



5020 Chesebro Road, Suite 200, Agoura Hills, CA 91301
Tel. 818-597-3407, Fax 818-597-8001, www.aspeneg.com

PROJECT MEMORANDUM SCE DPV2 TRANSMISSION PROJECT

To: Billie Blanchard, Project Manager, CPUC
From: Vida Strong, Aspen Project Manager
Date: February 21, 2013
Subject: Weekly Report 81, January 28 to February 3, 2013

INTRODUCTION

This report provides a summary of the construction and compliance activities associated with the SCE DPV2 Transmission Line and Red Bluff Substation Projects. This report is organized as follows:

- Transmission Line Construction
- Substation Construction and Upgrades
- Construction Yards and Other Workspaces

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 (TEWS) and non-compliance activities are provided in Tables 3 and 4, respectively. Table 5 provides a summary of transmission line construction progress to date.

CPUC/BLM/Aspen Environmental Monitors (EM): Ryann Loomis, Rosina Goodman, Jamie Miner, Liz Majchrowicz, and Scott Debauche.

TRANSMISSION LINE CONSTRUCTION

Summary of Activity

1. Colorado River Substation (CRS) to Red Bluff Substation
 - Site stabilization activities, including BMP removal, recontouring, and desert pavement/topsoil replacement, were conducted at Towers 2537, 2538, 2539, 2540, 2541, 2620, 2621, 2622, 2623, 2624, 2625, 2626, 2627, and 2628, at Splice Site 70, at Wire Sites 103 and 106, at Fiber Optic Reel Sites 2 and 3, at wreck-out areas for former DPV1 Towers M128-T2 and M128-T3, and at Wire Site 87/Pull Site 88/Splice Site 71 (see Figure 1).
2. Red Bluff Substation to Devers Substation
 - Installation of BMPs occurred at Pull Site 25 and Splice Site 38.
 - Maintenance of BMPs occurred at Towers 2116, 2118, 2119, 2120, 2121, 2122, 2232 and 2244 thru 2267.
 - Maintenance of Coachella Valley fringe-toed exclusionary fencing occurred at Towers 2015, 2110, 2113, 2128, and 2207.
 - Site clearing activities were conducted at Splice Sites 16, 18, 20, and 38, and Wire Site 27/Pull Site 28/Splice Site 17.
 - Grading activities occurred at Splice Sites 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, and 38, and Wire Site 27/Pull Site 28/Splice Site 17 (see Figure 2).
 - Guard pole installation occurred at GS16A and GS24.



- Tower assembly and/or steel deliveries occurred at Towers 2224 thru 2229, 2232, 2240, 2267, 2302, 2306, 2312, 2319, 2320, 2339, 2341, 2351, 2354, 2404, 2409 thru 2414, and 2420 (see Figure 3).
- Wire stringing activities were conducted between Towers 2000A and 2000X, 2012 and 2100, 2103 and 2110, 2326 and 2332 (see Figure 4).
- Site stabilization activities, including BMP removal, recontouring, and desert pavement/topsoil replacement, were conducted at Towers RB1-1W, RB1-2W, and RB1-4E, and Wire Sites RB-01, RB-02, and RB-03.

3. Devers Substation to Valley Substation

Non-USFS Land

- Installation of BMPs occurred at Towers 1052, 1055, 1056, 1079, 1080, 1100, 1110, 1111, 1114, and 1137.
- Maintenance of BMPs occurred at Towers 1066 thru 1074, 1092 thru 1101, and 1135 thru 1155.
- Site clearing activities occurred at Towers 1123, 1124, and 1131.
- Grading activities occurred at Towers 1080, 1124, 1130, 1131, and 1132.
- Micropile foundation activities occurred at Towers 1049, 1050, 1069, 1070, 1072, 1074, and 1113 (see Figure 5).
- Tower foundation drilling activities occurred at Tower 1130.
- Tower foundation concrete pouring occurred at Towers 1127 and 1129.
- Tower assembly and/or steel deliveries occurred at Towers 1033, 1034, 1070, 1072, 1074, 1139, 1140, and 1141, 1142 and within Helicopter Landing Zones (HLZs) H1A, H1X, and H2.
- Trenching occurred on access roads near Towers 1089, 1118, 1131, 1132, and 1156.

USFS Land

- Maintenance of BMPs occurred at Tower 1048.
- Micropile site preparation occurred at Towers 1043 and 1044.
- Micropile foundation activities occurred at Towers 1040, 1041, 1045, 1047, and 1048 (see Figure 6).
- Tower assembly occurred at Towers 1037, 1038, 1039, and 1041.

Environmental Compliance

- Per the requirements of the Paleontological Monitoring and Treatment Plan, approved Paleontological Monitors were present during grading and foundation drilling activities where required throughout the subject period.
- The CPUC EMs confirmed that approved desert tortoise Authorized Biologists were available at all applicable sites.
- The CPUC EMs confirmed Authorized Coachella Valley fringe-toed lizard (CVFTL) Monitors and handlers were onsite during construction activities at applicable sites.
- On January 28, SCE submitted the 2460-2 FAA Supplemental Notices for the required FAA lighting at Towers 2417 and 2418. On January 30, SCE submitted the 2460-2 FAA Supplemental Notice for the required FAA lighting at Towers 2410 and 2413.

