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**PROJECT MEMORANDUM**  
**SCE WEST OF DEVERS UPGRADE PROJECT**

**Date:** April 24, 2019  
**To:** John Forsythe, Project Manager, CPUC  
**From:** Vida Strong, Aspen Project Manager  
**Subject:** Monitoring Report #60: April 14 to April 20, 2019

## Introduction

This report provides a summary of the construction and compliance activities associated with Southern California Edison’s (SCE) West of Devers (WOD) Upgrade Project. SCE self-performed work (NTPs #2 and #3) is essentially complete with the exception of substation equipment upgrades and minor telecom tie-ins. 220 kV work (NTPs #4 and #5) is approximately 22% complete.

**CPUC Environmental Monitor (EM):** CPUC EM, David DuBois, was onsite April 16 through 19.

## CPUC Notices to Proceed (NTPs)

Table 1 summarizes the NTPs with construction for the WOD Upgrade Project.

**Table 1 - NTPs**  
(Updated 04/24/19)

NTP #	Date Requested	Date Issued	Phase	Description
NTP #1	04/04/17	06/29/17	Material Yards	Construction or use of 10 Material Yards
NTP #2	05/18/17	06/29/17	Substation Upgrades	Upgrades to 5 existing Substations
NTP #3	06/05/17	08/10/17	Distribution, Subtransmission, and Telecom	Construction of the Distribution, Subtransmission, and Telecommunication portions of the Project
NTP #4	07/13/17	09/05/17	Transmission	Transmission Line Construction on private lands
NTP #5	08/07/17	03/29/18	Construction on BLM lands	Transmission Line construction on BLM lands

## Construction & Compliance

A summary of construction and compliance activities is provided below by NTP.

### **Material Yards (NTP #1)**

As defined in NTP #1, Project material yards (MY) include:

- Mountain View #1 MY
- Lugonia MY
- Grand Terrace MY
- Poultry MY
- San Timoteo MY

- Beaumont #1 MY
- Beaumont #2 MY
- Matich MY
- Hathaway #2 MY
- Devers MY

To date, all material yard pre-compliance materials associated with NTP #1 that have been submitted have been approved.

### **Summary of Construction Activity**

1. For the currently approved MYs, all activities are being performed by the contractor operating out of each respective yard. No MY construction activities, other than fence installation at Devers MY, were conducted during the subject reporting period.
2. The Poultry MY is being utilized by Barnard Construction and Power Grade Incorporated as their primary base of operations and material/equipment storage location. Work associated with the Poultry MY included material/equipment deliveries and general yard maintenance throughout the monitoring period. Helicopter operations out of Poultry MY occurred during the monitoring period.
3. The Matich MY is being utilized by Barnard Construction primarily for tubular steel pole (TSP) storage. Work associated with the Matich MY included material/equipment deliveries throughout the monitoring period.
4. The Mountain View #1 MY is being utilized by Abercrombie Services as their primary base of operations and materials/equipment storage location.
5. The Beaumont #2 MY is being utilized by CJ/Aldridge Drilling as their primary base of operations and material/equipment storage location. Material/equipment deliveries and general yard maintenance occurred at the Beaumont #2 MY throughout the monitoring period.
6. The Grand Terrace MY will be used primarily as a show-up location for project construction crews.
7. Fence installation activities occurred at the Devers MY during the monitoring period (see Photo 1).

### **Environmental Compliance**

1. There were no SCE self-reported or CPUC incidents documented for construction activities associated with NTP #1 throughout the monitoring period.
2. There were no SWPPP maintenance items or corrective actions associated with NTP #1 recorded during the monitoring period. To date, there are no open SWPPP maintenance items or corrective actions associated with NTP #1.
3. There were no reportable (> 1 gallon) or non-reportable (< 1 gallon) spills associated with NTP #1 identified during the monitoring period.
4. No new nests were reported at locations associated with NTP #1 during the monitoring period. As of the end of the monitoring, there are no active nests located within work areas associated with NTP #1. If required, management, including the removal of inactive non-special-status bird species' nests, is being implemented per the requirements of the Project Nesting Bird Management Plan (NBMP). No nests were removed during the subject reporting period.
5. No special-status species were observed or identified at locations associated with NTP #1 during the monitoring period.

## ***Substations (NTP #2)***

Five substations are identified for improvements in NTP #2. These include:

- Etiwanda Substation
- San Bernardino Substation
- Vista Substation
- El Casco Substation
- Devers Substation

To date, all pre-compliance materials associated with NTP #2 that have been submitted have been approved.

### **Summary of Construction Activity**

1. For the currently approved substation components, all work is being managed by Circle Wood Services with construction support from TTR Substations and SCE crews. Wire stringing connections and wreck-out activities between the project alignment and locations within the substations are being performed by Abercrombie Services.
2. Work activities at the San Bernardino Substation included wreck-out of existing fiber wire and mobilization of equipment.
3. Outage work continues at El Casco Substation.
4. No construction activities associated with the other substations (Vista, Devers, and Etiwanda) occurred throughout the monitoring period.

