



To	Jennifer Kaminsky, San Diego Gas and Electric Company (SDG&E)
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Subject	Sycamore – Penasquitos 230 kV Transmission Line Project Pre-Construction Bat Clearance Survey Results
From	Matt Rahn, Partner, Principal Scientist
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On May 13, 2017 Rahn Conservation Consulting, LLC (RCC) biologist Matt Rahn performed a bat clearance survey in the three areas of potential suitable bat habitat located adjacent to Carroll Canyon Road along the west side of the Sycamore – Penasquitos 230 kV Transmission Line (SX-PQ) Project. The three areas of potential suitable bat habitat were previously surveyed on February 10, 2017 and addressed in the SDG&E SX-PQ Bat Survey Results Report dated February 16, 2017. Bat surveys were conducted in accordance with the SX-PQ Project Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMCRP) Mitigation Measure (MM) Biology-10.

As recommended in the Bat Survey Result Report, potential suitable bat habitat areas were re-surveyed during the maternity roosting season (April/May and August) and included a daytime survey, as well as an assessment at emergence using thermal imaging and echolocation. No maternity roosts or colonies were observed during the bat surveys. The results of the bat clearance survey align with the results of the Bat Survey Report, as the potentially suitable habitat was marginal and did not contain the ideal features for roosting colonies (open crevices and structures suitable for bats to roost in). As a result of the negative findings, no bat monitoring and/or buffers will be implemented unless biologists notice the presence of bats during construction activities.

Regards,

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