- SCE is currently providing the contractor with a list of sites that require BMP maintenance and a deadline date by which repairs at each site must be made according to conditions of the project SWPPPs. During the subject period, the SCE General Monitors identified two sites that required maintenance to BMPs that were subsequently added to the list (see Figure 7).
- There was one reported incident associated with construction crews working without the appropriate SCE monitor present during the subject period.
- During the subject time period several non-project related vehicles were observed driving outside of approved project boundaries between Towers 2003 and 2103 during wire stringing activities. Biological Monitors took note of all instances and any damage that occurred along the right-of-way (ROW).
- There were four incidents associated with work conducted outside of approved disturbance limits reported and/or observed during the subject period.
 - On January 29, 2013, the onsite Biological Monitor observed staking that did not match the usual staking found on the DPV2 Project when performing a morning sweep at the guard structures on Varner Road near Tower 2110. The Biological Monitor worked with the crews to define the boundaries of the disturbance areas although several of the guard poles went outside of the approved area. The guard poles crushed one, two foot tall indigo bush, a similar sized white bursage, and caused negligible disturbance to the sandy substrate throughout the pole lengths. No harm or take of sensitive species occurred as a result of the construction activities at these Guard Structure sites.
 - On January 30, the onsite Biological Monitor observed a tractor/trailer driving off the access road and over the road berm while turning into HLZ H7. This action resulted in visible tire marks outside the boundaries of the access road and impacted approximately 720 square feet of modeled desert tortoise habitat. The foreman was informed and proceeded to contact the driver of the tractor/trailer to request that the corner was not taken so wide in the future and stated that he would contact the contractor to have staking installed to delineate the road edge and to request the road be widened in this location.
 - On February 2, the onsite Biological Monitor detected a discrepancy between the disturbance area staking at GS24 (near Tower 2110) and the latest Variance approved on January 7. Stakes at the site delineate a disturbance area of 37.5ft x 250ft, whereas the latest variance calls for a smaller disturbance area of 35ft. x 186ft. The site is comprised of creosote bush scrub habitat, classified as modeled FTHL and CVMV habitat. Guard Structures were installed at GS24 on a previous day. No impacts to sensitive species were observed.
 - On February 2, the onsite Biological Monitor observed an outrigger of a PAR wire pull bucket-truck was set several feet outside the southern boundary of GS26A (near Tower 2113) disturbance area. A bulldozer was later delivered to the site to be used as an anchor while working in the loose soil. The Biological Monitor was present as this occurred and had recently swept the vicinity for sensitive species. Physical disturbance caused by the outrigger pad was negligible, with no affects to vegetation. SCE has not provided a resolution to this incident to the CPUC to date.
- On February 2, a Biological Monitor observed Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA) signs for an active nest at Tower 1070 where a crew wanted to remove clamps from the site. While approval for removal of clamps from the site was given by the SCE Field Contact Representative (FCR), the Biological Monitor informed the crew that they could not use a helicopter to remove equipment off the site. The foreman informed the Biological Monitor he was given approval from the contractor environmental team and Kenny Construction and thus proceeded to remove the equipment with a helicopter. On February 7, the CPUC EM confirmed that a helicopter entered the ESA buffer twice during a review of the helicopters tracks. SCE has informed PAR and the SCE Biological Monitors that this procedure is not approved and work cannot occur within an ESA buffer without prior CDFW approval.

No Non-Compliance Reports or Project Memoranda were issued during the subject period for transmission line activities. Non-Compliance activities for the project to date are summarized in Table 4.

Agency Representatives during Construction (Other than CPUC EMs):

None.

SUBSTATION CONSTRUCTION AND UPGRADES

Summary of Activity

1. Colorado River Substation (CRS) (BLM Lands) – Activities that occurred at CRS during the subject period included foundation excavation, construction of the MEER building and switchracks, installation of transformers, conductor cable and other conduit, trenching for grounding and backfilling of trenches, and steel erection. Activities associated with the CRS access road improvements included key trenching and installation of riprap and culverts.
2. Southeast (SE) Telecomm Line (BLM and Private Lands) – Activities that were conducted during the subject period included trenching for underground installation of conduit, wooden pole installation and above-ground conduit stringing (see Figure 8).
3. Desert Center Telecomm Site (BLM and Private Lands) – Activities that occurred during the subject period included civil grading for the MEER building and tower construction.
4. Red Bluff Substation (BLM Lands) – Activities that were conducted at the Red Bluff site included foundation excavation; construction of the MEER building, transformer pads, and switchracks; installation of conductor cable and other conduit; trenching for grounding; steel erection; and telecomm splicing.
5. Chuckwalla Telecomm Site (BLM Lands) – Activities that occurred during the subject period included civil grading for the MEER building and tower construction.
6. Series Capacitor (BLM Lands) – Activities that were conducted during the subject period included construction associated with the capacitor and MEER building, foundation excavation, security equipment installation, and grounding well construction.
7. Mirage Substation Loop-ins (Private Lands) – Activities consisted of interior substation conduit work including: mobilization, staging of material, trenching, spoils excavation, conduit installation, backfill, finish surfacing, and related activities (see Figure 9).
8. Devers Substation (Private Lands) – Activities that were conducted for the Devers Substation expansion and upgrades included foundation excavation and concrete for the extension of the 500 kV switchrack, pole installation, line work, conduit work, lighting installation, 220 kV switchrack upgrades, and SWPPP BMP repair work (see Figure 10).
9. Valley Substation (Private Lands) – No construction activities occurred during the subject period.

