

B.1 SCE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM

Public outreach and communication are an important part of SCE projects. SCE's goal is to ensure that the company understands and addresses, where possible, issues of public interest or potential concern regarding its proposed projects.

SCE understands that the most successful projects are those where SCE and the affected communities communicate regularly, and where people have accurate and timely information about the proposed project.

As part of its public involvement program, SCE conducted interviews with residents along the proposed Antelope Transmission Project routes, local officials, school districts, area businesses, organized interest groups and other interested parties and hosted open houses to gather comments, questions, and address potential concerns about the proposed project. Information gathered as a result of these meetings and interviews was used to help SCE further evaluate potential impacts of the project originally proposed in the CPCN application as filed with the CPUC in December, 2004 and the currently proposed project as discussed in this Amended PEA.

SCE's public involvement activities for Segments 2 and 3 of the Antelope Transmission Project are listed below.

- **December 2004:** SCE developed a Project Fact Sheet (see attachment) and mailed it to all property owners within 300 feet of the originally proposed transmission line routes for all three segments. Additionally, the Project Fact Sheet was sent to elected and appointed officials, and other interested parties in the area. The fact sheet provided basic information about the project's scope and purpose. It also provided the names and contact information for local SCE Regional Managers to answer questions.
- **March-April 2005:** As part of project planning, SCE conducted interviews with residents, local officials, area businesses, organized interest groups and other interested parties to gather comments, questions, and potential concerns about the proposed project. This information was used to help SCE understand and address, where possible, issues of interest or potential concern regarding the proposed project.
- **May-June 2005:** SCE hosted open houses in Rosamond, Palmdale/Lancaster, and Santa Clarita on May 25, May 26, and June 2, 2005, respectively. Invitations were mailed to property owners within 300 feet of the originally proposed transmission line routes and elected and appointed officials, and other interested parties in the project area. Additionally, SCE placed advertisements in local newspapers to inform residents and others about the Open Houses.

These meetings provided the public with an opportunity to learn about the Antelope Transmission Project, and allowed SCE to learn more about the ideas, needs, and concerns of area residents and businesses. Information gathered through these meetings has been used by SCE to evaluate and identify the proposed project in this Amended PEA.

- **June 2005:** SCE met with a group of homeowners in Leona Valley who were concerned about the impact of an alternate route for Segment 2.
- **Summer 2005:** SCE reviewed public input gathered during its public involvement program and incorporated input, where possible, as project planning continued.

Antelope Transmission Project

Fact Sheet

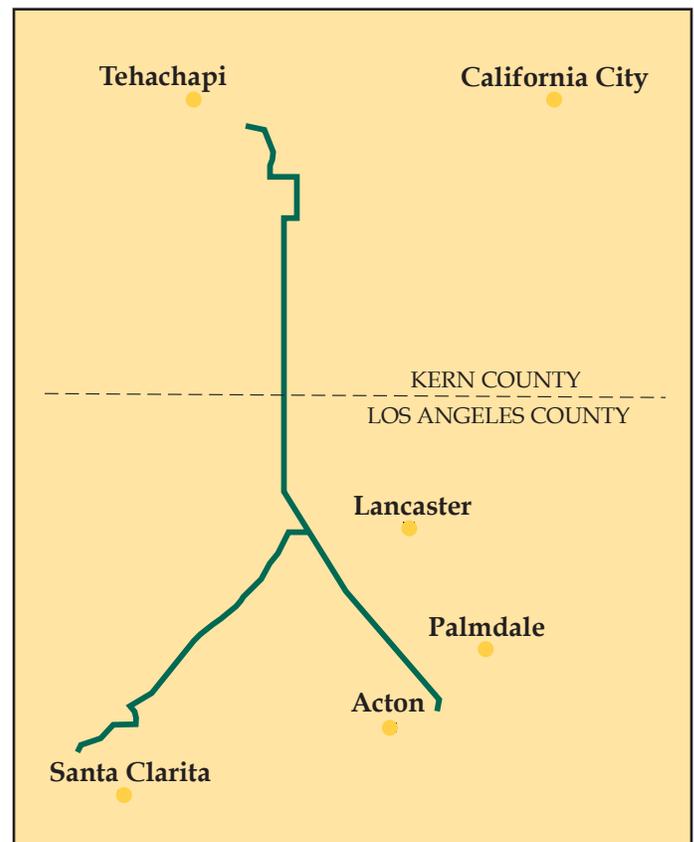
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PROJECT OVERVIEW

