

Comment Set E.7: Applicant – Cultural Resources

**ANTELOPE-PARDEE 500kV TRANSMISSION PROJECT
 SCE COMMENTS & SUGGESTED REVISIONS ON DEIR/DEIS
 C.4 CULTURAL RESOURCES**

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Comment No.	Section	Page	Line	Comment	Remarks/How Suggested to Resolve
1	C.4.5	C.4-13	6	This sentence states, "If cultural resources can be avoided, they need not be evaluated as stipulated in the programmatic agreement between the Forest service, SHPO, and ACHP."	The Programmatic Agreement should be capitalized and then abbreviated (PA) due to numerous occurrences in the document. The PA needs to be cited and a reference included in the bibliography
2	C.4.5 Resources Outside the Angeles National Forest- Mitigation Measures for Impact C-14	C.4-22	1	The following statement "Conduct Construction Monitoring in the Project Area and Evaluate the Eligibility of Previously Undiscovered Resources) is overly broad. It should state, "(Conduct Construction Monitoring in Previously Identified Sensitive Areas and ESAs in the Project Area and Evaluate the Eligibility of Previously Undiscovered Resources)."	It should state, "(Conduct Construction Monitoring in Previously Identified Sensitive Areas and ESAs in the Project Area and Evaluate the Eligibility of Previously Undiscovered Resources)." This comment applies to all Sections where this statement is written, as this text repeats throughout the document (also on pages C.4-29, C.4-31, C.4-34, C.4-42, and C.4-47.
3	C.4.5 Resources Outside the Angeles National Forest- Mitigation Measures for Impact C-14	C.4-22	2	The following statement, "All ground-disturbing activities on ridge tops and in canyon bottoms in the Project area shall be monitored by an archaeologist" is too broad and should be changed.	It should state, "All ground-disturbing activities within and/or adjacent to previously identified sensitive areas shall be monitored by an archaeologist." If the project area has already been surveyed for cultural resources, there is no need to monitor all ridge tops and canyon bottoms.
4	C.4.7 Records Search Results	C.4-26	9	This sentence states, "Five of the 12 cultural resources are within the Alternative 2 APE... and four Forest Service roads."	In table C.4-3 the number of resource types are not consistent with the paragraph above the table. The table states "Six of the 12 cultural resources are within the Alternative 2 APE...and five Forest Service roads." Please confirm and correct accordingly.

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5	C.4.11-No Project/Action Alternative	C.4-47	3	This sentence states, "As a result, removal, avoidance, or protection of Cultural Resources would be required."	It should state, "As a result, removal, avoidance, or protection of Cultural Resources would not be required."

E.7-5

Response to Comment Set E.7: Applicant – Cultural Resources

- E.7-1 The suggested changes regarding capitalization and abbreviation have been made in the Final EIR/EIS. The PA has been cited and a reference has been included in the bibliography of the Final EIR/EIS.
- E.7-2 The mitigation measure title for Impact C-14 has been changed to “Conduct Construction Monitoring in Sensitive Areas in the Project Area, Evaluate the Eligibility of Previously Undiscovered Resources, and Perform Archaeological Data Recovery if Eligible” in the Final EIR/EIS.
- E.7-3 The first sentence of the mitigation measure for Impact C-14 has been changed to “All Project-related ground-disturbing activities in sensitive areas, defined as ridge tops and canyon bottoms and within 500 feet of identified cultural resources, shall be monitored by an archaeologist.” The field survey identified cultural resources on the surface, but there could be undiscovered subsurface resources on ridge tops and in canyon bottoms.
- E.7-4 The number of Forest Service roads has been changed from “four” to “five” in this sentence in the Final EIR/EIS.
- E.7-5 The sentence has been rewritten as follows in the Final EIR/EIS: “As a result, avoidance, protection, or data recovery of Cultural Resources would not be required.”