

This issue updates the information that was provided in August 2013.

Permitting and preliminary design work continues for a new electrical transmission line intertie that is proposed to extend west across the Tongass National Forest, from the Petersburg area to Kake on Kupreanof Island. The **Kake - Petersburg Intertie (KPI)** would transmit power to Kake at either 69 or 138 kilovolts (kV) and consist primarily of single wood pole structures.

The U.S. Forest Service is the lead agency for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The Preliminary Draft EIS has been submitted by Tetra Tech to the Forest Service for review and comment.

The Forest Service’s Joint Review Team (JRT) is reviewing the document and Tetra Tech expects to receive consolidated comments approximately November 27.

Tetra Tech will review the comments and modify the Preliminary Draft EIS as appropriate.

The Draft EIS is then expected to be published February 7.

Tetra Tech will be sending out post cards using an updated mailing list from the Forest Service in the next month or so to let interested parties know the status of the document and if interested, how they would like to receive it

(e.g., electronic link, CD, or hard copy).

Public meetings are tentatively scheduled for February 25th and 26th in Petersburg and Kake.

The Final EIS is expected to be released in August 2014.

Additionally, SEAPA has received a draft of the Kake-Petersburg Intertie Study Update, Final Report. It has been prepared by D. Hittle and Associates, Inc. We expect it will be finalized in the next month and be available to interested parties.



Project Schedule

The current project schedule has been adjusted to:

May 2010 - Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS published

Apr/May 2010 - Public scoping meetings

February 2014 - Draft EIS published

February 2014 – Public meetings on draft EIS

August 2014 – Final EIS published

