

Issue Action Group:**NEPA Scoping****Work Plan**

Coosa and Warrior Projects

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Issue Statement

NEPA Activities– To develop a plan for meeting FERC’s requirements pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) through public scoping meetings and development of public scoping documents for the Coosa and Warrior Projects. These activities must occur during the pre-filing application period, pursuant to 18 CFR §4.31 (i).

IAG Tasks and Responsibilities

The immediate task and responsibility of the NEPA IAG is to develop a schedule and provide input to Scoping Document 1 for the Coosa and Warrior River Projects. The IAG would also have input on the address, location and structure of the NEPA scoping meeting and discuss how site visits will be incorporated into the schedule to allow for public participation.

Work Scope & Product

- **Task 1** Review workplan and draft schedule for NEPA IAG meetings and discuss proposed scoping dates for 2002
- **Task 2** Review draft annotated outline for NEPA Scoping Documents (SD) & develop SD1
- **Task 3** Review and discuss the structure of the NEPA meeting and site visits and discuss other venues and/or methods for informing the public about the scoping process
- **Task 4** Identify roles and responsibilities for conducting the scoping meetings and identify opportunities to involve other team members.
- **Task 5** Review and comment on SD1 for the Warrior and Coosa River projects

Schedule

The NEPA IAG is anticipated to begin work with a kick-off meeting the week of October by conference call, as discussed at the September 28, 2001 meeting. The IAG will meet periodically between October and December to review and provide input to the scoping documents. The following is a “projected” schedule of work that may change with the IAG’s approval. These meetings can be either conference calls or “face to face” meetings based on the IAG’s suggestions.

Meeting 1	Kickoff Meeting Conference Call – discussion of Tasks 1 & 2 – October 4 th at 9 AM
Meeting 2	Meet face to face at October 23-24 meetings to discuss Tasks 2, 3 & 4
Meeting 3	Discuss/review results of Tasks 2, 3 & 4 – mid November 2001
Meeting 4	Complete SD1 review and finalize (Task 5) and report progress at December 4-5, 2001 meeting
Meeting 5	Finalize SD1 and assist with preparation for public scoping meetings – January 2002
Meeting 6	Attend scoping meetings – March 2002