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#### PROJECT MEMORANDUM SDG&E'S SUNRISE POWERLINK PROJECT

**To:** Billie Blanchard, Project Manager, CPUC **From:** Vida Strong, Aspen Project Manager

**Date:** February 27, 2012

**Subject:** Weekly Report 73 – February 5 to 11, 2012

#### INTRODUCTION

This report provides a summary of the construction and compliance activities associated with the SDG&E Sunrise Powerlink Project. 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 with construction and Variance Request activity are also provided (see Tables 1 and 2, respectively, near the end of this report). Finally, a summary of Temporary Extra Workspace and non-compliance activity are provided in Tables 3 and 4, respectively.

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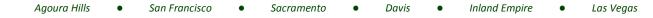
#### TRANSMISSION LINE CONSTRUCTION

#### **Summary of Activity:**

1. Link 1, 500 kV Overhead Transmission Line:

Non-Federal Lands:

- Gate and fence installation occurred at Tower EP231-1.
- Final grading was conducted from EP337-N to EP339-N.
- Micropile capping took place at EP233-1 and EP234-1.
- Grouting occurred at EP183.
- Trimming was conducted at EP233-1 and EP234-1.
- Tower assembly took place at EP221-2, EP221A (see Figure 1), EP225-1, EP229-1, EP239-1, and EP252-1.
- Miscellaneous tower work (installing anti-climbing guards, bird deterrents, and/or signage) occurred from EP183, EP184-1, EP207, and from EP207 to EP219-2.
- QA/QC was conducted from EP170 to EP182, EP187-2, EP190-2, EP192-2, and EP193-2.
- Cleanup took place at EP215.
- Ground resistance testing occurred at EP183.
- Ground rod installation was conducted at EP210, EP218-1, and EP219-1.
- Netting was installed at EP219-1/EP220-1 guard structure.
- Wire stringing preparations took place from EP178 to EP187-2.
- Sock line, hardline, conductor, and OPGW were flown from EP219-1 to EP220-1 (see Figure 2).
- Sock line and hardline were pulled from EP177 to EP187-2.





- Dead end work occurred at EP215, EP219-1, and EP220-1.
- Fiber "training" was conducted at EP215 and EP220-1.
- Conductor and jumper work took place at EP219-1.
- Traveler work occurred from EP215 to EP218-1.
- Marker balls and spacers were installed between EP219-1 and EP220-1.

#### **BLM Lands:**

- Final grading occurred at EP202-3, EP203-3, from EP332-N to EP336-N, and from EP340-N to EP342-N.
- Base was laid on access roads from EP342-N to EP348-N.
- Micropile capping was conducted at EP194-3.
- Pull test took place at EP146.
- Tower assembly occurred from EP170 to EP172, EP175, EP176, EP177, and from EP190-2 to EP193-2.
- Miscellaneous tower work (including installing anti-climbing guards, bird deterrents, and/or signage) was conducted from EP170 to EP174 and EP182.
- QA/QC took place from EP170 to EP182, EP187-2, EP190-2, EP19202, and EP193-2.
- Cleanup occurred at EP170.
- Ground resistance testing was conducted at EP145, EP170, EP172, EP175, EP177, EP182, EP186-1, EP187-2, and EP192-2.
- Ground rod installation took place at EP204-3 and EP205-2.
- Equipment was mobilized to EP187-2.
- Wire stringing preparations occurred from EP178 to EP187-2.
- Traveler work was conducted at EP177 and EP187-2.
- Sock line and hardline were pulled from EP177 to EP187-2.
- Splicing took place at EP355.
- Restoration was conducted at the EP339 pull site.

#### 2. Link 2, 500 kV Overhead Transmission Line:

#### Non-Federal Lands:

- Vegetation management occurred at EP81 to EP83, EP86-1 to EP88-2, EP106-3, and EP107-3.
- Access road construction occurred at EP66-E.
- Sound barrier wall construction occurred at EP119-2 (see Figure 3).
- Soil boring occurred at EP65-1 and EP67.
- Conventional drilling occurred at EP54-1 and EP66.
- Equipment mobilization occurred at EP67.
- Micropile drilling occurred at EP31-1, EP41, and EP107-3.
- Tower assembly occurred at EP27-1 and EP30-2.
- QA/QC occurred at EP26-1, EP27-1, and EP30-2.
- Cattle guards were installed from EP76-2 to EP78A (see Figure 4).
- Arroyo toad fencing was installed and/or maintained from EP76-2 and EP78A (see Figure 5).

#### **BLM Lands:**

• Vegetation maintenance occurred at EP40-1, EP48, EP56-4, and EP70.

- Site preparation occurred at EP68, EP101-2, EP102A-1, and EP102-3.
- Grading occurred at EP68 and EP68-N.
- Final grading occurred at EP99-2.
- Soil boring and micropile drilling preparation occurred at EP68.
- Micropile drilling was conducted at EP101-2, EP102-3, and EP103-2.
- Micropile cap work occurred at EP56-4.
- Tower assembly occurred at EP97, EP98-1, and EP99-2.
- Cleanup occurred at EP101-2.
- Cattle guards were installed from EP76-2 to EP78A.
- Arroyo toad fencing was installed and/or maintained from EP76-2 to EP78A.

