

California Public Utilities Commission Mitigation Monitoring, Compliance, and Reporting Program

Mira Sorrento Distribution Substation Project

Compliance Status Report: 020

November 24, 2013

SUMMARY

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) is responsible for overseeing implementation of the mitigation measures set forth in the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Mira Sorrento Distribution Substation Project. The CPUC has established a third-party monitoring program and adopted a Mitigation Monitoring, Compliance, and Reporting Program (MMCRP) to ensure that measures approved in the MND to mitigate or avoid impacts are implemented in the field. This MMCRP status report is intended to provide a description of construction activities on the project, a summary of site inspections conducted by the CPUC's third-party monitors, the compliance status of mitigation measures required by the MMCRP, and anticipated construction activities. This compliance status report covers construction activities from November 18, to November 24, 2013.

MITIGATION MONITORING, COMPLIANCE, AND REPORTING

Site Inspections/Mitigation Monitoring

A CPUC third-party environmental compliance monitor conducted site observations at the Mira Sorrento Distribution Substation project site within the approved work limits. Areas of active and inactive construction within the project limits were observed to verify implementation of the mitigation measures stipulated in the project's MMCRP. Site observations were documented on daily site inspection forms and applicable mitigation measures were reviewed in the field.

Implementation Actions

Construction activities observed during this reporting period primarily consisted of continued excavation and construction of the screening wall foundation (see Attachment A – Photo 1). The screening wall, located along the perimeter of the substation pad, is being constructed to minimize visual contrast with surrounding areas in accordance with APM-AES-2. In addition, construction crews were observed building getaways (see Attachment A – Photo 2) to connect the Mira Sorrento Distribution substation to existing SDG&E infrastructure and finalizing work adjacent to the newly constructed drainage features in the substation pad.

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In accordance with APM-HYD-1, SDG&E has prepared a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) under the General Construction Permit, and is implementing Best Management Practices (BMPs) to avoid or minimize potential impacts to water quality. Storm water control BMP's including silt fencing and straw wattles along the western perimeter, silt fencing along the eastern perimeter, and rows of straw wattles along the slope adjacent to the eastern perimeter were observed to be maintained in good working order. Inlet protection BMP's, such as filter fabric covers and surrounding gravel bag barriers were observed at storm drains adjacent to the project site (see Attachment A – Photo 3). Anti-dirt tracking control devices, including a rock apron and rumble plates, remain at the site ingress/egress to minimize dirt tracking onto the offsite road of Mira Sorrento Place. Drip pans were utilized beneath staged equipment to prevent potential leaks from equipment being discharged onto the soil (see Attachment A – Photo 4).

In accordance with MM-BIO-3, stickers indicating that on-site personnel had completed the Worker Environmental Awareness Program (WEAP) were visible on construction workers' hardhats. In the WEAP training, workers were educated about the sensitive resources that may be encountered on-site and how to comply with project specific environmental regulations.

Mitigation Measure Tracking

Mitigation measures applicable to the construction activities were verified in the field and documented in the CPUC's mitigation measure tracking database. A complete list of mitigation measures and applicant proposed measures is included in the MND for the Mira Sorrento Distribution Substation Project, as adopted by the CPUC on December 27, 2012 (Decision D.12-12-017).

Compliance

Pre-construction mitigation measures have been completed as indicated in CPUC NTP No. 001 (see Attachment B). Applicable mitigation measures were verified during site inspections and were determined to be implemented in accordance with the MMCRP.

CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS

Construction activities during this reporting period consisted of the continued construction of the substation perimeter visual screening wall foundation, the continued construction of getaways including concrete pouring, and the finishing of newly constructed drainage features within the substation pad.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

Mira Sorrento Distribution Substation Construction (CPUC NTP No. 001) – SDG&E began clearing activities at the Mira Sorrento project site on July 8, 2013. Grading activities and erecting the retaining wall have been completed.

Crews have also begun construction the screening wall and getaways.



ATTACHMENT A Photos



Photo 1: Construction continued on the foundation for the perimeter screening wall during this reporting period. The screening wall is being constructed to minimize visual contrast with surrounding areas in accordance with APM-AES-2.



Photo 2: Construction of getaways continued during this reporting period to connect existing SDG&E distribution lines to the Mira Sorrento Distribution Substation.

ATTACHMENT A (Continued)



Photo 3: In accordance with APM-HYD-1, inlet protection BMP's were being utilized at storm drains located along the project site perimeter and were observed to be maintained in good working order.



Photo 4: In accordance with APM-HYD-1, drip pans were used beneath staged construction equipment to prevent potential leaks from being discharged onto the soil.

ATTACHMENT B Notices to Proceed

			Conditions Included
NTP No.	Date Issued	Description	(Y/N)
CPUC - 001	June 21, 2013	Construction of the Mira Sorrento Distribution Substation Project	Υ



ATTACHMENT C Minor Project Refinement Request

Minor Project Refinement Request No.	Submitted	Description	Status	Approval
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

