

# HYDRO - FY 2017 Proposed Projects

| O&M Projects   | Notes      | \$ 1,710,000                  |
|--|------------|-------------------------------|
| CV Needle Actuator Rebuild                               | D          | 100,000                       |
| Adit 4 Stabilization                                     | Μ          | 1,000,000                     |
| 11563 Part 12 Study                                      | Μ          | 80,000                        |
| NFDD Tunnel Maintenance                                  | Μ          | 200,000                       |
| Paint CV Crane & Bridge                                  | D          | 125,000                       |
| CV Concrete Sealing                                      | D          | 60,000                        |
| NSM Unit 1&2 Governor Upgrade                            | D          | 145,000                       |
|  |            |                               |
| General & Plant Projects                                 | Notes      | \$ 70,000                     |
| General & Plant Projects Vehicle Replacement             | Notes<br>D | <b>\$ 70,000</b><br>70,000    |
| Vehicle Replacement                                      | D          | 70,000                        |
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| Vehicle Replacement                                      | D          | 70,000                        |
| Vehicle Replacement Capital Development Reserve Projects | D<br>Notes | 70,000<br><b>\$ 1,125,000</b> |

# Collierville Needle Actuator Valve Rebuild

### **Overview:**

The Collierville needle valve actuators have been in service for approximately 27 years. A sister plant of Collierville, Bradley Lake operated by Homer Electric in Alaska, experienced failures of their needle valve actuators after approximately 20 years of comparable service. The needle valves are the valves that control the water flow to the runners. Failures of the actuators could result in loss of revenue and/or hydraulic oil entering the river. The output of each unit would be limited with one pair of needle valves out of service. When one valve fails you must also take the corresponding valve out of service due to the mechanical stress placed on the runners. Because of these reasons, a preventive maintenance program has been developed. Two new actuators have been purchased. One was installed in November 2010, to allow an original actuator to be removed from service and rebuilt. The process has been repeated several times, and as of January 2016, a total of nine (9) needle actuators have been removed, rebuilt, and reinstalled. Subject to budget approvals over the next three (2) years, this process will be repeated until all 12 actuators have been rebuilt and there are two rebuilt actuators in inventory.

This proposed budget item is a continuation of the preventive maintenance program for the needle valve actuators, and will allow for rebuilding (machining) two (2) more of the actuators.

### Financial Analysis:

The financial benefit of this project is a reduction in the risk of actuator failure resulting in loss of generation. The cost to rebuild each needle was originally estimated at \$100,000, with a total cost of \$1,200,000 to rebuild all needles. Through aggressive contractor bidding and local material sourcing, actual rebuild costs have been reduced to approximately \$50,000 each. \$100,000 is recommended for inclusion in the FY 2016-2017 budget. The total cost to rebuild the remaining three (3) needles is estimated at \$150,000. Subject to approval, \$50,000 will also be requested in FY 2017-2018 to allow all 12 needle actuators to be rebuilt. This project is estimated to have an internal rate of return of approximately 15%, a payback in the range of 9 years, and a net present value of approximately \$1M.

| Useful Life (Years):  | 20         |
|-----------------------|------------|
| IRR:                  | 13.5%      |
| Payback (years):      | 9.6        |
| NPV @ 5%:             | \$ 767,030 |
| Est. Annual Benefits: | \$ 94,584  |

# Collierville Needle Actuator Spare Rebuild

| Financial Summary             | 5 Year    | 10 Year  | 15 Year | 20 Year |
|-------------------------------|-----------|----------|---------|---------|
| Internal Rate of Return (IRR) | -32%      | 4%       | 11%     | 13.5%   |
| Payback                       | 9.6       | 9.6      | 9.6     | 9.6     |
| Net Present Value (NPV)       | (444,665) | (23,456) | 390,728 | 767,030 |
| Average Annual Benefits       | (74,075)  | 19,493   | 64,682  | 94,584  |
| BC Ratio                      | 0.62      | 0.98     | 1.32    | 1.64    |

# Key Assumptions

| Discount Rate                               | 5.00%                           |
|---|---------------------------------|
| Project Life                                | 20 years                        |
| Average Year HLH Generation                 | 424,320 MWh                     |
| Average Year LLH Generation                 | 138,910 MWh                     |
| MW Price                                    | per weighted NP15 forward curve |
| Collierville Capacity                       | 253 MW                          |
| Collierville Availablility Factor           | 98%                             |
| Collierville Capacity Factor                | 28%                             |
| Collierville A/S Capcity Factor             | 72%                             |
| Collierville Annual A/S Revenue             | \$3,092,136                     |
| Single actuator failure risk factor         | 0.75%                           |
| Double actuator failure risk factor         | 1.5%                            |
| Dual failure loss of MW                     | 62.50                           |
| Actuator risk factor impact to A/S capacity | 34%                             |
| Lead time for actuators                     | 365 Days                        |

