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PROJECT MEMORANDUM SCE TRANSMISSION PROJECTS, SEGMENTS 1 - 11

To: John Boccio, Project Manager, CPUC **From:** Vida Strong, Aspen Project Manager

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Subject: Weekly Report 138: September 12–18, 2010

INTRODUCTION

This report provides a summary of the construction and compliance activities associated with the following SCE transmission projects:

- Antelope-Pardee 500 kV Transmission Project, Segment 1, including Antelope Substation expansion;
- Antelope Transmission Project, Segments 2, 3A and 3B, including the Windhub and Highwind Substations; and
- Tehachapi Renewable Transmission Project, Segments 4 through 11, including Whirlwind Substation and the expansion of Vincent Substation.

A summary of the Notices to Proceed with construction and Variance Request activity are also provided (see Tables 1 and 2, respectively, near the end of this report). Finally, a summary of Temporary Extra Workspace and non-compliance activity are provided in Tables 3 and 4, respectively.

CPUC/Aspen Environmental Monitors (EM): Stephanie Jayne, Jenny Slaughter and Allison Roth

SEGMENTS 1-3: ANTELOPE-PARDEE AND ANTELOPE TRANSMISSION PROJECT

Summary of Activity:

- 1. Construction of Segments 1, 2, and 3A have been completed. Segment 3B, from Windhub Substation to and including Highwind Substation has not been constructed.
- Construction activities in the Antelope Substation expansion consisted of groundwork being conducted for the 500 kV switchrack, forms being placed in the cable basins of the AA banks, a 66 kV crew worked on the riser poles, construction of the MEER building and the installation of perimeter fence around the substation expansion continued.
- 3. Habitat restoration has not been completed in Segment 1. ECORP and Nature's Image are conducting maintenance activities including weeding in areas previously seeded. Areas still requiring treatment in Segment 1 include Wire Stringing Site 3 and Tower 9.
- 4. Revegetation for Segments 2 and 3A is scheduled for Fall 2010.
- 5. The wind farm CPC West Line that ties into the Windhub Substation was energized on Saturday, September 12, 2010 (see Figure 1). Segment 3A is energized to 220 kV.
- 6. Material for Segment 3B is being stored at the Highwind Yard.





Environmental Compliance:

1. SCE is working to develop a solution for the channel incision that occurred immediately downstream of the rip-rapped stream channel at the Windhub Substation site. Once a plan is developed, it will be submitted to the CPUC. SCE is also pursuing the acquisition of the stream channel property.

No Non-Compliance Reports or Project Memoranda were issued for Segment 3 construction activities during the subject period. Non-Compliance activities for the project to date are summarized in Table 4.

Agency Representatives during Construction (other than CPUC EMs):

None

TECHAPI RENEWABLE TRANSMISSION PROJECT (TRTP) SEGMENTS 4-11

The SCE Tehachapi Renewable Transmission Project was evaluated in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act and a Certification of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) was granted by the CPUC on December 17, 2009.

SEGMENTS 4, 5, AND 10 - ANTELOPE VALLEY

Summary of Activity

- 1. Final grading of the Vincent Substation expansion has been put on hold for approximately one month due to engineering changes. The contractor, H&H Grading, stopped work as of Friday, September 17th.
- 2. KV Structures (foundation contractor for Henkels and McCoy) drilled the foundations and poured concrete at Tower 34, Segment 4 (see Figure 2). Equipment was moved to Tower 35 to conduct foundation work.
- 3. Vehicle and equipment delivery continued at the Racetrack Yard. Material delivery continued at Material Yard 28.

Environmental Compliance:

- 1. H&H Grading (contractor for Henkels and McCoy) installed silt fence around the perimeter of the disturbance area at Towers 34 and 35 of Segment 4 prior to starting foundation work (see Figure 3).
- 2. At Material Yard 28, torn sand bags were identified by the CH2MHill monitors and addressed by the Burns and McDonnell site representative during regular site visits.
- 3. SCE and Henkels are ensuring that all vehicles and equipment arrive to the work site in a clean manner to prevent the spread of noxious weeds.
- 4. A site visit was conducted on Segment 5 to verify flagging at Towers 58A to 62 on Wednesday, September 15th. Some of the disturbance area flagging was unclear and not all identified resources had been flagged. SCE and Henkels were asked to address these flagging issues. Additional flagging and ESA signs had been installed and were visible during the site visit conducted on Friday, September 17th.

