

Table B.3.4-2. Applicant Proposed Measures – Biological Resources

| APM | Description |
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| APM BR-1 | In areas where the six subtransmission pole replacements would occur and where the telecommunication cable would be strung, the speed limits on all unpaved areas of the Proposed Project would be a maximum of 15 mph. |
| APM BR-2 | A Worker Environmental Awareness Program (WEAP) would be prepared, and all construction crews and contractors would be required to participate in WEAP training prior to starting work on the project. The WEAP training would include a review of the special-status species and other sensitive resources that could exist in the Project site and vicinity, the locations of the sensitive biological resources, their legal status and protections, and measures to be implemented for avoidance of these sensitive resources. A record of all personnel trained would be maintained. |
| APM BR-3 | Pre-construction biological clearance surveys, including surveys and monitoring, would be performed to avoid or minimize impacts on special-status plants, breeding birds, or wildlife species. |
| APM BR-4 | All replaced poles would be designed to be avian-safe in accordance with the Suggested Practices for Raptor Protection on Power Lines: The State of the Art in 2006 (Avian Power Line Interaction Committee [APLIC], 2006). |
| APM BR-5 | During the installation of fiber optic telecommunication cable and subtransmission poles, potential habitat for the desert tortoise and Mohave ground squirrel will be avoided to the extent feasible. This will be accomplished through restricting vehicles to previously established access roads, with the oversight of biological monitors, and accessing the poles via bucket truck or climbing of the poles. In addition, the biological monitors will be responsible for avoiding impacts to nesting migratory birds (including burrowing owls) and drainages during construction through the use of appropriate mitigation measures, as determined by the monitoring biologist. |