Environmental Compliance

- SCE General, Biological, and Archeological Monitors were onsite, as appropriate, throughout all construction activities associated with the above listed sites.
- There was one incident associated with vehicles traveling in excess of project speed limits along the Red Bluff access road reported during the subject period.
- There was one non-reportable (< 1 gallon) leak of hydraulic fluid reported at the Red Bluff Substation during the subject period. Proper remedial efforts were implemented.

No Non-Compliance Reports or Project Memoranda were issued during the subject period for substation construction and upgrade activities. Non-Compliance activities for the project to date are summarized in Table 4.

Agency Representatives during Construction (Other than CPUC EMs):

None.

CONSTRUCTION YARDS AND OTHER WORKSPACES

Summary of Activity:

Non-Federal Lands:

Blythe Yard (Material Yard/Contractor Show-Up Yard) – Yard activities are limited to minor maintenance, implementation of BMPs, material deliveries, temporary storage of construction equipment and materials, and worker vehicle parking.

Desert Center 1 Yard (Material Yard) – Activities are limited to minor maintenance, implementation of BMPs, and material deliveries.

Desert Center 2 Yard (Material Yard/Contractor Show-Up Yard) – Activities are limited to minor maintenance, implementation of BMPs, material deliveries, temporary storage of construction equipment and materials, and worker vehicle parking.

Chiriaco Summit Yard (Material Yard) – Activities are limited to minor maintenance, implementation of BMPs, and material deliveries. Additionally, desert tortoise exclusionary fencing was installed between the yard entrance and the paved frontage road.

Indio Yard (Material Yard) – Activities are limited to minor maintenance, implementation of BMPs, and material deliveries.

Indio 2 Yard (Material Yard) – Activities are limited to minor maintenance, implementation of BMPs, and material deliveries.

Devers Yard (Material Yard) – Activities are limited to minor maintenance, implementation of BMPs, and material deliveries.

Devers 2 Yard (Contractor Show-Up Yard) – Activities are limited to minor maintenance, implementation of BMPs, temporary storage of construction equipment and materials, and worker vehicle parking.

Beaumont Yard (Material Yard) - Activities are limited to minor maintenance, implementation of BMPs, and material deliveries.

Beaumont 2 Yard (Contractor Show-Up Yard) – Activities are limited to minor maintenance, implementation of BMPs, temporary storage of construction equipment and materials, and worker vehicle parking.

Menifee Yard (Contractor Show-Up Yard) – Activities are limited to minor maintenance, implementation of BMPs, temporary storage of construction equipment and materials, and worker vehicle parking.

Perris Yard (Contractor Show-Up Yard) – Activities are limited to minor maintenance, implementation of BMPs, temporary storage of construction equipment and materials, and worker vehicle parking.

Environmental Compliance:

- SCE Biological Monitors conducted biological sweeps at all construction yards throughout the subject period.

No Non-Compliance Reports or Project Memoranda were issued during the subject period for Construction yard activities. Non-Compliance activities for the project to date are summarized in Table 4.

Agency Representatives during Construction (Other than CPUC EMs):

None.

CPUC/BLM NOTICES TO PROCEED (NTPS)

Table 1 summarizes the CPUC/BLM Notices to Proceed (NTPs) for the DPV2 and Red Bluff Projects, to date.

TABLE 1
NTPS
(Updated 2/21/13)

