

EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

DATE: October 9, 2025

MEMO TO: Board of Directors

THROUGH: Clifford C. Chan, General Manager *CCC*

FROM: Alice E. Towey, Director of Water and Natural Resources *AET*

SUBJECT: Lower Mokelumne River – FERC Project No. 2916 Relicensing Update

SUMMARY

The District is initiating its Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) relicensing efforts to renew its license to operate hydropower facilities at Pardee and Camanche Dams (Project 2916) with submittal of the Notice of Intent (NOI) and Pre-Application Document (PAD) in mid-October 2025. The last update on this project was provided via an information memo dated May 22, 2025.

DISCUSSION

On March 10, 1981, FERC issued a 50-year license to the District for the Lower Mokelumne River Project (Project 2916). The license was effective April 1, 1981 and will expire at the end of March 2031. In addition to permitting hydropower generation, the Project 2916 license prescribes terms for operations related to dam safety, public safety, recreation, and environmental protection. The District estimates the relicensing process may take up to seven years (see Attachment).

Notice of Intent and Pre-Application Document Officially Initiates the Relicensing Process

The relicensing process is initiated with FERC by filing a Notice of Intent (NOI) to relicense and a Pre-Application Document (PAD). The NOI informs FERC and all interested parties that the District is initiating the relicensing process. The PAD provides FERC, consulting agencies, and stakeholders with existing information relevant to the project. This information will assist in identifying issues and developing study plans that will inform the relicensing terms and FERC's environmental analysis. The PAD generally includes the engineering, economic, and environmental information relevant to the project that is reasonably available when the NOI is filed. The District is targeting mid-October 2025 to file the PAD.

Initial Outreach Conducted to support the PAD and Study Plans

District staff held early engagement meetings and an open house event with external interested parties (e.g., resource agencies, Tribes, and non-governmental agencies) in September and October 2024. The District then hosted Technical Working Group meetings with those same external interested parties from June through September 2025 to inform and better define the list of potential studies that will be included with the PAD. This early outreach helped the District to gather information for the development of the NOI, PAD, and study plans, disseminate information about the relicensing process, build relationships, and identify issues.

NEXT STEPS

The District's project webpage (www.ebmud.com/MokRelicense) is the primary tool being used to disseminate the documents electronically. Per FERC's requirements, the District also published notices in the local newspapers in Amador, Calaveras, and San Joaquin counties, where the project resides. Although not required, a notice was also published in the Oakland Tribune, a newspaper of general circulation in the service area.

Within 30 days of the filing of the NOI and PAD, FERC will coordinate with the District to schedule a scoping meeting to invite interested parties and obtain feedback on the Project.

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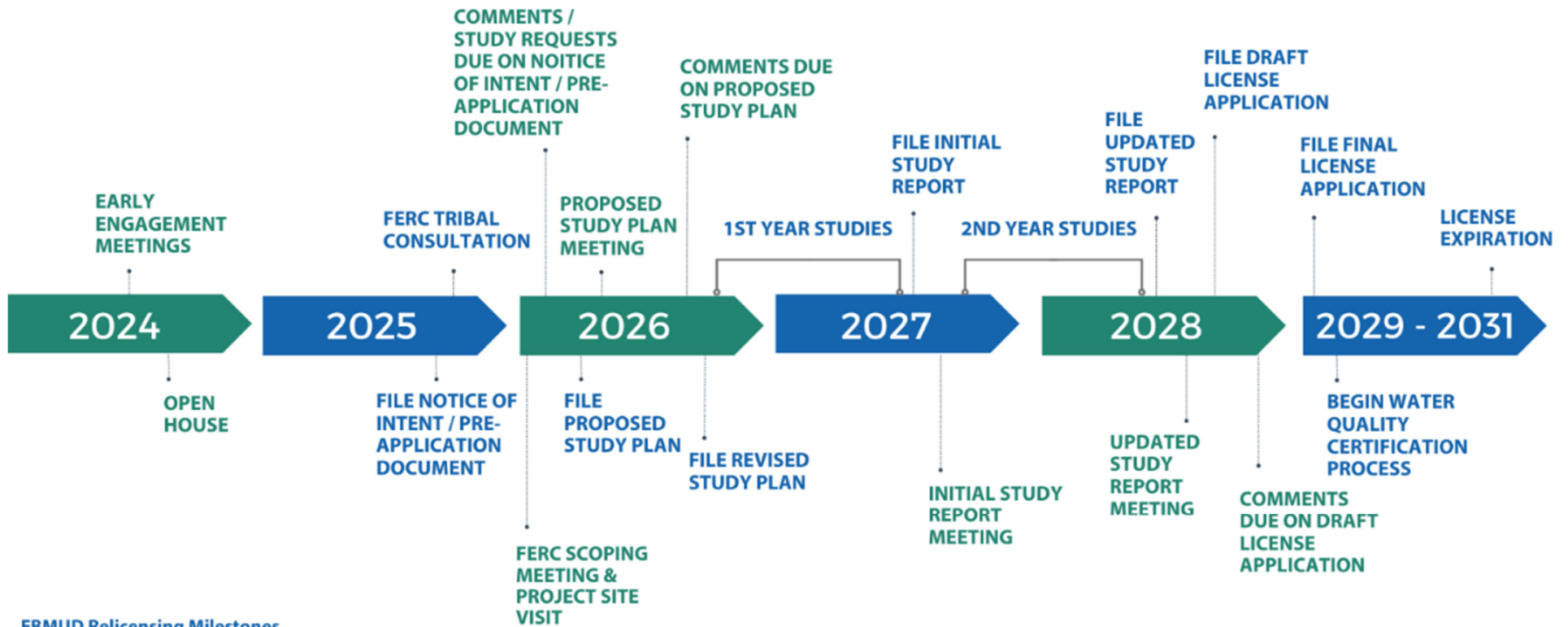
Attachment: District's Overall Schedule for Relicensing Project 2916

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RELICENSING SCHEDULE

Lower Mokelumne River Project, FERC No. 2916



EBMUD Relicensing Milestones
Interested Parties Involvement Opportunities

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