#### US Forest Service Lands:

- During this reporting period, the PALs were as follows: Monday: D, Tuesday: C, Wednesday: C, Thursday: EV, Friday: D, and Saturday: C. Work activities ended each day in accordance with the Fire Plan and the approved EV letter as appropriate.
- Vegetation maintenance occurred at EP16-1 TSAP, EP109-1, EP111-4, EP114-2, and EP116-1.
- Driveway work occurred at EP11-3-E and EP24-1-E.
- Barrier replacement occurred on EP126-1.
- Gate work occurred at EP125-N, EP127-N, EP129-E-A, EP130-1-N, and EP131-N.
- Conventional drilling occurred at EP11-3 and EP12-3.
- Site preparation occurred at EP11-3, EP16-1, EP17 (see Figure 6), EP19-1, and EP20-2.
- Micropile drilling occurred at EP13-3, EP14-1, EP28-3, EP29-2, EP107-3 (see Figure 7), EP108-2, EP110-2, EP111-4, EP114-2, EP116-1, and EP128.
- Micropile trimming occurred at EP6-1, EP7-1, and EP9-1.
- Micropile capping crew worked at EP14, EP16-1, EP120-4, and EP121-3.
- Tower assembly occurred at EP113-5.
- Concrete blocks were placed at EP21-1 and EP37-2.
- 3. Link 4, 220 kV Underground Transmission Line (non-federal lands only):
  - Revitalization occurred along Alpine Boulevard.
  - Fiber work occurred at Vaults V2L, V3L, V4L, V5L, V12L, and V13L.
  - Paving occurred at the Bauer Property.
  - Conduit and cooling line work occurred at Caltrans bore site.
  - Raised necking work occurred at V14L, V15L, V16L, and V17L.
  - Jointing & racking occurred at V10R and the Loritz Property.
  - Grading occurred at the Bauer and Lortiz Properties.
  - Grounding occurred at the Loritz Property.
  - Grouting occurred at V14L, V15L, V16L, V17L, V18L, V19L, V19R, and V20L.
  - Jacket testing occurred at V10R, V10L, and V15R
  - Phase comparison occurred at V1L, V1R, V2L, V3L, V4L, V5L, V6L, V7L, V8L, V9L, V10L, and V12L.
  - Concrete manhole construction occurred at V19R.

#### 4. Link 5:

Non-Federal Lands, 220 kV Overhead Transmission Line:

- Access road construction occurred at Tower CP49-1-PS-N.
- Access road work occurred from CP98-N-A to CP100-1-N.
- Final grading occurred at CP23 pull site north and CP95/CP96 pull site.
- Micropile drilling occurred at CP33-2, CP33A, CP35-2, and CP36-1 (see Figure 8).
- Grout setup occurred at CP42-1.
- Grouting occurred at CP28-1, CP34-2, CP35-2, CP36-1, CP44-1 to CP47-2, CP49-1, CP52, and CP53-1.
- Micropile trimming occurred at CP44-1 to CP47-2, CP49-1, CP52, and CP53-1.
- Micropile cap work occurred at CP27, CP28-1, CP37-2, CP44-1, CP45-1, CP46-2, CP48-2, CP50-1, CP52, CP54-1, CP60, CP63-3, and CP64-2.
- Pull testing occurred at CP44-1, CP45-1, CP49-1, CP52, CP53-1, and CP64-2.
- Tower assembly occurred at CP24-1, CP25-2, CP27, CP28-1, CP29-1, CP31-2, CP42-1, CP43-1, CP47-2, CP50-1 to CP51-2, CP60, CP62-2, CP63-3, and CP64-2.
- Miscellaneous tower work (anti-climbing guards, bird deterrents, and/or signage) occurred at CP74-2, CP75-1, CP78-2, and CP79-1.
- QA/QC occurred at CP29-1, CP31-2, CP52 to CP54-1, and CP78-2.
- Anchors were removed from CP42-1 and CP43-1.
- Cleanup occurred at CP29-1, CP31-2, CP80-2, CP81-1, CP83, and CP86.
- Ground rod installation occurred at CP74-2.
- Ground resistance testing occurred at CP28-1.
- Wire set up occurred at CP75-1 pull site, CP76-1 pull site, and CP88-1 pull site.
- Sock line, hardline, and conductor was pulled on all phases from CP75-1 to CP88-1.
- OPGW was pulled from CP75-1 to CP88-1.
- Deadend work occurred at CP75-1 and CP86.
- Marker ball installation occurred and sagging began from CP75-1 to CP88-1.

#### BLM Lands, 220 kV Overhead Transmission Line:

- Micropile grouting occurred at CP59.
- Pull testing occurred at CP60.
- Micropile cap work and tower assembly occurred at CP59 and CP60.
- Ground resistance testing occurred at CP58-1 and CP59.

#### MCAS Miramar (Federal) Lands, 220 kV Overhead Transmission Line:

- Grading for a retaining wall occurred at CP11-1.
- Access road work occurred at CP20-E.
- Guard structure removal occurred at CP6-1.
- Wire was sagged, clipped in, dead ended, and jumpers were installed from CP3 to CP14.
- Fiber was installed from CP3 to CP14.
- Spacers were installed from CP12-1 to CP14.
- Marker ball installation occurred from CP6-1 to CP9-1 and CP11-1 to CP14.

#### MCAS Miramar (Federal) Lands, 69 kV Reconductoring Line:

• No work occurred during this reporting period.

#### MCAS Miramar (Federal) Lands, 12 kV Reconductoring Line:

• No work occurred during this reporting period.

#### US Forest Service Land:

- During this reporting period, the PALs were as follows: Monday: D, Tuesday: C, Wednesday: C,
  Thursday: EV, Friday: D, and Saturday: C. Work activities ended each day in accordance with
  the Fire Plan and the approved EV letter as appropriate.
- Access road work occurred on CP100-1-N.

#### **Environmental Compliance:**

- 1. Biological, Cultural, and Native American monitors were present as applicable during all transmission line construction activities.
- 2. BMPs were installed, refreshed, or maintained on tower sites, access roads, TSAPs, and pads associated with towers on Link 1:

#### Non-Federal Lands:

• BMP maintenance and installation at tower sites, pull sites, guard structure sites, and access roads occurred at EP185-1, EP199-3, from EP207 to EP245-1, and from EP252-1 to EP255-2.