No Non-Compliance Reports or Project Memoranda were issued during the subject period for TRTP construction activities. Non-Compliance activities for the project to date are summarized in Table 4.

Agency Representatives during Construction (other than CPUC EMs):

None

SEGMENTS 6 AND 11 - ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST

Summary of Activity

1. The Final EIS was released by the Forest Service on September 14, 2010. The ANF Record of Decision is expected to be issued in early October 2010. Construction is expected to begin in late 2010 or early 2011.

SEGMENTS 7 AND 8 - LOS ANGELES AND SAN BERNARDINO COUNTIES

Summary of Activity

- 1. During the subject period, SCE crews continued work on the Rio Hondo–Amador-Jose-Mesa 66 kV Line Re-Route, as well as on the Chino Substation 66 kV Relocation. Construction in Baldwin Park on the Rio Hondo–Amador-Jose-Mesa 66 kV line was within a nursery south of Ramona Boulevard and I-605 and towards I-10. Work included the setting of pole ground anchors, pole installation, and preparation to string wire (see Figure 4). The work in the City of Chino on the Chino Substation 66 kV Relocation included transferring poles from the Mira Loma Substation to the SCE right-of-way and starting with the setting of poles between Eucalyptus Avenue and Chino Hills Parkway.
- 2. Work for the Segment 7 Telecom has been completed.
- 3. Work on Segment 8 Telecom occurred along Peyton Drive in Chino Hills and between Chino Avenue and 12th Street. The work along Peyton Drive consisted of underground work, which included trenching, placing conduit in the trench and then backfilling the conduit with dirt, concrete slurry and asphalt (see Figure 5). The aerial work consisted of preparing existing poles by adding arms and other infrastructure, and then installing fiber optic line. As per the permits from the City of Chino Hills, all Segment 8 Telecom work needs to be completed by September 24th.
- 4. Contractor activity at the Mesa Yard during the subject period included minor grading activity and the installation of fence around the perimeter of the yard.
- 5. Work at Rancho Vista Yard primarily consisted of the delivery and off-loading of equipment and materials. In addition, trenching for the installation of grounding wire for electrical hook-ups was finished.
- 6. Construction of the new Mira Loma-Vincent DC 500 kV T/L (referred to as Segment 8 Phase 1) commenced on September 16. Work began at wreck-out Tower M66-T2 in the City of Chino between Eucalyptus Avenue and Edison Avenue. Crews began attaching hardware to towers in preparation to remove 220 kV wire (see Figure 6)
- 7. Wilson Construction Company, the contractor for Segments 7/8 Transmission Lines, is using Mira Loma Yard as a marshalling yard and is storing construction equipment there. A dumpster and gravel were delivered to the yard on September 17th.

Environmental Compliance:

1. A kick-off meeting was held for Segment 8 Phase 1 on September 16th. SCE, Wilson, Burns and McDonnell, ICF International, CH2MHill and Paleo Solutions staff, as well as the CPUC EMs, discussed expectations and rules for environmental compliance for Segment 8 Phase 1.

No Non-Compliance Reports or Project Memoranda were issued during the subject period for TRTP construction activities. Non-Compliance activities for the project to date are summarized in Table 4.

Agency Representatives during Construction (other than CPUC EMs):

None

CPUC NOTICES TO PROCEED (NTPS) & ANF PERMITTING

Table 1 summarizes the CPUC Notice to Proceed and ANF permitting activity for the Antelope-Pardee Transmission Project, Segments 1, 2, and 3, to date.