NTP #/ Permit	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment	Description
CPUC NTPs				
NTP #1	04/28/11	06/23/11	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	09/09/11	T/L	Installation of exclusionary fencing, Devers to Blythe. No cultural resources affected. Bio pending.
NTP #3	08/26/11	09/19/11	Yards	Construction of Beaumont Construction Yard #2.
NTP #4	09/09/11	09/20/11	Yards	Construction of Indio Construction Yard.
NTP #5	09/16/11	10/11/11	Red Bluff Distribution Line	Upgrades to a segment of the existing SCE 12 kV circuit overhead distribution line to supply light and power to the Red Bluff Substation, non-BLM lands.
NTP #6	09/16/11	10/17/11	Substation	Authorization to proceed with improvements to the new Colorado River Substation on private lands, including extension of the existing 33 kV distribution line, installation of a new telecommunication line, and access road improvements.
NTP #7	09/09/11	12/01/11	T/L – DPV1	Construction activities associated with a minor relocation of the Devers-Valley No. 1 Line (DV1).
NTP #8	10/08/11	12/02/11	T/L – CRS to Red Bluff	Construction of the DPV2 transmission line between Red Bluff and Colorado River Substations and replacement of existing DPV1 overhead ground wire; non-BLM lands.
NTP #9	10/08/11	12/02/11	T/L – Devers to Red Bluff	Construction of the DPV2 transmission line between the existing Devers Substation and the new Red Bluff Substation; non-BLM lands.
NTP #10	10/08/11	12/02/11	T/L – Devers to Valley	Construction of the DPV2 transmission line between existing Devers and Valley Substations; not including San Bernardino National Forest lands.
NTP #11	11/08/11	12/10/11	Yards	Construction of Devers 2 and Indio 2 Construction Yards.
NTP #12	01/20/12	02/03/12	Yards	Construction of Desert Center 3 Construction Yard.
NTP #13	04/12/12	05/09/11	Substation	Devers Substation upgrades
NTP #14	06/13/12	06/20/12	Substation	Valley Substation upgrades
—	06/19/12	Retracted	T/L- Devers to Valley	H10- Helicopter Landing Zone
NTP #15	07/16/12	11/15/12	Substation	Colorado River Substation to Blythe South East Telecommunication Route
NTP #16	11/07/12	12/03/12	Substation	Mirage loop in.

NTP #/ Permit	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment	Description
BLM NTPs				
BLM NTP #1	08/26/11	09/19/11	DPV2 Substation, T/L	Authorization to proceed with construction of the DPV2 Transmission Line, Colorado River Substation, and associated project components on BLM lands.
BLM NTP #2	08/26/11	09/19/11	Substation	Construction of Red Bluff Substation and associated project components, BLM lands.

VARIANCE & TEMPORARY EXTRA WORKSPACE REQUESTS

Table 2 presents Variance Requests submitted to CPUC, BLM and/or USFS for review and approval. Table 3 presents CPUC Temporary Extra Workspace (TEWS) and BLM Level 1 requests that are submitted to the CPUC EMs for review and approval. Variance Requests and CPUC TEWS/BLM Level 1/2A requests submitted to date are summarized in Tables 2 and 3, respectively.

TABLE 2
VARIANCE REQUESTS
(Updated 2/21/13)

Variance Request	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment	Description
Private Lands (CPUC Jurisdiction)				
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	08/22/11	Perris, Beaumont, Menifee, Blythe Yards	Request to utilize offsite water hydrants at Perris, Beaumont, Menifee, and Blythe Construction Yards.

Variance Request	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment	Description
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.
—	09/21/11	Retracted	Perris Yard	Request for additional workspace involving vegetation clearing, installation of BMPs, and temporary driveway installation at Perris Construction Yard.
VR #11	09/26/11	09/28/11	T/L	Two water sources for exclusionary fencing work.
VR #12	10/13/11	10/18/11	T/L	Request for parking/temporary staging of vehicles along existing access road within the Coachella Valley Preserve during exclusionary fencing activities.
VR #13	10/26/11	11/10/11	Devers Yard	Request for temporary power supply to provide power to construction trailer at the Devers #1 Construction Yard.
VR #14	11/10/11	11/28/11	Substation	Request for increased well pumping to support civil work, including access road improvements, at Colorado River Substation.
VR #15	12/13/11	12/14/11	Summit Yard	Request for temporary power outside yard boundaries required to power office trailers.
VR #15 Mod	04/25/12	05/02/12	Summit Yard	Request for temporary power modification.
VR #16	12/22/11	01/04/12	Project-wide	Request to approve alternate/extended work hours project-wide.
VR #17	01/04/12	01/09/12	Project-wide	Request to utilize existing approved construction yard and/or exclusionary fencing water sources for transmission line construction needs.
VR #18	10/25/12 10/26/12	Denied 01/13/12	Substation	Request to formalize changes to the Red Bluff MMCRP Mitigation Measure BIO-4 and Applicant Measure BIO-5.
VR #19	01/06/12	01/18/12	T/L	Request to allow the usage of helicopter landing zone H9-DV as a replacement for H8-DV.
VR #20	01/13/12	01/19/12	T/L	Request for the use of offsite water hydrants located in the Cabazon area for dust suppression.
VR#21	01/20/12	02/02/12	T/L	Request for the use of offsite water hydrants located in the Lake Tamarisk area for dust suppression
VR #21 Mod	03/16/12	03/21/12	T/L	Modification to VR #21. Request installation of two driveways and an underground water line adjacent to the approved stand tank locations at the Lake Tamarisk Resort water source.

