

Notification of Relicense Application for Ozark Beach Hydroelectric Project (FERC Project 2221)

Liberty is in the process of relicensing the Ozark Beach Hydroelectric Project (Project) with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). As part of the relicensing process, Liberty is proposing to increase the height of the Project's Obermeyer gates two feet. (From their current four feet to a new operational height of six feet.)

These are the steel gates that sit atop the dam that in 2011 replaced the old flashboard system.

The main benefits are two-fold:

- 1. Will help us to provide additional clean, renewable energy by increasing head height at the dam site
- 2. Increase water depth which will benefit the many boating and recreational activities around the lake

While the gate modification will result in minor increases in the elevation and surface area of Lake Taneycomo the actual effect to existing shoreline will be minimal.

FERC regulations provide that a hydropower project boundary "must enclose only those lands necessary for the operation and maintenance of a project and for other project purposes such as recreation, shoreline control, or protection of environmental resources."

Our initial re-license application submitted in 2019 and the current gate height modification request reflect that scope.

Liberty Utilities is committed to providing safe, efficient generation of clean, renewable energy across our platforms and this gate height request is part of that commitment.