#### **BLM Lands:**

- BMP maintenance and installation at tower sites, pull sites, guard structure sites, and access roads occurred from EP144 to EP152-2, from EP170 to EP179, from EP186-1 to EP198-3, from EP200-3 to EP206-1, from EP246 to EP251, EP314, EP315-1, and EP317.
- BMPs were removed at CY-IV-SUB-N and EP363-1-E-B.
- Weed abatement was conducted at EP269-1 pull site.
- Soil stability testing took place from EP327 to EP329-1 and from EP331 to EP335.
- Hydromulching occurred at EP318-1.
- 3. BMPs were installed or refreshed on access roads, TSAPs, and pads associated with towers on Link 2:

#### Non-Federal Lands:

• BMP installation and maintenance occurred at EP11-3-N, EP25-2, EP27-1, EP31-1, EP32-1, EP47-2 to EP69 (with guard structures), EP62A-1-E access road, EP67, EP77, EP85-2, EP83 pull site, EP89 1 pull site, EP86-1 to EP93, EP91 pull site, EP104-2, EP105-2, EP106-3, EP107-3, GS-NF-14, GS-NF-15, GS-NF-16, GS-NF-18, GS-NF-23, GS NF 24, and GS NF 25.

#### US Forest Service Lands:

• BMP maintenance occurred at EP9-1, EP9-1-N, EP11-3-N, EP11-3, EP12-3, EP15, EP21-1 to EP24-1 (with pull sites), EP33-1, EP34-1, EP47-2 to EP69 (with guard structures), EP109-1, EP112-3, EP112A-1, EP113-5, EP116-1, EP117-2, EP118-2, EP120-4, EP124 to EP128, EP130-1, EP130-1 pull site, EP131, EP142-1, EP143-1, GS-USFS-3, and GS-USFS-4.

#### **BLM Lands:**

- BMP maintenance occurred from EP39-1 to EP42/EP43 pull site, EP47-2 to EP69 (and guard structures), EP56-4, EP70 to EP76-2, EP94 to EP99-2 pull site, EP101-2 pull site, and EP101-2 to EP103A.
- 4. BMPs were installed or refreshed on Link 4 (non-federal lands only):
  - BMPs were installed and/or refreshed in all areas along Link 4.

- 5. BMPs were installed or refreshed on access roads, TSAPs, and pads associated with towers on Link 5: Non-Federal Lands:
  - BMP installation and maintenance occurred from CP16-1 to CP26, CP23 pull site, CP28-1, CP31-2, CP34-2, CP35-2, CP37-2 to CP44-1, CP39 pull sites, CP46-2 to CP51-2, CP49-1 pull site, CP53-1, CP55, CP55-E, CP63-3, CP64-2, CP70-3, CP71, CP95/CP96 pull site, CP98-1, CP99-N, GS NF 2, GS-NF-3, GS-NF-5, GS-NF-6, GS-NF-7, and GS-NF-8.

#### **BLM Lands:**

• BMP maintenance occurred at CP58-1 and CP59.

MCAS Miramar (Federal) Lands, 220 kV Overhead Transmission Line

• BMP installation and maintenance occurred at CP2 to CP15-1 (including guard structures).

MCAS Miramar (Federal) Lands, 69 kV Reconductoring Line:

• BMP maintenance occurred at TL6915 Locations 3, 9, 10, 11, and 12 and TL6924 Locations 2, 3, and 4.

US Forest Service Lands:

- BMP installation and maintenance occurred at CP100-1-N and CP100-1.
- 6. On February 8, 2012, an incident occurred where a rock truck driver drove off an approved access road into an unapproved work space near EP345 and EP346. The unapproved work space had been designated as desert pavement in the Desert Pavement Plan and appropriate ESA signage was in place. Non-Compliance Report #5 was issued as a direct result of this off right-of-way incident. (Link 1)
- 7. One silvery legless lizard (*Anniella pulchra*) were found dead at EP110-2. One Two-striped Gartersnake (*Thamnophis hammondii*) was found dead on the access road to EP63. (Link 2)
- 8. On February 10, 2012, it was noted to the Link Lead that several contractor vehicles were parked outside of the right-of-way and on brush adjacent to Cameron Truck Trail near EP109 egress route (see Figure 9). (Link 2)
- 9. Pre-construction surveys were performed throughout Link 1, 2 and 5 with appropriate monitors.

Non-Compliance Report #5 was issued during the subject period for transmission line construction activities. Non-Compliance activities for the project to date are summarized in Table 4.

#### **Agency Representatives during Construction (other than EMs):**

USFS Representatives: Robert Paul, Ed Wieringa, Jennifer MacDonald, Dana Barre.

#### SUBSTATION CONSTRUCTION AND UPGRADES

#### **Summary of Activity:**

1. Suncrest Substation, Link 3 (non-federal lands): Final grading along Bell Bluff Truck Trail (BBTT) was conducted. Water line backfilling was completed on the road that enters the substation pad. Underground piping for the water tank was installed. A second coat of paint was applied to the water tank. Rock was crushed for Class 2 base and select fill material (see Figure 10). Grounding grid installation activities took place in the northern portion of the pad. Final grading occurred south and east of the transformers. Insulators and conductors were installed in the 230 kV and 500 kV yards. Wiring continued in the control shelter. Landscaping activities took place on the southern fill slopes. Fence installation around the substation perimeter began. Class 2 base was placed around the warehouse foundation, on the entrance road to the pad, as well as BBTT. Select fill material was moved from the northwestern portion of the pad to the southern portion of the pad. Final grading around the maintenance shelter took place.

- 2. Imperial Valley (IV) Substation Upgrade (BLM lands): No Sunrise related work occurred during this reporting period.
- 3. San Luis Rey Substation (non-federal lands): No work was reported during this period.
- 4. Encina Substation (non-federal lands): Crews performed wiring work near the control house. Contractors spread gravel in the 138 kV yard, cleaned up the site, removed mud and unstable dirt from the switchyard, and spread gravel between Bays 1 through 12.
- 5. Sycamore Substation (non-federal lands): Crews built disconnects and bus for 69 kV upgrades in southern portion of substation. Several ends of the bus have been sealed or blocked to prevent birds from building nests.

