

September 10, 2009

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SUBJECT: WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT, UNIT 2, OPERATING LICENSE
APPLICATION REVIEW - ENVIRONMENTAL SCOPING

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Officer
Muscogee (Creek) Nation of Oklahoma
PO Box 580
Okmulgee, OK 74447

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Wetumka, OK 74883

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NAGPRA Coordinator
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PO Box 187
Wetumka, OK 74883

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Wetumka, OK 74883

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Thlopthlocco Tribal Town
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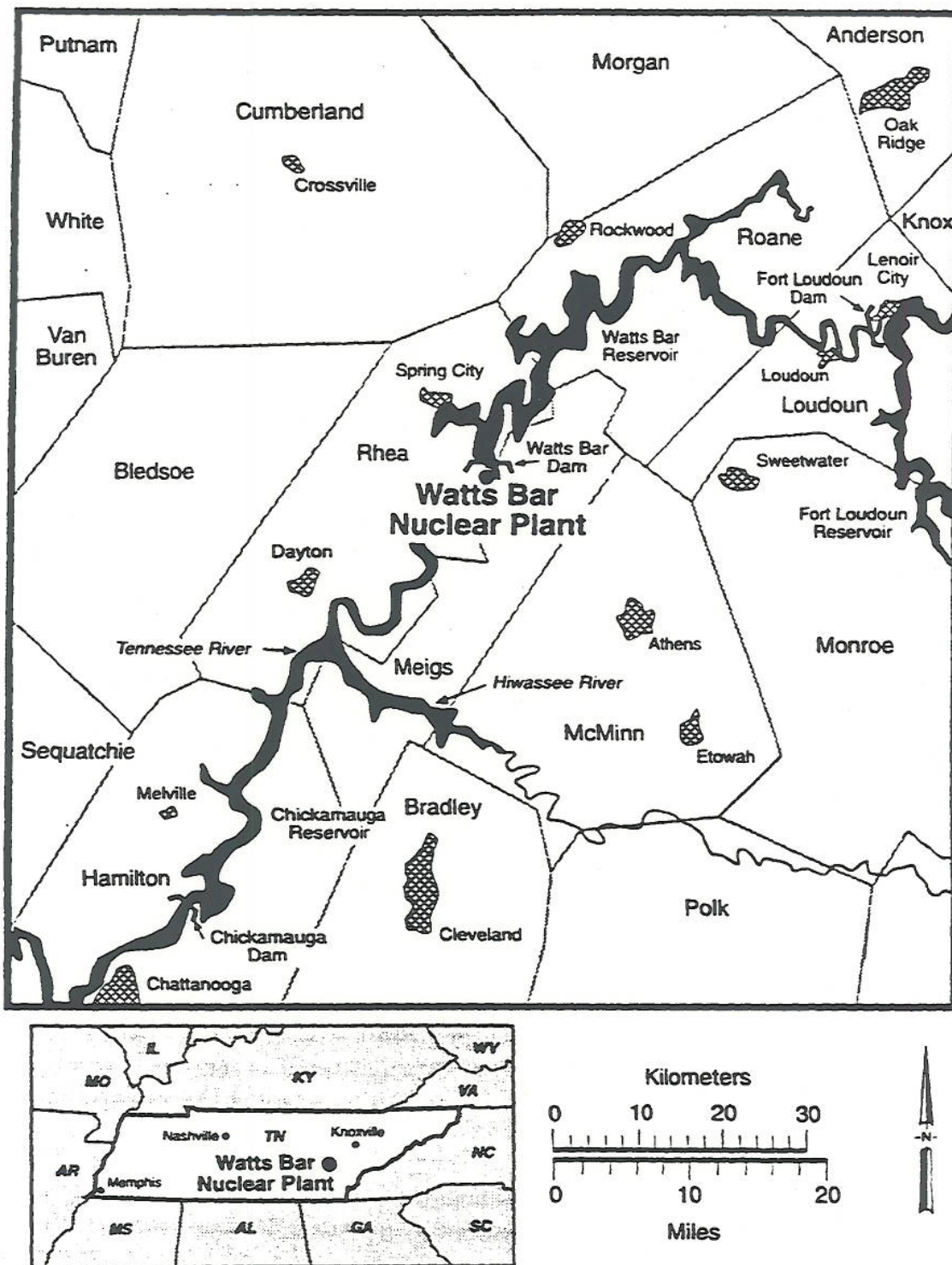
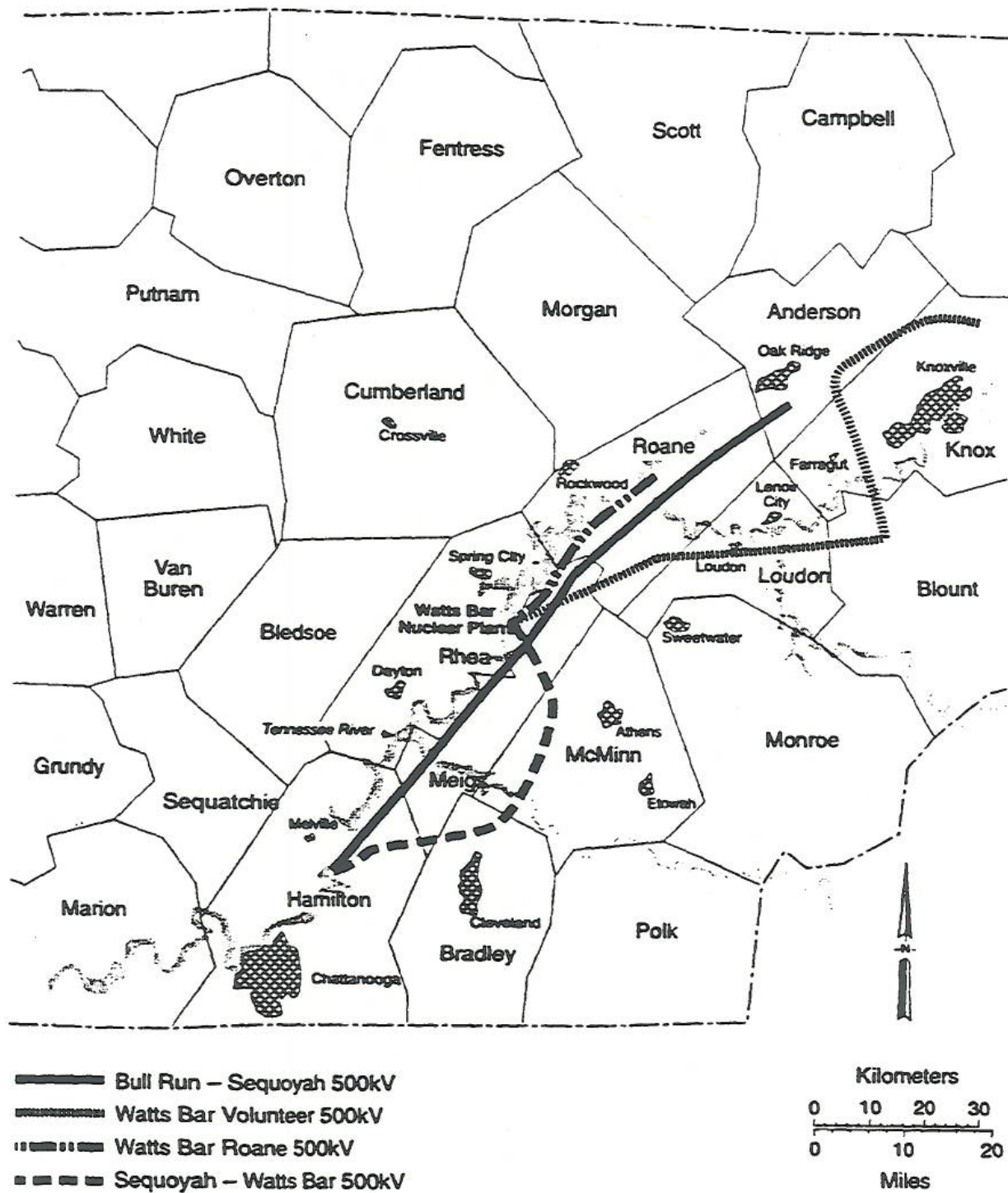


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