

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

**Lassen Substation Project** 

**Compliance Status Report: 06** 

October 31, 2021

#### **SUMMARY**

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) is responsible for overseeing implementation of the mitigation measures set forth in the Final Initial Study (FIS)/Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Lassen 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 FIS/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. Photos of site observations are included in Attachment A of this report. Summaries of the Notices to Proceed (NTP) and Minor Project Refinements (MPR) are provided in Attachments B and C, respectively.

This compliance status report covers construction activities from October 1- October 31, 2021.

#### CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE AND PROGRESS

PacifiCorp began construction activities associated with NTP-1 in March 2021. All project activities are scheduled to be complete by the end of 2022.

During this reporting period, crews set up for and poured concrete and cleaned the site before demobilizing.

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#### MITIGATION MONITORING, COMPLIANCE, AND REPORTING

#### Site Inspections/Mitigation Monitoring

A CPUC third-party environmental compliance monitor (ECM) conducted site observations in areas under active construction to verify implementation of the mitigation measures stipulated in the project's MMCRP. Observations were documented using site inspection forms, and applicable applicant proposed measures (APMs) and mitigation measures (MMs) were reviewed in the field.

#### Implementation Actions

During this reporting period, the CPUC ECM observed the lead Environmental Monitor (EM) on site, implementing measures intended to avoid resources to the fullest extent possible (APM BIO-6). The ECM and EM discussed future work for 2021, including completing compaction and final grading and site restoration (recontouring, decompaction, and hydroseeding) per the project's Revegetation Plan and Stormwater Pollution and Prevention Plan (SWPPP) best management practice (BMP) BMP EC-4. During site inspections, trash was observed collected and contained per APM BIO-11and staged materials were kept tidy (see Photo 1—Attachment A). The ECM observed repair of SWPPP BMPs including the concrete washout liner (see Photo 2—Attachment A) and straw wattles, and observed and repair of minor gullying due to the recent storm event (see Photo 3—Attachment A). Other SWPPP BMPs were observed undamaged (see Photos 4 and 5—Attachment A).

Per the Fire Plan for the project (MM HAZ-2) fire suppression tools, including extinguishers, Pulaski's, and 5-gallon pumps were observed staged on site in accordance with MM HAZ-2 (See Photo 1—Attachment A).

#### Mitigation Measure Tracking

Mitigation measures applicable to the construction activities were verified in the field and documented in the CPUC's mitigation measure tracking table. A complete list of mitigation measures and applicant proposed measures is included in the FIS/MND in the Decision, as adopted by the CPUC on May 16, 2018 (Decision 18-05-014) and the Mitigation Monitoring, Compliance, and Reporting Program (MMCRP).

#### Compliance Status

No non-compliance events were observed or reported during this reporting period.

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PROJECT COMPONENTS	PERCENT COMPLETE					
Substation Construction						
Lead/Asbestos Removal on Existing Structures	100%					
Demolition of Existing Structures	100%					
Tree Removal	100%					
Excavation	100%					
Foundation Installation	100%					
Backfill	100%					
Conduit installation	100%					
Ground Grid Installation	100%					
Fencing Installation	100%					
Surfacing Material Installation	35%					
Structure Erection	100%					
Equipment Installation	95%					
Bus Installation	100%					
Low Voltage Wiring	95%					
Testing & Commissioning	10%					
Boring under 1-5						
Site preparation	0%					
Boring	0%					



## ATTACHMENT A Photos



**Photo 1**: Stored equipment was observed tidy and fire equipment was staged on site in accordance with the project's Fire Plan (MM HAZ-2).



Photo 2: The concrete washout was re-lined prior to use.

## **ATTACHMENT A (Continued)**



**Photo 3:** Operator restoring the west side of the substation.



**Photo 4:** SWPPP erosion control BMPs (fiber rolls) were observed in good condition along the project boundary in accordance with APM WQ-1.

## **ATTACHMENT A (Continued)**



**Photo 5:** The stabilized construction entrance (gravel base) was observed in compliance with the SWPPP (APM WQ-1).

# **ATTACHMENT B Notices to Proceed**

NTP No.	Date Issued	Description	Conditions Included (Y/N)
CPUC - 001	March 1,2021	Construction activities associated with NTP-1 (New Substation and I-5 Boring)	Υ

## ATTACHMENT C Minor Project Refinement Request

Minor Project Refinement Request No.	Submitted	Description	Status	Approval
None submitted to				
date				