Eel-Russian Project Authority Documents

[Feb. 7, 2025 - Memorandum of Understanding to Advance a Water Diversion Agreement for a New Eel-Russian Facility](#)

Russian River Water Forum Documents

[August, 2023 - Potter Valley Project Proposal](#)

Proposal for Pacific Gas & Electric Company. Draft license surrender application, Potter Valley Project

Two Basin Solution Documents

[Sept. 2, 2021 - Request for an Abeyance Letter \(Project No. 77-285\)](#)

[Sept. 13, 2021 - Request for an Abeyance Letter \(Project No. 77\)](#)

Attachments

[July 2021 - Analyses of Fine Sediment Erosion](#)

[July 2021 - Analyses of Fine Sediment Erosion Effects on Aquatic Species](#)

[January 2021 - Lake Pillsbury Vegetation Management Discussion](#)

[January 2021 - Lake Pillsbury Sediment Management Discussion](#)

Initial Study

[March 16, 2021 - Determination on Requests for Study Modifications and New Studies](#)

[Sept. 16, 2020 - Initial Study Report Announcement Letter](#)

ERPA Fact-Sheets



PROJECT OVERVIEW

POTTER VALLEY PROJECT BACKGROUND

The Potter Valley Project is located on the Eel River and the East Branch Russian River, in Mendocino and Lake Counties. Owned and operated by Pacific Gas and Electric Co. (PG&E), it includes Scott Dam, Cape Horn Dam and a hydroelectric powerhouse (no longer generating). The Potter Valley Project includes facilities to divert water from the Eel River to the East Branch Russian River, and eventually to Lake Mendocino and the mainstem Russian River. This provides water for farmers, businesses, and residents in Mendocino, Sonoma and Marin counties.

THE EEL-RUSSIAN PROJECT AUTHORITY

A joint powers authority created in 2023, the Eel-Russian Project Authority is governed by a five-member Board of Directors made up of representatives from the County of Sonoma, Sonoma County Water Agency (Sonoma Water), the Mendocino County Inland Water and Power Commission, the Round Valley Indian Tribes.

PURPOSE OF THE EEL-RUSSIAN PROJECT AUTHORITY

PG&E will decommission the Potter Valley Project on the Eel River and remove Scott and Cape Horn dams. This will bring to an end more than 100 years of diverting water from the Eel River to the Russian River watershed. Originally used to generate electricity for the Ukiah Valley, the diverted water also provided for municipal, irrigation and ecosystem benefits to the Russian River watershed.

In 2019, when PG&E announced it was withdrawing its preliminary license application and would no longer seek relicensing, it invited interested parties to consider taking over the hydroelectric license. No group came forward and as a result, PG&E began the formal license surrender process. Local agencies, recognizing the urgent need to protect the regional water supply, formed the Eel-Russian Project Authority to lead the transition and develop a viable solution for maintaining the crucial water diversion.

Given the diversion of Eel River water will end with PG&E's license surrender and decommissioning of the project, the primary focus of the Eel-Russian Project Authority's

work is to develop a reconfigured water diversion facility upon PG&E's removal of Cape Horn Dam (via Federal Energy Regulatory Commission order). This continues to support water supply for the Russian River watershed by diverting water from the Eel River during fall, winter and spring for storage and use in the Russian River during the dry season. Diversions were undertaken so as not to affect the Eel River ecosystem.

Maintaining seasonal diversions of Eel River water to the Russian River and Lake Mendocino would preserve the water for hundreds-of-thousands of people in Mendocino, Sonoma, and Marin counties, support wildlife, riparian habitat and the ecosystems along the Russian River.

WHAT ARE THE IMPACTS WITH WATER DIVERSION?

Without the seasonal Eel River diversion, Lake Mendocino would frequently have less water available to downstream users. Further, there would be a serious threat to the businesses, cities, water suppliers, residents, tribes, and fishers which depend on the Russian River water supply for over 600,000 people in Mendocino, Sonoma and Marin counties.

What is the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission?

