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January 14, 2002

Dear Coosa Cooperative Relicensing Team Member:

Thank you for your continued interest in the Coosa River relicensing process. We hope you all enjoyed your holiday season and we look forward to continuing our progress during the new year. During the upcoming January 30th Coosa Cooperative Relicensing Team (CCRT) meeting, we will update you on the progress of the Issue Action Groups (IAGs) and discuss the work planned for 2002.

The CCRT meeting will be held on January 30, 2002 at Alabama Power Company's Corporate Headquarters, in Birmingham, AL in Training Rooms 4 D and E (see Agenda, Attachment A). Please note that this meeting is a combined CCRT and Warrior Cooperative Relicensing Team (WCRT) lunch time meeting. Attachment B contains the membership roster of the CCRT.

For those not attending the January meeting, we have provided, via the APC relicensing website, information related to the CCRT.

Attached to this letter are materials to help you prepare for the January 30th meeting. Please review the enclosed materials and plan to participate in the discussions. If you have any questions or wish to clarify something in the attachments prior to the meeting, please contact Jim Crew or Barry Lovett.

Attachments include the following:

- Attachment A – January 29th and 30th, 2002 Meeting Agenda
- Attachment B – Membership Rosters
- Attachment C – Summary status report for all IAGs
- Attachment D – Draft Vision Statements for the CR1, 3, 4 & 5 existing IAGs

Attachment A – January 29th and 30th, 2002 Meeting Agenda

Attachment A is the January meeting agenda. Please review the agenda closely because there are numerous IAG meetings as well as a CCRT meeting. Please call Viki Jenkins if you have any questions regarding this agenda. The CCRT and WCRT meeting will focus on summarizing 2001 activities, discussing the status of IAGs, discussing ecological and recreational recommendations and discussing NEPA Scoping activities.

Attachment B – Membership Rosters

Attachment B is a list of members for the Coosa RecRAT, Coosa EcoRAT, CCRT, WCRT and each existing IAG.

Attachment C – Summary status report for all IAGs

Attachment C is a summary status report for all IAGs. This summary is meant to inform Coosa RAT, CCRT, WCRT and IAG members on the overall progress and status of all IAGs.

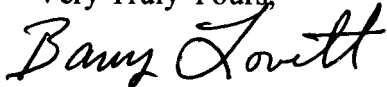
Attachment D – Final Vision Statements for the CR1, 3, 4 & 5 existing IAGs

Attachment D is the final vision statements for the CR1, 3, 4 & 5 existing IAGs. The vision statements are intended to provide an overall vision for the future of recreation on each lake and provide general areas of potential improvement.

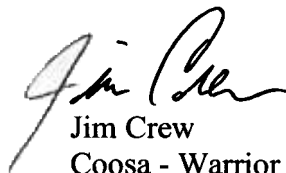
We look forward to seeing you in January to continue our cooperative efforts to address the relicensing issues for the Coosa River project. Due to continued heightened security measures, please gather at the Visitor's Desk area of the main floor and we will escort you to the meeting location .

Should you have any questions, please contact Jim Crew at (205) 257-4265 or JFCREW@southernco.com or Barry Lovett at (205) 257-1268 or BKLOVETT@southernco.com. If you need assistance with overnight accommodations, please contact Ms. Viki Jenkins at (205) 257-2211 or email at VRJENKIN@southernco.com.

Very Truly Yours,



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Attachments

Attachment A
January 29th and 30th, 2002 Meeting Agenda

AGENDA

RELICENSING TEAM AND IAG MEETINGS

January 29-30, 2002

Alabama Power Company
Corporate Headquarters
Training Rooms 4-D&E
Birmingham, AL

Tuesday, January 29, 2001

9:00 AM – 10:15 AM

E10 Downstream Flows IAG

CRI, 3, 4 and 5 Weiss Recreation IAG

10:30AM – 12:00 PM

E8 Lake Level Fluctuations IAG

CRI, 3, 4 and 5 Jordan Recreation IAG

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

Joint Lunch Session – WCRT, Coosa EcoRAT, and Coosa RecRAT
Developing Alternatives – NEPA Presentation by Ron McKittrick (FERC)

1:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Coosa EcoRAT and WCRT¹ Meeting

Coosa RecRAT and WCRT² Meeting

¹ All WCRT members who have participated in ecological IAGs, are primarily interested in ecological issues, or who have already attended the operations presentation on October 23, 2001.

