



NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND NOTICE OF FLOODPLAIN ACTION

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is proposing to provide American Reinvestment and Recovery Act federal funding to the Washington Department of Commerce under the State Energy Program to Nippon Paper Industries USA Company to construct and operate a new biomass-fueled cogeneration facility in Port Angeles, Washington.

NIPPON PAPER INDUSTRIES USA COMPANY BIOMASS COGENERATION PROJECT, PORT ANGELES, WASHINGTON DOE/EA 1858D

The Nippon Paper Industries USA Company is proposing the Biomass Cogeneration Project with federal funding from DOE. DOE's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy is preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Since portions of the new facility would be located in the Pacific Ocean's 100-year floodplain, the EA also includes a floodplain analysis prepared in accordance with Executive Order 11988, "Floodplain Management." Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the draft EA for consideration by DOE by **April 2, 2011**. All comments received will be considered in preparation of the Final EA. DOE encourages your participation in this process.

You can submit comments by either mail to: Jane Summerson, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave, SW, EE-4A, Washington, D.C. 20585, or by email to: jane.summerson@ee.doe.gov.

The Draft EA with appendices is available for your review on either the **DOE NEPA** or the **Golden Field Office** websites:

http://nepa.energy.gov/draft_environmental_assessments.htm

http://www.eere.energy.gov/golden/Reading_Room.aspx