|                                       | 1             | 2           | 3         | 4         | 5         | 6         | 7         | 8         | 9        | 10       | 11       | 12       | 13       | 14       | 15       | 16        | 17        |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Cash Flow Scenario                    | FY2012        | FY2013      | FY2014    | FY2015    | FY2016    | FY2017    | FY2018    | FY2019    | FY2020   | FY2021   | FY2022   | FY2023   | FY2024   | FY2025   | FY2026   | FY2027    | FY2028    |
| NP15 Forward Prices (HLH) \$/MWh      | 40.72         | 45.76       | 55.79     | \$ 47.04  | \$ 38.23  | \$ 38.79  | \$ 39.50  | \$ 41.48  | \$ 43.40 | \$ 45.25 | \$ 47.28 | \$ 49.31 | \$ 51.43 | \$ 53.65 | \$ 55.95 | \$ 58.36  | \$ 60.78  |
| NP15 Forward Prices (LLH) \$/MWh      | 30.51         | 34.91       | 40.06     | \$ 38.90  | \$ 31.44  | \$ 33.06  | \$ 33.71  | \$ 34.65  | \$ 36.31 | \$ 37.92 | \$ 39.54 | \$ 41.24 | \$ 43.01 | \$ 44.86 | \$ 46.79 | \$ 48.81  | \$ 50.83  |
| Weighted CV Forward Price \$/MWh      | 38.20         | 43.09       | 51.91     | 45.03     | 36.55     | 37.38     | 38.07     | 39.79     | 41.65    | 43.44    | 45.37    | 47.32    | 49.36    | 51.48    | 53.69    | 56.00     | 58.33     |
|                                       |               |             |           |           |           |           |           |           |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |           |
| Cost                                  | (700,000)     | ) (200,000) | (100,000) | (100,000) | (100,000) | (100,000) | (50,000)  | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 0         |
| Increased Annual Availability (hours) | Increased Anr | 15.0        | 15.8      | 16.5      | 17.4      | 18.2      | 19.1      | 20.1      | 21.1     | 22.2     | 23.3     | 24.4     | 25.7     | 26.9     | 28.3     | 29.7      | 31.2      |
| Operation Revenue                     | 133,970       | 144,981     | 164,863   | 149,364   | 130,257   | 132,115   | 133,677   | 137,558   | 141,738  | 145,778  | 150,127  | 154,524  | 159,109  | 163,892  | 168,881  | 174,083   | 179,326   |
| Total                                 | (566,030)     | ) (55,019)  | 64,863    | 49,364    | 30,257    | 32,115    | 83,677    | 137,558   | 141,738  | 145,778  | 150,127  | 154,524  | 159,109  | 163,892  | 168,881  | 174,083   | 179,326   |
| Cumulative Cash Flow                  | (566,030)     | ) (621,048) | (556,186) | (506,822) | (476,565) | (444,450) | (360,773) | (223,215) | (81,477) | 64,301   | 214,428  | 368,952  | 528,061  | 691,953  | 860,833  | 1,034,917 | 1,214,243 |
| Payback                               | N/A           | N/A         | N/A       | N/A       | N/A       | N/A       | N/A       | N/A       | N/A      | 9.56     | 9.56     | 9.56     | 9.56     | 9.56     | 9.56     | 9.56      | 9.56      |

### Other Considerations

Loss of any needle actuator will result in the corresponding actuator to be taken out of service. `

# Adit 4 Spoils Stockpile Stabilization

# **Overview:**

Construction of the approximately 9 mile long Collierville Power Tunnel in the 1980s generated a large volume of crushed rock (tunnel spoils). Some of the tunnel spoils were stockpiled downslope of Tunnel Adit 4, adjacent to an ephemeral drainage on a Bureau of Land Management (BLM) right of way. Surface water drainage is conveyed through the rock storage area via a network of surface and subsurface culverts and drainage swales. Following heavy precipitation events in December 2015, NCPA personnel discovered that a portion of this tunnel spoils storage area was experiencing accelerated stormwater-induced erosion.



Figure 1: Adit 4 spoils disposal stockpile.

Left unmitigated, the entire 200,000+ cubic yards of material could erode and be washed down the drainage approximately 1 mile to the Collierville switchyard, and then into the Stanislaus River. The project is complicated by the extremely steep terrain, the loose / deep / unconsolidated tunnel spoils, the water flowing through the site, and the number of regulatory agencies potentially involved.

# Financial Analysis:

Based on preliminary site investigations, NCPA staff recommend budgeting a minimum of \$1,000,000 for site stabilization. Depending on the ultimate scale of the erosion and the necessary improvements, total project cost could exceed \$1M. Engineering review and resource agency consultation are ongoing.

# Project 11563 Part 12 Independent Consultant Inspection

### **Overview:**

Part 12D of Title 18 of the Code of Federal Regulations requires an Independent Engineering Consultant Dam Safety Review of each high hazard dam every 5 years. The Part 12 reports for Lake Alpine Dams and Utica Reservoir Dams must be submitted to FERC in 2017, which requires completing all field work during the summer/fall of 2016.



Figure 1: Utica Main Dam



Figure 2: Alpine Main Dam

### **Financial Analysis:**

The Part 12 inspection is a mandatory regulatory requirement that must be repeated for every high hazard dam every 5 years. The costs of the Project 11563 Part 12 Independent Consultant inspections, reports, and associated surveys and studies are estimated at \$80,000.

# North Fork Diversion Tunnel Maintenance

### **Overview:**

The 11,382 foot long North Fork Diversion tunnel diverts an average of approximately 50,000 acre-feet per year of water from the North Fork Stanislaus River into New Spicer Meadow Reservoir, where it can be stored until needed at the Collierville powerhouse. The 12 foot diameter tunnel was constructed using a tunnel boring machine and is unlined rock over most of its length. A tunnel inspection in October 2014 identified a section of tunnel with progressing fall-out which is recommended for repair. If not repaired, this section of tunnel could progressively deteriorate and pose a threat to tunnel stability and function.

In order to maintain tunnel integrity, the areas of instability should be removed and the ground supported with permanent means such as shotcrete supported with epoxy coated rock bolts or galvanized arch sets. Work within the tunnel is complicated by stringent OSHA, Cal-OSHA, and MSHA regulations.



Figure 1: North Fork Diversion Tunnel Inspection

# Financial Analysis:

A total budget of \$200,000 is requested for stabilizing the tunnel, removing accumulated debris, and providing required worker protections. On an average year, the North Fork Tunnel transports approximately 50,000 acre-feet of water into New Spicer Meadow. If the tunnel were to fail, at least one (1) diversion season would be missed, which would result in lost New Spicer Meadow generation on the order of \$400,000. More importantly, the 50,000 acre-feet of water would not be able to be seasonally stored, and would therefore also impact Collierville generating ability and efficiency. Assuming that the risk of tunnel failure will escalate at approximately 1% / year, and looking at just New Spicer Meadow generation, this project is estimated to have an internal rate of return of approximately 22.1%, a payback in the range of 7.1 years, and a net present value of approximately \$636,004.

