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RE: West of Devers Upgrade Project: Notice to Proceed No. 1

Dear Mr. Stevenson,

On April 4, 2017, Southern California Edison (SCE) submitted Notice to Proceed (NTP) Request No. 1 to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) for 10 Material Yards to support the West of Devers Upgrade Project (Project). Additional information was submitted by SCE on May 22, 2017. Under this NTP Request, SCE is seeking CPUC authorization to prepare the requested Material Yards for use during construction of the Project.

SCE’s West of Devers Upgrade Project was evaluated in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The mitigation measures described in the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) were adopted by the CPUC as conditions of project approvals. The CPUC voted on August 18, 2016 to approve SCE’s West of Devers Upgrade Project (Decision D.16.08.017) and a Notice of Determination was submitted to the State Clearinghouse (SCH# 2014051041). The CPUC also adopted a Mitigation Monitoring, Compliance and Reporting Program (MMCRP) to ensure compliance with all mitigation measures imposed on the West of Devers Upgrade Project during implementation.

As currently proposed by SCE, the West of Devers Upgrade Project includes multiple components (material yards, substation, distribution, telecommunication, and transmission). Separate NTPs will be issued for the substation, distribution and telecommunication work and for the transmission line portions of the project. This is a typical process for projects with multiple components. Given that the West of Devers Upgrade Project has been approved by the CPUC, as described above, this phased construction review process allows SCE to proceed with individual project components where compliance with all applicable mitigation measures and conditions can be documented.

This letter documents the CPUC’s thorough evaluation of all activities covered in this NTP, including the Mitigation Measure Requirements and Responsibilities table provided with the subject NTPR. The evaluation process ensures that all mitigation measures applicable to the location and activities covered in the NTP are implemented, as required in the CPUC’s Decision.

NTP No. 1 for 10 Material Yards for the West of Devers Upgrade Project is granted by the CPUC based on the factors described below.

**SCE NTP Request**

In support of construction of the new 220kV transmission line upgrade between Devers, El Casco, Vista, and San Bernardino substations, SCE is requesting authorization to mobilize, construct, and begin operation of the following yards:

1. Mountain View No. 1 Material Yard  
2. Lugonia Material Yard  
3. Grand Terrace Material Yard
4. Poultry Material Yard
5. San Timoteo Material Yard
6. Beaumont No. 1 Material Yard
7. Beaumont No. 2 Material Yard
8. Matich Material Yard
9. Hathaway No. 2 Material Yard
10. Devers Material Yard

The proposed work to be performed at the material yards is consistent with activities described in the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) (California Public Utilities Commission [CPUC], 2015) and the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) (Bureau of Land Management [BLM], 2016). These material yards would be used as reporting locations for workers, vehicle and equipment parking, and material storage. The material yards may also have construction trailers for supervisory and clerical personnel. Each material yard would require power, lighting for staging and security purposes, and telecommunications.

Materials commonly stored at the construction material yards would include, but not be limited to, construction trailers, construction equipment, portable sanitation facilities, steel bundles, steel/wood poles, conductor reels, OHGW or OPGW reels, hardware, insulators, cross arms, signage, consumables (such as fuel and filler compound), waste materials for salvaging, recycling, or disposal, and Best Management Practices (BMPs) materials (straw wattles, gravel, and silt fences).

Fuel and hydraulic fluids may be located at material yards. Normal maintenance and refueling of construction equipment may be conducted at these material yards. All refueling and storage of fuels would be performed in accordance with the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and the Hazardous Materials, Waste Management, and Soil Management Plan. BMPs would be employed to address the handling of hazardous materials during construction activities. Fuel from the construction material yards may be transported to other portions of the project area (e.g., structure locations, access roads, right-of-way [ROW], etc.) via mobile refuelers. When not in use, mobile refuelers would be subject to general containment provisions to contain potential leaks or spills.

