



LAKE ELSINORE ADVANCED PUMP STORAGE PROJECT (LEAPS) TIMELINE OF KEY ACTIVITIES

- Est. December 2019** FERC expected to host local scoping meetings regarding LEAPS.
- September 24, 2019** Deadline to file a motion to intervene.
File at www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp.
If a citizen does not want to intervene, they can still fully participate by filing comments concerning the project and the environmental documents (once those documents are circulated next year)
- August 30, 2019** City files Motion to Intervene to FERC.
- August 2, 2019** City submits cover letter and Stillwater Sciences Peer Review noting deficiencies in Dr. Anderson's report on the "Impacts of the Lake Elsinore Advanced Pump Storage Project on Water Quality in Lake Elsinore."
- July 26, 2019** FERC issues Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions to Intervene and Protests to Nevada Hydro Company, Inc.
- July 25, 2019** City submits comment letter to FERC regarding concerns with Nevada Hydro's proposed minimum operating level for Lake Elsinore of only 1235'.
- June 23 – 26, 2019** City's Energy Subcommittee (Mayor Steve Manos and Council Member Natasha Johnson), staff and consultant team traveled to Washington, D.C. to educate and engage federal agencies and elected officials about the City's opposition to the proposed LEAPS project.
- April 9, 2019** City Council unanimously voted to take a formal stance "to oppose the LEAPS project subject to conditions."
- January 30, 2019** Dr. Michael A. Anderson releases final report on the "Impacts of the Lake Elsinore Advanced Pumped-Storage (LEAPS) Project on Water Quality in Lake Elsinore.
- June 15, 2018** FERC responded to requests for additional studies from the City and eight other resource agencies ordering Nevada Hydro to perform some additional studies (e.g., water quality) but not all the additional studies requested (e.g., economic impacts, lake recreation impact rejected).
- December 21, 2017** Nevada Hydro Company issued a response to additional study requests.
- December 1, 2017** City submits request for additional environmental and economic impact studies to FERC.
- May 31, 2017** Nevada Hydro Company, Inc. announces that it will once again actively seek FERC approval of the LEAPS project and submits Notification of Intent to File License Application

NEXT STEP FOR FERC: Begin the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process. This process is expected to start in the Fall of 2019 and is expected to take approximately 18 to 24 months to complete. Find out more, stay informed and view key documents at www.lake-elsinore.org/LEAPS.