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PROJECT MEMORANDUM SCE DPV 2 TRANSMISSION PROJECT

To: Billie Blanchard, Project Manager, CPUC
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Subject: Weekly Report 06, August 22 to August 28, 2011

INTRODUCTION

This report provides a summary of the construction and compliance activities associated with the SCE DPV2 Transmission Project:

A summary of the Notices to Proceed (NTPs) with construction and Variance Request activity are also provided (see Tables 1 and 2, respectively, near the end of this report). Additionally, a summary of Temporary Extra Workspace Requests (TEWS) and non-compliance activities are provided in Tables 3 and 4, respectively.

CPUC/Aspen Environmental Monitors (EM): Jamie Miner was on site August 22 and 23.

DPV 2 CONSTRUCTION AND MATERIAL YARDS

NTP #1 was issued for construction and set-up of construction yards, including Devers, Desert Center 1 (DC1), Desert Center 2 (DC2), Blythe, Beaumont, and Menifee Construction Yards.

Summary of Activity:

1. As of August 22, the majority of construction work, including grading and placement of gravel base, was completed at the Blythe Construction Yard. A small crew continued to work on installation activities associated with the chain link fence and privacy screening, removal of straw wattles, and delivery and installation of shaker plates (see Figure 1). Gates have been installed at each of the northern entry points (see Figure 2). Field office trailers were delivered to the Blythe yard location on August 25 and 26.
2. Activities at the DC1 and DC2 Construction Yards consisted of preparation of each location for operational layout by Kenney Construction. These activities included installation of skirting along office trailers, setting up temporary yard lighting stations, and mobilization of equipment (see Figures 3 and 4).
3. Construction activities at the Menifee Construction Yard were limited to leveling gravel and removal of BMPs and heavy equipment throughout the subject period (see Figure 5). An office trailer was delivered to the site on August 25.
4. The CPUC EM conducted a field verification of the Beaumont Construction Yard on August 22 based on the pre-construction survey report submitted on August 12.
5. The CPUC EM conducted a site visit to the Devers Construction Yard on August 23 to verify yard boundary and resource staking. A small crew was onsite during the site visit and was completing the staking activities.

Environmental Compliance:

1. All concrete washout activities associated with post hole construction at the Blythe location were conducted within a contained station (see Figure 6).
2. Orange construction fencing around Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESAs) established at the DC1 and Blythe Construction Yards was inspected and considered in adequate condition.



3. On August 25, the SCE EM identified that plastic sheeting used for heavy equipment parking at the Blythe Construction Yard was becoming brittle due to exposure and would need to be replaced.
4. Dust suppression signage with contact information had been installed at DC1 and DC 2 Construction Yards (see Figure 7).
5. Netted roll-off bins for construction debris were observed onsite at the DC1 and DC2 Construction Yards (see Figure 8).
6. Dust suppression was applied during all grading, gravel placement, and fence installation activities throughout the week.

No NCRs or PM were issued for construction activities during the subject period.

AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES DURING CONSTRUCTION (OTHER THAN CPUC EMs):

None

CPUC NOTICES TO PROCEED (NTPS)

Table 1 summarizes the CPUC Notice to Proceed for the DPV2 Project, to date. No additional Notice to Proceed Requests have been submitted to date.

TABLE 1
CPUC NTPs
(Updated 09/06/11)

NTP #/ Permit	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment #	Description
CPUC NTPs				
NTP #1	4/28/11	6/23/11	Yards	Authorization to proceed with the development of the Devers, Desert Center 1, Desert Center 2, Summit, Blythe, Perris, Beaumont, and Menifee Construction Yards.
NTP #2	08/05/11	Under review	T/L	Installation of exclusionary fencing, Devers to Blythe. No cultural resources affected. Bio pending.
	08/26/11	Under Review	Yards	Construction of Beaumont Construction Yard #2.
	08/26/11	Under Review	T/L	Authorization to proceed with construction on BLM lands.
	08/26/11	Under Review	Substation	Construction of Red Bluff Substation, BLM lands.

VARIANCE & TEMPORARY EXTRA WORKSPACE REQUESTS

Variance Requests and Temporary Extra Workspace (TEWS) Requests submitted to date are summarized in Tables 2 and 3, respectively.

TABLE 2
VARIANCE REQUESTS
(Updated 09/06/11)

Variance Request	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment #	Description
VR #1	05/06/11	05/24/11	Devers-Valley	Construction of traditional lattice towers instead of “Tetra” towers at two locations (Structures #1139 and #1140)
VR #2	04/21/11	05/26/11	All	Revisions to Mitigation Measure B-7d pertaining to seasonal restrictions for Coachella Valley fringe-toed lizard and flat-tailed horned lizard to support consistency with conditions provided in the Biological Opinion.
VR #3	07/12/11	07/18/11	DC 1 & DC 2 Yards	Utilize offsite well location and installation of 12,000 gallon water tank for filling trucks.
VR #4	07/06/11	07/21/11	Menifee Yard	Expansion of Menifee Construction Yard, which would include approximately 5 acres of additional disturbance within the western portion of the parcel, for material storage and other activities.
VR #5	04/22/11	07/28/11	CRS Devers and Valley Substations, Series Capacitor Site	Modification of APM A-7 regarding carpooling for construction at substations.
VR #6	07/07/11	08/01/11	Menifee, Beaumont, Perris Yards	Request to remove Mitigation Measures B-13a and B-13b, and to modify B-1a, B-1a (revised), and B-7e pertaining to Western Riverside County MSHCP compliance.
VR #7	08/11/11	Under review	Perris, Beaumont, Menifee, Blythe Yards	Request to utilize offsite water hydrants at Perris, Beaumont, Menifee, and Blythe Construction Yards.
VR #8	08/26/11	08/27/11	Beaumont Yard	Request to install seeded jute netting along the property frontage at Beaumont Construction Yard.
VR #9	08/24/11	09/01/11	DC 2 Yard	Request for installation of temporary power poles outside of Desert Center 2 Construction Yard.
VR #10	08/26/11	09/01/11	Devers & Summit Yards	Utilize offsite water locations needed for dust suppression at Devers and Summit Construction Yards.

TABLE 3
TEMPORARY EXTRA WORKSPACE (TEWS) REQUESTS
(Updated 09/06/11)

TEWS Request	Date Requested	Date Approved	Segment #	Description
#1	7/20/2011	7/27/11	Blythe Yard	Use of offsite hydrant and installation of water tank at location adjacent to Blythe Construction Yard
#2	7/28/2011	08/04/11	Menifee Yard	Use of offsite hydrant, located along the frontage of the Menifee Construction Yard, and a flexible hose to supply water to a 4,000 gallon water truck.
#3	8/16/2011	8/16/2011	Menifee Yard	Revised use of offsite hydrant, located along the frontage of the Menifee Construction Yard, approximately 200 yards north of previously approved location.

PROJECT PHOTOGRAPHS



Figure 1: Ongoing activities at the Blythe Construction Yard included installation of fence posts.



Figure 2: New gate installed along the northern fence boundary of the Blythe Construction Yard.



Figure 3: Office trailers have been delivered and completed at DC1 Construction Yard.



Figure 4: Office trailers have been delivered at DC2 Construction Yard. Crews were observed installing skirting.



Figure 5: Activities at the Menifee Construction Yard included removal of straw wattles and heavy equipment.



Figure 6: Concrete washout station being utilized at the Blythe Construction Yard.



Figure 7: Dust suppression signage installed at DC1 Construction Yard.



Figure 8: Netted roll-off bins onsite at DC1 and DC2 Construction Yards.