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March 9, 2006

Andrew Benelli  
City of Visalia  
315 E. Acequia Avenue  
Visalia, CA 93277

SUBJECT: Notice of Proposed Construction  
Riverway Substation

Dear Mr. Benelli:

Pursuant to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) General Order 131-D, Southern California Edison Company (SCE) is required to notify the City of Visalia and obtain a brief position statement from the City in regard to certain proposed projects involving 50kV - 200kV facilities.

SCE proposes to construct a new 66/12 kilovolt (kV) distribution substation, two 66 kV power lines, and six 12 kV distribution power lines in an area generally bounded by Riggen Avenue (south) and Mooney Boulevard (west). The proposed electrical facilities will serve northern Visalia. A sketch of the proposed project is attached for your reference.

Please provide me with a brief position statement with regard to this proposed project. The City's statement will be included with SCE's Permit to Construct Application to the CPUC for this project. I would appreciate receiving your response by March 30, 2006. You may fax it to me at 559-685-3293.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to call me at 559-685-3213.

Sincerely,



Bill DeLain

Enclosure

bcc: D. Johnson  
T. A. Burhenn  
B. A. Gaylord  
S. Benz

February 28, 2006

Mr. Larry Myers, Executive Secretary  
Native American Heritage Commission  
915 Capitol Mall, Room 364  
Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: Request for Sacred Lands File Search  
Riverway Substation Project, Visalia area, Tulare County, California

Dear Mr. Myers:

Southern California Edison is proposing to construct a new electrical substation within the city limits of Visalia, Tulare County, California. The purpose for constructing the new substation is to accommodate local electrical load growth. Enclosed is a copy of a portion of a Thomas Brothers road map showing the location of the alternative substation sites. We are requesting a search of the Native American Heritage Commission Sacred Lands file for the area encircled on the map. All of these locations are currently cultivated for agriculture, and there are no known cultural resources present.

Please transmit your response to the undersigned at:

Southern California Edison Company  
Environment, Health & Safety Division  
PO Box 800, Quad 3A, GO-1  
Rosemead, CA 91770

or via FAX at (626) 302-9730.

I can be reached by voice at (626) 302-9540 or email at [thomas.t.taylor@sce.com](mailto:thomas.t.taylor@sce.com) if you have any questions. Thank you in advance.

Sincerely,

Thomas T. Taylor, Manager  
Natural and Cultural Resources

Enclosure

**NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION**

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March 20, 2006

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Southern California EDISON  
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Rosemead, CA 91770

Sent by Mail  
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RE: Proposed Riverway Substation Project, Visalia area, Tulare County

Dear Mr. Taylor:

A record search of the sacred land file has failed to indicate the presence of Native American cultural resources in the immediate project area. The absence of specific site information in the sacred lands file does not indicate the absence of cultural resources in any project area. Other sources of cultural resources should also be contacted for information regarding known and recorded sites.

Enclosed is a list of Native Americans individuals/organizations who may have knowledge of cultural resources in the project area. The Commission makes no recommendation or preference of a single individual, or group over another. This list should provide a starting place in locating areas of potential adverse impact within the proposed project area. I suggest you contact all of those indicated, if they cannot supply information, they might recommend others with specific knowledge. By contacting all those listed, your organization will be better able to respond to claims of failure to consult with the appropriate tribe or group. If a response has not been received within two weeks of notification, the Commission requests that you follow-up with a telephone call to ensure that the project information has been received.

If you receive notification of change of addresses and phone numbers from any of these individuals or groups, please notify me. With your assistance we are able to assure that our lists contain current information. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (916) 653-4040.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rob Wood".

Rob Wood  
Environmental Specialist III

## Native American Contacts

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March 20, 2006

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Caliente , CA 93518

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This list is current only as of the date of this document.

Distribution of this list does not relieve any person of statutory responsibility as defined in Section 7050.5 of the Health and Safety Code, Section 5097.94 of the Public Resources Code and Section 5097.98 of the Public Resources Code.

This list is only applicable for contacting local Native Americans with regard to cultural resources for the proposed Riverway Substation Project, Visalia area, Tulare County.