East Kern County and north Los Angeles County are host to many existing and proposed privately owned "wind farms" that generate electricity. The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) has ordered Southern California Edison Company (SCE) to file applications with the CPUC in December 2004, requesting authorization to upgrade its existing transmission system. These system upgrades will be required to deliver the electricity projected to be generated by the proposed wind farms into the California power market. SCE is proposing to construct the Antelope Transmission Project to add capacity to SCE's transmission system.

If approved, this project would assist the development of wind generation and increase the supply of electricity generated by wind power for California electric consumers. This is an important component of the state's policy to increase the supply of renewable energy. SCE is one of



the country's leading purchasers of electricity produced from renewable resources such as wind, solar, biomass, and geothermal energy, as well as power from small hydroelectric facilities.



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PURPOSE OF THIS FACT SHEET

This fact sheet has been developed by SCE, the sponsor of the Antelope Transmission Project, to notify owners of property located near the proposed project, local governments along the proposed route, and other interested parties, that planning for this project is underway. It also provides information on the proposed project including an overview of the regulatory approvals SCE must obtain to construct this project.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

SCE proposes to construct the Antelope Transmission Project in three sequential segments. SCE's construction efforts will coincide with the development of privately-owned wind farms that will ultimately produce the electricity that the project is intended to deliver. These wind farms are in varying stages of planning and construction. The first wind farm is expected to be completed by 2007.

The three segments are:

Antelope to Pardee — The first segment would include the construction of a new 25.6-mile, 500 kilovolt (kV) transmission line to connect SCE's existing Antelope Substation, located in Lancaster, with Pardee Substation, SCE's existing facility located in Santa Clarita. Initially, this transmission line would be energized at 220 kV.

As shown on the project map, the first segment would be constructed along



a combination of new and existing rights of way. The first 1.1 miles of line from Antelope Substation would be constructed within a new, 180 foot-wide right-of-way. From that point, and for the next 17.5 miles, the new 500 kV transmission line would replace a 66 kV line within an existing SCE right-of-way. The width of the first 4.6 miles of existing SCE right-of-way would need to be increased to 180 feet. At mile

5.7, the line would enter the Angeles National Forest and continue through the forest for the next 13 miles along the existing right-of-way. The existing right-of-way through the forest would be increased to 160 feet. After the line exits the forest, new right-of-way would be required for the next 1.5 miles. At mile 20.3, the line would proceed along existing SCE right-of-way to the Pardee Substation.

Modifications would be made to both Antelope and Pardee Substations to connect the transmission line. SCE would need to acquire approximately 43 acres of land adjacent to Antelope Substation.

Antelope to Vincent — The second segment would be a new 17.8-mile 500 kV transmission line connecting SCE's existing Antelope Substation with Vincent Substation, SCE's facility located near Acton. This line would be constructed when necessary to deliver electricity from the new wind farms. Initially, this transmission line would be energized at 220 kV. Constructing this segment would require the acquisition of new land rights adjacent to existing transmission right-of-way. Additional equipment would be needed

at Vincent Substation to connect the transmission line.

Antelope to Tehachapi — The third segment has two components:

- A new 26.1-mile, 500 kV transmission line (initially energized at 220 kV) connecting SCE's existing Antelope Substation to a proposed substation in the Mojave area (Substation 1).
- A new 9.4-mile, 220 kV transmission line from the proposed Substation 1 to a proposed substation in the Monolith area (Substation 2).

These two lines and substations would be constructed as necessary to transmit electricity from new wind farms. Construction of

this segment would require the acquisition of new right-of-way and substation property.

