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PROJECT MEMORANDUM SCE DPV2 TRANSMISSION PROJECT

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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.

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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 between Towers 2547 and 2560, 2577 and 2612, at Towers 2562, 2569, and 2575, at Pull Site 78, at Wire Site 77, at Splice Sites 61 and 62, at Fiber Optic Reel Sites 73 and 77, and at Wire Site 69/Pull Site 70/Splice Site 54 and Wire Site 79/Pull Site 80/Splice Site 63 (see Figure 1).
2. Red Bluff Substation to Devers Substation
 - Maintenance of BMPs occurred at Guard Structures 53A and 53B, and Wire Site 14.
 - Maintenance of Coachella Valley fringe-toed lizard fencing occurred at Towers 2015, 2016, 2110, 2134, 2136, 2200, and 2204, and Splice Site 8.
 - Site clearing activities were conducted at Pull Site 25.
 - Topsoil salvage was conducted at Pull Site 25
 - Grading activities occurred at Pull Site 25.
 - Guard pole installation occurred at Guard Structure 54.
 - Tower assembly and/or steel deliveries occurred at Towers 2226, 2227, 2228, 2229, 2232, 2234, 2237, 2238, 2254, 2255, 2258, 2265, 2266, 2267, 2300, 2312, 2313, 2319, and 2320.



- Wire stringing activities were conducted between Towers 2121 and 2208, 2344 and 2346, and 2348 and 2425, and at associated wire stringing locations (see Figure 2).
- Site stabilization activities, including BMP removal, recontouring, and desert pavement/topsoil replacement were conducted between Towers 2517 and 2527, at Towers RB1-1W and RB2-1W, at Wire Site RB-01, RB-02, RB-03, and RB-15, at Guard Structures RB-GS05 and RBGS-06, and at Wire Site 69/Pull Site 70/Splice Site 54

3. Devers Substation to Valley Substation

Non-USFS Land

- Maintenance of BMPs occurred at Towers 1072 thru 1092, 1095, 1096, 1098, 1100, 1102 thru 1106, 1109 thru 1114, 1128, 1130, 1133, 1135, and 1136, and Helicopter Landing Zone (HLZ) H1X.
- Vegetation clearing occurred at Wire Site 3.
- Grading activities occurred at Tower 1127, Pull Site 5, Splice Site 1, Wire Site 3, Wire Site 7, Wire Site 11, and the main access road between Towers 1127 and 1132.
- Micropile foundation activities occurred at Towers 1049, 1050, 1066, 1067, 1068, 1074, 1107 and 1113 (see Figure 3).
- Tower foundation drilling activities occurred at Towers 1123, 1124, 1130, 1131, and 1132.
- Tower foundation pouring activities occurred at Towers 1123, 1130, 1131, and 1132.
- Foundation patching and finishing activities occurred at Towers 1061, 1062, 1063, and 1064.
- Tower assembly and/or steel deliveries occurred at Towers 1001, 1002, 1007, 1036, 1096, 1097, 1098, 1100, 1101, 1133, and 1141 thru 1145, Wire Site 10, and within HLZs H2 and H9 (see Figure 4).
- Permanent Landing Pad clearing occurred at Tower 1032.

USFS Land

- Maintenance of BMPs occurred at Tower 1039 thru 1046.
- Micropile site preparation occurred at Towers 1038 and 1044.
- Micropile foundation activities occurred at Towers 1044, 1045, 1047, and 1048 (see Figure 5).
- Tower assembly occurred at Tower 1040 and 1042.

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.
- The CPUC EMs confirmed permitted California gnatcatcher (CAGN) Biologists were onsite during construction activities at applicable sites.
- There was one incident associated with excessive fugitive dust reported during the subject period.

- There were four incidents associated with work conducted outside of approved disturbance limits reported and/or observed during the subject period.
 - On February 12, the SCE Biological Monitor reported that concrete blocks used in facilitating assembly at Tower 2237 were partially placed outside the approved limits. According to construction foreman, the placement of the blocks was required for safe helicopter transport. No impacts to biological resources were reported.
 - On February 12, the static line that was being pulled between Towers 2105 to 2118 ran off the end of the reel at Tower 2105. The static line and the rope pulling it fell to the ground over approximately 7 spans. A survey was conducted by a Biological Monitor on the following day to determine if there was resource damage as a result of the static line falling to the ground. No resource damage was noted.
 - On February 14, the sock line that was being pulled between Towers 2130 to 2118 hung up and broke in the traveler reel at Tower 2120. The sock line and the rope pulling it fell to the ground over 2 tower spans (2120 to 2118). A survey was conducted by a Biological Monitor to determine if there was resource damage as a result of the static line falling to the ground. No resource damage was noted.
 - On February 15, while a tower assembly crew was moving from Tower 1098 to 1101 the crane encountered a hill in a curve of the access road as approaching Tower 1100 that the crane could not hold traction in order to navigate up the hill. In the efforts to climb this hill the crew drove the crane outside the right-of-way. The damage was limited to only two tracks outside the berm in non-native grasses.
- On February 14, the CPUC EM observed a common raven bringing sticks to a nest at the existing DPV1 tower adjacent to Tower 2247 (see Figure 6). The SCE Field Contact Representative (FCR) was immediately notified and an SCE Avian Specialist was dispatched to the location. Upon subsequent observations, the SCE team determined that the nest was inactive.