² All WCRT members who have participated in recreation IAGs, are primarily interested in recreational issues, or who did not attend the October 23, 2001 operations presentation.

Attachment B
Membership Rosters

MEETING ROSTERS

E10 Downstream Flows IAG - Meeting January 29, 2002 from 9:00 AM to 10:15 AM

| | | | |
|--------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------|
| Chubb, Sarah | Hornsby, Jon | Mealing, Henry | Sheppard, Andy |
| Cook, Stan | Johnston, Dow | Moss, Jerry | Sligh, David |
| Couret, Carl | Littlepage, Tom | Pierson, Malcolm | Wentzel, Beth |
| Crew, Jim | McHugh, Jim | Schaeffer, Kelly | |

CRI, 3, 4 and 5 Weiss Recreation IAG - Meeting January 29, 2002 from 9:00 AM to 10:15 AM

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| Campbell, Bill | DiGennaro, Bruce | Moore, David | Thompson, Dan |
| Dan Catchings | Huffaker, Bob | Ramey, Walter | |
| Jerry Culberson | Lovett, Barry | Smith, Shelia | |

E8 Lake Level Fluctuations IAG - Meeting January 29, 2002 from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

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| Allen, Bob | Couret, Carl | Mealing, Henry | Sheppard, Andy |
| Catchings, Dan | Crew, Jim | Moss, Jerry | Trussell, Isabella |
| Chubb, Sarah | Johnston, Dow | Pierson, Malcolm | |
| Counts, Tom | Littlepage, Tom | Schaeffer, Kelly | |

CRI, 3, 4 and 5 Jordan Recreation IAG - Meeting January 29, 2002 from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

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| Beumer, Johan | Dykes, Bill | Lovett, Barry | Sim, Bill |
| Campbell, Bill | Greer, Don | Marshall, Preston | Smith, Sheila |
| Carden, Lonnie | Haynes, David | McHugh, Jim | Thompson, Dan |
| Colburn, Kevin | Howard, Jim | Ramey, Walter | Young, Joe |
| DiGennaro, Bruce | Huffaker, Bob | Sherburne, Tom | |

WCRT - Meeting January 29, 2002 from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM and January 30, 2002 from 11:30 AM to 1:15 PM

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|-------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Akridge, Mike | Duncan, Jeff | Hutzel, Janet | Pulliam, Karen |
| Allinder, Pres | Dykes, Bill | Jenkins, Viki | Ramey, Walter |
| Allums, Rick | Eisenbarth, John | Kartalia, Steve | Rhinehart, Greg |
| Beason, Jim | Eubanks, Mike | Knowles, Bobby | Riddle, Yolanda |
| Berry, Deb | Floyd, Keith | Leppert, Patti | Schaeffer, Kelly |
| Bowden, Matt | Free, John | Littlepage, Tom | Sheppard, Andy |
| Bunce, Heather | Gardner, Joel | Lochamy, Jim | Sim, Bill |
| Campbell, Bill | Garner, William | Lovett, Barry | Sinclair, Tom |
| Chubb, Sarah | Gidiere, Stephen | McIndoe, Jim | Sligh, Dave |
| Cielinski, Susan | Goddard, Art | McKitrick, Ron | Smith, Sheila |
| Cline, Ray | Godwin, James | McLane, Brad | Strickland, Jon |
| Colburn, Kevin | Groce, Tom | Mealing, Henry | Taylor, Robert |
| Cook, Stan | Hamilton, Charlotte | Moore, Jim | Watts, Larry |
| Counts, Tom | Hamilton, Janice | Moss, Jerry | Wentzel, Beth |
| Couret, Carl | Hancock, James | Nicholson, Joe | White, Dudley |
| Crew, Jim | Harley, Darryl | Oliver, Russell | White, Stephanie |
| Denson, Elrand | Hillhouse, Jim | Pasquill, Bob | Woods, Diana |
| Dewberry, Shannon | Hornsby, Jon | Peck, Brian | |
| DiGennaro, Bruce | Huffaker, Bob | Pierson, Malcolm | |

Coosa EcoRAT - Meeting January 29, 2002 from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM

