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

To:	Billie Blanchard, Project Manager, CPUC
From:	Vida Strong, Aspen Project Manager
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Subject:	Weekly Report 82: April 8 – April 14, 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.

CPUC/Aspen Environmental Monitors (EM): Cassandra Garza, Brian Woodward, Valerie Yep.

# TRANSMISSION LINE CONSTRUCTION

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

1. Link 1, 500 kV Overhead Transmission Line:

Non-Federal Lands:

- Final grading occurred at Tower EP184-1 and EP185-1.
- QA/QC was conducted at EP252A-1 and EP254-3.
- Tower assembly took place at EP254-3.
- Fiber splicing occurred at EP215, EP220-1, and EP225-1.
- Equipment was staged at EP255-2 pull site.
- Traveler work was conducted at EP252-1 ad EP253-2 (see Figure 1).
- Sockline, hardline, and conductor were flown for all phases from EP243/EP244 pull site to EP255-2 pull site.
- Clipping and sagging took place from EP236-1 to EP243/EP244 pull site.
- Dead-end work was conducted at EP255-2.
- Spacers were installed from EP235-1 to EP242.
- Sleeving and removal of snubs occurred at EP243/EP244 pull site.
- Equipment was demobilized from EP254-3.
- Regeneration work took place at EP215.
- Clean up occurred at EP243/EP244 pull site (see Figure 2).
- Guard structure work was conducted at EP243, EP247, EP251, and EP252-1 (see Figure 3).

BLM Lands:

• Vegetation maintenance occurred at EP144, EP146, EP147, and EP150.

- Final grading was conducted from EP179 to EP181 and from EP180-N to EP182-N.
- Micropile capping work took place at EP149-1 and EP152-2.
- QA/QC occurred at EP196-2.
- Tower assembly was conducted at EP145, EP150, EP151, and EP152-2.
- Conductor was flown for B and C phases from EP187-2 pull site to EP200-3 pull site.
- Sagging took place from EP187-2 pull site to EP200-3 pull site.
- Clipping was conducted from EP197-3 to EP199-3.
- Dead-end work occurred at EP196-2 and EP199-3.
- OPGW was flown and sagged from EP187-2 pull site north (see Figure 4) to EP200-3 pull site.
- Fiber splicing took place at EP200-3.
- OPGW was clipped in at EP196-2.
- Equipment was demobilized from EP187-2 and EP193-1.
- 2. Link 2, 500 kV Overhead Transmission Line:

#### Non-Federal Lands:

- Vegetation maintenance occurred from EP91 to EP93 (including access roads).
- Access road construction/maintenance occurred at EP78-E, EP79-E-A, EP79-E-B, and CY-BARTLETT-E.
- Micropile drilling occurred at EP52-1, EP64, and EP77.
- Micropile grouting occurred at EP62A-1.
- Micropile trimming and pull test preparation occurred at EP77.
- Micropile pull tests occurred at EP62A-1 and EP78.
- Micropile capping work occurred at EP52-1, EP78, EP78A, and EP82.
- Tower assembly occurred at EP1-3, EP30-2, EP30-2 pull site, EP81, EP83, EP85-2, EP87-1, EP88-2, and EP105-2.
- Ground rod installation occurred at EP81.
- Ground resistance testing occurred at EP65-1, EP87-1, and EP88-2.
- Weed abatement occurred at EP30-2 pull site.

BLM Lands:

- Access road construction/maintenance occurred at EP71-E, EP72-E, and EP73-1-E-C.
- Gate work occurred at EP101-2-PS-E.
- Micropile drilling occurred at EP56-4 (see Figure 5), EP69, and EP70.
- Micropile grouting preparation occurred at EP70.
- Micropile grouting occurred at EP56-4, EP63, and EP72.
- Micropile trimming occurred at EP71, EP72, and EP73-1.
- Micropile pull test preparation occurred at EP41.
- Micropile pull testing occurred at EP48, EP50, EP74-1, EP75-2, and EP76-2.
- Micropile capping work occurred at EP56-4, EP69, and EP102A-1.
- Ground resistance testing occurred at EP68.