| Useful Life (Years):  | 20            |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| IRR:                  | 22.1%         |
| Payback (years):      | 7.1           |
| NPV @ 5%:             | \$<br>636,004 |
| Est. Annual Benefits: | \$<br>69,624  |

#### North Fork Tunnel Repair

| <b>Financial Summary</b><br>Internal Rate of Return (IRR)<br>Payback<br>Net Present Value (NPV)<br>Average Annual Benefits<br>BC Ratio  | 5 Year<br>-21%<br>7.1<br>(100,861)<br>(18,744)<br>0.47      | <b>10 Year</b><br>12%<br>7.1<br>79,179<br>17,522<br>1.42 | <b>15 Year</b><br>20%<br>7.1<br>329,751<br>43,406<br>2.73 | 7.1<br>636,004<br>69,624 |                    |                    |                    |
|---|---|--|---|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Key Assumptions<br>Discount Rate<br>Project Life<br>Average Year HLH Generation<br>Average Year LLH Generation<br>MW Price<br>REC Price<br>NSM Annual A/S Revenue<br>Average NF Tunnel Diversion<br>NSM Water Duty<br>Annual risk of tunnel failure<br>Tunnel failure risk escalation | 10,500<br>10,500<br>per weighted NF<br>\$30<br>\$0<br>48959 | MWh  |   |                          |                    |                    |                    |
| Cash Flow Scenario  | <b>1</b><br>FY2017  | <b>2</b><br>FY2018                                       | <b>3</b><br>FY2019  | <b>4</b><br>FY2020       | <b>5</b><br>FY2021 | <b>6</b><br>FY2022 | <b>7</b><br>FY2023 |
| NP15 Forward Prices (HLH) \$/MWh  | 38.79   | 39.50  | 41.48   | 43.40                    | 45.25              | 47.28              | 49.31              |
| NP15 Forward Prices (LLH) \$/MWh  | 33.06   | 33.71  | 34.65   | 36.31                    | 37.92              | 39.54              | 41.24              |
| REC Price \$/MWh  | 30.00   | 30.00  | 30.00   | 30.00                    | 30.00              | 30.00              | 30.00              |
| Weighted NSM Forward Price \$/MWh   | 65.93   | 66.60  | 68.06   | 69.85                    | 71.58              | 73.41              | 75.28              |
| Cost  | (200,000)   | 0  | 0   | 0                        | C                  | ) (                | 0 0                |

| Cost                 | (200,000) | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0       | 0      | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       |   |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|---------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---|
| Failure Risk         | 2%        | 3%        | 4%        | 5%        | 6%       | 7%       | 8%      | 9%     | 10%     | 11%     | 12%     | 13%     | 14%     | 15%     | 16%     |   |
| Operation Revenue    | 10,135    | 15,359    | 20,927    | 26,847    | 33,014   | 39,499   | 46,290  | 53,423 | 60,920  | 68,803  | 77,095  | 85,744  | 94,742  | 104,186 | 114,101 | 1 |
| Total                | (189,865) | 15,359    | 20,927    | 26,847    | 33,014   | 39,500   | 46,290  | 53,423 | 60,920  | 68,803  | 77,095  | 85,744  | 94,742  | 104,186 | 114,101 | 1 |
| Cumulative Cash Flow | (189,865) | (174,506) | (153,579) | (126,732) | (93,718) | (54,219) | (7,929) | 45,495 | 106,415 | 175,218 | 252,313 | 338,057 | 432,799 | 536,986 | 651,087 | 7 |
| Payback              | N/A N     | J/A I     | V/A I     | N/À I     | N/A      | N/A N    | I/A     | 7.15   | 7.15    | 7.15    | 7.15    | 7.15    | 7.15    | 7.15    | 7.15    |   |

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#### Other Considerations

Loss of NF tunnel would also have implications for Collierville operations, shifting water from the summer/fall to the spring, and also shifting water from on-peak to off-peak which would futher improve the economics.

|   | 16      | 17      | 18        | 19        | 20        |
|---|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| F | Y2032   | FY2033  | FY2034    | FY2035    | FY2036    |
|   | 71.11   | 73.95   | 76.91     | 79.99     | 85.67     |
|   | 59.47   | 61.85   | 64.32     | 66.89     | 71.72     |
|   | 30.00   | 30.00   | 30.00     | 30.00     | 30.00     |
|   | 95.29   | 97.90   | 100.61    | 103.44    | 108.70    |
|   |         |         |           |           |           |
|   | 0       | 0       | 0         | 0         | 0         |
|   |         |         |           |           |           |
| ó | 17%     | 18%     | 19%       | ы́ 20%    | 21%       |
|   | 124,514 | 135,451 | 146,943   | 159,019   | 175,456   |
|   | 124,514 | 135,452 | 146,943   | 159,019   | 175,457   |
|   | 775,601 | 911,053 | 1,057,996 | 1,217,015 | 1,392,472 |
|   | 7.15    | 7.15    | 7.15      | 7.15      | 7.15      |
|   |         |         |           |           |           |

# Paint Collierville Crane & Bridge

### **Overview:**

The original paint coatings on the Collierville bridge crane and recreation access bridge have exceeded their 20-year design lives. Both the crane and the access bridge are located outside at Collierville in the North Fork Stanislaus River Canyon, where they are exposed to harsh winter conditions. The paint coating is wearing thin in many places, and rust is starting to develop - especially at the bolt connections. Within the past year, both the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and the facility owner (Calaveras County Water District) have inquired about NCPA's schedule for maintenance painting. The 1985 power purchase agreement obligates NCPA to perform all necessary maintenance, including painting, to keep the facilities in satisfactory condition. A similar painting job, the crane at New Spicer Meadow Intake, was painted in 2013.



Figure 1: Collierville

### **Financial Analysis:**

The cost to paint the Collierville crane and recreation bridge are estimated at \$125,000. Deferring the painting project could lead to progressive rusting and structural damage.