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (sometimes referred to as FERC) is an independent agency regulating natural gas and hydropower projects, as well as the interstate transmission of natural gas, oil and electricity. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission authorization is required for PG&E to surrender its license and decommission the Potter Valley Project, remove the dams, and provide the opportunity for the New Eel-Russian Facility project to be implemented. Various environmental reviews and studies, such as required by the National Environmental Policy Act, will need to be conducted prior to a final Federal Energy Regulatory Commission decision.

the tens of millions of dollars per year would be expected in the affected local economies.

In February 2025, several entities expressed their support for the concept of a project to provide for a seasonal diversion of water, by signing a Memorandum of Understanding. These included California Department of Fish & Wildlife, Round Valley Indian Tribes, Sonoma Water, Mendocino County Inland Water and Power Commission, Cal Trout, Humboldt County and Trout Unlimited.

THE EEL-RUSSIAN PROJECT AUTHORITY'S WATER DIVERSION FACILITY REPLACEMENT PROJECT

In 2024, the Eel-Russian Project Authority submitted a proposal to PG&E to allow for the construction of a new diversion facility, called the New Eel-Russian Facility. After Cape Horn Dam and a fish barrier are removed, and Van Andule Reservoir is drained, the Eel River will be free-flowing. The preliminary concept of the New Eel-Russian Facility is that a mechanical pump station would be constructed, utilizing the existing water diversion tunnel (buried beneath a new retaining wall), with a reconfigured diversion tunnel entrance. Water would only be transferred during seasonal wet periods. To take full advantage of the seasonal diversions, studies are underway investigating expanding storage in Lake Mendocino and finding other locations for storing water from the Eel River. A new fish screen would be installed so that fish would remain in the Eel River.

PROJECT COST AND FUNDING

The total construction cost of the new diversion facility is preliminarily estimated at \$50 million (as of March 2025). Russian River water users will pay for the cost of annual operations and maintenance, and support restoration efforts on the Eel River.

In late 2023, the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation awarded a \$2 million grant to Sonoma Water to advance the engineering design of the diversion facility. Additional federal and state funds are being pursued to reduce design, permitting, and construction cost for Russian River water users.

STATUS OF THE EEL-RUSSIAN PROJECT AUTHORITY'S EFFORTS

- It is anticipated that PG&E will file its Final Surrender Application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission on July 29, 2025. The application includes the concept of the New Eel-Russian Facility project.
- While the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission considers PG&E's surrender and decommissioning application, the Eel-Russian Project Authority will complete engineering designs for the new facility and work with other state and federal regulatory agencies to secure the permissions necessary to construct the facility.
- The design and permitting phase of the new facility project is expected to last several years.

PROJECT TIMELINE



EEL-RUSSIAN PROJECT AUTHORITY

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How future Eel River diversions might affect Russian River water supply



A rendering of one of two proposed approaches for the New Eel-

Once PG&E removes Cape Horn Dam, the New Eel-Russian Facility will continue to support water resiliency in the Russian River watershed by maintaining diversion of water from the Eel River during seasons for storage and use during the dry season. Diversions would be undertaken so as not to affect the Russian River's ecosystem.

Maintaining seasonal diversions of Eel River water to the Russian River and Lake Mendocino would the water supply for hundreds of thousands of people in Mendocino, Sonoma and Marin counties, supporting agricultural uses, wildlife, riparian habitat and sensitive ecosystems along the Russian River.

New Eel-Russian Facility: Operational overview and diversion capacity

Location

The new diversion facility will be built at the former Cape Horn Dam site, which will be removed as part of PG&E's Potter Valley Project decommissioning process.

Diversion infrastructure

The facility will include a pump station which will operate seasonally during high flow in the Eel River (during wet seasons – fall, winter and spring). The pump station will convey water into the existing diversion tunnel, which has a capacity of approximately 300 cubic feet per second (2,244 gallons per second, equivalent to about 595 acre-feet per day).

Estimated annual diversion volumes

Computer modeling indicates that under typical wet-season conditions, the facility can reliably divert up to 50,000 acre-feet/year. Depending on rainfall levels and Lake Mendocino storage capacity, diversion volumes up to 30,000 acre-feet/year are anticipated.