A majority of materials associated with the construction efforts would be delivered by truck to designated material yards and stored until needed at the construction site. Some materials may be delivered directly to the temporary transmission and subtransmission construction areas.

The material yards may also host temporary helicopter operations. As currently planned, the Project would only require the use of light-duty and medium-duty helicopters (e.g., “A-Star” and “K-Max”). The material yards may serve as fueling and maintenance stations for the aircraft. Equipment and personnel may also be loaded and unloaded at the material yards.

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<td>Previously disturbed, vacant (fenced).</td>
<td>Industrial, Residential</td>
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<td>West of Mountain View Avenue and North of San Bernardino Avenue, Redlands</td>
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<td>Lugonia Material Yard:</td>
<td>Recently used as staging area for a pipeline project (fenced).</td>
<td>Commercial, Agricultural, Industrial, Utility Corridor*</td>
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<td>South of Lugonia Avenue &amp; West of Segment 1 Corridor, Redlands</td>
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<td>Grand Terrace Material Yard:</td>
<td>Vacant, previously disturbed SCE utility corridor.</td>
<td>Commercial, Public Facilities, Residential</td>
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<td>Northeast corner of Mt. Vernon Avenue and Canal Street, Grand Terrace</td>
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<td>Poultry Material Yard:</td>
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<td>Rural Mountainous, Rural Residential</td>
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<td>Directly in front of MCM Poultry, San Timoteo Canyon Road, Redlands</td>
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<td>San Timoteo Material Yard: 30595 San Timoteo Canyon Road, Redlands</td>
<td>Previously disturbed, vacant.</td>
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<td>Beaumont No. 1 Material Yard: Northeast corner of South California Avenue &amp; East Third Street, Beaumont</td>
<td>Previously used as a staging area for an electrical project (fenced, gravel).</td>
<td>Public Facilities</td>
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<td>Beaumont No. 2 Material Yard: 853 E. Third Street, East of Maple Avenue, Beaumont</td>
<td>Previously used as a staging area for an electrical project (fenced, gravel).</td>
<td>Public Facilities</td>
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<td>Matich Material Yard: Southwest corner of E. Theodore Street &amp; N. Hathaway Street, Banning</td>
<td>Previously disturbed, vacant (50% concrete).</td>
<td>Industrial, Residential</td>
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<td>Hathaway No. 2 Material Yard: Northeast side of East Williams Street and North Hathaway, Banning</td>
<td>Unimproved, ruderal, adjacent to disturbed/developed areas.</td>
<td>Office, Residential</td>
<td>15.7</td>
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<td>Devers Material Yard: East of SCE’s Devers Substation</td>
<td>Currently in use as staging area for an electrical project (fenced, gravel).</td>
<td>Public Facilities, Rural Desert</td>
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<td><strong>Total Acreage</strong></td>
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## Resource Information

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<td>Grand Terrace Material Yard</td>
<td>Grassland/Forbland¹</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>Low, Moderate, Very High</td>
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¹ Mapped as grassland/forbland, but highly degraded. Previously disturbed utility corridor. Regularly mowed.

## Project Activity Schedule

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<td>Not applicable (N/A)</td>
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**Major Construction Activities**

**Access Roads**

No new access roads are required for material yard development or operation. Access would be from public access routes and/or existing access routes or disturbed/developed lands within the yard footprint.

**Site Preparation**

Preparation of the material yards would include temporary perimeter security fencing and screening. Depending on existing ground conditions at the site, grubbing existing vegetation and the application of gravel or crushed rock may be required. The installation of electric and internet services will be required to support construction trailers and security lighting. These portable construction trailers will be brought onsite along with sanitation facilities. Stormwater BMPs will be installed as required by the SWPPP.

Site preparation will comprise the majority of major construction activities. Material yards with insufficient surface conditions could require minor grading activities for elevation consistency.