TABLE 1 CPUC NTPS & ANF PERMITTING

(Updated 09/27/2010)

(Updated 09/27/2010)					
NTP #/ Permit	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment #	Description	
CPUC NTPs, Segments 1-3					
For CPUC NTP and Addendum activity on Segments 1-3 prior to 2010, please see Table 1 in Weekly Reports 106-					
#26	12/18/09	01/05/10	1	Expansion of Antelope Substation.	
CPUC Addendum	12/21/09	01/19/10	1	Permanent AR 19 and access road to Const 34A.	
CPUC Addendum	12/21/09	01/19/10	1	Permanent refueling basin at Hydrant Yard.	
#27	12/23/09	01/05/10	3B	Oak Peak Communication Site	
CPUC Addendum	01/25/10	02/01/10	2	Reclassification of two temporary roads to permanent and relocation of transposition poles.	
Revised CPUC Addendum	02/10/10	02/19/10	2	Relocate two previously approved transposition towers from Const 110 to Const 105.	
#28	02/10/10	02/18/10	3B	Highwind Marshalling Yard	
#29	02/10/10	03/02/10	1	Relocation of the Sagebrush Transmission Line at the Antelope Substation expansion area.	
CPUC Addendum	03/17/10	03/26/10	3A	Vertical mulching, capping of a portion of the existing roadway, and making this overland route a permanent access for SCE operations and maintenance to Const 43.	
CPUC Addendum	04/06/10	04/27/10	3B	Elimination of transposition towers in Segment 3B.	
CPUC Addendum	04/16/10	04/22/10	1	Installation of fiber optics surrounding the Antelope Expansion.	
CPUC Addendum	05/25/10	06/04/10	1	Permanent overland travel routes for Operation and Maintenance inspections.	
CPUC Addendum	05/25/10	06/04/10	2	Permanent overland travel routes for Operation and Maintenance inspections.	
			CPUC N	TPs Segments 4-11	
#1	01/13/10	02/11/10	4, 5, 10	Yard 28	
#2	01/28/10	03/10/10	9	Vincent Substation Expansion	
#3	03/09/10	04/01/10	7,8	Rancho Vista Yard	
CPUC Addendum	04/09/10	04/19/10	9	Changes to Substation components.	
#4	01/27/10	04/26/10	7, 8	Segment 7 and 8 Cell Sites	
#5	01/27/10	04/30/10	7	Segment 7 Telecom	
#6	03/29/10	05/12/10	7,8	Mesa Materials Storage Yard	
#7	05/12/10	05/28/10	8	Segment 8 telecommunications.	
#7 Mod	08/20/10	08/20/10	8	Minor re-routes to Segment 8 Telecom	
#8	04/27/10	06/04/10	8	Segment 8 Contractor Yards	

NTP #/ Permit	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment #	Description
#9	07/21/10	07/29/10	7	Segment 7 Contractor Yards
#10	04/08/10	08/03/10	7, 8	66 kV re-route and relocation
#11	05/08/10	08/12/10	8	Segment 8 Transmission Line, Chino Hills, Phase I
#12	07/28/10	08/20/10	4, 5, 10	Segment 4, 5, 10 Contractor Yards
#13	07/19/10	08/24/10	8	Segment 8 Transmission Line, Phase 2 and 3
#14	08/25/10	09/03/10	4	Partial Transmission Line work associated with an LADWP outage
#15	08/13/10	09/10/10	5	Segment 5 Transmission Line
#16	08/30/10	09/13/10	4	Segment 4 Transmission Line
#17	08/10/10	09/24/10	7	Segment 7 Transmission Line
	06/22/10	Under review	9	Whirlwind Substation
		AN	IF PERMTT	ING – Segment 1, 6 & 11
	11/29/07	12/14/07	1	Radio Repeater – installation of a temporary radio repeater site on Sierra Pelona Ridge to provide communication during construction activities tied to the project. Improvement installation began Jan. 11
	09/27/07	12/14/07	1	Geotechnical testing – 23 geotechnical borings are authorized on National Forest lands to provide additional information that will be used in the design of the transmission towers. Notice to proceed was signed Jan 31 to begin work the week of Feb. 3
		07/14/08	1	Removal of the 66 kV conductor within the ANF, from tower 7-3 (near southern Forest boundary) to 16-3 (near Bouquet Reservoir) Phase I.
		09/23/08	1	Removal of the 66 kV conductor within the ANF, Phase II
		10/23/08	1	Construction of the 500 kV transmission line and wreck-out of the 66 kV towers in the ANF, Section 2.

