

FERC Project No. 943
Rock Island Hydroelectric Project
Relicensing Resolutions

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Overall Relicensing Schedule

2024 was about identifying studies... 2025 is about conducting them




Issue Scoping & Study Plan

Conduct Studies and Prepare Application

Submit License Application 

Post Filing FERC NEPA¹ Process

License Expires; New License or Annual License(s) 



1. National Environmental Policy Act

Results of Study Plan Determination

Studies adopted by FERC had to meet the Study Criteria¹

A total of 16 studies were included in the Study Plan Determination:

- 9 Fish and Aquatic Studies
- 3 Cultural & Historic Studies
- 2 Recreation Studies (including the Horan Natural Area)
- 1 Botanical Study (Milkweed mapping)
- 1 Environmental Justice Study

[1\) A GUIDE TO UNDERSTANDING AND APPLYING THE STUDY CRITERIA \(ferc.gov\)](http://ferc.gov)



Today's Request: Funding for Relicensing

History

- Kleinschmidt has been supporting relicensing since 2020 as our “prime” relicensing consultant
- Services included: project management, participant coordination, relicensing expertise, and document development
- The original contract was \$5.3M for work from 2020-2024

Current Ask

- Anticipated services: project management, relicensing expertise, document development, participant coordination, and studies
- Provide \$3.65M for 2025-2028 work



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History

- Willamette Cultural Resource Associates has been supporting relicensing since 2023 as our cultural resource relicensing consultant
- Services included: Cultural and historic resource expertise, study plan development, and Section 106 process support
- The original contract was \$375K for work from 2023-2024

Current Ask

- Anticipated services: Cultural and historic resource expertise, Section 106 process support, study implementation, study reporting
- Provide \$1.2M for 2025-2028 work



Today's Request: Funding for Relicensing

History

- Four Peaks Environmental Science and Data Solutions has been supporting relicensing since 2022
- Services included: fisheries and water quality expertise, study plan development and implementation
- The current contract for study plan development and preliminary study implementation is \$495K for work in 2024

Current Ask

- Anticipated services: Development, implementation, and reporting for seven relicensing studies, and 401 WQ Certification
- Provide \$3.95 M for 2025-2028 work



Questions or Comments?