Existing vegetation and debris within the material yards will be cleared. There are seven proposed material yards which do not have sufficient surface conditions and require the import and spreading of gravel:

- Mountain View No. 1 Material Yard
- Lugonia Material Yard
- Grand Terrace Material Yard
- Poultry Material Yard
- San Timoteo Material Yard
- Matich Material Yard (50 percent concrete)
- Hathaway No. 2 Material Yard

The remaining three proposed material yards have existing gravel or concrete surfaces and will require limited surface improvements.

There are five proposed material yards that do not have existing perimeter security fencing and require the construction of a temporary perimeter fence and screening:

- Grand Terrace Material Yard
- Poultry Material Yard
- San Timoteo Material Yard
- Matich Material Yard
- Hathaway No. 2 Material Yard

The remaining five material yards have existing perimeter security fencing and do not require the construction of a new perimeter fence, but may require the installation of screening along the existing fence.

Temporary electrical and telecommunication services will be installed for the construction trailer and for temporary security lighting. These connections would be established from the nearest existing facilities (e.g., distribution pole) and/or service provider connection. If temporary electrical connection with an existing facility cannot be established,
portable generators will be used. Portable generators will comply with air quality requirements and will be shielded from adjacent noise-sensitive receptors, when feasible.

During site preparation, construction personnel will arrive and park personal vehicle onsite. The number of construction personnel onsite will vary, depending on the activities to be performed that day.

Equipment onsite for site preparation will vary depending on the level of improvement needed. For the Beaumont 2 Yard, for example, site preparation would only likely require cleanup of existing debris, establishment of onsite power and communications, and setup of offices trailers. By comparison, the Poultry and San Timoteo material yards will require development, including vegetation removal, grading and/or compaction, and installation of gravel, perimeter fencing/screening, office trailers, material storage containers, etc. The following is a list of potential equipment used for development of unimproved yards:

- Commercial mowers/brush hog
- Bulldozer
- Grader
- Vibratory Roller
- Gravel hauler
- Light-duty crane
- Backhoe/loader
- Forklift
- Line truck (e.g., Telsta)
- Dump Truck
- Pickup Truck
- Water Truck
- Refueling equipment

When activities have ceased for the night and personnel have vacated the site, available access gates will be secured. Local noise and construction-hour ordinances will be adhered to. If noise or construction-hour ordinances cannot be complied with, authorization from the local jurisdiction will be obtained prior to the construction activity.

Site Operations

Following site preparation, the material yards may be used for typical daily activities: construction personnel parking of personal vehicles, use of construction trailers, availability of portable restrooms, refueling and equipment maintenance and repair, temporary stockpile of material, structure assembly, waste disposal containers, and helicopter support.

During material yard operation, construction personnel will arrive and park personal vehicles onsite. The number of construction personnel onsite will vary, depending on the size of the yard, project components supported from the yard, activities to be performed that day, and other factors.

The following is a list of potential equipment used onsite for material yard operation:

- Light-duty crane
- Backhoe-loader
- Flatbed truck
- Skid Steer
- Forklift
- Line truck (e.g., Telsta)
- Water Truck
- Refueling equipment
- Maintenance Truck
- Utility Vehicles

A majority of materials associated with the construction efforts would be delivered by truck to designated material yards, while some materials may be delivered directly to the construction areas.

Any land that may be disturbed at the material yards would be restored to preconstruction conditions or to conditions agreed upon between SCE and the landowner following the completion of construction for the proposed Project. Fencing and other improvements at the material yard locations may stay in place post-construction per the landowner's request. Table B-6 of the FEIR indicates that all yard disturbance is permanent, and no restoration would occur.

Night Use

When activities have ceased for the night and personnel have vacated the site, all access gates will be secured, and security lighting affixed to the temporary construction trailer will be employed. This lighting system would use a shielding system to limit glare to surrounding areas (SCE, 2014). Security personnel may be present at night for all yards.
Local noise and construction-hour ordinances will be adhered to; however, if noise or construction-hour ordinances cannot be complied with, authorization from the local jurisdiction will be obtained prior to the construction activity. Helicopter use would not occur at night for construction.