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|-------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Allinder, Pres | Eubanks, Mike | Johnston, Dow | Sailors, Jerry |
| Austin, James | Godwin, James | Jones, Frank | Schaeffer, Kelly |
| Catchings, Dan | Greer, Don | Kartalia, Steve | Sheppard, Andy |
| Claybrook, Rick | Hancock, James | Lawson, Mitch | Sim, Bill |
| Coggins, Bill | Haynes, David | Lochamy, Jim | Sligh, Dave |
| Cook, Stan | Hipp, Jim | McHugh, Jim | Tignor, Danny |
| Couret, Carl | Hite, Al | Mealing, Henry | Trussell, Isabella |
| Crew, Jim | Hooker, John | Moore, Jim | Welch, Tim |
| Culberson, Jerry | Hornsby, Jon | Olson, Mary Sue | Wentzel, Beth |
| Dentici, Joe | Howard, Jim | Peeples, Alan | Woodrow, Jim |
| Dewberry, Shannon | Hutzel, Janet | Piccolo, Sam | Young, Joe |
| Duncan, Jeff | Jenkins, Viki | Pierson, Malcolm | |

Coosa RecRAT - Meeting January 29, 2002 from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM

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|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Allison, Gene | Dykes, Bill | Ingram, Bobby | Ramey, Walter |
| Beene, Gordon | Evans, Margaret | Jackins, George | Redmond, Jason |
| Beumer, Johan | Garner, William | Jackson, Jim | Sailors, Jerry |
| Bryant, Keith | Garnett, Bill | Jenkins, Viki | Sherburne, Tom |
| Campbell, Bill | Godwin, James | Kartalia, Steve | Sligh, Dave |
| Carden, Lonnie | Greer, Don | Leppert, Patti | Smith, Sheila |
| Cook, Stan | Hancock, James | Littlepage, Tom | Strickland, Jon |
| Couret, Carl | Hathorn, Stacey | Lovett, Barry | Thaxton, Bert |
| Culberson, Jerry | Haynes, David | Marshall, Preston | Thompson, Dan |
| Dentici, Joe | Hooker, John | McClellan, Diane | Wentzel, Beth |
| Dewberry, Shannon | Howard, Jim | McMillan, Phillip | Woodrow, Jim |
| DiGennaro, Bruce | Huffaker, Bob | Pender, Joe | Young, Joe |
| Duncan, Jeff | Hutzel, Janet | Piccolo, Sam | |

E1 Point and Non-Point Source Pollution IAG - Meeting January 30, 2002 from 8:30 AM to 10:15 AM – This is a preliminary list that will be finalized during the January 29th afternoon ecological meeting.

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| ADCNR | Couret, Carl | Schaeffer, Kelly | Woods, Diana |
| ADEM | Crew, Jim | Sim, Bill | |
| USFS | Mealing, Henry | Wentzel, Beth | |

WRI, 3, 4 and 5 Smith Recreation IAG - Meeting January 30, 2002 from 8:30 AM to 10:15 AM

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| Allums, Rick | Cook, Michael | Floyd, Keith | Lovett, Barry |
| Beason, Jim | Denson, Elrand | Hamilton, Charlotte | Pulliam, Karen |
| Berry, Deb | DiGennaro, Bruce | Hamrick, Bruce | Smith, Sheila |
| Campbell, Bill | Dykes, Bill | Howard, Jim | Ramey, Walter |
| Cline, Ray | Eisenbarth, John | Huffaker, Bob | White, Stephanie |

E2 Erosion and Siltation IAG - Meeting January 30, 2002 from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM – This is a preliminary list that will be finalized during the January 29th afternoon ecological meeting.

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| ADCNR | Couret, Carl | Schaeffer, Kelly | Woods, Diana |
| ADEM | Crew, Jim | Sim, Bill | |
| USFS | Mealing, Henry | Wentzel, Beth | |

WR9 Federal Lands and Waters - Meeting January 30, 2002 from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM – This is currently not an IAG. Participants primarily include the USFS, but all WCRT members interested in recreation on federal lands are invited to attend

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| Chubb, Sarah | Duncan-Long, Debra | Goddard, Art | Pasquill, Bob |
| Cook, Michael | Fadden, William | Harley, Darryl | Pulliam, Karen |
| Counts, Tom | Gaines, Glen | McEldowney, George | West, Plez |
| Denson, Elrand | Gardner, Joel | Nicholson, Joe | |

