



DCRT  
TEN WEST LINK TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT  
**MINOR PROJECT REFINEMENT  
REQUEST FORM**

<b>Date Submitted:</b>	4/5/23	<b>Request #:</b>	MPRR 008
<b>Date Approval Required:</b>	4/10/23	<b>Landowner:</b>	Multiple private landowners, BLM
<b>APN:</b>	N/A – bat roost avoidance would not affect ground disturbance or require landowner authorization.		
<b>Refinement from (check all that apply):</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigation Measure	<input type="checkbox"/> APM	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawing
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):			
<b>Identify source (mitigation measure, project description, etc.):</b>			
Section 9.1.2 of the Avian Protection /Bird and Bat Conservation Strategy Plan states: “Currently, DCRT plans to avoid construction in California during the accepted breeding season (March 1 to July 31) to mitigate potential effects to roosting colonies...”			
DCRT now intends to work during the maternity season under a restricted approach to ensure compliance with all necessary mitigation measures.			
<b>Attachments (check all that apply):</b>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Refinement Screening Form (Attachment A)	<input type="checkbox"/> Photos (Attachment D)	<input type="checkbox"/> Maps (Attachment B)	<input type="checkbox"/> BLM Variance Request
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): Mitigation Measures (Attachment B), Bat Roost Potential – Summary Table (Attachment C), Bat Habitat Survey Reports (Attachment D), BLM Variance 41 (Attachment E), CDFW Approval (Attachment F)			<input type="checkbox"/> Landowner/APN List
<b>As identified in Section 3.3 of the MMCRP, the CPUC may approve minor project refinements under certain circumstances. In accordance with Section 3.3 of the MMCRP, respond “yes” or “no” to the following questions (a) through (d).</b>			
(a) Is the proposed refinement outside the geographic boundary of the FEIS study area?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
(b) Will the proposed refinement result in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously identified significant impact based on the criteria used in the FEIS, Appendix 1C?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
(c) Does the proposed refinement conflict with any mitigation measure or applicable law or policy?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
(d) Does the proposed refinement trigger an additional permit requirement?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Describe refinement being requested (attach drawings and photos as needed):</b>			
Per the Final Environmental Impact Statement and the Final Plan of Development and as stipulated by BMP BIO-40 and MM WIL-CEQA-4, Project activities would not be sited within 500-feet of an occupied or presumed occupied maternity roost for special status bat species. The full language of the appropriate mitigation measures relating to bats is provided in Attachment B. The presumed maternity season for bats in the Project area is March 1 through July 31. Due to lack of right of entry in the California agricultural areas, widespread baseline surveys cannot be conducted to confirm bat use or			

species. Due to this limiting factor, DCRT had previously intended to comply with BMP BIO-40 through a voluntary avoidance season since adequate surveys could not be conducted to identify species. It has been noted by qualified biologists that there is a general lack of suitable bat roosts in the Project area. As such, DCRT is refining the mitigation approach to allow work to continue, but to still comply with the required mitigations BMP BIO-40, MM WIL-CEQA-4, and MM WIL-CEQA-5 where potential bat roosts exist.

**Provide need for refinement (attach drawings and photos as needed):**

Need the refinement in order to allow work to continue within 500-feet of *potential* bat roosts when an absence of bat emergence is confirmed (i.e. no roosting activities are taking place).

**Date refinement is expected to be implemented:** April 10, 2023

**DCRT Approvals**

Title	Name	Approval Initials	Date	Conditions (see attached)	
Project Manager	Lowell Rogers			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Environmental Project Manager	Randy Schulze			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

**Landowner Approval (if required)**

Landowner Name	Signature or Other Consent (see attached)	Date
N/A	N/A – landowner access not needed.	

**Resource Agency Coordination**

Resource Agency	Name	Action Required	Date	Documentation (see attached if yes)	
Bureau of Land Management (via Compliance Inspection Contractor)	Brian Parker	Variance approval	3/27/23	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
CDFW	David Vigil	Concurrence	4/4/23	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
CPUC	Eric Chiang	MPPRR Approval		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No