**Helicopter Use**

Project-related helicopter activities for the construction of the transmission lines could include delivery of equipment and materials from material yards to structure sites. Prior to the start of construction, SCE and the selected construction contractor would create a detailed Project-Specific Helicopter Use Plan describing all planned usage of helicopters, flight routes, and altitudes in order to minimize flight into sensitive areas and to avoid aircraft congestion.

Helicopters could be based out of local airports/airfields located within the vicinity of the ROW and material yards, where possible. Otherwise, helicopters could be located within the material yards or along the ROW and existing access roads, as needed. Mobile fueling equipment would be required where helicopters would be staged. Use of the mobile fueling equipment would be operated in accordance with proper spill containment requirements.

Dust-control measures will be implemented to assure that fugitive dust is not generated during helicopter operations.

**Telecommunications**

Temporary electrical and telecommunication services will be installed for the construction trailer and for temporary security lighting. These connections would be established from the nearest existing facilities (e.g., distribution pole) and/or service provider connection. The locations of existing electrical sources are identified on Figures 2 through 10 of the NTPR. With existing electrical sources located in close proximity to the yards, impacts to the surrounding environment are expected to be minimal.

**Cultural and Paleontological**

A cultural resources records search and survey was completed (McLean, et al. 2013; Mengers, 2016). Cultural resources within this portion of the project will be protected as outlined in the WOD Programmatic Agreement (PA) and Cultural Resource Management Plan (CRMP). Protection of cultural resources within the Area of Potential Effect (APE) will consist of ESA fencing and/or flagging, and/or monitoring as outlined in the CRMP (See Table 1 and Appendix B). Protection methods for these cultural resource elements have been defined in the Plan of Discovery for Construction-Related Activities (Williams, 2011) and submitted under separate cover.

A Paleontological Resource Mitigation and Monitoring Plan (PRMMP) has been completed for the West of Devers (WOD) Project and previously submitted to the CPUC and BLM. Mountain View No. 1 Material Yard, Lugonia Material Yard, Match Material Yard, Hathaway No. 2 Material Yard, and Devers Material Yard are located in areas of low sensitivity for paleontological resources. However, the Beaumont No. 1 Yard is located in an area of moderate sensitivity for paleontological resources. The Grand Terrace Material Yard is located in an area of low, moderate, and high sensitivity for paleontological resources. Last, the Poultry and San Timoteo Material Yard is located in an area of low and high sensitivity for paleontological resources (Paleo Solutions, 2017: Table 4). Methods for protection, monitoring and treatment of paleontological resources are outlined in the PRMMP.

Per the Workers Environmental Awareness Program (WEAP) implemented for WOD, all construction workers must adhere to communication protocols in the event of unanticipated discoveries. If cultural or paleontological resources are encountered during ground-disturbing activities, then all work must halt at that location until the resources can be properly evaluated by a qualified archaeologist or paleontologist. Further, if human remains are unearthed during excavation, State Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5 states “there shall be no further excavation or disturbance of the site or any nearby area reasonably suspected to overlie adjacent remains until the coroner of the county in which the human remains are discovered... [has made the appropriate assessment, and] …recommendations concerning the treatment and disposition of the human remains have been made to the person responsible for the excavation, or to his or her authorized representative, in the manner provided in Section 5097.98 of the Public Resources Code.”