# Collierville Concrete Sealing

# **Overview:**

The Collierville Powerhouse is basically a large concrete building built into the side of a mountain. Much of the powerhouse is located "below grade", and because it is a subsurface structure it is subject to water intrusion. In 2015, emergency repairs (localized concrete epoxy injection) were required to mitigate water that was intruding into the generator housings. Water has also been observed seeping into numerous other areas of the powerhouse. In consideration of the age of the concrete, as well as the critically of the electrical components inside of the powerhouse, the top deck of the powerhouse is recommended for concrete maintenance sealing.

### **Financial Analysis:**

The cost to seal the Collierville concrete top deck is estimated at \$60,000. Deferring the sealing could lead to progressive water intrusion, which directly increases the risk to critical electrical components such as the excitation system, governors, generators, protection systems, etc.



Figure 1: Collierville powerhouse.

# New Spicer Meadow Units 1 & 2 Gate Positioner Upgrade

### **Overview:**

This proposed budget item includes replacing the existing obsolete New Spicer Meadow Units 1 and 2 electro-mechanical gate positioning governors with PLCs. Units 1 and 2 are identical 2.75 MW induction generators. The existing electro-mechanical governors, which control unit operation, are obsolete and no longer supported. The governors are of the same vintage as the original Collierville governors which were upgraded over 10 years ago. Replacing the obsolete electro-mechanical governors with PLCs should improve unit availability and reliability, and significantly reduce the mean-time-to-repair the unit(s) in the case of failure. The project also includes upgrades to the thermal protection for each unit, as well as corresponding annunciator improvements.



Figure 1: NSM Units 1 & 2 in background, with NSM Unit 3 in foreground.

# Financial Analysis:

Upgrading the two (2) existing analog governors to PLC gate positioner control is anticipated to require \$145,000 for engineering, programming, installation, and commissioning. Most of the labor would be provided by the Hydro crew. The primary financial benefit of this project is improved reliability, serviceability, and a reduction in mean time to repair. Assuming 24 hours / year in improved reliability from the upgrade, the project is estimated to have an internal rate of return of approximately 10.5%, a payback in the range of 10 years, and a net present value of approximately \$73,000.

| Useful Life (Years):  | 20        |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| IRR:                  | 10.5%     |
| Payback (years):      | 10.0      |
| NPV @ 5%:             | \$ 73,138 |
| Est. Annual Benefits: | \$ 10,822 |

#### New Spicer Meadow Units 1 & 2 Gate Positioner Upgrade

| Financial Summary             | 5 Year   | 10 Year  | 15 Year | 20 Year |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|
| Internal Rate of Return (IRR) | -28%     | 0%       | 8%      | 10.5%   |
| Payback                       | 10.0     | 10.0     | 10.0    | 10.0    |
| Net Present Value (NPV)       | (80,607) | (27,523) | 23,138  | 73,138  |
| Average Annual Benefits       | (15,684) | 10       | 6,387   | 10,822  |
| BC Ratio                      | 0.36     | 0.69     | 1.00    | 1.31    |

#### Key Assumptions

| Discount Rate                             | 5.00%                           |
|---|---------------------------------|
| Project Life                              | 20 years                        |
| Average Year HLH Generation               | 10,500 MWh                      |
| Average Year LLH Generation               | 10,500 MWh                      |
| MW Price                                  | per weighted NP15 forward curve |
| REC Price                                 | \$30                            |
| NSM Annual A/S Revenue                    | \$O                             |
| NSM Unit 1&2 Capacity                     | 5.5 MW                          |
| NSM Availablility Factor                  | 98%                             |
| NSM Capacity Factor                       | 44%                             |
| Increased Annual Availability (Year 1)    | 24 Hours / Year                 |
| Annual Failure Rate / Duration Escalation | 5%                              |
| Staff Call-Out Overtime (Year 1)          | \$ 1,600.00                     |

|                                   | 1       | 2           | 3          | 4          | 5        | 6          | 7          | 8       | 9         | 10      | 11      | 12       | 13      | 14      | 15      | 16      | 17        | 18      | 19      | 20      |
|-----------------------------------|---------|-------------|------------|------------|----------|------------|------------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|
| Cash Flow Scenario                | FY2017  | FY2018      | FY2019     | FY2020     | FY2021   | FY2022     | FY2023     | FY2024  | FY2025    | FY2026  | FY2027  | FY2028   | FY2029  | FY2030  | FY2031  | FY2032  | FY2033    | FY2034  | FY2035  | FY2036  |
| NP15 Forward Prices (HLH) \$/MWh  | 38.79   | 39.50       | 41.48      | 43.40      | 45.25    | 47.28      | 49.31      | 51.43   | 53.65     | 55.95   | 58.36   | 60.78    | 63.21   | 65.74   | 68.37   | 71.11   | 73.95     | 76.91   | 79.99   | 85.67   |
| NP15 Forward Prices (LLH) \$/MWh  | 33.06   | 33.71       | 34.65      | 36.31      | 37.92    | 39.54      | 41.24      | 43.01   | 44.86     | 46.79   | 48.81   | 50.83    | 52.87   | 54.98   | 57.18   | 59.47   | 61.85     | 64.32   | 66.89   | 71.72   |
| REC Price \$/MWh                  | 30.00   | 30.00       | 30.00      | 30.00      | 30.00    | 30.00      | 30.00      | 30.00   | 30.00     | 30.00   | 30.00   | 30.00    | 30.00   | 30.00   | 30.00   | 30.00   | 30.00     | 30.00   | 30.00   | 30.00   |
| Weighted NSM Forward Price \$/MWh | 65.93   | 66.60       | 68.06      | 69.85      | 71.58    | 73.41      | 75.28      | 77.22   | 79.25     | 81.37   | 83.58   | 85.81    | 88.04   | 90.36   | 92.78   | 95.29   | 97.90     | 100.61  | 103.44  | 108.70  |
| Cost                              | (145,00 | 0 (C        | 0          | 0          | 0        | 0          | 0          | 0       | 0         | 0       | C       | ) 0      | 0       | 0       | 0       | C       | ) 0       | 0       | 0       | 0       |
| Avoided Staff Call-Out            | 1,600.0 | 1,680.0     | 1,764.0    | 1,852.2    | 1,944.8  | 2,042.1    | 2,144.2    | 2,251.4 | 2,363.9   | 2,482.1 | 2,606.2 | 2,736.5  | 2,873.4 | 3,017.0 | 3,167.9 | 3,326.3 | 3,492.6   | 3,667.2 | 3,850.6 | 4,043.1 |
| Operation Revenue                 | 10,96   | 7 11,193    | 11,481     | 11,809     | 12,156   | 12,533     | 12,938     | 13,377  | 13,852    | 14,368  | 14,926  | 5 15,525 | 16,165  | 16,857  | 17,607  | 18,419  | 9 19,299  | 20,253  | 21,286  | 22,737  |
| Total                             | (132,40 | 9) 12,898   | 13,271     | 13,689     | 14,130   | 14,605     | 15,114     | 15,662  | 16,252    | 16,887  | 17,572  | 18,302   | 19,081  | 19,920  | 20,823  | 21,795  | 5 22,844  | 23,975  | 25,194  | 26,841  |
| Cumulative Cash Flow              | (132,40 | 9) (119,510 | ) (106,239 | ) (92,550) | (78,420) | ) (63,814) | ) (48,700) | (33,038 | ) (16,787 | ) 100   | 17,672  | 2 35,975 | 55,056  | 74,975  | 95,798  | 117,593 | 3 140,438 | 164,412 | 189,607 | 216,448 |
| Payback                           | N/A     | N/A         | N/A        | N/A        | N/A      | N/A        | N/A        | N/A     | N/A       | 9.99    | 9.99    | 9.99     | 9.99    | 9.99    | 9.99    | 9.99    | 9.99      | 9.99    | 9.99    | 9.99    |

