



Aspen *Environmental Group*

PROJECT MEMORANDUM PG&E NORTHEAST SAN JOSE TRANSMISSION REINFORCEMENT PROJECT

To: Roosevelt Grant, CPUC
From: Vida Strong, Aspen Project Manager
Date: July 2, 2003
Subject: Weekly Report #57: June 23, 2003 – June 29, 2003
CPUC Environmental Monitor (EM): Jody Fessler

Summary of Activity:

Friday, June 27:

The CPUC EM conducted a site visit of poles #1 L and R through pole structure #5, where no new work had been conducted since last week's site visit. The sites were observed to be neat and clean. On July 2, Bob Bonderud, PG&E, submitted concurrence from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Catellus Pacific Commons Preserve for the removal of the access road to pole structure #5 on the Catellus Preserve.

At poles #9 L and R, the CPUC EM observed a crew member working on the irrigation system. New grass sod has been laid around the base of the poles since last week. The area was observed to be neat and clean. At pole #8 through poles #6 L and R, no new work had occurred since last week.

Landscape work and clean-up along the underground segment appears to be completed. The CPUC EM is waiting for landowner sign-off on the work that has been done.

At the south end of Fremont Boulevard near poles #10 L and R, new grass sod has been laid around the poles, as well as some bark. Bushes have also been planted at those locations. The site was observed to be neat and clean.

The CPUC EM conducted a site visit of the King & Lyon's property and observed a couple of wood poles near pole #13 that still need to be removed. All other sites were observed to be neat and clean.

Along McCarthy Boulevard, the CPUC EM noted that all of the pole locations along that segment were completed and were observed to be neat and clean. Some revegetation may be necessary around poles #14 L and R depending upon the agreement with the City of Milpitas.

No crews were observed working along the Trimble – Montague Segment. It appeared that all of the new conductor lines have been strung through the new poles' arms. PG&E still has to transfer the distribution line from the existing wood poles to the new steel poles (see Figure 1). The sites were observed to be neat and clean.

In the field west of the Los Esteros Substation site, a few wooden poles were observed in the PG&E right-of-way that still need to be removed. The sites were observed to be neat and clean.

The gate was locked to the Los Esteros Substation site and no access was available. A new fence has been erected on the north side of the property just outside the substation site where landscaping will be installed (see Figure 2). No landscaping has been started at that location.

No access was available to the San Jose/Santa Clara Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) at the time of the site visit. The CPUC EM is waiting for confirmation from the WPCP that sites are acceptable.

Environmental Compliance:

On June 27, the CPUC EM observed that all sites were in compliance with mitigation measures adopted in the EIR and other permitting requirements. As noted above, some restoration/clean-up activities remain along the project right-of-way.

Notices to Proceed (NTP):

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

Variance Requests:

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

TABLE 1
VARIANCE REQUEST STATUS TABLE
(Updated 07-02-03)

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
10	04/17/03	Delay implementation of landscaping at the Los Esteros Substation.	Completed	04/29/03



Figure 1
Trimble to Montague Segment Facing East
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Figure 2
New Fence around North Side of Los Esteros Substation Property
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