**Other Activities**

No additional construction or operational activities are planned at the proposed material yards.
CPUC Evaluation of Preconstruction Mitigation Implementation

All applicable project mitigation measures, APMs, compliance plans, and permit conditions shall be implemented. Some measures have on-going/time-sensitive requirements and are required to be implemented prior to and during construction where applicable. Appendix A in SCE’s NTP request provides preconstruction compliance information for the issue areas addressed by the West of Devers Upgrade Project Final EIR/Final EIS. The following contains a status of applicable mitigation measures and APM required submittals, including any outstanding requirements:

**Air Quality:** As required by MM AQ-1a, SCE submitted a Fugitive Dust Control Plan on February 10, 2017 and the Plan was approved by the CPUC on May 22, 2017. The plan included restrictions for vehicle traffic speeds on unpaved roads, watering frequencies for staging areas, stabilization of inactive areas and stockpiles, minimizing drop heights from excavators and loaders, covering soil truck loads, and the discontinuation of construction activities on unpaved areas if visible dust plumes cannot be avoided by approved dust suppression methods. SCE prepared an Exhaust Emissions Control Plan as required in APM AIR-1 to establish a goal of project-wide fleet average reduction of 20 percent NOx compared to the estimated unmitigated emissions as presented in the PEA for applicable diesel-fueled off-road construction equipment of more than 50 horsepower. SCE’s Exhaust Emissions Control Plan was approved by CPUC on June 8, 2016. In addition, in compliance with MM AQ-1b, off-road equipment with engines larger than 50 horsepower shall have engines that meet or exceed U.S. EPA/CARB Tier 3 Emissions Standards.

**Biological Resources:** Consistent with MM VEG-1a, SCE submitted the resume for the Lead Biologist for CPUC and BLM concurrence. A Worker Environmental Awareness Program (WEAP) has been prepared to educate on-site workers about the Proposed Project’s sensitive environmental issues in accordance with MM VEG-1b. Throughout the duration of construction, SCE shall be responsible for ensuring that all on-site project personnel receive this training prior to beginning work. SCE shall maintain a list of all personnel who have completed the WEAP training. This list shall be provided to the CPUC and BLM upon request. The WEAP was approved by the CPUC on June 26, 2017.

As required by MM VEG-1d, a Habitat Restoration and Revegetation Plan (HRRP) to restore or revegetate all temporary disturbance areas, including temporary disturbance areas around tower construction sites, laydown or staging areas, temporary access and spur roads, cut and fill slopes, and locations of existing towers that are removed during construction of the project was submitted to the CPUC and BLM on April 4, 2017 for approval. Comments were provided to SCE on May 22, 2017. The material yards are mapped as containing the following habitat types: disturbed/developed, agriculture, and grassland/forbland. Therefore, the restoration requirements of the HRRP are not applicable to the material yards, but instead, they will be stabilized according to the SWPPP and returned to preconstruction conditions and/or according to landowner specifications.

An Integrated Weed Management Plan was submitted to the CPUC on February 10, 2017 as required by MM VEG-2a. SCE will ensure wildlife impact avoidance and minimization through measures outlined in MM WIL-1b during yard development and use. Comments were provided to SCE on March 23, 2017 and a revised plan has not yet been submitted.

SCE prepared a Nesting Bird Management Plan consistent with MM WIL-1c. This plan was developed in coordination with the CPUC, BLM, USFWS, and CDFW and was included in Appendix 14 of the Final EIR and EIS.

SCE submitted a Raven Monitoring, Management, and Control Plan (WIL-2b) on February 10, 2017 for CPUC review and approval. The Raven Plan was approved by the CPUC on June 26, 2017. The Raven Plan applies only to the Devers Material Yard portion of this NTP.

A Wildlife Noise Monitoring Plan was prepared by SCE to satisfy requirements of MM WIL-2c and WIL-2e and was submitted on April 6, 2017. If active nests or territories are identified within 500-feet of any yard, SCE will
implement protective measures outlined in the Wildlife Noise Monitoring Plan if construction activities are expected to occur within 500-feet of active nests or territories of listed riparian birds or coastal California gnatcatchers. CPUC approved the subject plan on June 8, 2017.