Storage capacity and operational constraints

Lake Mendocino storage

Lake Mendocino's maximum water supply storage capacity between Nov. 1 and March 1 is 68,400 acre-feet. Based on Forecast-Informed Reservoir Operations (a water supply management strategy using advanced watershed monitoring and weather and water forecasting), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers may, at its discretion, retain an additional 11,650 acre-feet of water, increasing total seasonal storage to 80,050 acre-feet between Nov. 1 and March 1, with a further increase to 111,000 acre-feet on May 10.

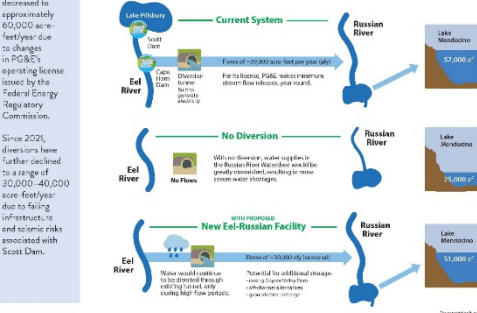
Under typical wet-season conditions, and dependent on Lake Mendocino storage capacity, diversion volumes up to 30,000 acre-feet/year are anticipated.



Historical diversions via PG&E's Potter Valley Project

Between 1922 and 2005, PG&E diverted an average of approximately 150,000 acre-feet of water from the Eel River to the Russian River basin. An acre-foot is 325,851 gallons of water – enough to cover one acre of land with one foot of water.

Comparison of Current System, No Diversion and proposed New Eel-Russian Facility



Eel-Russian Project Authority

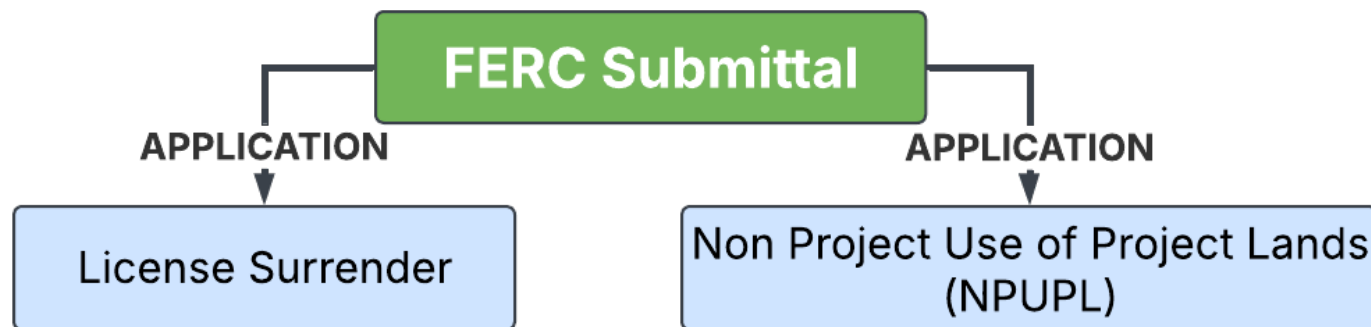
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FERC Submittal

License Surrender

Non-Project Use of Project Lands

Document Organization and Content



FERC Package Content		
Volume IA (License Surrender)	Volume IB (NPUPL)	Volume II Exhibit E - Environmental Report
1.0 Introduction 2.0 Purpose of Action 3.0 Regulatory Requirements 4.0 Consultation 5.0 Proposed Action / Alternatives 6.0 Conclusions and Recommendations 7.0 References	1.0 Introduction 2.0 Purpose of Action 3.0 Regulatory Requirements 4.0 Outreach 5.0 Proposed Action 6.0 Conclusions and Recommendations 7.0 References	1.0 Introduction 2.0 Surrender Application 2.1 Proposed Action 2.2 Environmental Analysis 3.0 NPUPL Application 3.1 Proposed Action 3.2 Environmental Analysis 4.0 List of Preparers

Application Contents – Volume IA and Volume IB

Contents of Surrender Application (IA) and Non-Project Use of Project Lands Application (IB):

Section 1: Introduction – Project background, history and the contents of FERC submittal

Section 2: Purpose of the Action – purpose and need for the Surrender and Non-Project Use of Project Lands applications to achieve an effective Potter Valley Project decommissioning.