VARIANCE & TEMPORARY EXTRA WORKSPACE REQUESTS

 $Variance\ Requests\ and\ Temporary\ Extra\ Workspace\ (TEWS)\ Requests\ submitted\ to\ date\ are\ summarized\ in\ Tables\ 2\ and\ 3,\ respectively.$

TABLE 2 VARIANCE REQUESTS (Updated 09/27/2010)

Variance Request	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment #	Description
		V	ariance Reque	sts, Segments 1-3
For Varian	nce Request act	ivity on Segme	ents 1-3 prior	to 2010, please see Table 2 in Weekly Reports 106-107.
VR #66	01/11/10	01/19/10	1	Modify the requirements of Mitigation Measure B-1a (Provide Restoration/Compensation for Impacts to Native Vegetation Communities) to fulfill a request from the property owner.
VR #67	01/15/10	01/19/10	3A	Modify requirements of Mitigation Measure B-27b and APMs BIO-2 and BIO-7 to preserve cut Joshua trees onsite instead of off-site disposal to the extent possible for habitat creation purposes.

Variance Request	Date Requested	Date Issued	Segment #	Description
VR #68	04/09/10	04/12/10	1	Release restoration requirements on road to wreck-out tower 20-4 in Section 3.
VR #69	05/04/10	05/07/10	1	Contractor Yards surrounding Antelope Substation.
VR #69 MOD	07/29/10	08/02/10	1	Additional space for storage at Antelope Substation for material being delivered for Antelope, Vincent and Whirlwind substations.
VR #70	06/02/10	06/04/10	1	Additional disturbance areas adjacent to the pole erections for the 220 kV Sagebrush relocation work around the Antelope Substation.
VR #71	06/22/10	06/23/10	1	Change in construction work hours for work on the Sagebrush 220 kV transmission line.
VR #71 MOD #1	06/24/10	06/25/10	1	Expansion of construction hours for Sagebrush 220 kV T/L and foundation installation work at Antelope Substation.
VR #71 MOD #2	07/08/10	07/09/10	1	Further expansion of construction hours for Antelope Substation construction.
		Va	riance Reques	sts, Segments 4-11
VR #1	03/25/10	03/26/10	9-Vincent	Expand grading area of Vincent substation by 15 feet for temporary turn around areas for equipment.
VR #2	05/25/10	05/27/10	7	Relocation of helicopter landing zone for Segment 7 telecommunications work.
VR #3	06/08/10	06/10/10	7	Clarification of Segment 7 Telecom construction operating hours and to work the weekend dates of June 12, 13, 19, and 20, within the City of Irwindale
VR #4	08/11/10	08/13/10	9-Vincent	Utilize a fire hydrant along an unpaved spur road and also place two 10,000-gallon elevated water storage tanks adjacent to the hydrant.
VR #5	08/20/10	08/20/10	7	Night work for Segment 7 Telecom
VR #6	08/26/10	08/26/10	8	Work on weekends for Segment 8 Telecom.
VR #7	09/10/10	09/16/10	8	New wire setup and pull sites for Segment 8 Phase 1
VR#8	09/16/10	09/16/10	8	Clarification of construction hours for Segment 8 Phase 1
VR #9	09/14/10	09/20/10	Yard 28 & Rancho Vista Yard	Hotwork (welding and cutting) at Yard 28 and Rancho Vista Yard.

TABLE 3 TEMPORARY EXTRA WORKSPACE (TEWS) REQUESTS (Updated 09/27/2010)

TEWS Request	Date Requested	Date Approved	Segment #	Description			
	TEWS, Segments 1-3						
For 7	For TEWS activity on Segments 1-3 prior to 2010, please see Table 3 in Weekly Reports 106-107.						
	TEWS, Segments 4-11						
None to date							

NON-COMPLIANCES & INCIDENTS

A summary of Project Memorandum, Non-Compliance Reports, and other incidents to date is provided in Table 4.