CCRT – Meeting January 30, 2002 from 11:30 AM to 1:15 PM

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|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Akridge, Mike | Dykes, Bill | Littlepage, Tom | Sim, Bill |
| Allen, Bob | Free, John | Lovett, Barry | Sinclair, Tom |
| Allinder, Pres | Gidiere, Stephen | Martens, Larry | Sligh, Dave |
| Allums, Rick | Godwin, James | McKitrick, Ron | Strickland, Jon |
| Bowden, Matt | Greer, Don | McLane, Brad | Taylor, Robert |
| Campbell, Bill | Guyse, Keith | Mealing, Henry | Thaxton, Bert |
| Carden, Lonnie | Hamilton, Janice | Mitchell, Dennis | Toth, Helen |
| Cielinski, Susan | Hancock, James | Moore, Jim | Toth, Michael |
| Cook, Stan | Haynes, David | Murchison, Dan | Umling, David |
| Couret, Carl | Howard, Jim | Piccolo, Sam | Watts, Larry |
| Crew, Jim | Hutzel, Janet | Ramey, Walter | Wentzel, Beth |
| Culberson, Jerry | Jenkins, Viki | Redmond, Jason | Whatley, Dick |
| Dentici, Joe | Johnson, Paul | Sailors, Jerry | Woodrow, Jim |
| Dewberry, Shannon | Jones, Frank | Schaeffer, Kelly | Woods, Diana |
| DiGennaro, Bruce | Kartalia, Steve | Sheppard, Andy | |
| Duncan, Jeff | Lawson, Mitch | Shupp, Bruce | |

E3 Water Quality IAG - Meeting January 30, 2002 from 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM – This is a preliminary list that will be finalized during the January 29th afternoon ecological meeting.

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| ADCNR | Couret, Carl | Schaeffer, Kelly | Woods, Diana |
| ADEM | Crew, Jim | Sim, Bill | |
| USFS | Mealing, Henry | Wentzel, Beth | |

CRI, 3, 4 and 5 Henry Recreation IAG - Meeting January 30, 2002 from 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM - This is a preliminary list and other parties interested in membership on this IAG are invited to attend this meeting.

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| Campbell, Bill | Dentici, Joe | Huffaker, Bob | Thompson, Dan |
| Catchings, Dan | Dykes, Bill | Lovett, Barry | Smith, Shelia |
| DiGennaro, Bruce | Howard Jim | Ramey, Walter | |

E11 Entrainment IAG - Meeting January 30, 2002 from 2:45 PM to 4:00 PM – This is a preliminary list that will be finalized during the January 29th afternoon ecological meeting.

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| ADCNR | Crew, Jim | Pierson, Malcolm | Sheppard, Andy |
| Couret, Carl | Mealing, Henry | Schaeffer, Kelly | Sim, Bill |

CRI, 3, 4 and 5 Lay Recreation IAG - Meeting January 30, 2002 from 2:45 PM to 4:00 PM - This is a preliminary list and other parties interested in membership on this IAG are invited to attend this meeting.

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| Campbell, Bill | Howard, Jim | Moss, Jerry | Thaxton, Bert |
| DiGennaro, Bruce | Huffaker, Bob | Ramey, Walter | Thompson, Dan |
| Dykes, Bill | Lovett, Barry | Smith, Sheila | |