Section 3: Regulatory Framework – summary of regulations that are relevant to both applications

Section 4: Consultation/Outreach – consultation and outreach efforts completed for the Surrender and NPUPL applications

Section 5: Proposed Action and Alternatives – No-Action Alternative, PG&E's proposed decommissioning plan and restoration plan, and development of ERPA's NERF facility

Section 6: Conclusions and Recommendations – recommended alternative and unavoidable adverse impacts.

Application Contents – Volume II (Environmental Analysis)

Surrender Application and Non-Project Use of Project Lands Application:

Section 1: Introduction – presents the contents in Volume II

Section 2: Surrender Application – the No-Action Alternatives, PG&E's proposal for the license surrender, and a general description of the river basin, the environmental and cultural affected environment, and the environmental effects of the Proposed Action under the license surrender. This section also includes a cumulative effects assessment.

Section 3: Non-Project Use of Project Lands Application – the proposal for Non-Project Use of Project Lands, the environmental and cultural affected environment, and the environmental effects of the Proposed Action under the Non-Project Use of Project lands. This section also includes a cumulative effects assessment.

Each Proposed Action has their own separate impact analysis

Effects Analyses - 2 Phases

Phase 1: Construction Effects

(*Temporary effects that may occur during construction*)

- Dam Removal
- Recreation Facility / Ancillary Facility / Feature Removal

Phase 2: Post-Facility Removal Effects

- **Phase 2a:** Initial Condition and Preliminary Restoration
Analysis of initial temporary physical conditions following dam and facility removal
- **Phase 2b:** Resulting Condition and Restoration
Resulting conditions after initial temporary physical conditions (post-Phase 2a)

July 25, 2025: PG&E filed the following with FERC

- License Surrender Application and Decommissioning Plan
- Non-Project Use of Project Lands (NPUPL) Application

FERC will issue a Public Comment Period for a minimum of 30 days.

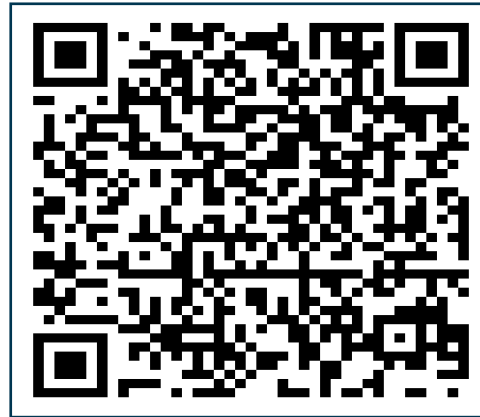
- FERC will notify subscribers to the **P-77** Docket when the Public Comment Period opens.
- Comments must be submitted directly to FERC to be considered by FERC.

Engaging with FERC

PG&E's Submittal Access:

- Document on eLibrary:

https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/filelist?accession_num=20250725-5175



QR Code:
Use your phone's
camera to access the
link.

FERC Public Comment Process

FERC establishes timeline

1. Document Filed

A filing is submitted to FERC. FERC opens a public record called a “docket” and assigns the filing a unique identifier called a “docket number”. For policy and rulemaking proceedings, the Commission is the one to initiate the proceeding.

2. Public Comment Opportunity

The filing is publicly noticed in the Federal Register and through FERC’s eLibrary system, beginning the comment period. The public notice provides the start and end dates of a comment period. The timelines vary depending on the proceeding.

3. Public Input Considered

Staff read and consider all comments filed during the comment period before finalizing their analysis and providing recommendations for the Commission to consider and vote on.

4. FERC Adopts Decisions

Finally, FERC decides on the issues before it and explains its actions. A final document called an “Order” is issued.

