July 10, 2025

Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Power Santa Clara Valley Project (A. 24-04-017); State Clearinghouse No. 2024090200

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to evaluate the potential environmental effects associated with LS Power Grid California, LLC's (LSPGC) application (A. 24-04-017) for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct, operate, and maintain the Power Santa Clara Valley Project (Project).

Lead Agency: California Public Utilities Commission

Project Title: Power Santa Clara Valley Project

Project Location: The Project is located in the city of San José and unincorporated Santa Clara County.

Project Summary: The Project would include the construction of two new high-voltage direct current (HVDC) terminals, the proposed Skyline and Grove HVDC Terminals, and three new transmission lines connecting the proposed HVDC terminals. The new transmission lines would include: (1) an approximately 13-mile underground transmission line connecting the proposed Grove HVDC Terminal to the proposed Skyline HVDC Terminal called the "Grove to Skyline 320-kilovolt (kV) Direct Current Transmission Line"; (2) an approximately 1.2-mile underground transmission line connecting the proposed Grove HVDC Terminal to the existing PG&E Metcalf Substation called the "Metcalf to Grove 500 kV Alternating Current (AC) Transmission Line"; and (3) an approximately 100-foot overhead transmission tie line connecting the proposed Skyline HVDC Terminal to the existing PG&E San Jose B Substation called the "Skyline to San Jose B 230 kV AC Transmission Tie Line". The Project would also include modifications to the existing PG&E Metcalf and San Jose B substations, as well as modifications to Coyote Ranch Road and Coyote Creek Trail, to accommodate the proposed new HVDC terminals and transmission lines.

Significant Environmental Effects: The CPUC has prepared a Draft EIR analyzing the Project's potential environmental effects. The Project would have significant and unavoidable impacts related to Cultural Resources and Tribal Cultural Resources that cannot be mitigated to a less-than-significant level. The Project would have a less-than-significant impact (with or without mitigation measures) regarding the following CEQA resource areas: Aesthetics; Agriculture and Forestry Resources; Air Quality; Biological Resources; Energy; Geology, Soils, and Paleontological Resources; Greenhouse Gas Emissions; Hazards and Hazardous Materials; Hydrology and Water Quality; Land Use and Planning; Mineral Resources; Noise and Vibration; Population and Housing; Public Services; Recreation; Transportation; Utilities and Service Systems; and Wildfire.

Availability of Draft EIR: Copies of the Draft EIR are available for public review on the Project website: https://ia.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/esa/pscv/index.html.

Public Review: A 45-day comment period for the Draft EIR begins Thursday, July 10, 2025, and ends at 5:00 p.m. Monday, August 25, 2025. Written comments should reference the Power Santa Clara Valley Project, A. 24-04-017. Include your name, address, and phone number or email address so we may contact you for clarification if necessary. Send written comments to:

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In order for members of the public and regulatory agencies to have an opportunity to submit verbal comments on the Draft EIR, a hybrid (in-person and online) meeting will be held as noted below.

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING INFORMATION **A hybrid Zoom meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 5, 2025**		
Day and Date	Tuesday, August 5, 2025	
Time	6:00 p.m.	
Location	Tully Community Branch Library 880 Tully Road San Jose, CA 95111	
Attend virtually by	Zoom Link: https://bit.ly/PSCVmeeting or by phone: (888) 788-0099 Webinar ID: 815 7241 1949	