Variance Request	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment	Description
VR #21 Mod	09/24/12	10/03/12	T/L	Request for a modification to Variance #21 for the expansion of the egress at the Lake Tamarisk water source.
VR #22	01/25/12	02/02/12	T/L	Request to install 10,000-gallon standing water tanks at three locations.
VR #23	01/27/12	02/21/12	T/L	Request to modify NTP #10 and MM AQ-1g for additional t-line helicopter construction.
VR #24	02/08/12	02/21/12	T/L	Request for approval to purchase MWD water credits in lieu of Colorado River water credits due to the unavailability of water allotments within the Colorado River Basin.
VR #25	02/10/12	02/28/12	T/L	Request for use of existing DPV1 access roads and spur/stub roads for parking and staging of vehicles and equipment.
VR #26	03/09/12	03/16/12	Substation	Request for the use of offsite water source located on a private date farm.
VR #27	03/09/12	03/20/12	Substation	Request for the use of offsite water source located off Corn Springs Road.
VR #28	03/22/12	03/30/12	T/L	DPV2 Gas Line Road.
VR #29	03/22/12	04/04/12	T/L	DVP1 minor relocation of outage pull sites.
VR #30	03/23/12	04/10/12	Substation	CRS pull sites.
VR #31	04/24/12	05/05/12	T/L	Helicopter landing zone H2 disturbance area revision
VR #32	03/16/12	05/08/12	T/L	HLS H7-DV boundary modification.
VR #33	04/26/12	05/17/12	T/L	Additional water hydrant locations
VR #35	05/11/12	05/15/12	Substation	Request to eliminate construction screening of the Devers Substation Expansion area.
VR #36	05/17/12	05/29/12	T/L	Three additional water stand tanks from Devers to Red Bluff
VR #37	06/20/12	06/30/12	T/L	Request a disturbance area shift for Tower 1013 due to engineering changes.
VR #38	08/09/12 Revised	08/21/12	T/L	Request for additional water source locations in the Thousand Palms area.
VR #39	08/14/12	09/05/12	T/L	Request for additional access road use near Towers 2103, 2112, and 2260.
VR #40	08/22/12	09/11/12	T/L	Request for the use of an existing spur road to Tower 2242.
VR #41	09/10/12	09/12/12	T/L	Request for the use of additional access routes to Towers 1118-1122 and HLZ H9. These roads were previously approved through the TEWS process.
—	04/12/12	Retracted	T/L	Preconstruction survey extension request from 14 days to 30 days. Petition for Modification required.
—	08/09/12 revised	Retracted	T/L	APM A-6 - Eliminate tarping on bottom dump trucks. Petition for Modification required.

Variance Request	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment	Description
VR #42	08/14/12	09/21/12	T/L	Request for a road to be used as a helicopter picking site near Tower 1031.
—	08/14/12	Retracted	T/L	Request that Helicopter Landing Zones (HLZs) on Devers to Valley be exempt from construction screening MM V-1a.
VR #43	09/18/12 (revised)	09/21/12	T/L	Request revisions to pull sites from Devers to Red Bluff.
VR #44	09/24/12	09/28/12	T/L	Request a stub road revision at Tower 1147.
VR #45	09/25/12	10/04/12	T/L	Request for the use of additional access roads on the Devers to Valley section.
VR #46	09/20/12	10/10/12	T/L	Helicopter Picking Locations for Sites 1112 and 1108.
VR #47	10/09/12 (revised)	10/18/12	T/L	Relocation of guard structures and an addition of an access road in the Devers to Red Bluff section.
VR #48	10/02/12	10/18/12	T/L	Request for an additional water source in the Devers to Valley section.
VR #49	11/02/12	11/07/12	T/L	Request additional disturbance area at Tower 2000X.
VR #50	10/19/12	11/11/12	T/L	Request for the expansion of splice site 57 (near Tower 2557) and expansion and shift of splice site 64 (near Tower 2614).
VR # 51	10/24/12	11/15/12	T/L	Request to convert two conventional tower sites to helicopter sites from Devers to Red Bluff. In addition, SCE is requesting to add temporary helicopter platforms to access three sites.
VR #52	11/13/12 (revised)	11/15/12	T/L	Request to revise the disturbance area for Fiber Optic Site 59.
VR #53	10/30/12	11/20/12	Substation	Request access road improvements along the CRS access road.
VR #54	11/27/12	12/07/12	T/L	Request to revise pull site on Devers to Valley (pull Package 1).
VR #55	11/28/12	12/10/12	T/L	Request to revise pull sites from Devers to Red Buff (Pull Site Revision III-B).
VR #56	12/17/12	01/07/13	T/L	Request for an additional HLZ site near Tower 1051.
VR#57	01/03/13 and 01/07/13	01/10/13	T/L	Request to shift guard structures from Red Bluff to Devers (Priority #1). Request to shift guard structures from Red Bluff to Devers (Minor Modification).
VR #58	01/04/13	01/15/13	T/L	Request to shift pull sites from Red Bluff to Devers (Pull Site Priority #2).
VR #59	01/08/13	01/15/13	Substation	Request for a temporary work area for the Mirage Substation Telecommunication Loop-In.
VR #60	01/18/13	01/22/13	Substation	Request for an additional disturbance area for CRS SE Telecom Route Anchor Rod Installation.
VR #61	01/18/13	01/23/13	Substation	Request to use Gravel Pit Road to access pole installation locations east of TL tower M123-T1 for the SE Telecom Route.