Source: <https://www.ferc.gov/submitting-effective-comments>

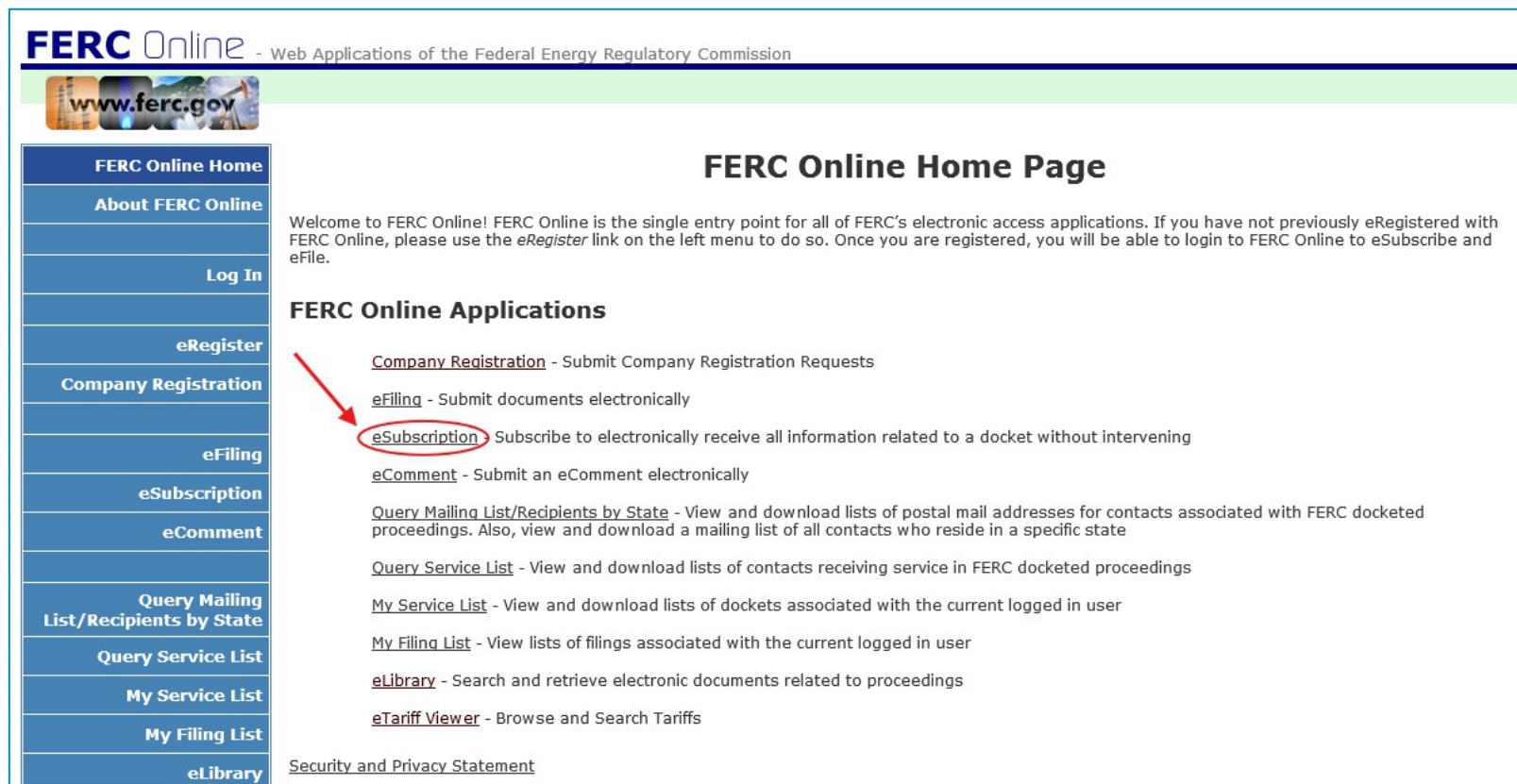
Submitting Written Comments to FERC (Electronic)

FERC will release a notice on the P-77 Docket when the Public Comment Period opens.