#### **Environmental Compliance:**

- 1. All applicable Biological, Cultural, Paleontological, and Native American monitors have been present during ground disturbing activities at all substations.
- 2. Street sweeping occurred on BBTT and in the southern detention basin. Devices for deterring birds from nesting were installed (see Figure 11). (Link 3)
- 3. BMP maintenance and repair occurred at Encina Substation. (Link 5)

No CPUC 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:

- 1. Alpine Construction Yard Equipment/Materials staging, water staging, dust suppression, weed wash station operations, and staging for ESA, driveway, road, BMP, hauling, and conventional foundation crews occurred.
- 2. Alpine Headquarters No significant activity occurred during the reporting period.
- 3. AER Yard Yard has been restored.
- 4. Barrett Canyon Yard Staging for BMP crews occurred.
- 5. Bartlett-Hauser Yard Water staging, helicopter operations, weed wash station operations, dust suppression, and staging for hauling, micropile, weed abatement, erection, vegetation maintenance, toad survey, gate, QC, vegetation assessment, bird survey, and BMP crews occurred.
- 6. Fromm Yard No work occurred at this yard during this reporting period.
- 7. El Monte Yard Staging for tower hooking, erection, hauling, and wire crews occurred.
- 8. Helix Yard Helicopter operations, weed wash station operations, dust suppression, vegetation maintenance, and staging for micropile, erection, BMP, and QC crews occurred.
- 9. Jacumba Valley Ranch (JVR) Yard Helicopter operations (see Figure 12), weed wash station, dust suppression, tower assembly, and water staging. Also used for staging micropile, conventional assembly, QC, habitat assessment, gate, BMP, and erection crews.
- 10. Kreutzkamp Yard Helicopter operations, weed wash station operations, water staging, dust suppression, and staging for road, conventional foundation, toad survey, and BMP crews occurred.

- 11. Rough Acres Yard Helicopter operations, tower assembly, water staging, dust suppression, equipment and materials staging, and usage of the weed wash station took place. This yard was also used for staging erection, QC, conventional assembly, wire, survey, assembly, road, micropile and BMP crews.
- 12. SWAT Yard Water staging, helicopter operations, dust suppression, tower assembly, weed wash station operations, and staging for gate, erection, micropile, QC, and BMP crews occurred.
- 13. S2 Yard Site restoration occurred and staging for BMP and road crews also took place.
- 14. Sycamore Yard Dust suppression, helicopter operations, tower assembly, and staging for road, erection, micropile, hooking, driveway, QC, wire, and BMP crews occurred.
- 15. Wilson Yard Helicopter operations, dust suppression, water staging, and tower assembly took place. The yard was also used for staging QC crews.

#### Federal Lands (BLM):

- 16. Dunaway Yard Yard has been restored.
- 17. Imperial Valley Yard Yard has been restored.
- 18. McCain Valley Yard Helicopter operations, dust suppression, tower assembly, and water staging took place. This yard was also used for staging BMP and assembly crews.
- 19. Plaster City Yard Equipment storage and water staging took place in this yard. The yard was also used for staging road crews.

#### Federal Lands (USFS):

20. Thing Valley Yard – Helicopter operations, water staging, dust suppression, tower assembly, and staging for BMP and assembly crews occurred.

#### **Environmental Compliance:**

- 1. Biological, Cultural, and Native American monitors have worked with crews at the construction yards to define approved work areas and sites to avoid.
- 2. One southwestern speckled rattlesnake (*Crotalus mitchellii Pyrrhus*) was relocated from the Helix Yard. (Link 5)

No Non-Compliance Reports or Project Memorandums were issued during the subject period for Construction Yards and other workspace activities. Non-Compliance activities for the project to date are summarized in Table 4.

#### Agency Representatives during Construction (other than CPUC EMs):

None.

# **CPUC NOTICES TO PROCEED (NTPs)**

Table 1 summarizes the CPUC Notice to Proceed activity for the SDG&E Sunrise Powerlink Project to date.

### TABLE 1 CPUC NTPs

(Updated 02/27/2012)

Data Data Cogment								
NEDU	Date	Date	Segment	Describer				
NTP#	Requested	Issued	#	Description				
#1	01/04/10	04/28/10	25	San Luis Rey Substation Upgrades				
#2	02/08/10	04/29/10	23	South Bay Substation Upgrades				
#3	02/26/10	05/20/10	Yard	Alpine Yard 18				
#4	01/26/10	05/28/10	Yard	Alpine Yard 18A				
#5	02/05/10	09/28/10	Yard	Rough Acres Yard, Phase 1				
#6	05/26/10	09/28/10	24	Encina Substation Upgrades				
#7	05/28/10	09/28/10	Telecomm	White Star Communication Facility				
#8	06/09/10	10/06/10	Substation	Pomerado Substation Upgrades				
#9	06/09/10	10/06/10	Substation	Scripps Switchyard/Substation Upgrades				
#10	10/13/10	11/23/10	15	Link 4, Alpine 230 kV Underground Construction				
#11	10/19/10	12/15/10	13	Link 3, Suncrest Substation/Wilson Construction Yard				
#12	11/30/10	12/23/10	Yard	Rough Acres Yard, Phase 2				
#13	11/09/10	01/14/11	2-18, 20-22	Links 1, 2, and 5, overhead construction on non-federal lands				
BLM #1	01/19/11	02/03/11	1	Imperial Valley Substation upgrades.				
BLM #2	03/28/11	04/04/11	2-12, 16-17	Links 1, 2, and 5 overhead construction on BLM Lands.				
Miramar	01/20/11	06/28/11	22	Overhead and substation construction.				
USFS	07/29/11	08/09/11	6, 7, 10, 12,14,16	Links 1, 2, and 5 overhead construction on USFS Lands.				