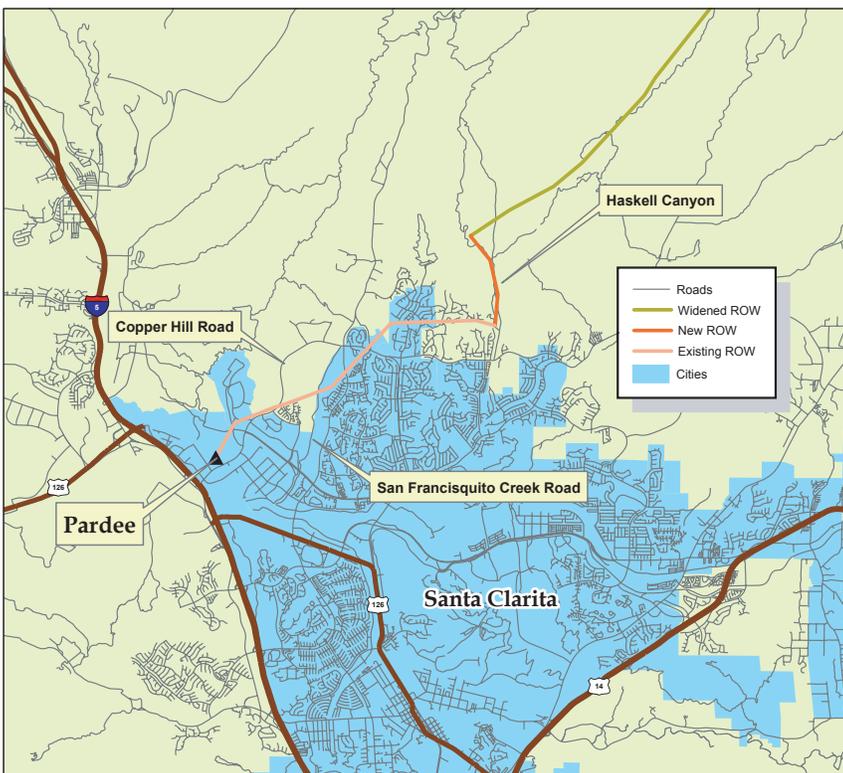
The owners of the new wind farm developments would have to construct new substations and lines to connect their facilities to the Antelope Transmission Project.

PROJECT APPROVAL PROCESS

SCE must submit applications containing environmental, technical, and financial data to the state and federal regulatory agencies listed below. These agencies will review SCE's applications and will either approve the project as filed, deny the project, or approve it with modifications.

- California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) – reviews the project for compliance with California environmental laws, analyzes the project purpose and need, and determines cost effectiveness of the project.
- United States Forest Service (USFS) - reviews projects located on U.S. Forest Service lands for compliance with federal environmental laws.

In addition, the California Independent System Operator (CAISO) must review and approve the technical and economic aspects of the project as part of its responsibility to manage the California electric power grid.



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CURRENT PROJECT STATUS

Environmental – SCE is completing environmental studies for the preferred and alternate project routes. The preferred routes are technically feasible and are expected to provide the greatest level of environmental protection in a cost-effective manner. Alternate routes may also be technically feasible but could have greater environmental impacts and be more costly.

Current activities include the preparation of environmental documents in compliance with environmental laws such as the California Environmental Quality Act. The environmental documents will be included in SCE's applications to the CPUC and the USFS. The entire application package will be thoroughly and independently reviewed by these agencies as part of their overall review of the project as described in the "PROJECT APPROVAL PROCESS" section of this Fact Sheet.

Technical and Economic – CAISO has approved Segment 1 (Antelope to Pardee) to be constructed to 500 kV standards. SCE has submitted plans for the Segments 2 and 3 to CAISO for its review.

PUBLIC OUTREACH AND COMMUNICATIONS

SCE has notified city, county, and state agencies, as well as the federal government, of its intent to file applications with the CPUC and USFS for authority to construct the Antelope Transmission Project. SCE continues to have ongoing contact with state, federal, and local officials regarding the status of the project.

PROPOSED PROJECT TIMELINE

December 2004 –

SCE submits applications to the CPUC and USFS

2006 – CPUC and USFS conclude permitting activities

2006 – Start construction of Segment 1 upon receipt of all required approvals

2007 – Complete construction of Segment 1

Beyond 2007 – Start construction of Segments 2 and 3 upon receipt of all required approvals and as new wind farms are developed.

If you have questions or comments about the project, or would like to be added to the project mailing list, please contact the SCE representative for your area.

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