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 conductor cable and other conduit, trenching for grounding and backfilling of trenches, storm drain installation, and steel erection. Activities associated with the CRS access road improvements included key trenching and installation of riprap and culverts (see Figures 7 and 8).
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 9).
3. Desert Center Telecomm Site (BLM and Private Lands) – Activities that occurred during the subject period included civil grading for the MEER building, retaining wall construction, distribution pole and line installation, and driveway access 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) – No construction activities occurred during the subject period.
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 and exterior substation conduit work including: staging of material, trenching, spoils excavation, conduit installation, backfill, finish surfacing, and related activities.
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 2 positions and MEER building electrical improvements.
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.

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) – There were no construction activities conducted during the subject period. The process of closing out this yard has begun.

Desert Center 1 Yard (Material Yard) – There were no construction activities conducted during the subject period. The process of closing out this yard has begun.

Desert Center 2 Yard (Material Yard/Contractor Show-Up Yard) – There were no construction activities conducted during the subject period. The process of closing out this yard has begun.

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

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.
- The SCE Biological Monitor reported small populations of target weed species emerging at the Beaumont 1, Beaumont 2, Menifee, and Perris Construction Yards. To date, SCE has not provided the CPUC with information detailing how this specific concern was resolved.

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 3/05/13)

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 #/ Permit	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment	Description
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.
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 3/05/13)

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.
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.

Variance Request	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment	Description
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.
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.

Variance Request	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment	Description
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.
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.
VR #42 Mod	02/28/13	03/05/13	T/L	Request to modify Variance 42 to allow equipment and material to be staged on the access road near Tower 1031 for helicopter picks.
—	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.

Variance Request	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment	Description
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.
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.

Variance Request	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment	Description
VR #66	02/14/13 Revised on 02/25/13	02/28/13	T/L	Request to expand Tower 1077 disturbance area.
VR #67	02/25/13	02/28/13	T/L	Suppress fugitive dust outside of HLZs H2 and H2A disturbance areas, including required access roads.
	02/13/13	Under Review	T/L	Request to shift Devers to Valley Pulls 109 for Towers 1083-1090.
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.
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.

Variance Request	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment	Description
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 3/05/13)

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.
#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.

TEWS Request	Date Requested	Date Approved	Segment	Description
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.
Level 1 #11	02/20/13	02/22/13	Substation	Request for a temporary work area at the Series Capacitor Site.
Level #1 #12	02/28/13	03/04/13	Substation	Request for two additional temporary work areas at the Series Capacitor Site for an underground conduit.
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 3/05/13)

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.

Type	Date Issued	Location	Description
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.
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 2/28/13)

	Agency	CPUC	Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	US Forest Service (SBNF)	Non-Federal	Total	% Complete
CRS - Devers	Non Federal (CPUC)	208	208	208	206	153	118
	Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	197	197	197	197	183	163
	US Forest Service (SBNF)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Sub Total	405	405	405	403	336	281
	% Complete	N/A	100%	100%	99.5%	83%	69%
Devers-Valley	Non Federal (CPUC)	137	137	129	65	8	8
	Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	12	12	11	4	0	0
	US Forest Service (SBNF)	12	12	8	0	0	0
	Sub Total	161	161	148	69	8	8
	% Complete	N/A	100%	92%	43%	5%	5%
Total Project	Non Federal (CPUC)	345	345	337	271	161	126
	Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	209	209	208	201	183	163
	US Forest Service (SBNF)	12	12	8	0	0	0
	Total	566	566	553	472	344	289
	% Complete	N/A	100%	98%	83%	61%	51%

PROJECT PHOTOGRAPHS



Figure 1. Site stabilization activities at Pull Site 78.



Figure 2. Wire stringing activities at Tower 2130.



Figure 3. Micropile drilling at Tower 1049.



Figure 4. Steel assembly at Tower 1098.



Figure 5. Pilecap preparation at Tower 1044.



Figure 6. Common raven with nesting material perched on the DPV1 tower adjacent to Tower 2247.



Figure 7. Installation of conduit at CRS.



Figure 8. Stringing wire along switchrack at CRS.



Figure 9. Wire stringing from bucket truck along SE Telecomm line.