

Comment Set E

Andrey Gusev

From: [Andrey Gusev](#)
To: [Embarcadero-Potrero Project Team](#)
Subject: Re: Embarcadero-Potrero 230 kV Environmental Review
Date: Saturday, September 14, 2013 2:32:22 AM

Hello,

I would like to be updated on the final figures for EMF management plan. Would you be able to include me in the list of recipients of that material? As a background I am homeowner in the Infinity complex with windows directly overlooking Folsom street where the proposed pipeline will be. I am concerned about the resulting EM field and would like to urge you to use all the mitigation strategies for the residential sections of the line.

Thanks,

Andrey

On Tue, Aug 13, 2013 at 1:05 PM, embarcaderopotrero project <embarcaderopotrero@aspeneq.com> wrote:

To CPUC Service List A.12-12-004 and Interested Parties -

The CPUC released a Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for PG&E's proposed Embarcadero-Potrero 230 kV Transmission Project showing that the project, as mitigated, would not have any significant effects on the environment. The Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration and Supporting Initial Study (IS/MND) was made available for public review and comment on August 13, 2013.

The Draft IS/MND can be viewed [here](#).

The Draft IS/MND is available for public review and comment until 5:00 p.m. on September 16, 2013.

Public Informational Meeting:

In order to help affected communities understand the project and the IS/MND and to explain how the public can participate in the CPUC's decision-making processes, the CPUC Energy Division staff will hold an informational workshop on Tuesday, August 20, 2013. This informal workshop is an opportunity to ask questions about the content of the Draft IS/MND. While written comments may be submitted during the workshop, there will be no facilities to record oral comments.

Workshop Date and Time:

August 20, 2013 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Port of San Francisco, Bayside 1 Conference Room.

Workshop Location:

Pier 1, Washington Street at The Embarcadero; San Francisco, California

Following a 30-day public comment period of the Draft IS/MND, the CPUC will respond to comments and prepare a Final IS/MND.

For more information and instructions on how to comment:

<http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/Environment/info/aspeneq/embarc-potrero/embarc-potrero.htm>

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Responses to Comment Set E, Andrey Gusev

E-1 The commenter's concerns about EMF and incorporation of mitigation strategies by residential sections of the line are noted. Section 4.15 (Electric and Magnetic Fields Summary) in the Draft IS/MND provides a summary of electric and magnetic fields, EMF in the Proposed Project area, and the Preliminary EMF Management Plan for the Proposed Project. This issue is addressed in the CPUC's General Proceeding for the project (A.12-12-004) as well as in the environmental document.

In PG&E's Preliminary EMF Management Plan, "no cost" and "low cost" magnetic field reduction steps proposed along the northern segment, including along Folsom Street, include:

- Triangular configuration,
- Strategic line placement, and
- Lowering the trench an additional five feet.

PG&E's Final EMF Management Plan, including updated figures, will be completed during final design of the project, which would occur after CPUC approval of the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the project. As stated in Section 4.15.3 (EMF Management Plan for the Proposed Project), interested parties may contact PG&E's Project Information Line at 415-973-5530 to receive a copy of the Final EMF Management Plan once it has been prepared.

The CPUC's General Proceeding for the project (A.12-12-004) will conduct hearings on the project, including PG&E's compliance with the CPUC's policies governing the mitigation of EMF. According to the Assigned Commissioner's Scoping Memo and Ruling (dated August 29, 2013), "pursuant to GO 131-D and Decision (D.) 06-01-042, the Commission will consider whether the project (or project alternative) design is in compliance with the Commission's policies governing the mitigation of electromagnetic field (EMF) effects using low-cost and no-cost measures."

The environmental documents, including the Draft and Final IS/MND can be found online through the CPUC's project website at:

<http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/Environment/info/aspen/embarc-potrero/embarc-potrero.htm>

Information and documents related to the project's General Proceeding (A.12-12-004), including the Assigned Commissioner's Scoping Memo and Ruling and testimony submitted by interested parties, can be found by clicking on the "[A.12-12-004](#)" link at the top of the CPUC's project website.