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PROJECT MEMORANDUM

PG&E EMBARCADERO-POTRERO 230 kV TRANSMISSION PROJECT

To: Billie Blanchard, Project Manager, CPUC
From: Vida Strong, Aspen Project Manager
Date: March 24, 2016
Subject: Monitoring Report #78 – March 14, 2016 to March 20, 2016

This report provides a summary of the construction and compliance activities associated with the PG&E Embarcadero-Potrero (E-P) 230 kV Transmission Project.

A summary of the Notices to Proceed (NTPs) for construction and Minor Project Change (MPC) activities are provided in Tables 1 and 2, respectively (below).

CPUC Environmental Monitor (EM): Jody Fessler

CPUC NTPs

E-P Potrero Switchyard Site Preparation

NTP #1 was issued on August 21, 2014 for the site preparation of the Potrero Switchyard on 23rd Street adjacent to the existing Potrero Substation on the corner of 23rd Street and Illinois Street in San Francisco. NTP #1 included conditions that had to be satisfied prior to the start of construction.

Summary of Activity:

1. Site preparation activities have been completed and all work is now being conducted for the GIS building and cable tie-in work approved by the CPUC under NTP #5 (see below).

Environmental Compliance:

1. All environmental compliance monitoring will be reported below for the GIS building and cable tie-in work.

E-P Horizontal Directional Drill (HDD) Construction

NTP #2 was issued on August 28, 2014 for the HDD Construction on Spear Street, at the northern end of the project, and 23rd Street, at the southern end of the project, in San Francisco. Both HDDs would terminate within the San Francisco Bay and will be tied together in the future via a subsea cable. NTP #2 included conditions that had to be satisfied prior to the start of construction, as well as prior to the start of any work in the Bay.

Summary of Activity at the Northern Bore (Spear Street):

1. The HDD work is complete and HDD Company demobilized from the site during Week #26.

Summary of Activity at the Southern Bore (23rd Street):

1. The HDD work is complete and HDD Company demobilized from the site during Week #26.

E-P Underground Duct Bank Construction

NTP #3 was issued on October 9, 2014 for the underground duct bank and vault installation component of the Embarcadero-Potrero 230 kV Transmission Project between the horizontal directional drill (HDD) transition on Spear Street to the Embarcadero Substation on Folsom Street in the northern section, and between the HDD transition on 23rd Street to the Potrero Switchyard in the southern section, in the City of San Francisco. NTP #3 included conditions that had to be satisfied prior to the start of construction.

Summary of Activity for the Duct Bank North (Folsom St. and Spear St.):

Folsom Street

1. All work activities have been completed at this location.

Spear Street, Duct Bank and Vault (between Folsom St and Harrison St)

1. All work activities have been completed at this location except the pulling of conductor cable, which is scheduled to start in mid-April 2016.

Environmental Compliance:

1. No compliance monitoring was necessary at this location.

Summary of Activity for the Duct Bank South (23rd Street):

23rd Street, Duct Bank and Vault

1. All work activities have been completed at this location except the pulling of conductor cable, which is scheduled to start in mid-April 2016.

Environmental Compliance:

1. No compliance monitoring was necessary at this location.

E-P Submarine Rock and Debris Removal

NTP #4 was issued on November 21, 2014 for the rock removal obstructing the path of the submarine cable component of the Embarcadero-Potrero 230 kV Transmission Project along the submarine cable line and off shore of Pier 50 in the San Francisco Bay. NTP #4 included conditions that had to be satisfied prior to the start of construction.

Summary of Activity:

1. All work activities related to NTP #4 have been completed.

Environmental Compliance:

1. No compliance monitoring was necessary at this location.

E-P Potrero GIS Building and Cable Tie-in

NTP #5 was issued on March 27, 2015 for construction of the 230 kV Potrero gas-insulated switchgear (GIS) building and cable tie-in component of the Embarcadero-Potrero 230 kV Transmission Project at the Potrero Switchyard site, in the City San Francisco. NTP #5 included conditions that had to be satisfied prior to the start of construction.

Summary of Activity:

Potrero Switchyard

1. Office trailer use occurred Monday through Saturday.
2. Overaa conducted housekeeping and dust control activities Monday through Saturday.
3. Overaa aided other work crews Monday through Saturday.
4. Metal Set welded in the GIS building Monday through Friday.
5. APEC excavated and installed cable trays for the cable trench Monday through Friday (see Figure 1).
6. APEC excavated and installed shoring, rebar, and conduit for the duct bank near the transformer pad Monday through Friday.
7. MEI conducted embed work in the GIS building on Friday.
8. CTS provided inspections of the GIS building Monday through Friday.
9. Proven distributed baserock around the foundation of the GIS building Monday through Saturday (see Figure 2).
10. NASS and TBEA assembled the reactor Monday through Friday.
11. NASS and TBEA assembled the transformer Monday through Friday (see Figure 3).
12. CCE conducted electrical work in the control building Monday through Friday.
13. Clean Harbors replaced roll-off bins Monday through Friday.

Substation Adjacent to Potrero Switchyard

1. CCE QEW monitored work in the substation Monday through Friday.
2. APEC conducted housekeeping and dust control activities Monday through Friday.
3. APEC excavated in the substation Monday through Wednesday (see Figure 4).
4. CCE worked in the control building Monday through Friday.

