# **FERC Hydropower Licensing Training Agenda**

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Regional Office, 1875 Century Drive, Atlanta, GA 30345

DAY 1: Tuesday, February 4, 2020

| Start   | End     | Topic/Activity   | Presenter(s)                     |
|---------|---------|--|----------------------------------|
| 7:30 a  | 8:15 a  | Check-in at front desk, find training room, get coffee & |                                  |
|         |         | breakfast treats, find a seat                            |                                  |
| 8:15 a  | 8:45 a  | Course Objectives, Overview of Agenda, Introductions,    | John Faustini and Rob Tawes, FWS |
|         |         | Welcome Remarks  |                                  |
|         |         | FERC 101   | _ ,, _ ,                         |
| 8:45 a  | 10:00 a | FERC organization, responsibilities, and authorities     | Emily Carter, FERC               |
|         |         | Federal Power Act overview and history                   |                                  |
|         |         | Comprehensive plans                                      |                                  |
|         |         | Types of FERC hydropower authorizations                  |                                  |
|         |         |  |                                  |
| 10:00 a | 10:15 a | BREAK  |                                  |
|         |         | FERC 101 (Cont.)   |                                  |
| 10:15 a | 10:30 a | FERC Bingo   | Kelly Schaeffer, Kleinschmidt    |
| 10:30 a | 11:45 a | FERC licensing processes (Integrated, Traditional,       | Emily Carter, FERC               |
|         |         | Alternative)   |                                  |
|         |         | Study requests and study dispute resolution process      |                                  |
|         |         |  |                                  |
| 11:45 a | 1:00 p  | LUNCH  |                                  |
|         |         |  |                                  |
| 1:00 p  | 1:30 p  | Why Engage in the FERC Hydropower Licensing              | Frankie Green, FWS               |
|         |         | Process? FERC 101 (Cont.)                                |                                  |
| 1:30 p  | 2:30 p  | One Federal Decision implementation                      | Heather Campbell, FERC           |
| 1.30 p  | 2.30 μ  | How to use FERC's website                                | Treather Campbell, I Like        |
|         |         | Tiow to use i like s website                             |                                  |
| 2:30 p  | 2:45 p  | BREAK  |                                  |
|         |         | FERC 101 (Cont.)   |                                  |
| 2:45 p  | 4:00 p  | Post-licensing implementation and compliance             | Mark Carter, FERC                |
|         |         | <u>.</u>   |                                  |
| 4:00 p  | 4:30 p  | License surrender, revocation, and dam removal           | Andrew Tittler, DOI SOL          |
| 4:30 p  | 4:45 p  | Review, Q&A  | All                              |
| 4:45 p  |         | ADJOURN  |                                  |
| 6:00 p  | 6:00 p  | Optional social: Dinner and adult beverages              |                                  |
| 1       | •       | Napoleon's Grill   |                                  |
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## DAY 2: Wednesday, February 5, 2020

| Start   | End     | Topic/Activity                                    | Presenter(s)                      |
|---------|---------|---|-----------------------------------|
| 8:00 a  | 8:15 a  | Welcome back, questions                           |                                   |
| 8:15 a  | 9:00 a  | Authorities and mandatory conditions              | Andrew Tittler, DOI SOL           |
| 9:00 a  | 10:00 a | Mandatory conditions: panel discussion            | Frankie Green, FWS                |
|         |         |   | Pace Wilbur, NOAA Fisheries       |
| 10.00   | 40.45   | DDEAK   |                                   |
| 10:00 a | 10:15 a |   |                                   |
| 10:15 a |         | CWA Section 401 water quality certification       | Diana Woods, EPA                  |
| 10:45 a | 11:15 a | Federal tribal trust responsibility               | Harold Peterson and Marcy Foster, |
|         |         |   | BIA                               |
| 11:15 a | 11:45 a | Wild & Scenic Rivers Act compliance               | Allison O'Brien, DOI OEPC         |
|         |         |   |                                   |
| 11:45 a | 1:00 p  | LUNCH   |                                   |
| 1:00 p  | 1:45 p  | ESA Section 7 consultations                       | Maureen Walsh and Frankie Green,  |
|         |         |   | FWS; NOAA Fisheries presenter     |
|         |         |   |                                   |
| 1:45 p  | 2:45 p  | Cooperators, commenters, & intervenors            | Allison O'Brien, DOI OEPC         |
|         |         | Reviewing FERC's NEPA document                    |                                   |
| 2.45    | 2.00    | PREAM   |                                   |
| 2:45 p  |         | BREAK   |                                   |
| 3:00 p  | 4:30 p  | Trial-type hearings and alternative prescriptions | Andrew Tittler, DOI SOL           |
|         |         | Maintaining an administrative record              |                                   |
| 4:30 p  | 4:45 p  | Review, Q&A                                       | All                               |
| 4:45 p  |         | ADJOURN   |                                   |
|         |         | Dinner on your own                                |                                   |

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## DAY 3: Thursday, February 6, 2020

| Start   | End     | Topic/Activity   | Presenter(s)                    |
|---------|---------|--|---------------------------------|
| 8:00 a  | 8:15 a  | Welcome Back, Q&A                                      |                                 |
| 8:15 a  | 10:00 a | Fishways (Definition & components, fishway             | Brett Towler, FWS (remote       |
|         |         | prescriptions, fishway engineering, inspections)       | presentation)                   |
|         |         |  |                                 |
| 10.00   | 10.15   |  |                                 |
| 10:00 a | 10:15 a |  |                                 |
| 10:15 a | 11:30 a | Mandatory fishway prescriptions                        | Frankie Green, FWS              |
|         |         |  | Twyla Cheatwood, NOAA Fisheries |
|         |         |  |                                 |
| 11:30 a | 11:45 a | BREAK/GET LUNCH  |                                 |
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| 11:45 a | •       | Lunch Presentation: An NGO perspective on              | Gerritt Jöbsis                  |
| 12:30 p | 1:00 p  | The licensee perspective and how to engage effectively | Kelly Schaeffer, Kleinschmidt   |
|         |         |  |                                 |
| 1:00 p  | •       | How (and how not) to craft an effective settlement     | Andrew Tittler, DOI SOL         |
|         |         | agreement  |                                 |
| 1:30 p  | 1:45 p  | BREAK  |                                 |
| 1:45 p  |         | Settlement agreements: Working with multiple           | Frankie Green, FWS              |
|         |         | stakeholders (negotiation and collaboration)           | Kelly Schaeffer, Kleinschmidt   |
| 3:15 p  | 3:30 p  | Wrap-up  |                                 |
|         |         |  |                                 |
| 3:30 p  |         | ADJOURN  |                                 |