

**Notice of Intent to File
Maine Water Quality Certification Application**

Please take notice that Brookfield White Pine Hydro LLC of 150 Main Street, Lewiston, Maine 04240, 207-755-5605, is intending to file an application with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (Maine DEP) for Water Quality Certification pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Clean Water Act, Section 401. The application is for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) relicensing of the continued operation for the Shawmut Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 2322) located on the Kennebec River in the towns of Skowhegan, Fairfield, Clinton, and Benton, Maine under the terms of a new license from the Commission.

The application will be filed on or about October 23, 2024, unless application submittal is delayed due to changes in FERC's regulatory process schedules. After the application is filed it will be available for public inspection at the Maine DEP's offices in Augusta during normal working hours. A copy of the application may also be seen at the municipal offices in Fairfield, Skowhegan, Clinton, and Benton, Maine.

A request for a public hearing or a request that the Board of Environmental Protection assume jurisdiction over this application must be received by the Department in writing, no later than 20 days after the application is filed with the Maine DEP. Public comment on the application will be accepted throughout the processing of the application.

For Federally licensed, permitted, or funded activities in the Coastal Zone, review of this application shall also constitute the State's consistency review in accordance with the Maine Coastal Program pursuant to Section 307 of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act.

Written public comments may be sent to the Maine Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Land and Water Quality, 17 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333.