#### Other Considerations

# Vehicle Replacement - Trucks

# **Overview:**

The NCPA Hydroelectric Project operates and maintains a rolling stock consisting of 18 trucks used on a daily basis for operations, maintenance, and regulatory tasks at the remote hydroelectric facility sites. Each vehicle is typically driven 15,000 to 25,000 miles per year (200,000 to 400,000 miles annually for the fleet) on the rough roads of the hydro project. Within approximately 10 years, most vehicles are at the end of their useful life, with high mileage and escalating repair costs. Leaving these vehicles in service could be considered a safety issue.

# **Financial Analysis:**

It is recommended that \$70,000 capital funds be budgeted in FY2017 for Hydro project vehicle replacement as needed. Vehicles may be considered for replacement due to high mileage, escalating maintenance cost, unreliability, and or safety concerns.

# McKays Cleanout Capital Development Reserve

### **Overview:**

Heavy precipitation in 1997 resulted in a large landslide upstream of McKays Point Reservoir that deposited debris consisting of trees, sands, gravels, boulders and soil into the North Fork of the Stanislaus River. Much of this debris (>260,000 cubic yards) was washed into McKays Point Reservoir resulting in a loss of approximately 8% of the reservoir capacity. Sediments have continued to accumulate against the arch dam and upstream of the cofferdam. Bathymetric surveys indicate that deposits in the upper area of the reservoir are continuing to migrate downstream toward the dam (Figure 1).

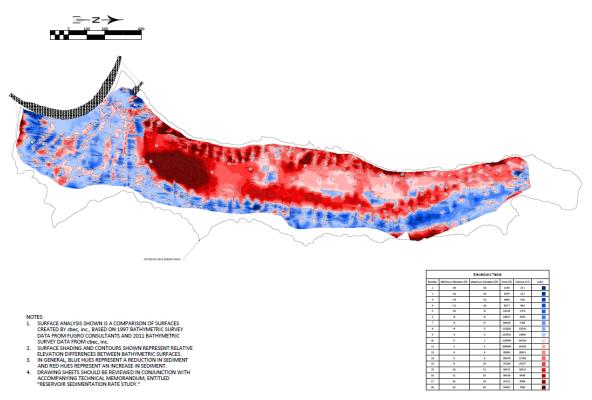


Figure 1: Bathymetric survey showing change in depth in 2011 compared with 1997 (post-Sourgrass landslide).

Removal of a portion of the sediments is necessary to clear the approach pathway to the Low Level Outlet works, reduce the sediment load against the dam, and clear the area in front of the Diversion Tunnel Inlet Structure. Increased turbine wear and eventual blockage of the Low Level Outlet passageway will occur if this project is not pursued. Complete removal of siltation from the reservoir, while desirable, may not be possible from a cost perspective. The removal of 87,000 cubic yards of sediment (35,000 behind arch dam + 52,000 behind cofferdam) is mandatory, and should be the absolute minimum first effort, with further removal planned for the future. Removal of 200,000+ cubic yards is preferred. It is possible that other contractual obligations could necessitate a full clean-out.

### Financial Analysis:

Removing at least some of the accumulated sediment is mandatory to comply with FERC and DSOD dam safety regulations; however, the project also provides some financial benefit as removing sediment will positively impact the live storage capacity (and therefore energy producing capability and flexibility) of the reservoir. Depending on the quantity of sediment to be removed, the regulatory requirements of the removal (unknown at this time), and the ultimate disposal location of the sediment, the total project cost might range from \$10M to \$30M. Based on preliminary regulatory permitting discussions and economic assumptions, NCPA staff recommend budgeting a minimum of \$20.5M for this project. Including insurance claims and OES contributions, a total of approximately \$13.8M has been collected for this project. Collections are tentatively scheduled through at least FY2025. Assuming a project price of \$20.5M, and an increased McKays operational flexibility of 4% after removal of the sediment, this project has a payback of approximately 16 years, and a net present value of approximately \$300K.

| Useful Life (Years):  | 20         |
|-----------------------|------------|
| IRR:                  | 5.3%       |
| Payback (years):      | 15.7       |
| NPV @ 5%:             | \$ 289,805 |
| Est. Annual Benefits: | \$ 433,670 |