Variance Request	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment	Description
VR #62	01/30/13	02/07/13	T/L	Request to shift Devers to Valley Pull 102 for Towers 1002-1010.
VR #63	01/30/13	02/07/13	T/L	Request to shift Devers to Valley Pulls 103 for Towers 1010-1019.
VR #64	01/29/13	02/12/13	T/L	Request to shift Devers to Valley Pulls 104-105 for Towers 1019-1031.
VR #65	01/31/13	02/12/13	T/L	Request to shift Devers to Valley Pulls 101 for Towers 1000-1002.
	02/13/13	Under Review	T/L	Request to shift Devers to Valley Pulls 109 for Towers 1083-1090.
	02/14/13	Under Review	T/L	Request to expand Tower 1077 disturbance area.
BLM				
BLM #1	10/18/11	10/27/11	Substation	Request to install a temporary guard structure along the entrance of the existing transmission line access road for Colorado River Substation.
BLM #2	10/19/11	10/27/11	Substation	Request to approve 24-hour drilling operations at the CRS site.
BLM #3	01/24/12	02/28/12	Red Bluff	Rock Crushing
BLM #4	03/16/12	03/30/12	Substation	Red Bluff Loop-in pull site modifications.
BLM #5	03/22/12	05/18/12	T/L	DPV2 Gas Line Road.
BLM #6	03/23/12	04/10/12	Substation	CRS pull sites.
BLM #7	03/28/12	04/11/12	Substation	Request for HLZ (helicopter landing zone) at Red Bluff Loop-in Tower site RB1-2W.
BLM #8	04/06/12	05/16/12	Substation	Additional water sources @ Red Cloud Road, Red Bluff Substation.
DNA #1	10/27/11	12/07/11	Series Capacitor	Request for a slight expansion of the Series Capacitor site due to engineering conflicts.
DNA #2	12/21/11	02/01/12	Red Bluff	Request to install secondary well at Red Bluff Substation site.
DNA #3	12/22/11	05/24/12	Series Capacitor	Request to relocate a portion of the Imperial Irrigation District distribution line located at the Series Capacitor site.
DNA #4	02/01/12	05/24/12	T/L	Request for the addition of proposed helicopter construction and maintenance platforms to the description included in the Project Refinements 1 and 2 documents.
DNA #5	03/05/12	05/22/12	Red Bluff Loop-ins	Request to revise road locations.
DNA #6	04/04/12	04/17/12	Substation	Red Bluff Substation access road realignment.
DNA #7	04/12/12	05/22/12	Series Capacitor	Certain activities to be constructed within the footprint of the Series Capacitor bank.

Variance Request	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment	Description
DNA #8	05/02/12	07/31/12	T/L	Additional access route between Towers 2528X and 2527.
DNA #9	05/19/12	06/15/12	CRS	Request for a permanent turning radius along the CRS access road.
DNA #9	06/04/12	06/15/12	CRS	300-foot driveway along the CRS access road.
DNA #11	07/02/12	07/31/12	T/L	A Level 2 Variance request for a disturbance area shift at Tower 1013 due to engineering changes. This tower is located on BLM land.
—	07/24/12	Retracted	T/L	APM A-6 - Eliminate tarping on bottom dump trucks.
BLM #9	04/04/12	09/21/12	T/L	Request for a HLZ and temporary disturbance area shifts near CRS.
DNA #10	06/18/12	09/25/12	Substation	Request to build a telecom site near Desert Center for Red Bluff Substation.
DNA #12	07/30/12	09/26/12	Substation	DNA for Colorado River Substation Telecommunication Distribution Line.
BLM #10	10/24/12	11/20/12	T/L	Request to construct Tower 2413 using both conventional and helicopter construction methods.
USFS				
USFS-1	03/15/12	03/20/12	T/L	SBNF engineering modifications (revised disturbance areas).

TABLE 3
TEMPORARY EXTRA WORKSPACE (TEWS) REQUESTS
(Updated 2/21/13)

TEWS Request	Date Requested	Date Approved	Segment	Description
CPUC				
#1	07/20/11	07/27/11	Blythe Yard	Use of offsite hydrant and installation of water tank at location adjacent to Blythe Construction Yard
#2	07/28/11	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	08/16/11	08/16/11	Menifee Yard	Revised use of offsite hydrant, located along the frontage of the Menifee Construction Yard, approximately 200 yards north of previously approved location.
—	09/06/11	Retracted	Devers Yard	Revised use of offsite hydrant, including installation of above ground pipeline and water towers.
#4	09/29/11	09/29/11	T/L	Use of parking areas along primary access road within 400-ft total distance exclusionary fencing locations with exception of sites within the Coachella Valley Preserve.

