

	<p><b>California Public Utilities Commission</b> <b><i>Mitigation Monitoring, Compliance, and Reporting Program</i></b></p>
	<p><b>South of Palermo 115 kV Reinforcement Project</b></p> <p><b>Compliance Status Report: 09</b></p> <p><b>March 31, 2019</b></p>

**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 South of Palermo 115 kV Reinforcement 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 March 1 through March 31, 2019.

**CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE AND PROGRESS**

PG&E began construction activities associated with NTP-1 on July 1, 2018. Additional construction activities associated with NTP-2 were started concurrently on September 6, 2018. Construction of additional project elements associated with NTP-3 were started on March 27, 2019. All project activities are scheduled to be complete by the end of 2021.

Transmission line crews completed reconductoring on the Pease Sub-line Segment, and began reconductoring along the Palermo Sub-line Segment and continued installing structures and foundations on the South of Palermo Segment. Winterization work continued at several access routes, landing zones, and pull sites as permitted by weather conditions.

**MITIGATION MONITORING, COMPLIANCE, AND REPORTING**

***Site Inspections/Mitigation Monitoring***

A CPUC third-party EM conducted site observations in areas under active construction. Areas of active and inactive construction were observed 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***

Activities observed during this reporting period included installation of guard structures to protect roadways during wire pulling, installation of track-out mats (APM HYDRO-1), and installation of foundations and poles (see photos 1 and 2).

The CPUC EM verified that nesting bird surveys were conducted as required by APM BIO-11. A number of active bird nests were identified during the location surveys and identified resources within the vicinity of active work areas were appropriately staked and buffered and/or no work activities occurred in the vicinity in accordance with nesting bird avoidance and minimization measures detailed in APM BIO-11. In addition, the CPUC EM observed that construction crews were reminded to check staged materials and equipment for nesting birds prior to moving (see photo 3).

During the reporting period, the EM observed that Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Best Management Practices (BMPs) such as silt fencing and wattles were maintained in good condition in accordance with APM HYDRO-1 (see photo 4).

Temporary traffic controls were observed during construction work along Lincoln Boulevard in compliance with APM TRA-1 (see photo 5).

Appropriate air transit coordination protocols were implemented for helicopter work in accordance with APM TRA-2.

### ***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 for the Power Line Reinforcement Project, as adopted by the CPUC on May 16, 2018 (Decision 18-05-014) and the MMCRP.

### ***Compliance Status***

No non-compliances were issued this reporting period. One minor deviation was reported on March 20, 2019. A small amount of coolant was spilled on the ground when crews were repairing a work truck. Crews placed absorbent pads to soak up the spilled material satisfactorily and no sensitive resources were affected

## ATTACHMENT A Photos

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**Photo 1:** New foundation installed during the reporting period at site 1/11.

## ATTACHMENT A (Continued)

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**Photo 2:** Crews were observed installing a pole base at site 3/28.



## ATTACHMENT A (Continued)



**Photo 3:** Staged materials at LZ 4/31. The CPUC EM verified that crews were reminded to check inside staged materials for nesting birds prior to moving.

## ATTACHMENT A (Continued)



**Photo 4:** Installed silt fencing BMPs were observed to be in good condition near Landing Zone 1/11, in accordance with APM HYDRO-1.

## ATTACHMENT A (Continued)



**Photo 5:** Temporary traffic controls were observed during construction work along Lincoln Boulevard in compliance with APM TRA-1.

## ATTACHMENT B Notices to Proceed

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NTP No.	Date Issued	Description	Conditions Included (Y/N)
CPUC - 001	June 14, 2018	Construction activities at select locations along the Bogue Sub-Line Segment, the Pease Sub-Line Segment, and the South of Palermo Line.	Y
CPUC - 002	September 6, 2018	Construction activities which would take place concurrently with work covered under NTP-1 at select locations along the Bogue Sub Line Segment, the Pease Sub Line Segment, and the South of Palermo Line.	Y
CPUC - 003	March 27, 2019	Remaining construction activities at select locations along the Rio Oso Sub Segment, the Pease Sub Line Segment, and the South of Palermo Line.	Y



## ATTACHMENT C

### Minor Project Refinement Request

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Minor Project Refinement Request No.	Submitted	Description	Status	Approval
001	July 09, 2018	Requested to add an approximately 400-by-600 foot landing zone/pull site along the Pease Sub-Line Segment and also the relocation of an approximately 200-by-200 foot landing zone along the Bogue Sub-Line Segment.	Approved	07/19/18