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Dear Mr. Colton:

SDG&E's August 30, 2011 request to continue work until 1:00 PM (1300hours) on level Ev Project Activity Level (PAL) fire danger days has been reviewed by Forest Service staff assigned to the project.

You may work at sites listed below until 1:00 PM on Ev fire danger days under the following conditions: 1) Compliance with the progressive actions and variance permissions outlined in my previous letters to SDG&E on September 1, 2011 and August 25, 2011. 2) Compliance with the Fire Plan Exhibit 9 of the Special Use Permit. 3) Adherence to fire mitigation measures outlined in SDG&E's August 30, 2011 request.

- 1) *Brush clearing at work sites*: EP131; EP138-2; La Posta Road (LPR) improvement work (entire length includes turnouts); and Thing Valley Construction Yard (TVCY).
- 2) *Grading at work sites*: CP69-2 (includes road improvement work); LPR improvement work to work site EP141 (Note: grading at EP125, EP126, EP127, EP130PS, EP131cannot commence prior to completion of LPR improvement work from end of pavement north to the work site).
- 3) *Hand clearing at TSAP's & Remote Tower Sites*: CP101-1; CP103-2; CP104-1; CP105-1; EP34-1; EP120-4, EP120A, EP121-3; EP121A-1; EP122-1; EP123-1; EP124; EP132-2; EP135; EP136; EP137; EP139-1; and EP140.
- 4) Grading at TSAP's: No variance.
- 5) Soil boring at work sites: CP69-2; EP130-1; EP141.
- 6) Conventional foundation construction: CP69-2; EP125; EP126-1; EP127; and EP130-1 (Note: foundation work cannot commence prior to completion of LPR improvement work from end of pavement north to the work site).
- 7) *Micro-pile foundation construction*: No variance.





- 8) Gate and barrier installation at work sites: EP125; EP126-1, EP127, EP129; EP130-1; and EP131 (Note: USFS permit required for welding, cutting, or grinding. Permit valid only on A thru D PAL fire danger days).
- 9) Fence Installation at Thing Valley construction yard: No variance (Note: This work cannot commence prior to completion of LPR improvement work from end of pavement north to the work site).
- 10) *Installation, maintenance and inspection of BMP's*: Approved project wide consistent with Special Use Permit Fire Plan (Exhibit #9).

Renewed are SDG&E requests to mechanically clear brush and vegetation by skid steer mower/masticator, chainsaw, and/or small wood chipper on tower sites, access roads, and pull sites associated with EP125, EP126, & EP127; conduct geotechnical soil boring at sites CP69-3, EP113-5, & EP127; perform project wide BMP maintenance & inspections (76 sites).

Renewed are work activities included in the Forest Service response to SDG&E's August 12, 2011 request for concurrent work along La Posta Road (LPR). All LPR improvement work, includes brushing, grading, turnouts, driveways, intersections, dips, aggregate, gates, and barriers; geotechnical soil boring at sites EP130-1 and EP141; mechanical vegetation clearing at Thing Valley construction yard, EP130, & EP131 PS; and enough rough grading at PS125, PS130, & PS141West to allow for turning around of aggregate delivery trucks.

All SDG&E activities are subject to the PAL for Forest Service Area 685, the terms and conditions of the Special Use Permit, and all project plans and exhibits. Variances will be issued to SDG&E before the close of business every Thursday and are good for the following seven day period (September 9th thru September 15th). If you have questions contact Brian Paul, Sunrise Project Manager at (619) 445-6235.

Sincerely,

/S/ JERILYNNE C. HAYES

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