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Salazar asks for comment extension for Glade proposal

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Sen. Ken Salazar today requested an extension of the public comment period for the draft Environmental Impact Statement of the Northern Integrated Supply Project, a proposal which includes Glade Reservoir northwest of Fort Collins.

The comment period is scheduled to end at the end of July, but Salazar asked for a minimum of 45 more days for local communities, stakeholders and the public to voice their opinions.

"It is important for the affected local governments and citizens of the area to have adequate time to make informed decisions and comments about NISP during this important phase of the project," wrote Salazar in a letter to Chandler Peter of the Army Corps of Engineers, which is reviewing the project.

Salazar's letter followed several other requests for additional time to review and analyze the proposal from groups including the cities of Fort Collins and Greeley.