# VARIANCE & TEMPORARY EXTRA WORKSPACE REQUESTS

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

# TABLE 2 VARIANCE REQUESTS (Updated 02/27/2012)

	(Updated 02/27/2012)							
Variance Request	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment #	Description				
#1	11/04/10	11/10/10	Yard	Thomas Yard (El Centro, CA)				
#2	12/22/10	03/18/11	Yard	Sycamore Estates Construction Yard. Response to inquiry received 02/23.				
#3	01/06/10	01/18/11	All	Modification to tree trimming requirements.				
#3 MOD	01/25/11	01/26/11	All	Modification to brush clearing requirements.				
#4	01/13/11	03/01/11	Yard	Helicopter Temporary Landing Pad area at the Alpine Regional Field Offices.				
#5	02/01/11	02/09/11	Yard	Site improvements at the Wilson Construction yard and along Bell Bluff Trail				
#6	02/01/11	03/01/11	Link 5	Variance from Mitigation Measure H-1a (CC) to allow work outside of the dry season.				
#7	02/11/11	02/17/11	Link 3	Additional work areas for construction trailers, parking, etc.				
#8	03/02/11	03/08/11	Link 2	Alternate access route to Structure EP 27.				
#9	03/29/11	04/06/11	All	Perform construction activities outside of hours allowed by local ordinances with local jurisdiction approval.				
#10	04/04/11 (revised)	04/14/11	Link 4	Additional construction work space at Viejas Creek Bridge.				
#11	04/06/11	04/22/11	Link 1	Additional workspace east of EP215.				
#12	04/15/11	04/25/11	Link 1	Additional turnaround along the access road to E 220-1.				
#13	04/13/11	05/06/11	Links 1 & 2	Two fiber optic regeneration sites.				
#14	04/28/11	05/03/11	Yards	Change visual screening at Project construction yards from slats to fabric.				
#15	05/12/11	05/19/11	Link 2	Alternate access to EP 84.				
#16	05/16/11	05/21/11	Link 4	Additional parking space for use during underground construction.				
#17	05/18/11	05/24/11	Encina Substation	Driveway improvement.				
#18	06/27/11	07/14/11	Link 1	Gate installation between mile markers 38.5 and 39.5.				
#18 Mod	10/03/11	Under Review	Link 1	Alternative for installation of Gate #4.				
#19	06/27/11	06/29/11	Link 1	Installation of training tower at Rough Acres Construction Yard.				
#20	06/28/11	08/05/11	Link 5	Additional disturbance for access, pull sites and topsoil stockpile at CP48-2 to CP51-2.				

Variance	Date			
Request	Requested	Date Issued	Segment #	Description
#21	07/07/11	07/15/11	Link 1	Guard structure from EP255 to Imperial Valley Substation.
#22	07/08/11	08/04/11	Link 1	Fromm Construction Yard. Additional information submitted 08/04.
BLM DNA #1	07/19/11	08/05/11	Link 1	Minor modifications to portions of the Project on Bureau of Land Management lands.
#23	08/15/11	10/20/11	Links 1, 2, & 5	Additional landing platforms and TSAPS.
#24	08/25/11	08/29/11	Suncrest Substation	Additional vegetation clearing around construction trailers.
#25	09/01/11	09/09/11	Links 1 & 5	Extended use of approved TEWS areas for parking and staging.
#26	09/15/11	09/20/11	Link 2	Water tank installation at Barrett Canyon Yard.
#27	09/20/11	10/18/11	Link 1	Temporary Staging area near Mountain Springs Grade Rd.
#28	10/19/11	Denied	Link 3	Allow work to continue at Suncrest Substation during a Red Flag Warning (RFW) event.
#29	10/21/11	11/01/11	Links 1, 2, & 5	Additional guard structures identified for wire pulling activities.
#29 Mod	01/04/12	01/06/12		Modification to guard structure location.
#30	11/01/11	11/15/11	Links 1, 2, & 5	Temporary parking and turnaround areas.
#30 Mod	02/09/12	02/09/12	Links 5	Modification to perform long lining activities.
#31	11/08/11	Retracted	Links 2 & 5	Request for site specific exemption of Condition 37 of NTP 13.
#32	11/15/11	12/09/11	Links	Additional workspace for wire pulling activities.
#32 Mod	01/04/12	01/06/12	1, 2, & 5	Modification to guard structure location
#33	11/28/11	12/16/11	Links 1, 2, & 5	Additional workspace for structure access and wire pulling activities.
#34	11/29/11	12/02/11	Links 2 & 5	Extension of allowable work window within GE buffer (MM B-7h).
#35	12/22/11	01/04/12	Link 5	Improvements to existing road & drainage, Simpson property.
#36	01/20/12	02/08/12	Links 1, 2, & 5	Variance to allow vegetation clearing between January 15 through February 14.
#37	01/20/12	02/08/12	Links 1, 2, & 5	Temporary placement of concrete blocks outside of approved work areas.
#38	02/10/12	02/22/12	Link 5	Gate installation near CP55.
#39	02/10/12	Under Review	Link 5	Additional work space at CP23 pull site.