US Forest Service Lands:

- During this reporting period, the PALs were as follows: Monday: D, Tuesday: D, Wednesday: A, Thursday: A, Friday: A, and Saturday: A. Work activities ended each day in accordance with the Fire Plan and the approved EV letter as appropriate.
- Access road construction/maintenance occurred at EP78-E.
- Gate work occurred at EP116-1-E.
- Grouting preparation occurred at EP28-3 and EP58-2.
- Grouting occurred at EP3-3, EP16-1, and EP21-1.
- Micropile trimming occurred at EP120-4.
- Micropile pull testing occurred at EP3-3, EP10-2, EP13-3, EP15, EP16-1, EP21-1, EP23-2, EP35-1, EP58-2, EP114-2, and EP115-1.
- Micropile capping work occurred at EP13-3, EP15, EP108-2, EP110-2, EP111-4, EP115-1, EP120-4, EP120A, EP121-3, EP121A-1, and EP124.
- Tower assembly occurred at EP2-3, EP3-3, EP9-1, EP11-3, EP13-3, EP16-1, EP28-3, EP111-4, EP112-3, and EP113-5.
- QA/QC occurred at EP13-3, EP15, and EP16-1.
- Ground rod installation occurred at EP11-3 and EP12-3.
- Ground resistance testing occurred from EP109-2 to EP111-4.
- Weed abatement occurred at EP124/EP125 pull site, EP127, EP130-1, EP131, and EP131-N.
- 3. Link 4, 220 kV Underground Transmission Line (non-federal lands only):
  - Revitalization and grounding occurred along Alpine Boulevard.
  - Termination repair occurred at the Loritz & Slay properties.
  - Sending and receiving of cooling line occurred at the Caltrans bore site.
  - Work occurred inside Manhole MH4, MH5, and MH6 (see Figure 6).
  - Racking occurred inside Vault V13L, V15L, and V20.
- 4. Link 5:

Non-Federal Lands, 220 kV Overhead Transmission Line:

- Final grading occurred at the CP65-1 pull site.
- Grouting occurred at CP83.
- Miscellaneous tower work occurred at/from CP84 to CP86.
- QA/QC occurred at/from CP32-2 to CP33A, CP35-2, CP36-1, CP62-2, and CP84.
- Concrete blocks were removed from CP35-2.
- Sock line, haulback, and conductor was pulled on all phases from CP49-1 (see Figure 7) to CP55.
- Sagging occurred from CP49-1 to CP55.
- Spacers were installed from CP43-1 to CP49-1.
- OPGW was flown from CP48-2 to CP55.
- Cleanup occurred at CP81-1, CP83, and CP86.
- Restoration occurred at CP65-1 pull site.

BLM Lands, 220 kV Overhead Transmission Line:

• No work occurred during this reporting period.

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

- Access road construction/maintenance occurred at CP10 and CP11-1.
- Final grading occurred at CP6-1 and CP7.

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:

• No work occurred during this reporting period.

#### **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, and guard structure sites occurred from EP183 to EP185-2, EP199-3, from EP207 to EP209-1, from EP211 to EP215 pull sites, EP217-1 to EP221A, from EP23-1 to EP229-1, from EP231-1 to EP238-1, EP239-1, EP242, from EP243 to EP245, from EP252-1 to EP255-2, GS-NF-31, and GS-NF-36.
- BMP maintenance and installation on access roads was conducted from EP183-E to EP185-2-E.
- Hydromulching took place from EP207 to EP209-1.