# McKays Cleanout Capital Development Reserve

| Financial Summary             | 5 Year       | 10 Year     | 15 Year     | 20 Year |
|-------------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|---------|
| Internal Rate of Return (IRR) | 113%         | 112%        | -1%         | 5.3%    |
| Payback                       | N/A          | N/A         | N/A         | 15.7    |
| Net Present Value (NPV)       | (11,524,215) | (8,043,175) | (3,815,476) | 289,805 |
| Average Annual Benefits       | (2,894,520)  | (921,102)   | (81,617)    | 433,670 |
| BC Ratio                      | 0.28         | 0.52        | 0.77        | 1.02    |

# Key Assumptions

| Discount Rate                         | 5.00%                           |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Project Life                          | 20 years                        |
| Average Year HLH Generation           | 424,320 MWh                     |
| Average Year LLH Generation           | 138,910 MWh                     |
| MW Price                              | per weighted NP15 forward curve |
| Collierville Capacity                 | 253 MW                          |
| Collierville Availablility Factor     | 98%                             |
| Collierville Capacity Factor          | 28%                             |
| Collierville Annual A/S + RTM Revenue | \$3,500,000                     |
| A/S Escalation                        | 6%                              |
| Increased Operational Flexibility     | 4.00%                           |

| Cash Flow Scenario                    | 1              | 2                 | 3                | 4                   | 5                   | 6                   | 7                                | 8                   | 9                   | 10                              | 11                 | 12                              | 13                 | 14                | 15                 |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| NP15 Forward Prices (HLH) \$/MWh      | 38.23          | 38.79             | 39.50            | 41.48               | 43.40               | 45.25               | 47.28                            | 49.31               | 51.43               | 53.65                           | 55.95              | 58.36                           | 60.78              | 63.21             | 65.74              |
| NP15 Forward Prices (LLH) \$/MWh      | 31.44          | 33.06             | 33.71            | 34.65               | 36.31               | 37.92               | 39.54                            | 41.24               | 43.01               | 44.86                           | 46.79              | 48.81                           | 50.83              | 52.87             | 54.98              |
| Weighted CV Forward Price \$/MWh      | 36.55          | 37.38             | 38.07            | 39.79               | 41.65               | 43.44               | 45.37                            | 47.32               | 49.36               | 51.48                           | 53.69              | 56.00                           | 58.33              | 60.66             | 63.09              |
| A/S Revenue                           | 3,500,000      | 3,710,000         | 3,932,600        | 4,168,556           | 4,418,669           | 4,683,790           | 4,964,817                        | 5,262,706           | 5,578,468           | 5,913,176                       | 6,267,967          | 6,644,045                       | 7,042,688          | 7,465,249         | 7,913,164          |
| Cost                                  | (40,000)       | (40,000)          | (40,000)         | (14,750,000)        | (4,750,000)         | (933,334)           | (200,000)                        | 0                   | 0                   | 0                               | 0                  | 0                               | 0                  | 0                 | 0                  |
| Increased Annual Availability (hours) | 0.0            | 0.0               | 0.0              | 0.0                 | 0.0                 | 0.0                 | 0.0                              | 0.0                 | 0.0                 | 0.0                             | 0.0                | 0.0                             | 0.0                | 0.0               | 0.0                |
| Operation Revenue                     | 963,535        | 990,512           | 1,015,027        | 1,063,266           | 1,115,062           | 1,166,051           | 1,220,776                        | 1,276,646           | 1,335,120           | 1,396,324                       | 1,460,387          | 1,527,445                       | 1,595,805          | 1,665,272         | 1,737,855          |
| Total                                 | 923,535        | 950,512           | 975,027          | (13,686,734)        | (3,634,938)         | 232,717             | 1,020,776                        | 1,276,646           | 1,335,120           | 1,396,324                       | 1,460,387          | 1,527,445                       | 1,595,805          | 1,665,272         | 1,737,855          |
| Cumulative Cash Flow<br>Payback       | 923,535<br>N/A | 1,874,047<br>0.03 | 2,849,074<br>N/A | (10,837,660)<br>N/A | (14,472,598)<br>N/A | (14,239,881)<br>N/A | <mark>(13,219,105)</mark><br>N/A | (11,942,459)<br>N/A | (10,607,339)<br>N/A | <mark>(9,211,015)</mark><br>N/A | (7,750,629)<br>N/A | <mark>(6,223,183)</mark><br>N/A | (4,627,378)<br>N/A | A 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | (1,224,252)<br>N/A |

# Other Considerations

Analysis based on FY2016-2035 prices from NCPA NP15 Forward Curve , even though expenditures and revenues are deferred 8+ years.

# <u>Collierville Generator Rewind – Capital Development Reserve</u>

### **Overview:**

The Collierville generators are approximately 27 years old and starting to show signs of minor deterioration as documented by routine partial discharge testing and as evidenced by visual burn damage which is repaired every year during the annual outage. Generator winding insulation is exposed to many aging mechanisms which shorten its life, including electrical and mechanical stresses during normal operation. When the stator winding insulation fails, high voltage can arc to the surrounding framework, and protective relaying shuts down the generating unit. The unit must be repaired before it Extensive failures require partial or complete stator winding can be restarted. replacement, repair to the stator core, and/or repair to the rotor. In recent years, failures at hydro facilities near NCPA have resulted in units being unavailable for 9 months to more than a year, with lost revenues for these hydro plants ranging from \$10M+ to Rewinding generators on a planned schedule allows the design and \$100M+. manufacturing phases to be performed while the unit is still in service, which minimizes the impact on unit availability.

Planned, scheduled rewinds will generally provide the most cost-effective means to maintain the reliability of old generators. Based on test results, reliability records, and economic analysis, NCPA estimates that the Collierville generators will need to be rewound in approximately 3 to 10 years, with Unit 2 likely needing a rewind before Unit 1. The ultimate timing will depend on how well the partial discharge continues to respond (drop) after insulation paint repairs (see Figure 1). Partial discharge levels remain relatively low at the moment. At the request of the Hydro participants, Capital Development Reserve funds are being collected for the upcoming rewinds.