As required by MM WIL-2g, SCE submitted a Burrowing Owl Management and Passive Relocation Plan to the CPUC on February 10, 2017. The Burrowing Owl Management Plan and Passive Relocation Plan was approved by the CPUC on June 26, 2017.

Preconstruction surveys for special-status plants and wildlife will be conducted consistent with MMs VEG-4a, WIL-1a, WIL-1c, WIL-2a, WIL-2g, WIL-2h, WIL-2i, WIL-2j, and WIL-2k. SCE will ensure wildlife impact avoidance and minimization through measures outlined in MM WIL-1b during Material Yard development and use.

**Cultural Resources:** As required by MM CL-1b, a Cultural Resources Management Plan (CRMP) was submitted by SCE on February 2, 2017 and was approved by the CPUC on April 2, 2017. A total of five historic-era resources located within the Area of Potential Effects (APE) have been determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). No direct impacts are to occur to these resources and/or historic features within the resource; protection will be ensured by use of barriers and monitoring in the vicinity of the Historic Properties. The remaining resources located within the APE have been determined not eligible for listing in the NRHP. Consistent with MM CL-1d, cultural resource monitoring will be scheduled prior to construction and conducted at sites requiring monitoring for sensitive cultural resources.

**Hazards and Hazardous Materials:** As required by MM HH-1a, SCE has prepared a Hazardous Materials and Waste Management Plan for CPUC review and approval on February 2, 2017. Hazardous materials used and stored on site at the various material yards for the duration of construction activities and will be managed according to the Plan. A Soil Management Plan has been developed consistent with MM HH-2a to provide guidance for the proper handling, onsite management, and disposal of impacted soil that might be encountered during construction activities. SCE’s Soil Management Plan was combined with the Hazardous Materials and Waste Management Plan described above. Soil sampling will be conducted as described in MM HH-3a to identify pesticide/herbicide contamination in areas with current or past agricultural activity. CPUC approval of SCE’s plan is pending the submittal of the following from the contractor: Written procedures for fueling and maintenance of construction equipment to be prepared prior to construction and added to the plan as an Appendix, an Emergency Response Plan to be developed prior to construction and will be included to the plan as an Appendix, and soil samples to be collected in construction areas where the land has historically or is currently being used for agriculture and would be subject to ground disturbance by the project. The sampling is to identify the possible presence of and to delineate the extent of pesticide and/or herbicide contamination. Results of the soil sampling will be included in the Plan as an Appendix.

**Land Use.** As required by MM LU-1a, a Construction Notification Plan was prepared by SCE and approved by CPUC on May 22, 2017. The Plan identified the procedures to ensure that SCE will inform property and business owners of the location and duration of construction. The Plan includes provisions for public noticing including mailers, newspaper advertisements, public venue notices, and includes the establishment of a public liaison and toll-free information hotline.

**Noise.** Best Management Practices for construction noise management will be implemented as outlined in MM N-1a to reduce construction noise exposure at noise-sensitive receptors and to avoid possible violations of local rules, standards, and ordinances during construction. Construction noise shall be confined to daytime, weekday hours (7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.) or an alternative schedule developed by SCE based on its coordination with local jurisdiction. Construction traffic and helicopter flights shall be routed away from residences and schools, where feasible.

**Paleontological Resources:** A Paleontological Resource Mitigation and Monitoring Plan (PRMMP) has been completed for the West of Devers (WOD) Project and was submitted to the CPUC and BLM for review and approval. The PRMMP was approved by the CPUC on May 9, 2017. Mountain View No. 1 Material Yard, Lugonia
Material Yard, Matich Material Yard, Hathaway No. 2 Material Yard, and Devers Material Yard are located in areas of low sensitivity for paleontological resources. However, the Beaumont No. 1 Yard is located in an area of moderate sensitivity for paleontological resources. The Grand Terrace Material Yard is located in an area of low, moderate, and high sensitivity for paleontological resources. Last, the Poultry and San Timoteo Material Yard is located in an area of low and high sensitivity for paleontological resources. The Plan requires that paleontological monitoring take place when ground-disturbance of sediments determined to have a moderate to very high sensitivity occurs.