To receive a Notice, subscribe to the P-77 Docket via “eSubscribe” on FERC’s website

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<https://www.ferc.gov/how-to-esubscribe>.



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Submitting Written Comments to FERC (Electronic)

FERC recommends eComment or eFiling for submitting comments

To access eComment, go to www.ferc.gov, click “FERC Online”, then “eComment”.

The screenshot displays the FERC website interface. A red arrow points from the 'FERC Online' link in the left sidebar to the 'eComment' link in the 'Quick Links' dropdown menu. The 'Quick Links' menu is open, showing various options under different categories. The 'eComment' link is circled in red. The 'FERC Online' link in the sidebar is also circled in red. The 'eComment' link in the 'Quick Links' menu is circled in red. The 'eComment' link in the 'Quick Links' menu is circled in red.

System Notification: EQR Report Viewer will be intermittently unavailable between Friday, April 18th 6PM EDT to Saturday, April 19th 12PM EDT. If you have any questions, please contact ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov [View All System Notifications →](#)

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Submitting Written Comments to FERC (Electronic)

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- To submit a **.pdf comment letter** or comment on behalf of an **agency or organization**, you must use **eFiling**.
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After you submit an eComment request, you will receive an email from ferc.gov with a link to the comment system. Your system must not block emails from ferc.gov. Please create your comments in a Word or Text file (up to 10,000 characters) before you begin, then copy/paste them in the eComment Text Box to avoid time-out limits. If you are not filing as an individual or if you are filing a motion to intervene, you must have an eRegistration account and use the Commission's eFiling system.

For any issues regarding FERC Online, please contact FERC Online Support or call Local: 202-502-6652 | Toll-free: 866-208-3676. Please include a current mail address, telephone number, and e-mail address.

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- Pre-Filing Activity for Permits to Site Interstate Electric Transmission Lines (PT Dockets), and
- Applications for a Permit to Site Interstate Electric Transmission Lines (ET Dockets).
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Paper copy comments: mail to the appropriate address below.

United States Postal Service:

Attention: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, N.E.
Washington, DC 20426

UPS/FedEx/Other Delivery:

Attention: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
12225 Wilkins Avenue
Rockville, Maryland 20852

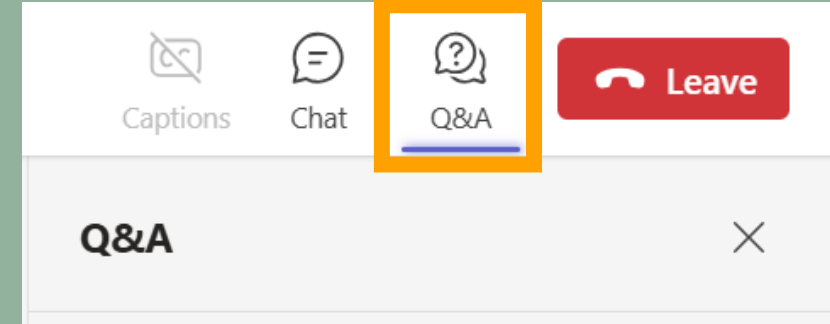
Q&A Session



Q&A for this presentation has been opened.