Environmental Compliance:

1. Cultural monitoring was conducted by Far Western Monday through Friday, and cultural constituents were observed, documented, and some collected.
2. Air quality monitoring was conducted by ERM Monday through Friday.
3. PG&E's Environmental Inspector (EI) conducted monitoring of this area Monday through Friday, including SWPPP inspections and nesting bird sweeps.
 - On March 15th, the PG&E EI observed a rock dove pair rebuilding a nest on the high metal beams in the southeast corner of the GIS building. Rock doves are exempt from the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and the nest was removed by Overaa per PG&E's request for health and safety issues. The nest had one egg present.
 - On March 18th, the PG&E EI observed a rock dove pair roosting among the metal beams in the southeast corner of the GIS building, with the female appearing to be incubating eggs. PG&E was informed and it was recommended that the nest be removed. On March 21st, the PG&E EI observed that the nest had been removed.
4. PG&E's EI noted several housekeeping and compliance issues at this location:

- On March 11th, a porta-potty in the northern part of the substation was not anchored. The PG&E EI recommended that this unit be anchored to avoid tipping over. On March 17th, it was observed that this concern had been rectified.
- On March 14th, pads from a small oil spill clean-up the week before were still on the ground where the spill had occurred. On March 15th, additional sheen was present on water around the trailer (even though a secondary containment was under the corner of the trailer). On March 16th, the concern was rectified; the sheen was gone and the pads were cleaned up. Also, the trailer was put in secondary containment. No oil or sheen was observed in the containment under the trailer.
- On March 17th, a lighting structure east of the GIS building was observed with no secondary containment. On March 18th, this concern had been rectified.

E-P Submarine Cable Installation

NTP #6 was issued on April 7, 2015 for the submarine cable installation component of the Embarcadero-Potrero 230 kV Transmission Project in the San Francisco Bay. NTP #6 included conditions that had to be satisfied prior to the start of construction.

Summary of Activity:

1. All work activities for the submarine cable installation were completed during Week #50.

Amador Staging and Laydown Yard

A Minor Project Change #1 was issued on July 23, 2014 for the use of the Amador Staging and Laydown Yard on Amador Street, San Francisco. The Minor Project Change #1 included conditions that had to be satisfied prior to the staging of equipment and materials at the yard.

Summary of Activity:

1. All remaining materials were removed on December 7th and the yard has been turned back over to the Port of San Francisco.

Environmental Compliance:

1. No compliance monitoring was necessary at this location.

Notices to Proceed

Table 1 summarizes the Notices to Proceed (NTP) for the Embarcadero-Potrero Project.

Table 1
Notice to Proceeds (NTPs)
(Updated 3/24/16)

NTP #	Date Requested	Date Issued	Phase	Description
NTP #1	6/23/14	8/21/14	Potrero Site Preparation	Site preparation and excavation of the 230 kV Potrero Switchyard site on 23 rd St., SF.
NTP #2	7/31/14	8/28/14	HDD	Horizontal directional drilling on Spear St. and 23 rd St. connecting to the SF Bay.

NTP #	Date Requested	Date Issued	Phase	Description
NTP #3	9/18/14	10/09/14	Underground Duct Bank and Vaults	Underground duct bank and vault installation between the HDD transition on Spear St. to the Embarcadero Substation on Folsom St. in the northern section, and between the HDD transition on 23 rd St. to the Potrero Switchyard in the southern section, SF.
NTP #3 MOD	11/13/14	11/14/14	Underground Duct Bank and Vaults	Trench from the new Potrero Switchyard to the existing switchyard for the 230 kV/115 kV connections across the Trans Bay Cable.
NTP #4	11/19/14	11/21/14	Subsea Cable	Rock and debris removal along subsea cable route.
NTP #5	2/19/15	3/27/15	Potrero GIS Switchgear Building	Construction of 230 kV Potrero gas-insulated switchgear (GIS) building and cable tie-in component at Potrero Switchyard.

Minor Project Changes

Table 2 summarizes the Minor Project Changes submitted for the Embarcadero-Potrero Project.

Table 2
Minor Project Changes (MPCs)
 (Updated 3/24/16)

MPC #	Date Requested	Date Issued	Phase	Description
MPC #1	7/16/14	7/23/14	Amador Staging and Laydown Yard	Use of an existing staging and laydown yard adjacent to Alternate Staging Area #3 (as identified in the IS/MND) on Amador St., SF.
MPC #2	12/31/14	1/5/15	Staging and Laydown Yard	Use of an existing paved staging and laydown yard at 1215 Michigan Street, SF, two blocks from the Potrero Switchyard.

PROJECT PHOTOS



Figure 1 – APEC excavating the cable trench. View northwest, March 15, 2016. Photo courtesy of PG&E.



Figure 2 – Backfilling with baserock around the foundation of the GIS building. View southeast, March 15, 2016. Photo courtesy of PG&E.



Figure 3 – Crews assembling the transformer. View southeast, March 16, 2016. Photo courtesy of PG&E.



Figure 4 – Crews excavating in substation. View west, March 15, 2016. Photo courtesy of PG&E.