TABLE 4
NON-COMPLIANCES, PROJECT MEMORANDA, AND OTHER INCIDENTS
(Undated 09/27/2010)

(Updated 09/27/2010)							
Type	Date	Location	Description				
	Non-Compliances, Project Memoranda & Other Incidents, Segments 1-3						
For Non-Complic	ances, Project M		ther Incidents activity on Segments 1-3 prior to 2010, please see Weekly Reports 106-107.				
Project Memorandum	04/27/10	3A	Delivery of equipment to Tower 43 within an ESA without monitors present.				
Incident	05/10/10	2	Relocation of artifacts from archaeological site near Tower 21 during Segment 2 construction.				
Incident	05/12/10	Antelope Substation	Fugitive dust leaving grading area.				
	Non-Complian	ces, Project Me	emoranda, & Other Incidents, Segments 4-11				
Incident/Level 1 SCE NCR	03/24/10	Vincent Substation	Construction encroachment into California Thrasher nest buffer.				
Incident	04/20/10	Rancho Vista Yard	Equipment mobilized to site before resource fencing was verified by CPUC EM.				
Incident/Level 1 SCE NCR	05/12/10	Vincent Substation	Resource buffer encroachment, construction within nesting bird buffers along Rockyford road.				
Incident/Level 1 SCE NCR	05/13/10	Vincent Substation	Resource buffer for common raven encroachment within substation.				
Incident	05/28/10	Windhub Substation	1 gallon fuel spill outside of Windhub substation.				
Incident	06/02/10	Antelope Substation	Active nest disappeared from inside the engine compartment of a water truck at the expansion area over the holiday weekend.				
Incident	06/03/10	Antelope Substation	Construction activities taking place without biological clearance surveys taking place. Resource buffer staking were in place.				
Incident	06/04/10	Antelope Substation	Resource buffer encroachment in the expansion area. Vehicle entered a nest buffer area, nest was not found.				
Incident/Level 2 SCE NCR	06/13/10	Segment 7 Telecom	Helicopter unloaded personnel and equipment in an unauthorized area.				
Incident/Level 2 SCE NCR	06/17/10	Vincent Substation	Cement truck stopped within nesting bird buffer along Rockford road.				
Incident/Level 2 SCE NCR	6/22/2010	Yard 28 Materials Yard	Vehicle drove through bird buffer exclusion zone.				
Project Memorandum	06/23/10	Segment 8 West CY	Vegetation clearing without preconstruction biological or clearance surveys within TRTP right-of-way.				
Incident/Level 1 SCE NCR	06/24/10	Yard 28 Materials Yard	Verizon employee parked within a bird buffer exclusion zone.				
Incident/Level 1 SCE NCR	7/6/10	Yard 28 Materials Yard	All Day Electric employee drove through a bird buffer exclusion zone.				

Type	Date	Location	Description
Incident/Level 1 SCE NCR	8/3/10	Segment 7 Telecom	Crews began work without a monitor present.
Incident/ Level 1 SCE NCR	09/9/10	Mesa Material Storage Yard	Water truck spraying water into jurisdictional drainage.

PROJECT PHOTOGRAPHS



Figure 1: Energized CPC West Line into the Windhub Substation.



Figure 2: KV Structures drilling foundation at Tower 34, Segment 4.



Figure 3: H&H Grading installing silt fence at Tower 34, Segment 4.



Figure 4: 66 kV crews working on the Rio Hondo-Amador-Jose-Mesa Line loosen wire on an old pole (left) and install cross-arms on a new pole in a nursery in Baldwin Park (right).



Figure 5: Segment 8 Telecom trenching work along Peyton Drive in Chino Hills.



Figure 6: Segment 8 Phase 1 crews attach travellers to wreck-out towers in preparation to remove 220 kV wire.