Attachment C
Summary status report for all IAGs

| | Status | Start Date | Completion Date | Number of Meetings ¹ | Progress to Date |
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| ECOLOGICAL IAGS | | | | | |
| E6 – IAG Threatened, Endangered & Sensitive Species | Active | 08/07/01 | Expected to be completed on 01/29/02. | 6 | This IAG is nearing completion of the tasks outlined in its Work Plan. E6 IAG members include APC, state and federal agencies, and other concerned stakeholders. This IAG has met to discuss and develop a database of TE&S species within both the project boundaries and the Warrior and Coosa basins. Through their cooperative efforts a TE&S database was developed which will be available for use as a reference and planning tool throughout the remainder of this relicensing. Currently, the IAG is preparing a closure form summarizing its activities and accomplishments. Pending the completion of this form the IAG will suspend activities and meet as needed. |
| E12 – IAG Wetlands | Active | 08/16/01 | Expected to be completed on 01/29/02. | 5 | This IAG has successfully fulfilled the tasks listed in their Work Plan. E12 IAG members include APC, state and federal agencies, and other concerned stakeholders. This IAG discussed the wetlands issue and created a comprehensive wetlands database using information from various groups and agencies. They have drafted ideas for a wetlands education plan. These ideas have been transferred to the R8 Public Education IAG for further development. Currently, the IAG is preparing a closure form summarizing its activities and accomplishments. Pending the completion of this form the IAG will suspend activities and meet as needed. |
| E8 – IAG Lake Level Fluctuations | Active | 10/11/01 | | 4 | This IAG is in the process of developing project operation alternatives for modeling. E8 IAG members include APC, state and federal agencies, and other concerned stakeholders. This IAG has met to discuss the important issue of lake level fluctuations on the aquatic resources of the Coosa and Warrior Projects. At each meeting, group members have provided constructive feedback and management goals. There are current alternatives for Weiss Lake and Logan Martin Lake. |
| E10 – IAG Downstream Flows | Active | 10/11/01 | | 5 | This IAG is actively working on a “strawman” that will be used as a template for developing study plans and/or study approaches for selected stream segments on both the Coosa and Warrior Rivers. E10 IAG members include APC, state and federal agencies, and other concerned stakeholders. This IAG has acknowledged that stream flows are important for improving the quality of several sections of the Projects and for protecting or enhancing several protected species found in those areas. |
| E1 – IAG Point & Non-point Source Pollution | Active | 01/30/02 | | 1 | These IAGs have their first meeting on January 30, 2002. Once members are determined, IAGs will draft work plans to help meet their respective goals as outlined in the “Issue Statements”, including a description of the issues, the work tasks , work products/deliverables and a schedule. |
| E2 – IAG Erosion and Siltation | Active | 01/30/02 | | 1 | |
| E3 – IAG Water Quality | Active | 01/30/02 | | 1 | |
| E11 – IAG Entrainment | Active | 01/30/02 | | 1 | |

RECREATION IAGS

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| CR1, 3, 4 & 5 – IAG Mitchell Recreation | Active | 07/26/01 | | 8 | The IAG is actively working on the standard process for the Mitchell development. IAG members include APC, Lake Mitchell HOB0, Alabama BASS Federation, ADCNR, and other concerned stakeholders. This IAG was the first Recreation IAG to be formed and as such, this IAG developed the standard process used to develop subsequent Recreation IAGs. Development of the standard process involved all IAG members, as well as the other HOB0s on the Coosa River System. Once the standard process was defined, the Mitchell IAG developed a Vision Statement for Mitchell Lake, completed Step 1 – Determining Desired Future Condition and Step 2 – Establishing Baseline Conditions, and is currently working on Step 3 – Determining What is Needed and When, and Step 4 – Decide How Needs Will be Met and Who is responsible. |
| R8 – IAG | Inactive | 08/22/01 | | 4 | This IAG has developed and compiled a list of public education and awareness programs relevant to this relicensing. The R8 IAG is |

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| Public Education | | | | | currently inactive, but will become active over the next several months to address specific items (developing a wetlands education plan). IAG members include APC, state and federal agencies, various HOB0 and other lake organizations, ACOE, and other concerned stakeholders. During the course of this relicensing, this IAG will assist other IAGs with development of programs to address public awareness and education. |
| CR1, 3, 4 & 5 –IAG Jordan/Bouldin Recreation | Active | 10/09/01 | | 5 | This IAG is actively working on the standard process for the Jordan and Bouldin developments. IAG members include APC, Lake Jordan HOB0, state, federal and local agencies, and other concerned stakeholders. This IAG has developed a Vision Statement for the Jordan development, completed Step 1 – Determining Desired Future Condition, and is currently working on Step 2 – Establishing Baseline Conditions. |
| WR1, 3, 4 & 5 –IAG Smith Recreation | Active | 10/10/01 | | 4 | This IAG is actively working on the standard process for the Smith development. IAG members include APC, Smith Lake Civic Association, Smith Lake Environmental Preservation Committee, state and federal agencies, and other concerned stakeholders. This IAG has developed a final draft Vision Statement for the Smith development, completed Step 1 – Determining Desired Future Condition, and is currently working on Step 2 – Establishing Baseline Conditions. |
| CR1, 3, 4 & 5 – IAG Logan Martin Recreation | Active | 10/12/01 | | 5 | This IAG is actively working on the standard process for the Logan Martin development. IAG members include APC, Logan Martin Lake Association, Alabama BASS Federation, and ADCNR. This IAG has developed a Vision Statement for Logan Martin Lake, completed Step 1 – Determining Desired Future Condition, and is currently working on Step 2 – Establishing Baseline Conditions. |
| CR1, 3, 4 & 5 – IAG Weiss Recreation | Active | 10/15/01 | | 5 | The IAG is actively working on the standard process for the Weiss development. IAG members include APC, Weiss Lake Improvement Association, and ADCNR. This IAG has developed a Vision Statement for Weiss Lake, completed Step 1 – Determining Desired Future Condition, and is currently working on Step 2 – Establishing Baseline Conditions. |
| CR1, 3, 4 & 5 – IAG Henry Recreation | Active | 01/30/02 | | 1 | These IAGs have their first meeting on January 30, 2002. These IAGs will determine their membership, review their drafting work plans, and begin developing vision statements. |
| CR1, 3, 4 & 5 – IAG Lay Recreation | Active | 01/30/02 | | 1 | |