**Traffic and Transportation.** Consistent with MM T-1a and MM T-1b, Construction Transportation and Traffic Control Plans will be developed. The Construction Transportation Plan will describe timing of commutes, methods of reducing crew-related traffic, and other methods for reducing construction-generated additional traffic on regional and local roadways. A Final Helicopter Use Plan will be developed prior to using helicopters to transport personnel, materials, or equipment for the deconstruction of existing facilities or construction of new or replacement project facilities. Construction Transportation Plan and Traffic Control Plans will be submitted 15 and 30 days prior to construction, respectively. In the event helicopter use is planned at any of the yards, SCE will submit a Helicopter Use Plan for CPUC approval prior to helicopter activities.

**Visual Resources.** As required in MM VR-1a, Construction yards, staging areas, and material and equipment storage areas shall be visually screened using temporary screening fencing. Fencing will be of an appropriate structure, material, and color for each specific location. This requirement shall not apply if SCE can demonstrate that construction yards are located away from areas of high public visibility including public roads, residential areas, and public recreational facilities. For any site that SCE proposes to exempt from the screening requirement, SCE shall define the site on a detailed map demonstrating its visibility from nearby roads, residences, or recreational facilities to the CPUC and BLM for review and approval at least 60 days prior to the start of construction at that site. In addition, SCE shall avoid night lighting where possible and minimize its use under all circumstances. To ensure this, SCE prepared a Night Lighting Management Plan for both construction and operation, consistent with MMVR-7a. The Night Lighting Management Plan was approved by the CPUC on May 22, 2017.

**Water Resources.** SCE shall develop and submit an Erosion Control Plan to the CPUC and BLM at least 60 days prior to construction. The Erosion Control Plan was incorporated into the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan, which will be kept onsite and readily available on request. SCE submitted the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans to the CPUC on May 25, 2017.

**Wildland Fire.** SCE submitted a Fire Management Plan on February 10, 2017 to satisfy the conditions of MM WF-1a. Comments were provided to SCE on March 23, 2017 and a revised plan was submitted on April 28, 2017. The revised Plan was reviewed by CalFire and SCE is currently addressing their comments.

**Conditions of NTP Approval**

The conditions noted below shall be met by SCE and its contractors:

- All applicable project mitigation measures, APMs, compliance plans, and permit conditions shall be implemented. Some measures have on-going/time-sensitive requirements and shall be implemented prior to and during construction where applicable.

- Copies of all relevant permits, compliance plans, and this NTP #1 shall be available on site for the duration of construction activities. All permits and plans shall be made available to the CPUC Environmental Monitor (EM) upon request.

- To capture ongoing project and resource changes during construction, updated construction and resource maps, and digital spatial data (KML/KMZ or GIS data viewable from mobile device) shall be made available to SCE/contractor field monitoring staff and the CPUC Environmental Monitors as changes occur.
- No activities described in this Notice to Proceed are authorized until the Integrated Weed Management Plan (VEG-2a) has been approved by the CPUC.

- No activities described in this Notice to Proceed are authorized until the Hazardous Materials, Waste Management, and Soil Management Plan (HH-1a) has been finalized. Additional information required includes Written procedures for fueling and maintenance of construction equipment to be prepared prior to construction and added to this plan as an Appendix, an Emergency Response Plan to be developed prior to construction and will be included to this plan as an Appendix, and soil samples to be collected in construction areas where the land has historically or is currently being used for agriculture and would be subject to ground disturbance by the project. The sampling is to identify the possible presence of and to delineate the extent of pesticide and/or herbicide contamination. Results of the soil sampling will be included in this Plan as an Appendix.

- Any material yard used for helicopter activities will be subject to the Helicopter Use Plan (N-1a). In the event helicopter use is planned at material yards, SCE shall submit a Helicopter Use Plan prior to construction activities.

