

# Pipeline Safety and Reliability Project – New Natural Gas Line 3602 and De-rating Line 1600 (PSRP)

# Environmental Review under the California Environmental Quality Act



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Public Scoping Meetings May 23, 24, & 25, 2017



### **Presentation Overview**

- Purpose of Public Scoping for our CEQA Environmental Review
- Overview of the Proposed Project
- CPUC Application Review Process Overview
- Project Routing Alternatives and Other Project Alternatives
- Public Participation Opportunities During Scoping Period
- Ways to Comment





### Purpose of the Public Scoping Process and Meetings

- Gather comments and input from stakeholders <u>at the</u> <u>beginning</u> of the environmental review process.
- Learn about the CPUC application review process and the proposed project.
- Based on your comments, identify the range of:
  - Alternatives;
  - Environmental effects; and
  - Mitigation measures to analyze in the CPUC's Environmental Impact Report (EIR).





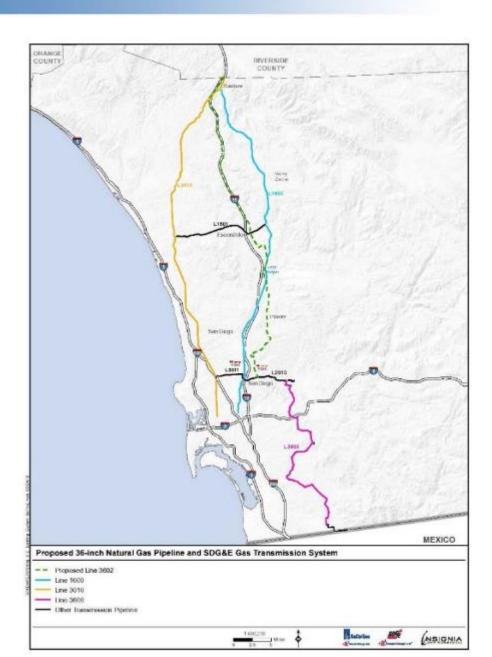
# The proposed project would include two main components:

- 1. New 47-mile natural gas pipeline (Line 3602) with a diameter of 36 inches (3 feet); and
- 2. De-rating (lowering the operating pressure) an existing 16-inch pipeline (Line 1600).

Line 3602, if constructed, would be located within San Diego County and cross unincorporated communities (e.g., Rainbow) and the cities of:

- Escondido;
- Poway; and
- San Diego.

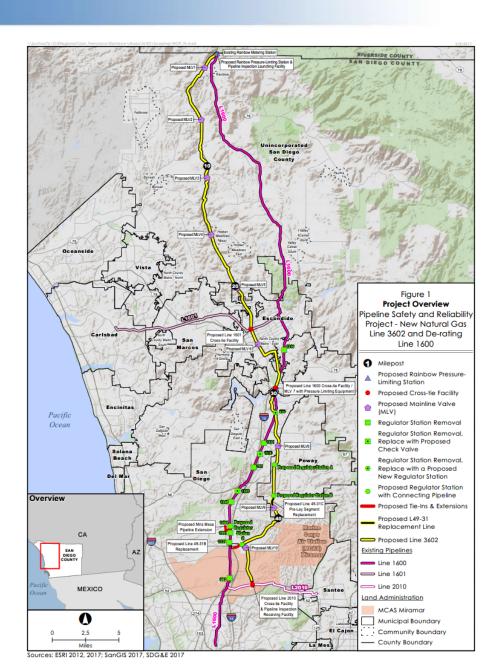
It would also cross federal land within Marine Corps Air Station Miramar.





