

Table C.1-3. Consistency with Applicable Land Use Plans and Policies

Agency Regulating Visual Resources	Regulation or Policy	Project (Seg. 2 & 4) Consistent?	Method of Consistency
Riverside County, California	General Plan Land Use Element: Project Design		
	Policy LU 6.1 – Require land uses to develop in accordance with the General Plan and area plans to ensure compatibility and minimize impacts. [Page LU-22 and LU23]	Yes	Segments 2 and 4 would be located within or adjacent to an established utility corridor, which would avoid the proliferation of additional utility facilities across the landscape with the potential for land use compatibility impacts.
	Land Use Element: Hillside Development and Slope		
Policy LU 11.1 – Apply the following policies to areas where development is allowed and that contain natural slopes, canyons, or other significant elevation changes, regardless of land use designation: a. Restrict development on visually significant ridgelines, canyon edges and hilltops through sensitive siting and appropriate landscaping to ensure development is visually unobtrusive. [Page LU-30]	No	Segments 2 and 4 would cross several hilltops in Riverside County. As a result, the subtransmission structures would cause additional skylining (extending above the horizon) and appear more prominent and obtrusive than the structures they are replacing.	
Land Use Element: Scenic Corridors	Policy LU 13.1 – Preserve and protect outstanding scenic vistas and visual features for the enjoyment of the traveling public. [Page LU-31]	Yes	Segments 2 and 4 would be located within or adjacent to an existing utility corridor and would not affect any scenic vistas or features that would be considered visually outstanding.

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	Policy LU 13.3 – Ensure that the design and appearance of new landscaping, structures, equipment, signs, or grading within Designated and Eligible State and County scenic highway corridors are compatible with the surrounding scenic setting or environment. [Page LU-31]	Yes	Segments 2 and 4 would not be located within Designated or Eligible State and County Scenic Highway corridors.
	Policy LU 13.4 – Maintain at least a 50-foot setback from the edge of the right-of-way for new development adjacent to Designated and Eligible State and County Scenic Highways. [Page LU-31]	Yes	Segments 2 and 4 would not be located within Designated or Eligible State and County Scenic Highway corridors.
Land Use Element: Open Space Area Plan Land Use Designations: Recreation			
	Policy LU 19.4 – Encourage that structures be designed to maintain the environmental character in which they are located. [Page LU-52]	No	While Segments 2 and 4 would be located within an established utility corridor, the new structures would have a prominent industrial character, which would not be consistent with the rural, rough-hewn character of the existing wood-pole utility facilities.
Land Use Element: Open Space– Rural Land Use Designations			
	Policy LU 20.1 – Require that structures be designed to maintain the environmental character in which they are located. [Page LU-52]	No	While Segments 2 and 4 would be located within an established utility corridor, the new structures would have a prominent industrial character, which would not be consistent with the rural, rough-hewn character of the existing wood-pole utility facilities.
	Policy LU 20.2 – Require that development be designed to blend with undeveloped natural contours of the site and avoid an unvaried, unnatural, or manufactured appearance. [Page LU-52]	No	While Segments 2 and 4 would be located within an established utility corridor, the subtransmission line structures would exhibit a prominent manufactured appearance with substantial industrial character.
	Policy LU 20.4 – Ensure that development does not adversely impact the open space and rural character of the surrounding area. [Page LU-52]	No	While Segments 2 and 4 would be located within an established utility corridor, the introduction of numerous, prominent, industrial-appearing structures, would adversely impact the open space and rural character of the surrounding area.
Circulation Element: Scenic Corridors			
	Policy C 19.1 – Preserve scenic routes that have exceptional or unique visual features in accordance with Caltrans’ Scenic Highways Plan. [Page C-46]	Yes	Segments 2 and 4 would not adversely affect Designated or Eligible State or County Scenic Highway corridors.
Circulation Element: Major Utility Corridors			
	Policy C 25.2 – Locate new and relocated utilities underground when possible. All remaining utilities shall be located or screened in a manner that minimizes their visibility by the public. [Page C-55]	No	Segments 2 and 4 of the proposed subtransmission line would be an aboveground facility. Although the Project would be located within an existing corridor, its location would not minimize its visibility given the relatively close proximity of the utility corridor to major travel corridors, local roads, and existing development.

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Multipurpose Open Space Element: Scenic Resources	Policy OS 21.1 – Identify and conserve the skylines, view corridors, and outstanding scenic vistas within Riverside County. [Page OS-45]	No	Segments 2 and 4 would be located within open landscapes and along a number of hilltops that would result in additional skylining (extending above the horizon).
Multipurpose Open Space Element: Scenic Corridors	Policy OS 22.1 – Design developments within designated scenic highway corridors to balance the objectives of maintaining scenic resources with accommodating compatible land uses. [Page OS-45]	Yes	Segments 2 and 4 are not located within a Designated Scenic Highway corridor.
The Pass Area Plan. Circulation: Scenic Highways	Policy PAP 12.1 – Protect the scenic highways in the Pass from change that would diminish the aesthetic value of adjacent properties in accordance with the Scenic Corridors sections of the General Plan Land Use, Multipurpose Open Space, and Circulation Elements. [Page 41]	Yes	Segments 2 and 4 are not located within a Designated Scenic Highway corridor.

This table provides a revised version of Draft EIR Table D.12-3 focusing on applicable land use plans and policies for Segments 2 and 4.