# TABLE 3 TEMPORARY EXTRA WORKSPACE (TEWS) REQUESTS (Updated 02/27/2012)

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TEWS Request	Date Requested	Date Approved	Segment #	Description
TEWS #1	11/01/10	11/01/10	White Star	Asphalt paved area for vehicle parking and staging
TEWS #2	03/17/11	03/18/11	Link 4	Parking on Puetz Valley and Alpine Blvd
TEWS #3	03/17/11	03/18/11	Link 4	Parking on Harbison Canyon and Alpine Blvd
TEWS #4	03/22/11	03/23/11	Link 5	Storage on One Father Junipero Sierra Trail
TEWS #5	03/24/11	03/24/11	Link 4	Parking at 3900 Willows Rd. West
TEWS #6	03/24/11	03/24/11	Link 4	Parking at 5840 Willows Rd. East
TEWS #7	04/06/11	04/07/11	Link 2	Northern access road to EP 79
TEWS #8	04/14/11	04/14/11	Link 2	Northeast spur of access road to EP 84
TEWS #9	05/17/11	05/24/11	Link 1	Use of SWPL tower sites for parking (EP331-341)
TEWS #10	05/24/11	05/24/11	Link 5	Parking and pullsite adjacent to Alliant University
TEWS #11	06/16/11	06/16/11	Link 1	Use of alternative access to EP 240, per the request of the landowner at JVR
TEWS #12	06/20/11	06/20/11	Link 1	Use of SWPL tower sites for parking (EP295-299)
TEWS #13	06/30/11	07/01/11	Link 1	Use of SWPL tower site for parking (EP324)
TEWS #14	07/01/11	07/01/11	Link 1	Use of SWPL tower sites for parking (EP300, EP302, EP306, EP307, EP312)
TEWS #15	07/06/11	07/06/11	Link 1	Use of SWPL tower sites for parking (EP294, EP303, EP304, EP305)
TEWS #16	06/30/11	07/07/11	Link 1	Additional parking along Mountain Springs Grade Rd.
TEWS #17	07/11/11	07/12/11	Link 5	Parking near CP20
TEWS #18	07/11/11	07/12/11	Link 5	Parking near CP24
TEWS #19	07/11/11	07/12/11	Link 5	Parking near CP29
TEWS #20	07/18/11	07/19/11	Link 1	Parking near EP314
TEWS #21	07/22/11	07/25/11	Link 1	Parking near EP315
TEWS #22	07/26/11	07/26/11	Link 1	Parking near EP291-293
TEWS #23	08/05/11	08/05/11	Link 1	Parking near EP290
TEWS #24	08/09/11	08/10/11	Link 2	Parking near EP90/EP91
TEWS #25	09/07/11	09/07/11	Link 5	Temporary use of access road near El Monte Rd (12 kV)
TEWS #26	09/13/11	09/13/11	Link 2	Temporary use of access road near Barrett Substation
TEWS #27	09/29/11	09/30/11	Link 1	Parking near EP248.
TEWS #28	09/28/11	10/03/11	Link 1	Parking and Staging area adjacent to EP301.
TEWS #29	09/13/11	09/13/11	Link 2	Placement of Water Tank at Barrett Substation.
TEWS #30	10/06/11	10/06/11	Link 1	Parking and Staging at Chevron Gas Station on Carrizo Gorge Rd.
TEWS #31	11/09/11	11/10/11	Link 1	Parking at EP252A-1 and EP254-3-E.
TEWS #32	11/09/11	11/15/11	Link 5	Temporary material and equipment staging area off of Willows Rd.
TEWS #33	02/09/12	02/09/12	Link 5	Additional parking area between CP75 to CP88.

#### NON-COMPLIANCES & INCIDENTS

CPUC and USFS Stop Work Orders, Project Memorandum (PM) and Non-Compliance Reports (NCR), and U.S. Army Corps Non-Compliances (NC) that have been issued to date are presented in Table 4.

# TABLE 4 NON-COMPLIANCES (NC) AND PROJECT MEMORANDA (PM)

(Updated 02/27/2012)

Туре	Date	Location	Description	
PM #1	12/07/10	Thomas Yard	Failure to report unanticipated biological resources within 48 hours.	
PM #2	02/11/11	EP 242, Link 1	Unauthorized ground disturbance at EP 242	
NC #1	03/08/11	Suncrest Substation	Army Corp of Engineers issued Non-Compliance for not complying with Special Conditions 19, 21 and 23 of DA Permit SPL-2007-00704-SAS.	
PM #3	03/15/11	CP 67-3, Link 5	Staking crews operating and delivered by helicopters within GE Buffer area.	
PM #4	04/06/11	Swat Yard	Unauthorized Nest Removal from a water truck at SWAT Construction yard.	
PM #5	05/16/11	EP 340, Link 1	Operation of water trucks outside of approved disturbance areas at EP 340.	
PM #6	09/16/11	EP271, Link 1	Construction activities commenced at EP271 prior to the arrival of biological monitor.	
Stop Work Order	09/27/11	Helicopter Operations	A pattern of helicopter incidents posed a serious concern for the safety of the general public.	
PM #7	09/28/11	AER CY	Construction crew entered AER CY prior to Peninsular Bighorn Sheep monitor clearing the site.	
NCR #1	09/28/11	Link 1	CPUC issued NCR for breeching a marked Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA), construction activity without proper monitor present, and failing to communicate the event in a timely fashion.	
FS NCR #1	10/27/11	Links 2 & 5	FS SUP Exhibit 4 and Traffic Control Plan violations.	
NCR #2	10/27/11	Link 1	Peninsular Bighorn Sheep Construction Monitoring Plan violations.	
FS NCR #2	11/03/11	Links 2 & 5	Fire Plan and Traffic Control Plan violations.	
FS NCR #3	11/30/11	Links 2 & 5	Tower assembly, erection and wire stringing work is suspended for towers not associated with GE buffers on the Cleveland National Forest until resolution of all noncompliance colorization issues are agreed upon by the Forest Service	
NCR #3	12/29/11	Link 1	Peninsular Bighorn Sheep Construction Monitoring Plan violations.	
NCR #4	01/04/12	Link 1	Peninsular Bighorn Sheep Construction Monitoring Plan violations.	
FS Stop Work Order	01/07/12	Links 2 & 5	Third non-compliance for violating the Forest Service Fire Plan.	
FS NCR #4	02/01/12	Link 2	Failure to make timely notification following rope/wire drop between CP100 to CP99.	

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Туре	Date	Location	Description
FS NCR #5	02/06/12	Links 2 & 5	Helicopter incursions into Golden Eagle Habitat Buffers.
NCR #5	02/08/12	Link 1	Construction outside of approved work spaces, intrusion into ESA, and violation of Desert Pavement Plan.

Other compliance incidents identified by SDG&E monitoring staff and/or crews are presented in Table 5.