# Proposed Natural Gas Pipeline 3602

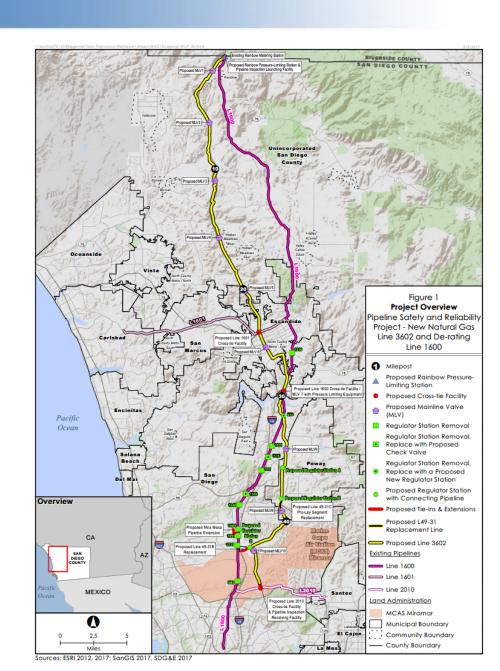
- Approximately 41 miles would be installed within or adjacent to roads.
- Approximately 6 miles would be installed cross country.
- Proposed support facilities include:
  - Rainbow Pressure-Limiting Station;
  - 10 mainline valves (MLVs);
  - Three cross-tie facilities for existing Lines 1600, 1601, and 2010; and
  - Minor operation support facilities including pipeline inspection launching and receiving equipment, cathodic protection system, and fiber optic intrusion and leak detection system.
- It would be a state-of-the-art pipeline.





# De-Rate Existing Pipeline 1600

- Remove eight regulator stations that would not be replaced
- Remove two regulator stations and replace them with check valves
- Remove one regulator station and replace it with a new regulator station
- Construct three new regulator stations and connection pipelines
- Construct a pipeline extension, the Mira Mesa Pipeline Extension (0.88 miles)
- Replace pipeline 49-31B (0.70 miles)
- Replace pipeline 49-31C (the Pre-Lay Segment Replacement; 1.08 miles)





# **CPUC Application Review Process**

In consideration of San Diego Gas & Electric Company and Southern California Gas Company's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Application (filed on September 30, 2015), the CPUC conducts two review processes:

- Environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
- 2) Project Need and Cost Review Proceeding
  - The "Formal Proceeding"
  - Application A.15-09-013 (A1509013)





## California Environmental Quality Act

#### Environmental Review Process

PEA Reviewed and Deemed Complete

Notice of Preparation of EIR and Public Scoping

#### WE ARE HERE

**Public Scoping Meetings** 

Draft EIR Prepared

Draft EIR Circulated for Public Review and Comment

Public Meetings for the Draft EIR

Final EIR and Responses to Comments Prepared

Contact our CEQA team at: SDgaspipeline@ene.com

#### **Application Review Process**

Project Proponents File an Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN), which includes the Proponent's Environmental Assessment (PEA)



Administrat<mark>ive Law Ju</mark>dge's (ALJ) Proposed Decision

> Public Comment on ALJ's Proposed Decision

Commissioners' Vote Whether to Certify EIR and Approve CPCN Application



#### Project Need and Cost Review Proceeding

Protests to Application Filed

Response to Protests

Pre-Hearing Conference

Scoping Memo

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Testimony, Hearings, and Briefs

Evidentiary Hearings

Contact CPUC Public Advisor <a href="mailto:Public.Advisor@cpuc.ca.gov">Public.Advisor@cpuc.ca.gov</a>



## **CEQA Environmental Impact Report**

The CPUC is the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Lead Agency.

#### The CPUC Energy Division, Infrastructure Permitting and CEQA Section will:

- Review the proposed project to identify potential environmental impacts, analyze alternatives, and develop measures to avoid or mitigate impacts, if feasible.
- Prepare a Draft and Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) to document the proposed project's potential impacts on the environment on a number of resources areas, including, among others:
  - Transportation and Traffic;
  - Public Services and Utilities;
  - Hazards and Hazardous Materials;
  - Air Quality;
  - Greenhouse Gas Emissions;

- Cultural Resources;
- Hydrology and Water Quality;
- Land Use and Planning;
- Noise;
- Biological Resources; and
- Others (see display poster and handout)



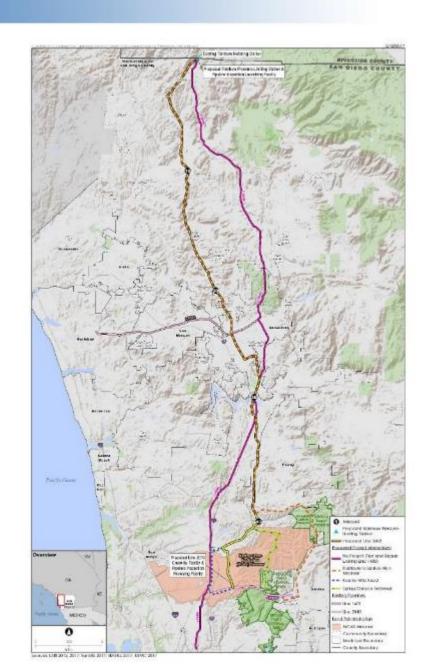


### **Proposed Project Alternatives**

- No Project Alternative (i.e., replace or pressure test and then repair/replace Line 1600 in sections as needed)
- Rainbow to Santee Non-Miramar Alternative
- Kearny Villa Road Alternative
- Spring Canyon Firebreak Alternative

