

Environmental Minor Project Refinement Form



Project Name: West of Devers Upgrade Project Request Prepared By: Sylvia Granados

Date Approval Required: 12/29/2017 Variance Request No.: 3

Date Submitted: 12/21/2017 Location: Oak Valley Parkway Telecom Route (see revised Figure 2, pages 45 and 46 attached)

Landowner: SCE ROW/City of Beaumont/Caltrans ROW Landowner Parcel Number: _____

Current Vegetative Cover/Land Use: Developed/Disturbed

Existing Sensitive Resource? NO YES Specify: See "Biological Resources" and "Jurisdictional Waters" below

Modifying (check as many as apply):
 MITIGATION MEASURE PLAN/PROCEDURE SPECIFICATION
 DRAWING PERMIT CONDITION OTHER

Specify Source (e.g., Mitigation Measure B.5): NTPR #3 Figure 2, Pages 45 and 46

Description of Change and Justification (Attach additional sheets if needed.)

Attachments:

CONSTRUCTION DRAWING ADDITIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS CORRESPONDENCE OTHER: _____

NTPR #3 Map Figure 2, pages 45 and 46, have been revised to reflect a minor shift/adjustment to the previously approved Oak Valley Parkway Telecom alignment. The adjustment has been made to minimize ground disturbance along Oak Valley Parkway and avoid impacts to a jurisdictional water feature, by using existing conduit and horizontal directional drilling (HDD) for the installation of new fiber optic cable. Additional work areas have also been identified to facilitate construction. The adjustments do not create new significant impacts for the project.

Updated Temporary Disturbance Impacts for the Oak Valley Parkway Telecom Route:

Developed/Disturbed Approximately 2.2 acres

Biological Resources:

The Oak Valley Parkway Telecom alignment is located in a highly urbanized, developed/disturbed portion of the city of Beaumont, crossing Interstate 10.

Sparse riparian areas associated with a confluence or riverine features occur in the vicinity of the alignment. Because these project features were added after the initial habitat assessments and protocol surveys for listed riparian bird species, they were not included in those survey efforts. However, a habitat assessment was conducted on Monday, December 4, 2017 by Stephen Myers, a Qualified Biologist holding a USFWS Section 10(a)(1)(A) permit for Least Bell's Vireo and Southwestern Willow Flycatcher (FRED ID 2131439). Marginally suitable habitat patches for these species were identified within approximately 300 to 500 feet of the alignment. For the purpose of compliance with FEIR/FEIS MM WIL-2c, SCE assumes these habitat patches are historically occupied, although the likelihood is only moderate. As such, during the breeding season, SCE will conduct additional focused nest location surveys in accordance with the Nesting Bird Management Plan. In the unlikely event that active territories are documented, SCE will implement avoidance and minimization measures as described in MM WIL-2c, consistent with the Nesting Bird Management Plan, and as determined in coordination with the Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and California Department of Fish and Wildlife. However, SCE endeavors to complete the work outside the avian breeding season to avoid potential constraints associated with the breeding of any avian species. It is also important to note that the listed riparian birds typically do not start establishing nests and territories until approximately March. In addition, based on the distance of the habitat patches from the alignment, even if breeding vireo or flycatchers are noted, impacts to these species are not anticipated.

No other special-status species habitats are located along this portion of the alignment. Therefore, no impacts to special-status species are anticipated.

This portion of the alignment includes habitats for nesting birds (e.g., trees, shrubs, the ground surface, man-made structures). If work extends into the nesting bird season, SCE will conduct additional focused nest location surveys in accordance with the Nesting Bird Management Plan.

No impacts to regulated trees are anticipated. If tree removal or trimming are required, the contractor will be responsible for obtaining permits, if needed, from the local jurisdiction.

Jurisdictional Waters

The alignment crosses a jurisdictional feature west of Interstate 10 and South Desert Lawn Drive. However, the telecom alignment is designed to avoid the water feature by directionally drilling below a concrete box culvert. The HDD will be installed approximately 10 feet below the closed concrete bottom of the culvert, minimizing the potential for frac-out into the feature. A single 5-inch diameter conduit will be installed via HDD with no casing, to further minimize the risk of potential frac-out. The Contractor will be prepared to implement the CPUC approved frac-out plan and SCE would pursue emergency permitting in the unlikely event of a frac-out. Ground-based activities will not occur within the mapped limits of the jurisdictional feature.

Cultural Resources

The area has been surveyed for archaeological resources. Results were negative, as reported in:

Mengers, Doug. 2016. *Cultural Resources Survey of Engineering Revision Areas for the Southern California Company's West of Devers Upgrade Project (WODUP), Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, California*. PanGIS, Inc., for Southern California Edison. Letter report on file at Eastern Information Center, Riverside, CA.

Resources:

Biological NO SENSITIVE RESOURCES PRESENT SENSITIVE RESOURCES PRESENT N/A

New Survey Report Attached: YES NO

If No, Previous Biological Survey Reference: _____

Cultural NO RESOURCES PRESENT RESOURCES PRESENT WITH PROJECT APE: YES NO
 (PAVED/GRAVEL AREA AND NO GROUND DISTURBANCE)

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If not in APE, attach new survey report.

Other Potential Impacts: (Check any potential changes to permitted impacts and provide details below. Attach additional sheets if needed.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> AIR QUALITY | <input type="checkbox"/> LAND USE | <input type="checkbox"/> TRAFFIC |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES | <input type="checkbox"/> NOISE | <input type="checkbox"/> VISUAL |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CONTAMINATED SOILS | <input type="checkbox"/> PALEO RESOURCES | <input type="checkbox"/> WATER RESOURCES |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CULTURAL RESOURCES | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIOECONOMIC | <input type="checkbox"/> WETLANDS |

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

STORM WATER (SWPPP)

NA

CEQA and Permitting: (Provide details for any "Yes" answer and attach additional information if needed.)