TEWS Request	Date Requested	Date Approved	Segment	Description
#5	07/13/12	07/17/12	T/L	Request to use two existing access roads near Tower 1118 and 1119.
#6	07/31/12	08/03/12	T/L	Request to use an existing access road to Tower 1122
#7	08/01/12	08/03/12	T/L	Request to use an existing access road to H9
#8	11/07/12	11/08/12	T/L	Request to use an existing access road near Tower 1141.
BLM Level 1				
Level 1 #1	06/06/12	06/11/12	Red Bluff Loop In	RB1-4E disturbance area shift.
Level 1 #2	07/12/12	08/06/12	T/L	Request for two stand tank locations. Received revised request from SCE on 08/06/12.
Level 1 #3	09/13/12	Partial Approval on 09/17/12, Complete Approval on 09/24/12	T/L	Remove visual screening at Helicopter Landing Zones H1E H4 and H5. *Approved the removal of screening at H4 on 09/17/12. Approval of the removal of screening at H1E and H5 on 09/24/12.
Level 1 #4	09/14/12	09/17/12	T/L	Request to shift the tower disturbance area at Tower 2644.
Level 1 #5	09/14/12	09/19/12	T/L	Request to use an existing road (Ford Dry Lake Road) as access.
Level 1 #6	09/25/12	09/26/12	T/L	Request the use of an additional access route to Tower 1130.
Level 1 #7	10/09/12	10/11/12	T/L	Request to use an access road (Chuckwalla Valley road) near Tower 2574.
Level 1 #8	12/20/12	01/16/13	Substation	Request to export the excess excavation soil from Red Bluff Substation to a local approved disposal site.
Level 1 #9	01/18/13	02/04/13	Substation	Request to use Gravel Pit Road to access pole installation locations east of TL tower M123-T1 for the SE Telecom Route.
Level 1 #10	02/07/13	02/08/13	Substation	Request for a temporary work space for the Red Bluff Desert Center Telecom.
BLM Level 2A				
Level 2A #1	09/20/12	09/24/12	T/L	Request for pull site revisions from Devers to Red Bluff.
Level 2A #2	10/04/12	10/05/12	T/L	Request for an access road to RB14 pull site near Red Bluff.
Level 2A #3	10/04/12	10/25/12	T/L	Request for additional disturbance area for pull sites and an access road near Red Bluff RB2-5E. Revised on 10/11/12 and 10/22/12.

TEWS Request	Date Requested	Date Approved	Segment	Description
Level 2A #4	10/05/12	10/10/12	T/L	Request to relocate two guard structures near Red Bluff.
Level 2A #5	10/10/12	10/10/12	T/L	Request for additional disturbance area at Tower RB1-2W in order to build the tower prior to the scheduled outage.
Level 2A #6	10/19/12	10/25/12	T/L	Request for temporary disturbance area shifts at wire sites, splice sites, pull sites, guard structures and access roads from CRS to RB.
Level 2A #7	10/19/12	10/25/12	T/L	Request for temporary disturbance area shifts at splice site 53 (near Tower 2535) and access road to Wire Site 69/Pull Site 70/54 (near tower 2540).
Level 2A #8	10/30/12	Awaiting revised request from SCE	T/L	Request additional disturbance area at Guard Sites GS05 and GS05A.
Level 2A #9	11/14/12	11/16/12	T/L	Request to shift Fiber Optic Site 63.
Level 2A #10	11/09/12	11/16/12	T/L	Request for the shift of Wire Site No 73/Pull Site No 74/Splice Site No 58, Wire Site No 81/Pull Site No 82/Splice Site No 65, and Wire Site No 83/Pull Site No 84/Splice Site.
Level 2A #11	11/14/12	11/16/12	T/L	Request for the shift Splice Site 55, Access Rd to Splice Site No. 55, Guard Structures 126 and 127, and Pull Sites 71 and 72.
Level 2A #12	11/19/12	11/28/12	T/L	Request to widen Guard Structures CRD-GS132, CRD-GS133, CRD-GS137, CRD-GS138, and CRD-GS138A (Pull Site 78, Wire Site 77).
Level 2A #13	11/28/12	12/05/12	T/L	Request to revise pull sites from Devers to Red Bluff (Pull Site Revision III-A).
Level 2A #14	12/05/12	12/11/12	T/L	Request to expand Splice Site 40
Level 2A #15	01/07/13	01/10/13	T/L	Request to shift guard structures from Red Bluff to Devers (Minor Modification).
Level 2A #16	01/31/13	02/13/13	T/L	Request to shift Devers to Valley Pulls 103 for Towers 1014-1016.

NON-COMPLIANCES & INCIDENTS

Table 4 provides a summary of reported non-compliance incidents.