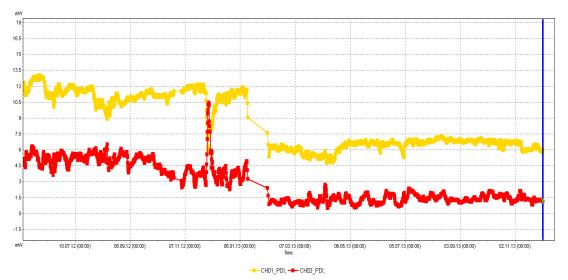


Figure 1: Collierville Unit 2 generator partial discharge intensity (PDI) on the two highest PD channels. The alarm is set at 27. Note the reduction in PD in the February 2013 timeframe corresponding to NCPA's cleaning and "painting" all observed end-turn burn spots.

### **Financial Analysis:**

Rewinding both generators is anticipated to cost \$5M to \$7M, with materials (robell bars, wedges, winding supplies, etc.) costing \$1.5M to \$1.75+M per unit (depending largely on the cost of copper), and labor (disassembling the unit, striping the stator, cleaning and testing the core, installing new robell bars, etc.) costing \$1M to \$1.5M per unit. \$6M has been targeted for Capital Development Reserve collection. \$4.75M will have been collected by the end of FY 2015-2016, with an additional \$250,000 proposed for collection in FY 2016-2017. Financial evaluation for this project assumes the future avoidance of a generator failure resulting in lost generation. Based on these assumptions, scheduled rewinds (with the timing based on continued partial discharge monitoring and physical inspection), has an associated internal rate of return of 16%, a payback of approximately 8 years, and a net present value close to \$5M.

| 20           |
|--------------|
| 16.0%        |
| 7.7          |
| \$ 4,971,718 |
| \$ 566,127   |
|              |

### **Collierville Generator Rewind**

| Financial Summary             | 5 Year      | 10 Year | 15 Year   | 20 Year   |
|-------------------------------|-------------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| Internal Rate of Return (IRR) | -20%        | 8%      | 14%       | 16.0%     |
| Payback                       | 7.7         | 7.7     | 7.7       | 7.7       |
| Net Present Value (NPV)       | (1,942,020) | 551,830 | 2,930,116 | 4,971,718 |
| Average Annual Benefits       | (356,368)   | 193,003 | 427,446   | 566,127   |
| BC Ratio                      | 0.63        | 1.10    | 1.53      | 1.90      |

### Key Assumptions

| 5.00%                           |
|---------------------------------|
| 20 years                        |
| 424,320 MWh                     |
| 138,910 MWh                     |
| per weighted NP15 forward curve |
| 253 MW                          |
| 98%                             |
| 28%                             |
| \$3,110,845                     |
| 5.00% per generator             |
| 270 Days                        |
| 30.0%                           |
|                                 |

|                                       | 1           | 2           | 3           | 4           | 5           | 6           | 7         | 8       | 9         | 10        | 11        | 12        | 13        | 14        | 15        | 16        | 17        |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Cash Flow Scenario                    | 2016        | 2017        | 2018        | 2019        | 2020        | 2021        | 2022      | 2023    | 2024      | 2025      | 2026      | 2027      | 2028      | 2029      | 2030      | 2031      | 2032      |
| NP15 Forward Prices (HLH) \$/MWh      | 38.23       | 38.79       | 39.50       | 41.48       | 43.40       | 45.25       | 47.28     | 49.31   | 51.43     | 53.65     | 55.95     | 58.36     | 60.78     | 63.21     | 65.74     | 68.37     | 71.11     |
| NP15 Forward Prices (LLH) \$/MWh      | 31.44       | 33.06       | 33.71       | 34.65       | 36.31       | 37.92       | 39.54     | 41.24   | 43.01     | 44.86     | 46.79     | 48.81     | 50.83     | 52.87     | 54.98     | 57.18     | 59.47     |
| Weighted CV Forward Price \$/MWh      | 36.55       | 37.38       | 38.07       | 39.79       | 41.65       | 43.44       | 45.37     | 47.32   | 49.36     | 51.48     | 53.69     | 56.00     | 58.33     | 60.66     | 63.09     | 65.61     | 68.24     |
| Cost                                  | (4,750,000) | (250,000)   | (200,000)   | (200,000)   | (200,000)   | (200,000)   | (200,000) | 0       | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Increased Annual Availability (hours) | 0.0         | 0.0         | 0.0         | 0.0         | 0.0         | 0.0         | 0.0       | 0.0     | 0.0       | 0.0       | 0.0       | 0.0       | 0.0       | 0.0       | 0.0       | 0.0       | 0.0       |
| Operation Revenue                     | 749,224     | 754,788     | 759,463     | 771,085     | 783,602     | 795,698     | 808,723   | 821,888 | 835,619   | 849,940   | 864,878   | 880,458   | 896,157   | 911,900   | 928,274   | 945,303   | 963,013   |
| Total                                 | (4,000,776) | 504,788     | 559,463     | 571,085     | 583,602     | 595,698     | 608,723   | 821,888 | 835,619   | 849,940   | 864,878   | 880,458   | 896,157   | 911,900   | 928,274   | 945,303   | 963,013   |
| Cumulative Cash Flow                  | (4,000,776) | (3,495,989) | (2,936,526) | (2,365,441) | (1,781,838) | (1,186,140) | (577,417) | 244,470 | 1,080,089 | 1,930,029 | 2,794,907 | 3,675,365 | 4,571,521 | 5,483,422 | 6,411,696 | 7,356,999 | 8,320,011 |
| Payback                               | N/A         | N/A         | N/A I       | N/A         | N/A         | N/A         | N/A       | 7.70    | 7.70      | 7.70      | 7.70      | 7.70      | 7.70      | 7.70      | 7.70      | 7.70      | 7.70      |
|                                       |             |             |             |             |             |             |           |         |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |

#### Other Considerations

FY2016-2035 prices from NCPA NP15 Forward Curve

### Beaver Creek Cleanout

#### **Overview:**

Due to upstream erosion and natural bed load, the Beaver Creek Reservoir accumulates sediment and debris during each winter and runoff season. The rate of sediment accumulation is highly dependent on the intensity of winter storms. During a normal winter, approximately 440 cubic yards of additional sediment accumulates in the reservoir. Historically, severe weather has typically occurred approximately every 8 years bringing large amounts of sediments into the reservoir. Therefore, at least partial sediment removal is also typically needed every five to eight years. The reservoir had sediment removed during the summer of 1997, winter of 2006 (emergency cleanout due to inability to divert water due to clogged fish screen structure), and summer of 2008. At this time, the diversion facility is still functional; however, a substantial amount of sediments and debris have accumulated again and are starting to encroach on the fish screen structure. Based on the most recent topographical survey, it appears that even during the recent drought years, approximately 700 cubic yards has accumulated over the previous two (2) years. A large winter storm could mobilize or augment the sediment and plug the screens again, thereby preventing diversion of water.

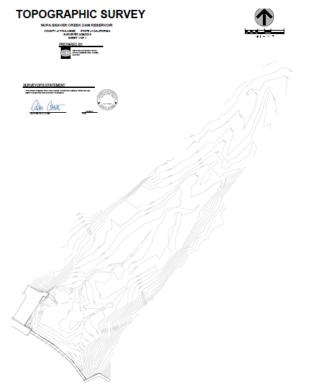


Figure 1: Example of most recent topographical survey (October 2015).

The unit cost for the emergency cleanout in December 2006 was \$86 / cubic yard (not including the cost of lost diversion from Beaver Creek). The unit cost for the 2008 cleanout was approximately \$100 / cubic yard. Approximately 10,000 to 15,000 cubic yards of silt, gravel, and debris would need to be removed to restore the reservoir to its

as-built condition. The proposed project would remove 5,000 to 6,000 cubic yards of materials when needed, to maintain functionality of the diversion facility.

### Financial Analysis:

\$300,000 was collected in FY2013-2014, and \$125,000 in FY2015-2016 and placed into the Hydroelectric Capital Development Reserve account. An additional \$125,000 is proposed for inclusion in the FY2016-2017 budget (and ongoing into the indefinite future) to allow removal of approximately 5,000 to 6,000 cubic yards of accumulated sediment and debris on a routine basis when needed. The quantity of water diverted through the Beaver Creek facility to McKays and Collierville range from a dry year estimate of 10,000 acre-feet to a normal year estimate of 33,000 acre-feet. Collierville's water duty is approximately 2 MWh per acre-foot. Therefore, in a normal year, Beaver Creek contributes approximately 66,000 MWh. Assuming an average price of \$25 / MWh, the loss of a single runoff season would result in lost revenue on the order of \$1.7M. Assuming sediment removal avoids the loss of a season of diversion, the cleanout project has a Net Present Value of approximately \$960,000 and a benefit to cost ration of 2.68.

| Useful Life (Years):  | 5          |
|-----------------------|------------|
| IRR:                  | 182%       |
| Payback (years):      | 1.4        |
| NPV @ 5%:             | \$ 962,585 |
| Est. Annual Benefits: | \$ 218,250 |

# **Beaver Creek Cleanout**

| Financial Summary             | 5 Year  | 10 Year | 15 Year | 20 Year |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Internal Rate of Return (IRR) | 181.9%  | 182%    | 182%    | 182%    |
| Payback                       | 1.4     | 1.4     | 1.4     | 1.4     |
| Net Present Value (NPV)       | 962,585 | 962,585 | 962,585 | 962,585 |
| Average Annual Benefits       | 218,250 | 109,125 | 72,750  | 54,563  |
| BC Ratio                      | 2.68    | 2.68    | 2.68    | 2.68    |

# Key Assumptions

| Discount Rate   | 5.00%                            |                               |
|---|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Project Life  | 20                               | years                         |
| Average Year Diversion  | 33000                            | acre-feet                     |
| Collierville Water Duty   | 2.05                             | MWh / acre-foot               |
| Average Year HLH Generation   | 424,320                          | MWh                           |
| Average Year LLH Generation   | 138,910                          | MWh                           |
| MW Price  | \$<br>25.00                      | MWh                           |
| Collierville Water Duty<br>Average Year HLH Generation<br>Average Year LLH Generation | \$<br>2.05<br>424,320<br>138,910 | MWh / acre-foot<br>MWh<br>MWh |

|                                  | 1                | 2                 | 3                | 4                    | 5                    | 6                    | 7                    | 8                    | 9                    | 10                   | 11                   | 12                   | 13                   | 14                   | 15                   | 16                   |
|----------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Cash Flow Scenario               | 2016             | 2017              | 2018             | 2019                 | 2020                 | 2021                 | 2022                 | 2023                 | 2024                 | 2025                 | 2026                 | 2027                 | 2028                 | 2029                 | 2030                 | 2031                 |
| NP15 Forward Prices (HLH) \$/MWh | 38.23            | 38.79             | 39.50            | 41.48                | 43.40                | 45.25                | 47.28                | 49.31                | 51.43                | 53.65                | 55.95                | 58.36                | 60.78                | 63.21                | 65.74                | 68.37                |
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| Discounted spring runoff price   |                  |                   |                  |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |
| Cost                             | (600,000)        | 0                 | 0                | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    |
| Operation Revenue                | 0                | 1,691,250         | 0                | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    |
| Total                            | (600,000)        | 1,691,250         | 0                | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    |
| Cumulative Cash Flow<br>Payback  | (600,000)<br>N/A | 1,091,250<br>1.35 | 1,091,250<br>N/A | 1,091,250<br>#DIV/0! |

# **Other Considerations**

| 17                   | 18                   | 19                   | 20                   |  |  |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| 2032                 | 2033                 | 2034                 | 2035                 |  |  |
| 71.11                | 73.95                | 76.91                | 79.99                |  |  |
| 59.47                | 61.85                | 64.32                | 66.89                |  |  |
| 68.24                | 70.97                | 73.80                | 76.76                |  |  |
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