# TABLE 5 PROJECT INCIDENTS

(Updated 02/27/2012)

Туре	Date	Location	Description		
Incident	11/01/10	White Star	Delivery of a rebar cage outside of the approved disturbance area.		
Incident	02/17/11	EP 244, Link 1	Nest incorrectly marked at entrance to EP 244.		
Incident	02/18/11	Alpine HQ	Emergency weather landing and storage of 3 helicopters at Alpine HQ.		
Incident	03/12/11	EP 252, Link 1	Bulldozer was delivered at site prior to CPUC clearance being given.		
Incident	03/15/11	EP 214, Link 1	Dewatering approximately 1 gal of groundwater from an excavation hole without having submitted a dewatering plan to the CPUC.		
Incident	04/06/11	JVR 12 kV, Link 1	Confusion on approved work areas due to varying maps having been distributed to workers and monitors.		
Incident	04/07/11	JVR 12 kV, Link 1	A site was worked on prior to CPUC EM construction release having been received for the area, no resources were damaged.		
Incident	05/05/11	Link 4	Three small fires were reported on Link 4 Underground. Fire tools were used by the on-site fire patrol to immediately respond per the Sunrise Fire Plan. Notification to Alpine Fire was made.		
Incident	05/17/11	Link 1	BMP crew drove off the road between EP345 and EP346 and park within the ESA boundary.		
Incident	06/07/11	Link 1	During the aerial delivery of a structure body to EP339, approximately 200 ft outside of Plaster City Yard, the piece fell from the Aircrane. No injuries have been reported.		
Incident	06/10/11	Link 1	During the aerial delivery of a structure layback to EP 3 at the EP 339 construction site, 3 of the 4 hooks release and caused an emergency placement of the steel at the site. While in the process of placing on the ground, the hook released and the tower fell to the ground. No injur have been reported.		
Incident	07/07/11	Link 1	A project water tanker was stuck on the side of Evan Hughes Highway and released approximately 1,000 gallons of potable water into Coyote Wash, after pulling over to evaluate a bridge crossing. All necessary notifications were made.		

Туре	Date	Location	Description
Incident	07/07/11	Link 5	Construction vehicles, including project fire truck, were noted to be outside of approved disturbance areas at CP40 and CP41. Link leads were notified and immediate corrective action was taken.
Incident	07/11/11	Link 1	A skid fell off the KMax Helicopter while en route to a tower site. The skid was within the Project ROW and no injuries were reported. The item was retrieved on foot.
Incident	07/28/11	Link 1	Unapproved disturbance of approximately 50'x100' occurred during the grading operations of the AER yard. No resources were impacted.
Incident	08/04/11	Link 1	An air compressor was dropped approximately 500 ft north of EP327, from a KMax helicopter while in transit to a micropile site. Approximately 50-60 gallons of diesel was spilled in an area of approximately 75' in diameter. Site has been cleared and appropriate agencies have been contacted.
Incident	08/05/11	Link 3	Small fire resulted from excavation activities along BBTT. Burned an area approximately 50'x50' prior to it being extinguished. Notifications were made immediately.
Incident	08/13/11	Link 2	Accident along Lyons Valley Rd, where a project truck went off the embankment by 300'. No injuries reported. Assessment team was sent to the site and notifications were made.
Incident	08/15/11	Link 2	Sparks caused by loose chain from a project vehicle interacting with the roadway started a 2-acre fire. The fire was extinguished and proper notifications were made.
Incident	08/18/11	Link 2	An unsteady load caused a forklift to fall to its side at EP 91. A small spill of hydraulic fluid took place, all disturbance was contained within the established work area, and no injuries were reported.
Incident	08/22/11	Link 1	Crew member threw a rock and knocked down a rock cairn located within an ESA. Appropriate agencies were notified.
Incident	09/08/11	Link 2	CPUC EM noted a water truck entering EP91 after not having stopped at designated wash station. Corrective action was taken.
Incident	09/12/11	Link 5	Crew performed minor clearing prior to the arrival of biological monitor.
Incident	09/13/11	Link 5	Crew performed minor clearing prior to the arrival of biological monitor.
Incident	09/15/11	Link 5	Micropile platform at CP67-3 rolled 50' downhill after unstable placement. A helicopter removed from site to limit damage. Minor vegetation damage that was surveyed by onsite biologist.
Incident	09/19/11	Link 2	Small fire near EP42 started due to excavator hitting a rock during grading operations. This was immediately put out by onsite personnel using their required fire supplies.
Incident	09/19/11	Link 2	2 Micropile pipes were dropped during helicopter operations near CP107 and rolled down hill to injure a worker trying to stop them. Minor vegetation damage that was surveyed by onsite biologist.

Туре	Date	Location	Description
Incident	09/20/11	Link 1	Trackout from EP252 was noted to Link Lead and was immediately remedied.
Incident	09/20/11	Link 1	Project vehicles were noted to parking outside of the approved project disturbance. Link Lead was notified and vehicles were immediately relocated.
Incident	09/21/11	Link 1	Dozer operator drove approximately 260 ft off of ROW near EP322. Area was surveyed Cultural and Biological monitor.
Incident	09/21/11	Link 3	Approximately 800 gallons of potable water was released from Northern Sediment basin. Appropriate agencies were notified.
Incident	09/22/11	Link 3	Plywood load from helicopter dropped within substation boundaries. No injuries were reported.
Incident	09/23/11	Link 1	Improperly covered foundations holes were noted to the Link Lead. Follow up was performed with crews.
Incident	09/26/11	Link 1	Straw wattles en route via helicopter dropped into open area. No injuries were reported.
Incident	10/12/11	Link 1	A drill rig pulled to the side of the access road near EP185/EP186 and inadvertently crushed vegetation.
Incident	10/12/11	Link 4	Approximately 50 gallons of diesel fuel was released immediately off of Puetz Valley Rd. Site was cleaned and stained soils removed. Appropriate agencies were contacted.
Incident	10/19/11	Link 1	A door fell off a helicopter near Plaster City Yard close to EP332. No injuries were reported.
Incident	11/03/11	Link 1	Injury occurred when a tower leg fell onsite. Events surrounding the incident are still undergoing investigation. Disturbance occurred outside of approved areas. Biological/cultural monitors reviewed and found no resources to be damaged.
Incident	11/05/11	Link 5	Sediment off ROW at CP55/56 access road.
Incident	11/09/11	Link 2	Landing of project helicopter on unapproved disturbance areas.
Incident	11/15/11	Link 5	Off ROW incident along access road to CP65/66 pull site.
Incident	11/16/11	Link 1	Off ROW incident along access road to EP 226/227 pull site.
Incident	11/16/11	Link 3	Trash noted to be blown around during Air Crane activities at the Wilson Yard.
Incident	11/22/11	Link 5	Track out noted on El Monte Rd from access in/out of CP64/65 pull site. Street sweeper was dispatched.
Incident	12/03/11	Link 1	PBHS habitat violation with low elevation flights in restricted areas.
Incident	12/04/11	Link 1	PBHS habitat violation with low elevation flights in restricted areas.
Incident	12/22/11	Link 1	PBHS habitat violation with entry into Fromm Yard prior to clearance from PBHS biologists.
Incident	12/27/11	Link 1	Two PBHS habitat violation with low elevation flights in restricted areas.

