



Aspen *Environmental Group*

PROJECT MEMORANDUM PG&E NORTHEAST SAN JOSE TRANSMISSION REINFORCEMENT PROJECT

To: Roosevelt Grant, CPUC
From: Vida Strong, Aspen Project Manager
Date: April 10, 2003
Subject: Weekly Report #45: March 31, 2003 – April 6, 2003
CPUC Environmental Monitor (EM): Jody Fessler

Summary of Activity:

Wednesday, April 2:

The CPUC EM conducted a site visit of poles #1(a) and (b) at the north end of the project segment, where crews were working up on a crane lift (see Figure 1). Crews were working at pole #3 removing the temporary travelers. No crews were working at poles #2, #4 and #5 at the time of the site visit, they will be working on the poles later in the afternoon. The CPUC EM observed that the work sites were neat and clean and that crews were staying within the project work areas.

Along the underground segment, crews were working at man-hole vaults #1 and #2 on Cushing Parkway. Splicing crews were also working at man-hole vaults #4, #6, #8 and #9. Traffic signs and cones were placed around the work areas. At the Mervyn's staging area, crews were working at that location and the area was observed to neat and clean.

Crews were also working on attaching underground cable to pole #9 L at the west end of Cushing Parkway. Crews were staying within the project work area and the site was neat and clean. At the south end of Fremont Boulevard, cones were placed around poles #10 L and R (see Figure 2). Cable reels were placed at that location. No crews were observed working at the time of the site visit.

The CPUC EM conducted a site visit of the Los Esteros Substation, where crews were working at various areas around the site. The CPUC EM observed that the site was neat and clean. In the field west of the Los Esteros Substation site, crews were pulling cable. Crews were staying within the project work area and the sites were neat and clean.

No work was being conducted around poles #11, #12, and #13 at the King & Lyons property nor along McCarthy Boulevard where poles #14 R & L, #15 R & L, #16, and #17 R & L are located. Finally, no work was being conducted at the San Jose/Santa Clara Water Pollution Control Plant's property today.

Saturday, April 5:

The CPUC EM conducted a site visit of poles #1(a) and (b) through pole structure #5 where crews were connecting jumpers to the cable at several pole locations using a crane lift. The CPUC EM observed that the work areas were neat and clean and that crews were staying within the project work areas.

At the west end of Cushing Parkway, a crew was working on connecting cable from the underground segment to the overhead segment. Crews were also working on connecting insulators to the overhead cable at poles #9(a) and (b). The CPUC EM observed that the work area was neat and clean.

At the Los Esteros Substation, a crew was working at the site grounding and cable terminating. Crews were also working in the Operations Building. The CPUC EM walked around the site and observed that the site was neat and clean. In the field west of the Los Esteros Substation, crews were pulling cable

between poles NT1 and NT7 (see Figure 3). The CPUC EM observed that crews were staying within the project work area and keeping the sites neat and clean.

Along the underground segment, crews were splicing cable and working in man-hole vaults #1 and #2 on Cushing Parkway. The CPUC EM observed that crews were staying within their work areas and that all sites were neat and clean.

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Environmental Compliance:

On April 2, the CPUC EM observed that all sites were in compliance with mitigation measures adopted in the EIR and other permitting requirements.

On April 5, the CPUC EM observed that all sites were in compliance with mitigation measures adopted in the EIR and other permitting requirements.

On April 9, Essex Environmental Group notified Aspen Environmental Group that PG&E intends to energize the Newark to Los Esteros circuit of the NESJ Project on May 13nd. The energization of the Los Esteros to Metcalf circuit will follow to meet the overall June 1 energization date. The pre-energization notice was provided in accordance with Mitigation Measure PS-3.

Notices to Proceed (NTP):

CPUC issued the NTP for the Trimble to Montague 115kV upgrade on April 8.

Variance Requests:

No Variance Requests were submitted for review during the subject week.

TABLE 1
VARIANCE REQUEST STATUS TABLE
(Updated 04-10-03)

Variance Request #	Date Submitted	Description	Status	CPUC Approval Date
1	6/11/02	Disposal of excavated material, corner of Fremont Boulevard and Cushing Parkway, Fremont.	Completed	6/11/02
2	6/13/02	Material/equipment yard, 42400 Boyce Road, Fremont.	Completed	See Underground NTP
3				
4	6/26/02	Reduce biological buffer from 250 to 15-feet at existing structure, Los Esteros Substation.	Completed; 25-foot buffer approved.	7/5/02
5	7/9/02	Extra work space area for Line F bore, west of Fremont Blvd.	Completed	7/12/02
6	9/6/02	Change the location of the permanent access road to the Los Esteros Substation.	Completed	9/23/02
7	10/23/02	Use of a portion of the Mervyn's property for equipment and material storage for underground construction.	Completed	11/12/02
8	10/23/02	Use of a laydown yard at 800 Spreckles Ave., City of Alviso, for equipment and material storage for overhead construction.	Completed	10/31/02
9	02/04/03	Install ground wire peaks and string optical ground wire (OPGW) from the 230kV towers being built as part of the NESJ Project to the Newark Substation utilizing the existing Metcalf to Newark/Tesla to Newark No. 2 transmission line easement.	Completed	02/18/03



Figure 1
Pole Structure #1(a) and (b)
April 2, 2003



Figure 2
Poles #10 L and R
April 2, 2003



Figure 3
Cable Stringing in the Field West of the Los Esteros Substation
April 5, 2003