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NRC Issues Final Environmental Impact Statement for Turkey Point Subsequent License Renewal

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has issued the agency's Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement regarding the Florida Power & Light application to operate the Turkey Point Nuclear Generating Station Units 3 and 4 for an additional 20 years. The units are located approximately 20 miles south of Miami.

The EIS documents the NRC staff's evaluation and conclusion that the environmental impacts of renewing the Turkey Point licenses are so limited that preserving the renewal option for energy-planning decisionmakers would not be unreasonable.

The [final statement](#) was developed in cooperation with the U.S. National Park Service, Southeast Region, and is available on the [NRC website](#).

FPL submitted the Turkey Point subsequent license renewal application on Jan. 30, 2018. The [subsequent license renewal process](#) determines whether an operating reactors' license can be extended for an additional 20 years of operation (from 60 to 80 years). The [application](#), less proprietary details, is available on the NRC website. In addition, the following libraries maintain a copy of the application's final SEIS for public inspection: Homestead Branch Library at 700 N. Homestead Blvd., in Homestead; Naranja Branch Library at 14850 SW 280th St., in Homestead; South Dade Regional Library at 10750 SW 211th St., in Miami; and Miami-Dade Main Library at 101 W. Flagler St., in Miami.

The NRC held meetings in Homestead in May 2018 to collect comments from the surrounding community regarding issues to include in the environmental review, with additional meetings held in Homestead in March 2019. The final statement includes the staff's consideration of comments submitted during the review from the public and federal, state, local and tribal agencies.

The NRC's final decision on the Turkey Point subsequent license renewal application will also take into account the staff's July 2019 [final Safety Evaluation Report](#) regarding the application. The NRC's Atomic Safety and Licensing Board has also concluded there is no basis to hold a hearing on the renewal application; the Board's decision can be appealed to the full Commission.