TABLE 4
CPUC NON-COMPLIANCE REPORTS & PROJECT MEMORANDA
 (Updated 2/21/13)

Type	Date Issued	Location	Description
CPUC Project Memoranda (PM)			
PM #1	10/28/11	CRS Dist. Line	Construction vehicles leaving marked disturbance limits at two locations along CRS distribution line.
PM #2	01/18/12	Tower 2649/ CR1-2W	DPV2 Construction contractor vehicle driving outside of the approved tower and access road disturbance area limits.
PM #3	03/08/12	Tower 1059 & 1060	Failure to comply with MM B-5 which requires that 300-foot buffers are established around active bird nests. Working within unapproved active nest buffers.
PM #4	04/04/12	Tower 2515, 2520, & 2526	Impacts to desert pavement at Towers 2520 and 2526 by not implementing one of the approved methods stated in the revised Desert Pavement Plan. Impacts to desert tortoise habitat when a road was built near Tower 2515 that was not approved.
PM #5	04/18/12	Along the main access road near Red Bluff	Excessive fugitive dust observed on multiple locations along the main access road near Red Bluff Substation. Violation of MM AQ-1a.
PM #6	05/08/12	Along the T/L access roads	Construction vehicles observed driving off the approved access road limits at various locations along the T/L.
PM # 7	06/01/12	Near Tower 2317	Two stand tanks were installed in an area that was not approved for the Project along the access road near Tower 2317.
PM #8	06/01/12	Along the access road near Tower 2310	Road base was installed along a portion of the access road to protect the utility crossing south of Tower 2310. This work was completed prior to the pre-construction verification and release of this road from the CPUC.
PM #9	06/19/12	Tower 2126	Inadequate covering of foundation excavations at Tower 2126. Violation of BO-13.
PM #10	09/21/12	Tower 1037	Work occurred at Tower 1037 without the Fire Patrol Representative on site, a requirement on the Fire Plan.
PM #11	12/05/12	Tower 1070	Excessive Fugitive Dust during Helicopter Picks at Tower 1070. Violation of MM AQ-1a and the Fugitive Dust Emission Control Plan.
CPUC Non-Compliance Reports (NCR)			
NCR #1	01/13/12	Project-wide	Unapproved removal of stick nests from DPV1 Transmission Line towers.
NCR #2	05/18/12	Tower 2333	Failure to protect wildlife during construction which resulted in the death of a kit fox.
NCR #3	06/04/12	Near Tower 2310	Road base was installed at two locations along the access road to protect the utility crossings near Tower 2310. This work was completed prior to the pre-construction verification and release of this road from the CPUC.

Type	Date Issued	Location	Description
NCR #4	07/02/12	Near 2303X	Road base installed along a portion on a road not approved for the Project.
NCR #5	07/02/12	Near 2204 and 2205	Project equipment drove outside the approved road width along the access road near Towers 2204 and 2205. These towers are located within the Coachella Valley Preserve.
NCR #6	07/06/12	Near Tower 1083	Project equipment drove outside the existing road width along the access road near Tower 1083.
NCR #7	07/12/12	Tower 2437	Inadequate covering of a foundation excavation at Tower 2437. Violation of BO-13.
NCR #8	07/23/12	Near Tower 2604	Project equipment drove outside the approved road limits along Chuckwalla road west of Tower 2604.
NCR #9	08/28/12	Tower 2644	Construction work conducted outside the approved project limits.
NCR #10	09/10/12	Towers 1153 and 1155	Construction work conducted at Towers 1153 and 1155 prior to the CPUC site verification and release to SCE.
NCR #11	10/18/12	Tower 1036	Excavations at Tower 1036 were left uncovered and no proper means for wildlife to escape entrapment had been installed. Violation of BO-13.
NCR #12	11/02/12	Tower RB2-4E	Work occurred at an unapproved location near RB2-4E.
NCR #13	01/29/13	Access road to Tower 1130	Violation of the conditions of BLM Variance Approval #6, which stated no road improvement to the existing road could be made. Road improvements were conducted on 01/19/13.

CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS

Table 5 provides a summary of transmission line construction progress.

TABLE 5
CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS STATUS
(As of 2/10/13)

Agency	Total	Released for Construction	Foundations Completed	Towers Erected	Wire Installed
Non Federal (CPUC)	350	350	296	186	89
Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	204	204	193	163	134
US Forest Service (SBNF)	12	12	4	0	0
Total	566	566	493	349	223

PROJECT PHOTOGRAPHS



Figure 1. Nearing completion of site stabilization activities at Wire Site 87/Pull Site 89/Splice Site 71.



Figure 2. Grading at Splice Site 16.



Figure 3. Assembly at Tower 2351.



Figure 4. Wire Stringing activities at Tower 2020.



Figure 5. Micropile testing at Tower 1074.



Figure 6. Micropile foundation finishing at Tower 1040.



Figure 7. Straw wattle BMPs requiring maintenance at Tower 2332 (photo courtesy of FRED).



Figure 8. Pulling above ground wire along the Southeast Telecomm Line.



Figure 9. Trenching work within the Mirage Substation.



Figure 10. Breaker work within the Devers Substation.