BLM Lands:

- BMP maintenance and installation at tower sites, pull sites, and guard structure sites occurred at EP148-1, from EP170 to EP182, from EP186-1 to EP198-3, from EP200-1 to EP206, EP246, from EP248-1 to EP251, EP314, EP315-1, EP317, and GS-BLM1A.
- BMP maintenance and installation on access roads was conducted from EP175-1-E to EP182-E and from EP186-1-E to EP192-2-E.
- Hydromulching took place at EP206-1.
- 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 EP25-2, EP26-1, EP30-2, EP30-2 pull site, EP31-1, EP32-1, EP67, EP67 pull site, EP77 to EP80 (including pull site), EP82 to EP84 (including pull sites), CY-BARTLETT-E, EP86-1, EP87-1, EP89-1, EP89-1 pull sites, EP91, EP91 pull sites, EP93, EP104-2 to EP107-3, EP119-2, GS-NF-16, GS-NF-17, GS-NF-18, GS-NF-22, and GS-NF-26.

US Forest Service Lands:

• BMP maintenance occurred at EP2-3, EP4-3, EP9-1 to EP12-3 (including pull sites and guard structure), EP22-1 to EP24-1, EP28-3, EP29-2, EP33-1 to EP37-2, EP110-2, EP113-5, EP116-1, EP117-2, EP120-4, EP120A, EP121A-1 to EP131 (including pull site), EP125-E-A to EP131-E, EP142-1, and EP143-1.

BLM Lands:

- BMP installation and maintenance occurred from EP39-1, EP40-1, EP42, EP42-N, EP42 pull site, EP47-2, EP47-2 pull site, EP48, EP71 to EP74-1, EP76-2, EP94 to EP101-2 (including pull site and access roads), and EP102A-1 to EP103A.
- 4. BMPs were installed or refreshed on Link 4 (non-federal lands only):
  - BMPs were installed and/or refreshed along the entire right-of-way of 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 CP19-1, CP21 to CP27 (including pull sites and guard structure), CP28-1, CP29-1, CP31-2, CP31-2 pull site east, CP32-2, CP33A, EP35-2, EP36-1, CP39-E to 41-2-E, CP37-2 to CP54-1, CP43-1 pull sites, CP43-1 guard structure, CP44-1 guard structure, CP49-1-PS-N, CP54-1, CP55 ARD, CP56-1 pull site, CP57, CP65-1 pull site, CP85-1 to CP88-1 (including pull site), CP95-1, CP95/CP96 pull site, CP96-1, CP98-1, CP109-1, GS-NF-2, and GS-NF-3.

BLM Lands:

• No BMP activity occurred during the reporting period.

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

• BMP installation and maintenance occurred at CP2, CP3, CP3 pull site, CP6-1 to CP9-1, CP12-1, CP14, and CP15-1.

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

• No BMP activity occurred during the reporting period.

US Forest Service Lands:

- BMP maintenance occurred at CP99-2 and CP100-1.
- 6. On Monday, April 9, 2012, it was observed by both the Link Lead and the CPUC EM that crews were not using the designated path (which avoids an ESA) from TSAP to Tower site at EP137-1. A warning was given and crews were spoken to at the next morning's tailboard. (Link 1)
- 7. On Tuesday, April 10, 2012, it was noted to Link Leads that trash was observed at EP187 pull site. (Link 1)
- 8. One two-striped garter snake (*Thamnophis hammondii*) was found dead in the access road adjacent to EP63. (Link 2)
- 9. Minor leaks, drips, and releases on USFS lands were submitted to the USFS in a weekly HazMat log.

10. Pre-construction surveys were performed throughout Link 1, 2 and 5 with appropriate monitors.

No CPUC Non-Compliance Reports or Project Memoranda were 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.

# SUBSTATION CONSTRUCTION AND UPGRADES

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

1. Suncrest Substation, Link 3 (non-federal lands): Clean-up activities continued along Bell Bluff Truck Trail (BBTT). Concrete was poured and form was stripped for retaining wall on BBTT near Japatul Valley Road. Silt fence along BBTT was cleaned up. Temporary impact area near the office trailer was

restored. Fence installation continued around the perimeter of the substation pad. Class 2 base was spread in the southeast quadrant and final grading occurred. Electrical testing continued throughout the substation. Wiring continued in the control shelter. Interior work continued inside the warehouse.