- SCE shall provide a letter or email to the CPUC confirming that Mitigation Measure T-1a has been executed and shall provide a copy of the Final Construction Transportation Plan at least 15 days prior to construction.

- SCE shall provide copies of Traffic Control Plans (T-1b) to the CPUC at least 30 days prior to construction. Copies of the TCPs shall be provided to the CPUC, Caltrans, the planning or traffic departments of the affected local jurisdictions, and all affected police departments, fire departments, and ambulance and paramedic services. Documentation of coordination with service providers shall be provided to the CPUC at least 30 days prior to the start of construction.

- SCE to provide documentation of coordination with State and local jurisdictions regarding if Traffic Control Plans are needed for each specific yard.

- No activities described in this Notice to Proceed are authorized until the Fire Management Plan (WF-1a) has been approved by the CPUC.

- Preconstruction surveys consistent with MMs VEG-4a, WIL-1a, WIL-1c, WIL-2a, WIL-2g, WIL-2h, WIL-2i, WIL-2j, and WIL-2k shall be conducted and submitted to the CPUC for review and verification prior to construction activity.

- Prior to construction, SCE shall submit to the CPUC and BLM Grading Plans that define the locations of the specific features listed in MM WR-2a.

- Prior to site occupation, CPUC Environmental Monitor (EM) verification of work area flagging and any Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA) signage will be required. Written authorization will be provided within 24 hours to SCE that the CPUC EM verification of work area and ESA delineation has been completed. If work area or resource boundary delineation was found to be inadequate, the CPUC EM will provide written documentation to SCE within 24 hours identifying the flagging deficiencies identified during verification.

- Any night lighting used at Material Yards will comply with conditions approved in the Night Lighting Management Plan.

- SCE shall obtain permits from local jurisdictions for tree removal and other plant removal or harvest, in accordance with each applicable ordinance or policy, prior to removal or other impacts to regulated trees or other plants.

- Prior to construction, SCE shall identify and provide the locations of water sources proposed to be used during construction to the CPUC.
■ All spills one gallon or greater or any spills that enter waterways or other ESAs shall be reported to the CPUC EM immediately and will be followed by a written final spill incident report.

■ Any damage to ESAs shall be reported to the CPUC EM immediately.

■ SCE shall provide daily summaries of all compliance incidents, nest events, or species events to the CPUC EMs.

■ No movement or staging of construction vehicles or equipment shall be allowed outside of the approved areas. If additional temporary workspace areas or access routes, or changes in technique and mitigation implementation to a lesser level are required, a Minor Project Change request shall be submitted for CPUC review.

■ SCE shall provide a weekly report to CPUC documenting construction and compliance activities.

Sincerely,

Billie Blanchard
CPUC Environmental Project Manager

cc: V. Strong, Aspen
FIGURE 1
Southern California Edison
West of Devers Upgrade Project
Project Overview and Study Area

LEGEND
- Project Study Area
- Existing Transmission Line Right of Way
- Proposed Right of Way
- Substation
- Material Yard
- U.S. Bureau of Land Management
- Morongo Reservation
- Western Riverside County MSHCP
- Coachella Valley MSHCP

Map Extent

Source: SCE, Bing Maps
FIGURE 2
Southern California Edison
West of Devers Upgrade Project
Mountain View No. 1 Material Yard

Material Yard

LEGEND

Possible Ingress/Egress
Temp Power Option

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Southern California Edison
West of Devers Upgrade Project
Lugonia Material Yard
FIGURE 5

Southern California Edison
West of Devers Upgrade Project
Poultry and San Timoteo Material Yards

LEGEND
- Existing 220kV
- Proposed 220kV C/L
- Possible Ingress/Egress
- Temp Power Option
- Existing ROW
- Material Yard

SCE: ESRI World Street Map; Bing Imagery

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