OTHER IAGS OR ISSUES

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| NEPA IAG | Active | 10/4/01 | Expected to be completed by mid-March. | 2 | The NEPA IAG is charged with the development of the NEPA Scoping Documents for the Coosa and Warrior Projects and assist in the planning of the NEPA Scoping meetings. NEPA IAG members include APC, NPS, USFS, ACOE, American Rivers, and ADECA. This IAG has reviewed and provided comments on the draft version of the NEPA Scoping Documents and will distribute the final draft to the WCRT and CCRT. This IAG will then have several additional telephone conference calls to assist FERC in finalizing the documents and assist in the planning of the NEPA Scoping meetings. |
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1 The number of meetings includes those scheduled for January 29th and 30th.

Attachment D
Draft Vision Statements for the CR1, 3, 4 & 5 existing IAG

Recreation Vision Statement
For the Jordan Development

The Jordan Reservoir provides a natural setting with relatively steep shorelines and clear, deep waters. Shoreline development is relatively light, particularly in the upper half of the reservoir, which offers excellent opportunities for wildlife viewing and other recreation opportunities. The size of the impoundment suggests it is most suitable for a medium intensity level of use. The reservoir appears to serve primarily as a local and regional destination.

The Coosa River, below Jordan Dam is the last free flowing section of the Coosa River that offers whitewater opportunities. The river offers unique opportunities for both beginning and advanced level paddlers and is one of the best teaching/training rivers in the southeast. The river also offers a unique high quality warm water fishery for spotted bass and other species. The river draws users from throughout the southeast and is the site of an annual whitewater festival and rodeo, which has an international draw and contributes to the local economy. The river provides year around boating due to warm, clean water. The river also provides valuable education and interpretive opportunities.

The long-term vision for the Jordan Reservoir is to protect the remote, natural character of the upper lake, while managing the lake for medium intensity recreation, particularly fishing, boating, and swimming activities.

The long-term vision for the Jordan tailrace is to recognize and protect and enhance the unique natural characteristics of the river and promote the whitewater paddling and fishing opportunities that it offers.

Improvements to be considered at Jordan Reservoir include:

- Optimizing and enhancing current public accessible recreation facilities to better accommodate demand consistent with the vision for the reservoir, including providing sanitation facilities.
- Promoting and providing for bank fishing access at public shoreline sites.
- Ensuring adequate surveillance at facilities to control vandalism.
- Investigating the demand for additional swimming opportunities on Jordan Lake.

Improvements to be considered in the tailrace below Jordan Dam include:

- Enhancing current public access sites to better accommodate demand.
- Investigating the need for additional public access points.
- Promoting interpretation and education of natural resources.
- Managing water flows to protect and enhance unique recreational experiences, while recognizing other project responsibilities such as flood control, power generation and upstream reservoir recreation opportunities.
- Investigating the need for trail opportunities in the project area, potentially linking to the existing Swayback Trail.

Recreation Vision Statement
For the Logan Martin Development

The Logan Martin Development offers outstanding fishing opportunities, which support numerous tournaments and tourism in the local area, particularly for Pell City. There are two very different types of recreational use areas on the reservoir. The north end of the reservoir (approximately above Riverside or Interstate 20) is more riverine while the southern end is wider creating more of a lake setting and supporting a wider range of recreation activities, including more sailing activity than on other Coosa reservoirs. Most of the recreation facilities are in the lower part of the lake.

The Talladega side of the reservoir is less developed and has more open land. However, this is expected to change over time due to increasing development pressures associated with new industry in the area and the influence of Interstate 20 as a growth corridor.