- 2. Imperial Valley (IV) Substation Upgrade (BLM lands): No Sunrise Powerlink related work occurred during this reporting period.
- 3. San Luis Rey Substation (non-federal lands): Wiring crews worked inside the control house.
- 4. Encina Substation (non-federal lands): Relay and wiring crews worked near the control house. Crews installed a new gas circuit breaker, disconnects, and wiring in Bays 1 through 3. The oil circuit breakers in Bay 3 were drained and removed.
- 5. Pomerado Substation: (non-federal lands): No work occurred during this reporting period.
- 6. Sycamore Substation (non-federal lands): Crews worked on 69 kV bus upgrades and testing new gas circuit breakers in the 69 kV rack. Wiring activities occurred on and around the Bank 70 transformers.

#### **Environmental Compliance:**

- 1. All applicable Biological, Cultural, Paleontological, and Native American monitors have been present during ground disturbing activities at all substations.
- 2. Landscape and irrigation installation occurred at Suncrest Substation. BMP maintenance and installation occurred during rain events. Jute netting was installed on the eastern slopes of the substation pad and on the cut slopes (see Figure 8). (Link 3)
- 3. An avian sweep was conducted of the entire Encina switchyard. One inactive stick nest was identified within 200 feet of the current construction activities.

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 QC and BMP crews occurred.
- 2. Alpine Headquarters No activity occurred during the reporting period.
- 3. AER Yard Yard has been restored.
- 4. Barrett Canyon Yard No activity occurred during the reporting period.
- 5. Bartlett-Hauser Yard Water staging, helicopter operations, weed wash station, dust suppression, weed treatment, tower assembly, and staging for micropile, erection, road, QC, and BMP crews occurred.
- 6. Fromm Yard No work occurred at this yard during this reporting period.
- 7. El Monte Yard No activity occurred during the reporting period.
- 8. Helix Yard Helicopter operations, weed wash station operations, dust suppression, and staging for assembly, wire, road, BMP, and QC crews occurred.
- 9. Jacumba Valley Ranch (JVR) Yard Helicopter operations, weed wash station, water staging, and dust suppression occurred. Also used for staging QC crews.

- 10. Kreutzkamp Yard Helicopter operations, weed wash station operations, water staging, dust suppression, vegetation maintenance, and staging for road, regeneration, micropile, and BMP crews occurred.
- 11. Rough Acres Yard Helicopter operations, tower assembly, water staging, dust suppression, equipment and materials hauling and staging, and usage of the weed wash station took place. This yard was also used for staging erection, QC, hauling, road, wire, conventional foundation, ESA, vegetation maintenance, micropile, and BMP crews.
- 12. SWAT Yard Water staging, helicopter operations, dust suppression, weed wash station operations, tower assembly, and staging for micropile, weed, erection, and BMP crews occurred (see Figures 9, 10, and 11).
- 13. S2 Yard No activity occurred in this yard. Restoration has been completed.
- 14. Sycamore Yard Dust suppression, helicopter operations, water staging, vegetation maintenance, and staging for assembly and road crews occurred.
- 15. Wilson Yard Helicopter operations, dust suppression, and tower assembly took place. This yard was also used for staging assembly and erection 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, water staging, dust suppression, tower hookers, tower assembly, and hauling steel took place in this yard.
- 19. Plaster City Yard Yard restoration is largely complete.

Federal Lands (USFS):

20. Thing Valley Yard – Helicopter operations, water staging, dust suppression, tower assembly, hauling steel to yard, and staging for QC, weed treatment, and micropile 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. Two two-striped garter snakes (*Thamnophis hammondii*) were found dead and four individuals were relocated from the vicinity of Kreutzkamp Yard. (Link 2)

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 1CPUC NTPs(Updated 04/26/2012)

	Date	Date	(Opdate	
NTP#	Requested	Issued	Segment	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 2VARIANCE REQUESTS(Updated 04/26/2012)

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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.

Variance	Date	Date		
Request	Requested	Issued	Segment	Description
#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 EP 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.
#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.