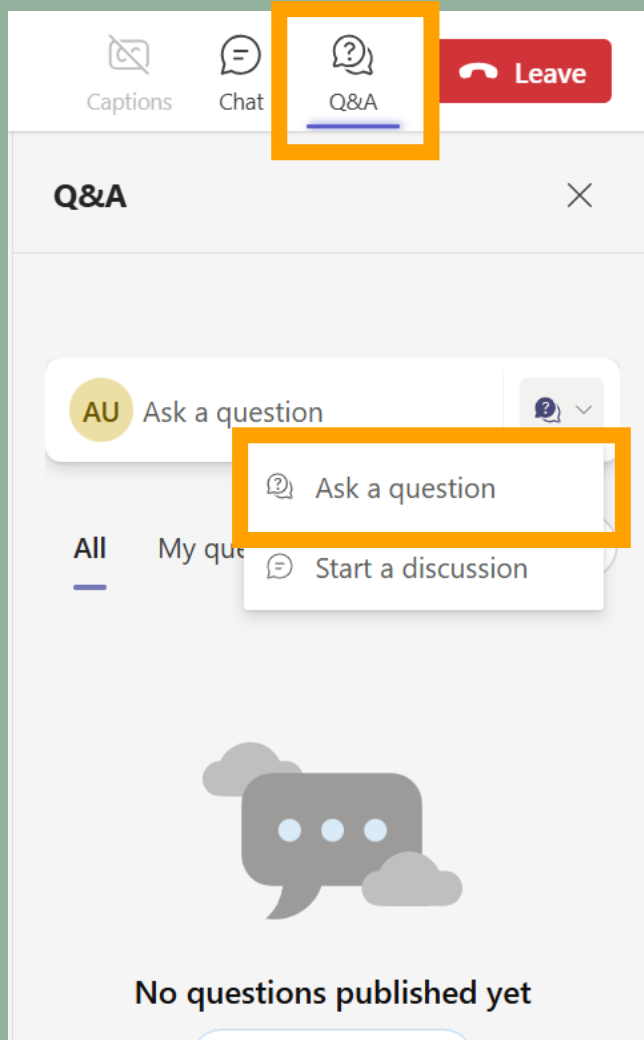
PG&E will field questions about:

- FERC Regulatory Surrender Process
- Organization of the Surrender Application
- Specific questions on the information presented
- Opportunities to participate



Questions on other topics will not receive a response.

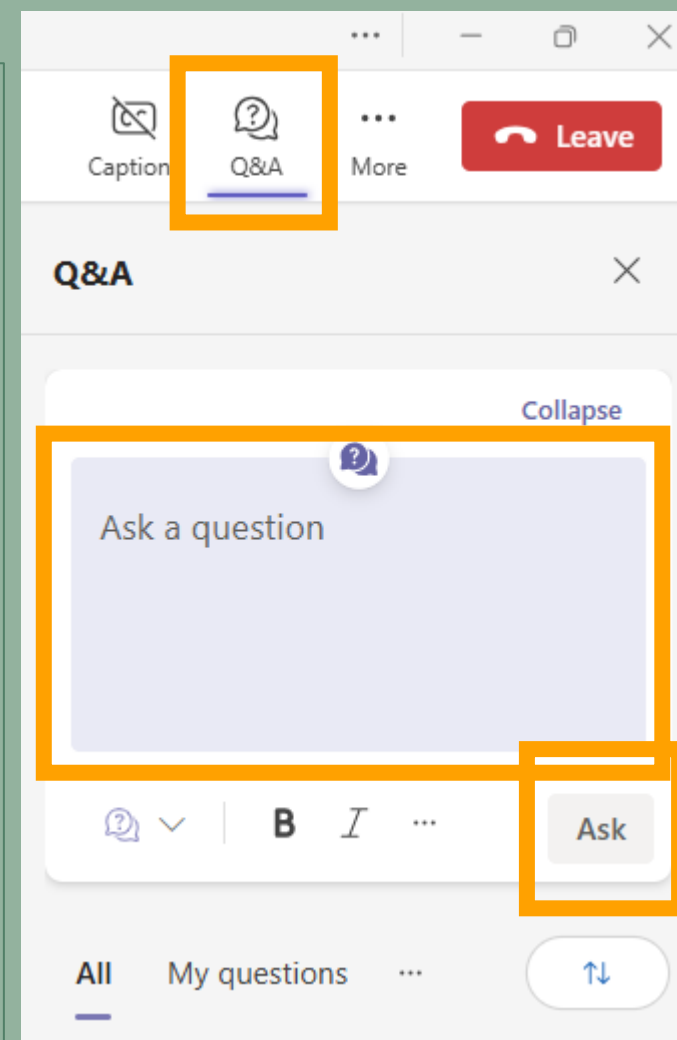
How to Submit Q&A



To submit a question, click “Q&A” at the top, select “Ask a question”, and type your question in the box.

When you are ready to submit your question to PG&E, click “Ask”.

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