The long-term vision for the Logan Martin Development is to provide for a diversity of recreation opportunities (including fishing, motorized boating, sailing, and swimming), to protect the fishery, and to enhance public access and facilities.

Improvements to be considered at the Logan Martin Development include:

- Maintaining and enhancing public access for fishing, including tournaments, and other recreational activities.
- Investigating the potential for additional bank fishing facilities and access.
- Increasing sanitation facilities at existing public access points and investigating the need for additional pump-out facilities.
- Improving notification and communication regarding flood events.
- Promoting measures, in coordination with the Department of Public Health and others that will reduce fish toxicity to safe, consumable levels such that fish advisories are no longer necessary.
- Managing recreation use to the extent possible so as to minimize potential conflicts with shoreline property owners as well as other recreation users.
- Managing lake levels in the winter to improve boating access, including access to sloughs, by minimizing the occurrence of surface elevations below 462', recognizing the need to meet flood control, power generation, and downstream flow responsibilities at Logan Martin.

Recreation Vision Statement
For the Mitchell Development

The Mitchell Development provides a unique natural setting in comparison to the other reservoirs in the basin. It appears that the lake can support a more primitive type of recreation opportunity than the other developments on the Coosa River.

The natural values of the Mitchell reservoir and surrounding lands are a result of location, which affords limited access on the east side of the lake and by the fact that the development already has significant lands located within the project boundary dedicated to wildlife habitat and public recreational use.

As a result of these existing conditions it is felt that the Mitchell Development can support alternative non-power recreational boating and primitive camping, as well as the current level of traditional power boating type recreation common to this reservoir and the other Coosa hydro developments. It is the long-term vision for the Mitchell Development to maintain the reservoir's existing character, provide for and promote primitive recreation opportunities, and better accommodate the current demand for power boat access consistent with the lake's existing character. Any development for motorized uses should be similar in size and character to the existing Higgins Ferry site (or smaller), and be capable of accommodating groups, such as bass clubs. Such development should be focused on the western shore or northern end of the lake. Efforts should be made to preserve and protect the more primitive nature of the eastern shore.

Improvements to be considered at the Mitchell Development include:

- Planning to optimize current public accessible recreation facilities with regard to trailer rig parking and other improvements to public amenities such as barrier removal to ensure conformance, to the extent possible, with and Americans With Disability Act.
- Examine the need for an additional public boat ramp, to accommodate demands from the northern area of the lake, consistent with the vision statement.
- Examine a future carry-in access site and facilities for environmental education, within the recreation plan, in support of non-power boating and education opportunities (i.e., facilities for environmental education and a conference center at the old Boy Scout Camp).
- Examine the potential for primitive camping opportunities on Mitchell Lake.
- Determine what opportunities are available to increase "bank fishing" capacity and quality at the reservoir.

Recreation Vision Statement
For the Weiss Development

Weiss Lake is well known as the “Crappie Capital of the World”. The reservoir and its fishery account for much of Cherokee County’s tourism industry, including a significant number of out-of-state visitors. Heavy fishing pressure and a lack of good recruitment in recent years appears to be contributing to a decline in fishing quality. Bank fishing access to the reservoir shoreline as well as access to the tailwater below Weiss dam is limited.

Much of Weiss Lake is shallow. Boat navigation can be challenging and some coves are difficult to navigate into or out of at low water levels. Siltation over time has contributed to this problem. Shallow waters coupled with upstream pollution and shoreline run-off also contribute to water quality problems in the lake. The lake has been identified as an impaired waterway by the state.

The long-term vision for the Weiss development is to acknowledge the importance of its unique fishery, including its importance to the local economy, protect and sustain the quality of that fishery, and improve the water quality of the lake (with the goal of removing it from the 303d list). The vision also seeks to ensure adequate public access both to the reservoir shoreline and tailwater.

Improvements to be considered at the Weiss Development include:

- Improving access and facilities for bank fishing.
- Reevaluating current catch limits to reduce pressure on the crappie population.
- Providing education on the water quality of the lake.
- Developing maps and other navigational aids to improve safety and aid boat navigation on the reservoir.
- Optimizing the capacity of existing facilities to accommodate demand.
- Providing improved access to the downstream areas for motorized and non-motorized boating opportunities.
- Managing lake level drawdowns so as to minimize the occurrence of surface elevations lower than 561’, recognizing the need to meet flood control, power generation, and downstream flow responsibilities at Weiss.