Variance Request	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment	Description
#25	09/01/11	09/09/11	Links	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 Road.
#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	Retracted	Link 5	Additional work space at CP23 pull site.
#40	03/20/12	03/21/12	Link 5	Additional work space near GS-NF-7, San Vicente Reservoir.
#41	04/17/12	Under Review	Link 2	Cinnamon Drive Road improvements near EP36-1.

# TABLE 3TEMPORARY EXTRA WORKSPACE (TEWS) REQUESTS(Updated 04/26/2012)

<b></b>			(Opulled	04/20/2012)
TEWS	Date	Date	Contract 1	
Request	Requested	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 Road West
TEWS #6	03/24/11	03/24/11	Link 4	Parking at 5840 Willows Road 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 Road
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 Road (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 Road.

TEWS	Date	Date		
Request	Requested	Approved	Segment	Description
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 Road.
TEWS #33	02/09/12	02/09/12	Link 5	Additional parking area between CP75 to CP88.
TEWS #34	03/06/12	03/06/12	Link 5	Additional parking area along Hwy 67.
TEWS #35	03/26/12	03/27/12	Link 1	Additional parking area between EP227/EP228.

# **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 04/26/2012)

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 Operation s	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.

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Туре	Date	Location	Description
FS NCR #2	11/03/11	Links	Fire Plan and Traffic Control Plan violations.
		2&5	
FS NCR #3	11/30/11	Links	Tower assembly, erection and wire stringing work is
		2&5	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	01/07/12	Links	Third non-compliance for violating the Forest Service Fire
Order	0_,0,,	2 & 5	Plan.
FS NCR #4	02/01/12	Link 2	Failure to make timely notification following rope/wire
13 NCN #4	02/01/12		drop between CP100 to CP99.
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FS NCR #5	02/06/12	Links	Helicopter incursions into Golden Eagle Habitat Buffers.
		2 & 5	
NCR #5	02/08/12	Link 1	Construction outside of approved work spaces, intrusion
			into ESA, and violation of Desert Pavement Plan.
NCR#6	04/13/12	Links	Repeated load carrying without appropriate netting.
		1, 2, & 5	

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

### TABLE 5 PROJECT INCIDENTS (Updated 04/26/2012)

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.

Туре	Date	Location	Description
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 339, at the EP 339 construction site, 3 of the 4 hooks released and caused an emergency placement of the steel at the site. While in the process of placing on the ground, the 4 <sup>th</sup> hook released and the tower fell to the ground. No injuries 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.
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.

Туре	Date	Location	Description
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 oper- ations near CP107 and rolled down hill to injure a worker trying to stop them. Minor vegetation damage that was surveyed by onsite biologist.
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 by 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.

Туре	Date	Location	Description			
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 Road 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 activitie 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.			
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.			

Туре	Date	Location	Description			
Incident	01/13/12	Link 2	An unanticipated release of a compressor mid-flight approximately 400 ft 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 wa 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 CP64/6 and released livestock that was present. Monitors were brought onsite to herd them back into the pen and ensur 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 outsid 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.			
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.			