#### Other Alternatives

- Alternate Receipt Points (e.g., Otay Mesa, Mexican Border)
- Alternate Energy Sources (e.g., battery storage and solar/wind/renewable energy)





# Public Participation Opportunities during the CEQA Review

- Scoping Period is May 9, 2017, through June 12, 2017. All public scoping comments must be received, or postmarked if hardcopy, by June 12, 2017
- Schedule beyond the CEQA public scoping period is an estimate
  - Join the CPUC's PSRP mailing list to receive project updates and notification of the locations and times for the Draft EIR public meetings
  - Check the CPUC PSRP website frequently at <a href="http://sandiegopipeline-psrp.com">http://sandiegopipeline-psrp.com</a> for schedule updates





# Ways to Comment on the CEQA Review

- Provide written comments and drop them into a **comment box** at a public scoping meeting
- Speak with the **court reporter** today at the public scoping meeting to record your verbal comments
- Submit comments **online** on the CPUC's PSRP website at <a href="http://sandiegopipeline-psrp.com">http://sandiegopipeline-psrp.com</a>
- **Email** comments to <a href="mailto:SDgaspipeline@ene.com">SDgaspipeline@ene.com</a>
- Mail written comments to:

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  California Public Utilities Commission

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RE: Pipeline Safety and Reliability Project c/o Ecology and Environment, Inc. 505 Sansome Street, Suite 300 San Francisco, CA 94111

CEQA/Environmental
Review Scoping Comments
due no later than Monday,
June 12, 2017
(postmark date if mailed)

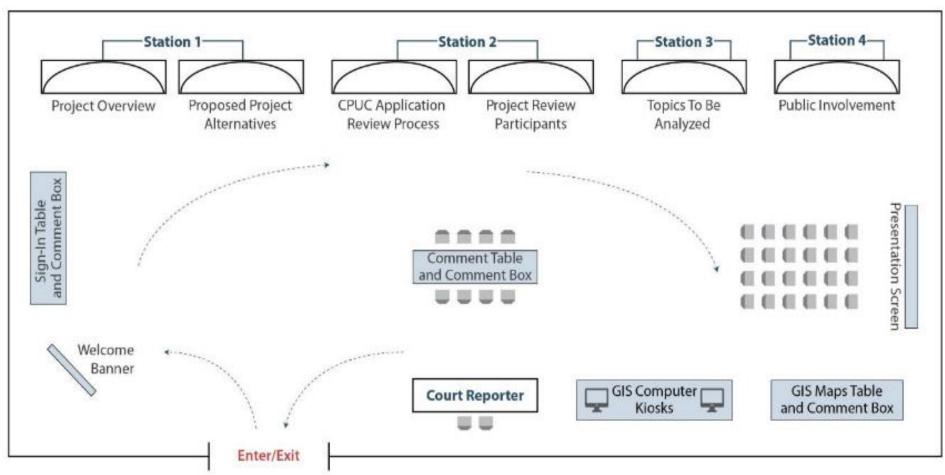


# **Considerations for Commenting**

- Personal knowledge you may have about the proposed project, location, or environmental issues
- Mitigation measures you think would help reduce or avoid potential impacts
- Studies, topics, or issues you think need to be considered and analyzed in the EIR
- Concerns you have about the proposed project
- Focus on the resource area or EIR section within which your comment best fits and review that section of the EIR to see that your comments was addressed







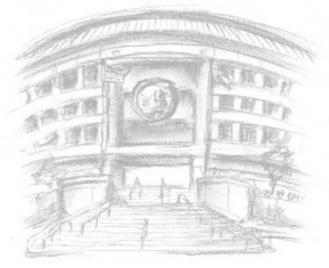
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# Thank you! For Additional Information:

CEQA Environmental Review
Project Website (and mailing list additions)
<a href="http://sandiegopipeline-psrp.com">http://sandiegopipeline-psrp.com</a>



Getting Involved and Staying Informed about the A.15-09-013 Formal Proceeding (i.e., the courtroom proceeding)

Contact: CPUC Public Advisor's Office (866) 849-8390 of (415) 703-2074

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