

S. 119 would establish a National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. Section 3(a) of the bill designates seven rivers, or sections thereof, as "national wild river areas." Section 3(b) designates five rivers, or segments thereof, as "national scenic river areas." Section 4(a) lists 28 river reaches which are to be studied for possible inclusion in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

Our staff study of the hydroelectric potential of these various river segments indicates that they contain considerable amounts of developed and undeveloped hydroelectric power capacity. The attached table shows in detail the power sites and capacities for each of the listed stream categories. The amounts of hydroelectric power involved are summarized below:

Section of bill	Number of streams	Developed or under construction			Undeveloped		
		Number of plants	Installed capacity, kilowatts	Annual generation million kilowatt-hours	Number of plants	Installed capacity, kilowatts	Annual generation, million kilowatt-hours
3(a).....	7	2	1,540	9	27	1,826,300	7,653
3(b).....	5	2	23,368	116	2	38,200	115
4(a).....	28	18	108,938	398	68	7,967,700	22,511
Total.....	40	22	133,846	523	97	9,832,200	30,279

There are no licensing actions in the seven "wild river" reaches listed in section 3(a) of the bill. As to the five "scenic river" reaches included in section 3(b), only the existing Hayward project, already constructed, is being considered for licensing. In the 28 river reaches listed in section 4(a) for study, twelve projects have been licensed or have license applications pending. The following table summarizes the river reaches (and projects) in which licensing actions have occurred:

Section of bill	FPC project No.	Name of project	Owner	River	Installed capacity (kilowatts)	Annual generation (million kilowatt-hours)
3(b)(5)	¹ 2417	Hayward.....	Lake Superior District Power Co.	Namekagon.....	168	1
4(a)(3)	² 2089	Big Falls.....	Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc.	Big Fork.....	600	3
4(a)(8)	³ 1899	Oakland.....	Pennsylvania Electric Co.	Susquehanna.....	600	2
4(a)(8)	¹ 2455	Colliers.....	New York State Electric & Gas Co.	do.....	3,810	8
4(a)(17)	⁴ 309	Piney.....	Pennsylvania Electric Co.	Clarion.....	23,800	34
4(a)(24)	¹ 2458	Dolby.....	Great Northern Paper Co.	West Branch, Penobscot.	14,100	93
4(a)(24)	¹ 2458	Millinocket.....	do.....	do.....	8,000	44
4(a)(24)	¹ 2458	North Twin.....	do.....	do.....	8,200	27
4(a)(27)	¹ 2134	Bald Rock No. 5.....	Richvale Irrigation District	Middle Fork, Feather	75,000	347
4(a)(27)	¹ 2134	Milsap No. 4.....	do.....	do.....	54,000	275
4(a)(27)	¹ 2134	Dogwood No. 3.....	do.....	do.....	36,000	175
4(a)(27)	¹ 2134	Minerva No. 2.....	do.....	do.....	40,000	173
4(a)(27)	¹ 2134	Nelson Point No. 1.....	do.....	do.....	20,000	75
Total.....					289,278	1,257

¹ Application for license for constructed project pending.

² Outstanding license; expires Dec. 31, 2003.

³ Outstanding license; expires June 30, 1970; application filed to surrender license.

⁴ Outstanding license; expires Oct. 12, 1972.

Please let us know if we can be of any further assistance to the Committee.

Sincerely,

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