Туре	Date	Location	Description			
Incident	02/01/12	Link 2	Helicopter breached the GE buffer at the Thing Valley region by an unknown amount. No resources impacted.			
Incident	02/13/12	Link 2	Several contractor vehicles were parked outside of the ROW on brush adjacent to Cameron TT near EP109. Link Lead was contacted and item was corrected.			
Incident	02/24/12	Link 2	Helicopter dragged a long line through vegetation outside of workspace at EP109. Minor vegetation impacts.			
Incident	02/25/12	Link 5	Helicopter experienced a hard landing at the Sycamore C and damage was incurred. No injuries or impacts were noted. Investigation is ongoing.			
Incident	02/27/12	Link 3	Trash was noted to Link Lead at the Wilson CY.			
Incident	02/28/12	Link 1	Project activities were noted to be occurring in PBHS area without concurrence from Wildlife Agencies provided to CPUC monitors. Follow up discussion occurred with WA.			
Incident	02/29/12	Link 1	Debris was noted to the Link Lead as being blown around JVR CY during Air Crane operations.			
Incident	03/02/12	Link 2	Kmax helicopter dropped cribbing near EP5. No reports of injuries or impacts.			
Incident	03/08/12	Link 1	Trash in several areas along the ROW, particularly the mylar taping utilized for bird deterrents, has been noted in various locations. Issue is currently being addressed.			
Incident	03/12/12	Link 2	Vehicle was noted to be parked outside approved workspace and within the drip line of an oak tree.			
Incident	03/14/12	Link 1	A helicopter noted to be operating prior to 7am at the Rough Acres Construction Yard.			
Incident	03/20/12	Link 1	Crew vehicles were noted to be parked outside of approve workspaces along Old Hwy 80. Vehicles were immediate moved upon notification.			
Incident	03/20/12	Link 1	Marker balls were being staged inside a noted ESA at the Jacumba Valley Ranch Yard. They were immediately moved outside of the ESA and no impacts were noted.			
Incident	03/21/12	Link 1	Work equipment was placed outside of approved workspace via helicopter ate EP225. Corrective action was immediately taken upon notification.			
Incident	03/22/12	Link 1	Vehicle was noted to be parked outside of approved workspace near EP205-1 and project personnel was observed to be smoking in a non-designated area.			
Incident	03/27/12	Link 2	Vehicle was noted to be parked within a bird buffer near EP90.			
Incident	03/27/12	Link 2	Two helicopters noted to be operating prior to 7am at the SWAT Construction Yard.			
Incident	03/28/12	Link 2	Breaches within the Arroyo Toad exclusionary fencing between EP65 and EP69 were noted to the Link Lead.			

Туре	Date	Location	Description		
Incident	03/29/12	Link 1	Trash at EP190 and dust on McCain Valley Road was noted to the Link Lead.		
Incident	03/31/12	Link 1	Bulldozer was noted to have parked outside of approved workspace along the access road to EP236. The equipment was moved upon notification to the crew.		
Incident	04/02/12	Link 1	Parking occurred in unapproved project areas near S-2 Yard. Immediate corrective action was taken upon notification to Link Lead.		
Incident	04/04/12	Link 1	Crew truck was noted to have parked outside of approve workspace along the access road to EP236. Monitors have placed additional signage along the road.		
Incident	04/09/12	Link 1	Crews were noted to not being utilizing a designated pa (which avoids an ESA) from TSAP to EP137-1. A warning was given and crews were addressed.		
Incident	04/10/12	Link 1	Trash was observed at EP187 pull site.		

# **CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS**

Table 6 provides a summary of construction progress through the end of the subject reporting period.

CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS						
	Total	Released for	Foundations	Towers	Wire	
Agency	Towers	Construction	Completed	Erected	Installed	
Non-Federal	169	169	168	146	111	
Bureau of Land Management	179	179	175	151	121	
US Forest Service	76	76	75	26	17	
Miramar	14	14	14	14	11	
Total	438	438	432	337	260	

TABLE 6CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS

# **PROJECT PHOTOGRAPHS**



Figure 1: Travelers being installed at Tower EP253-2. (Link 1)



Figure 2: Clean-up at EP243/EP244 pull site. (Link 1)



Figure 3: Guard structures at EP251/EP252 over Old Highway 80. (Link 1)



Figure 4: EP187-2 pull site North. (Link 1)



**Figure 5:** Micropile work at EP56-4 near Kreutzcamp Construction Yard. (Link 2)



Figure 6: Traffic control along Alpine Boulevard. (Link 4)



**Figure 7:** Wire pull at CP49-1 pull site. (Link 5)



Figure 8: Jute installation along cut slopes at Suncrest Substation. (Link 3)



**Figure 9:** Bulldozer at SWAT Construction Yard has become an "Environmentally Sensitive Area" due to birds nesting within it. (Link 2)



Figure 10: Bird deterrent plastic tarps at SWAT Yard have been dislodged by recent storms. (Link 2)



Figure 11: Bird nest in crane at SWAT Construction Yard. (Link 2)