

FEDERAL PERMITTING IMPROVEMENT STEERING COUNCIL

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Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions

AGENCY: Federal Permitting Improvement Steering Council

ACTION: Semiannual regulatory agenda

SUMMARY: This agenda contains the proposed regulatory actions that the Federal Permitting Improvement Steering Council (Permitting Council) plans to undertake in 12 months following Spring 2023 edition of the Federal semiannual regulatory agenda, which includes the Permitting Council's regulatory agenda. The Permitting Council developed this agenda consistent with the Executive Order 12866 "Regulatory Planning and Review," and Executive Order 13563 "Improving Regulation and Regulatory Review."

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Established pursuant to Title 41 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST-41), 42 U.S.C. section 4370m *et seq.*, the Permitting Council is comprised of the Permitting Council Executive Director, 13 Federal agency Council members (including designees of the Secretaries of Agriculture, Army, Commerce, the Interior, Energy, Transportation, Defense, and Homeland Security, Administrators of the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Chairmen of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation), and additional Permitting Council members, the Chair of the Council on Environmental Quality and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. The Permitting

Council facilitates transparent, coordinated, and timely Federal environmental reviews and authorizations for FAST-41 “covered” infrastructure projects. Certain actions of the Permitting Council may affect the rights of the public or the regulated community, and accordingly may warrant informal rulemaking pursuant to section 553 of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. section 553.

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