Туре	Date	Location	Description
Incident	01/09/12	Link 2	Road crew operating without an Arroyo Toad Monitor present at EP50, Arroyo Toad suitable habitat. Crew was retrained of the importance of a monitor being present during operations.
Incident	01/10/12	Link 2	Foundation crew damaged an oak tree during mobilization effort at EP49. Crew was retrained.
Incident	01/12/12	Link 1	Parking along McCain Valley Rd not in designated disturbance areas. Link Leads corrected immediately.
Incident	01/12/12	Link 5	A dozer failure led to disturbance outside of approved ROW by 15 feet near CP59. All personnel were safe and restoration efforts are in process.
Incident	01/13/12	Link 2	An unanticipated release of a compressor mid-flight approximately 400ft North of Kruetzkamp CY. No injuries or damage to property occurred. Investigation to helicopter hook system is ongoing.
Incident	01/17/12	Link 2	Crew entered access road to EP73/74, Arroyo Toad suitable habitat, prior to the 2 hr waiting period following dawn and biological monitor clearance. Crew was spoken to and better signage is to be installed.
Incident	01/18/12	Link 1	Concrete blocks were placed outside of approved disturbance area at EP224/5 prior to the approval of Variance #37. To limit disturbance, blocks have been left, but cannot be used until approval of the variance.
Incident	01/18/12	Link 1	Assembly crew arrived at EP177 prior to an approved bird survey having been conducted and submitted. Crews were ushered out by onsite avian biologist performing said survey.
Incident	01/18/12	Link 1	Foundation crew entered PBHS habitat at EP256 outside of approved work window. They were escorted out by monitors at a nearby site upon noticing. GF for crew was released by the project and a standdown with GF and foreman was performed on 01/23/12.
Incident	01/19/12	Link 2	Bird strike occurred during helicopter operations near EP33. Monitors on board believed the bird to be a swallow, but no remains were found to confirm.
Incident	01/20/12	Link 5	Wire dropped between CP96 and CP100 during wire operations. No resources were found to be damaged, hurt or killed.
Incident	01/20/12	Link 5	Gate left open for access road to pull site between CP64/65 and released livestock that was present. Monitors were brought onsite to herd them back into the pen and ensure security of the gate.
Incident	01/24/12	Link 5	Helicopter breached the GE buffer at Bell Bluff region approximately 621 feet. No resources impacted.
Incident	01/25/12	Link 5	Helicopter was noted by CPUC EM to have landed outside of approved project workspace. Correction was made immediately and discussion was had with pilot about landing in only approved areas.
Incident	01/26/12	Link 5	Helicopter breached the GE buffer at the Bell Bluff region approximately 521 feet. No resources impacted.

Туре	Date	Location	Description
Incident	01/27/12	Link 2	Helicopter breached the GE buffer at the Thing Valley region approximately 161 feet. No resources impacted.
Incident	01/31/12	Link 1	Fuel tanker was refueling a smaller fuel truck for use by project helicopters in unapproved workspace near JVR. Link Lead made immediate correction and spoke to crew.
Incident	02/01/12	Link 2	Helicopter breached the GE buffer at the Thing Valley region by an unknown amount. No resources impacted.
Incident	02/10/12	Link 2	Several contractor vehicles were parked outside of the ROW and on brush adjacent to Cameron Truck Trail near EP 109 egress route. Link Leads were notified and item was corrected.

# **CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS**

Table 6 provides a summary of construction progress through the end of the subject reporting period, with the exception of towers released for construction which reflects towers released to date.

TABLE 6 CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS

	Total	Released for Construction thru	Foundations	Towers	Wire
Agency	Towers	02/27/12	Completed	Erected	Installed
Non-Federal	169	169	143	97	49
Bureau of Land Management	179	179	159	126	95
US Forest Service	76	76	34	17	28
Miramar	14	14	14	14	1
Total	438	438	350	254	173

# PROJECT PHOTOGRAPHS



Figure 1: Tower assembly at EP221A. (Link 1)



Figure 2: Pulling wire between EP219-1 and EP220-1. (Link 1)



**Figure 3:** Construction of a sound wall at EP119. (Link 2)



**Figure 4:** Crews assembling a cattle guard and arroyo toad exclusion device on access road to EP78. (Link 2)



**Figure 5:** Signs marking the beginning of Arroyo Toad habitat. (Link 2)



**Figure 6:** Boulder busting at EP17.



**Figure 7:** Drilling at EP107-3. (Link 2)



**Figure 8:** Helicopter delivery at CP36-1. (Link 5)



**Figure 9:** Vehicles parked on brush outside of the Right-Of-Way near EP109. (Link 2)



Figure 10: Rock being crushed for Class 2 base and select fill. (Link 3)



**Figure 11:** Netting installed around equipment to deter birds from nesting. (Link 3)



**Figure 12:** Air crane flying tower structures out of JVR Yard. (Link 1)