1. Will modification involve substantial changes that will require major changes to the CEQA document?

YES NO

2. Will modification result in new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified impacts?

YES NO

3. Additional agency notifications and/or permit modifications required? YES NO

Conditions of Approval or Reasons for Denial: (Attach additional information if needed.)

Required Signatures: (Attached email approvals may be used in lieu of signatures.)

Chief Construction Inspector or Foreman: VARIANCE MODIFICATION IS NEEDED FOR SAFE AND EFFICIENT CONSTRUCTION

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Environmental Inspector: FIELD REVIEW COMPLETE

Name: Hannah Buckley Signature: See signature page attached Date: 12/21/2017

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Environmental Compliance Lead: APPROVED APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS (SEE CONDITIONS ABOVE) DENIED

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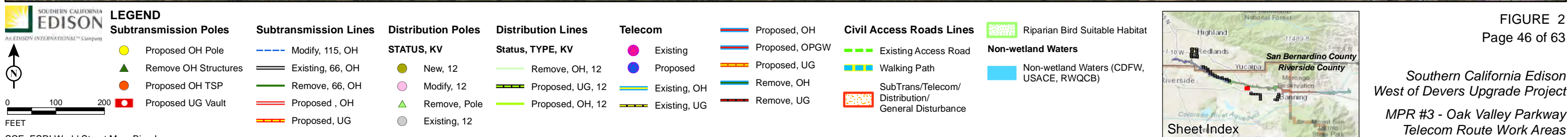
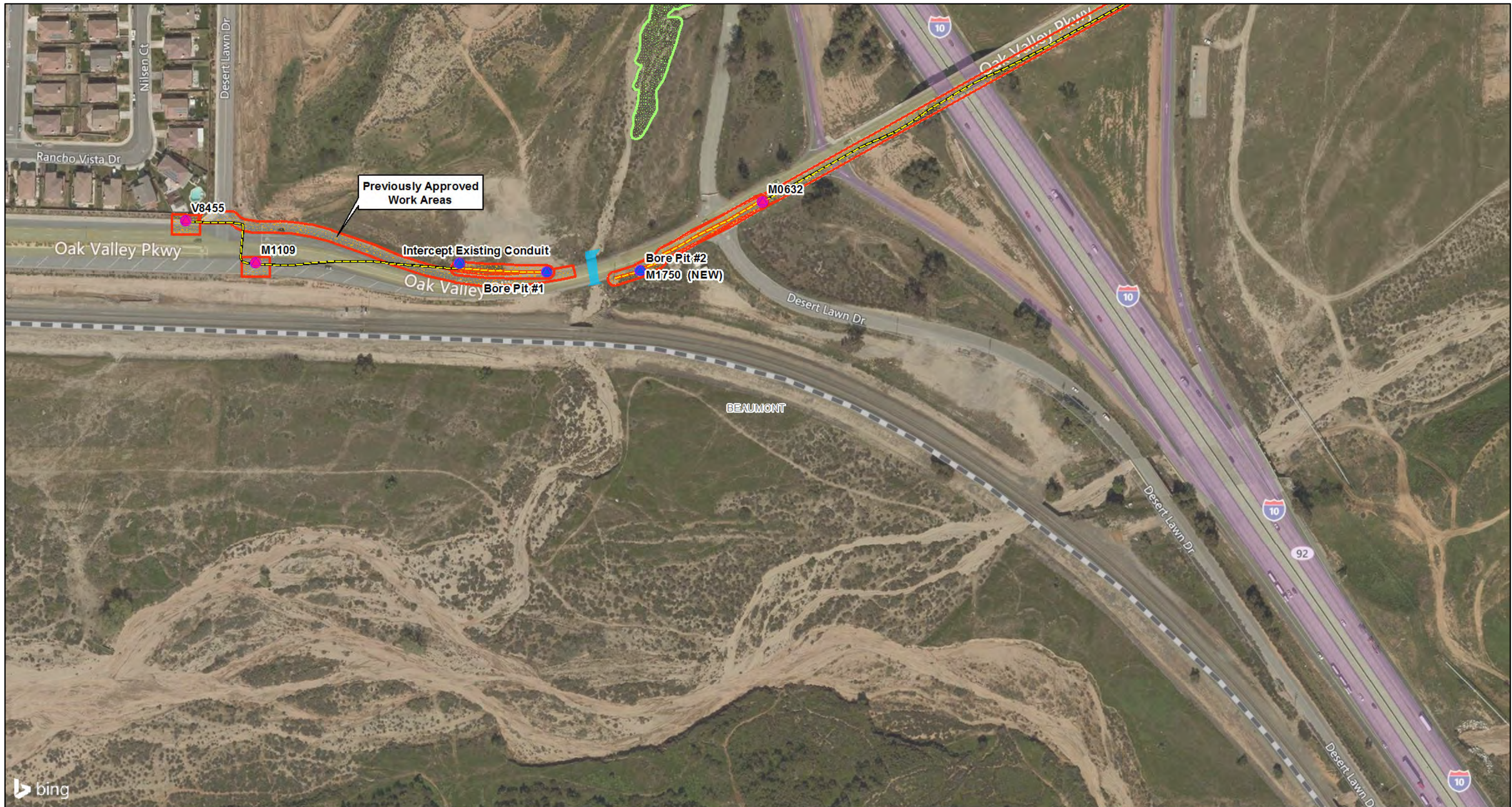
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FIGURE 2
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MPR #3 - Oak Valley Parkway
Telecom Route Work Areas



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