### **Environmental Compliance**

1. There were no SCE self-reported or CPUC incidents documented for construction activities associated with NTP #2 throughout the monitoring period.
2. There were no SWPPP maintenance items or corrective actions associated with NTP #2 recorded during the monitoring period. To date, there are no open SWPPP maintenance items or corrective actions associated with NTP #2.
3. There were no reportable (> 1 gallon) or non-reportable (< 1 gallon) spills associated with NTP #2 identified during the monitoring period.
4. As of the end of the monitoring period, there were ten active nests (raven, red-tailed hawk, red-shouldered hawk, Cassin's kingbird, and least Bell's vireo) located within work areas associated with NTP #2 and the required buffers have been implemented. If required, management, including the removal of inactive non-special-status bird species' nests, is being implemented per the requirements of the Project NBMP. No nests were removed during the subject reporting period.
5. Three least Bell's vireo nests were active near the El Casco Substation during the monitoring period. No other special status species were observed or identified at locations associated with NTP #2 during the monitoring period.

### ***Distribution, Subtransmission, and Telecommunication Work (NTP #3)***

NTP #3 included distribution, subtransmission, and telecommunication improvements as presented below. These construction activities have been essentially completed, with minor follow up required in response to Project activities.

Distribution improvements included the following:

- Dental 12-kV Distribution Circuit (Dental Circuit)
- Intern 12-kV Distribution Circuit Underbuild (Intern Circuit)
- Reconductor on Juanita Street (Juanita Reconductor)

Subtransmission improvements included the following:

- Removal of San Bernardino–Redlands-Timoteo and the San Bernardino–Redlands-Tennessee 66-kV Lines (Timoteo-Tennessee Removal)
- Relocation of San Bernardino–Redlands-Timoteo 66-kV Lines (Timoteo Relocation)
- Relocation of San Bernardino–Redlands-Tennessee 66-kV Lines (Tennessee Relocation)

Telecommunication improvements included the following:

- San Bernardino Substation Connection to Redlands Inland Empire District Office (San Bernardino Connection)
- Timoteo-Redlands District Office Fiber Optic Cable Connection (Timoteo-Redlands Connection)
- El Casco Substation Connection to Vista Moreno OPGW (El Casco Connection)
- Maraschino Substation Connection to Devers-Valley OPGW (Maraschino Connection)
- El Casco–Banning Connection to Devers-Vista Skywrap (El Casco–Banning Connection)
- Banning Substation Connection to Devers-Valley OPGW (Banning Connection)

#### **Summary of Construction Activity**

1. For the currently approved subtransmission and distribution components, construction activities are being performed by Abercrombie Services and SCE crews.
2. Work included pulling telecom fiber from TSP 4795708E to wood poles 4503902E, 2268257E, and 4825386E.
3. As of the closing of this monitoring period, the construction progress of components associated with NTP #3 is as follows:
  - For distribution components, all 19 12-kV poles have been framed, all 12 12-kV underground vaults have been installed, and 7,430 feet of 12-kV duct bank (conduit) and 10,760 feet of 12-kV conductor wire has been installed.
  - For subtransmission components, 119 of 119 66-kV light-weight TSPs have been erected, 19 of 19 TSPs have been erected, and 25,610 feet of 66-kV wire has been installed. Both the Timoteo and Tennessee circuits have been energized. Wreck-out of the existing subtransmission infrastructure is underway.

## **Environmental Compliance**

1. There were no SCE self-reported or CPUC incidents documented for construction activities associated with NTP #3 throughout the monitoring period.
2. SCE provided documentation of approval of night work from the City of Loma Linda for telecom work.
3. There were no SWPPP maintenance items or corrective actions associated with NTP #3 recorded during the monitoring period. To date, there are no open SWPPP maintenance items or corrective actions associated with NTP #3.
4. There were no reportable (> 1 gallon) or non-reportable (< 1 gallon) spills associated with NTP #3 identified during the monitoring period.
5. No new nests were reported at locations associated with NTP #3 during the monitoring period. As of the end of the monitoring period, there is one active nest (golden eagle) located within work areas associated with NTP #3 for which the required buffer has been established and no work is planned for the area. If required, management, including the removal of inactive non-special-status bird species' nests is being implemented per the requirements of the Project NBMP. No nests were removed during the subject reporting period.
6. No special-status species were observed or identified at locations associated with NTP #3 during the monitoring period.

## ***Transmission Work (NTP #4)***

NTP #4 includes six transmission line segments, identified as Segments 1 through 6, generally moving from west to east.

To date, pre-compliance materials associated with NTP #4, Segments 1 through 6, have been submitted and approved.

### **Summary of Construction Activity**

1. For the currently approved transmission components, Power Grade Incorporated is conducting access road maintenance/stabilization, BMP installation, vegetation removal, and site grading. CJ/Aldridge Drilling is performing foundation work. Abercrombie Services is assembling and erecting new towers, and conducting wire operations with support from Summit Helicopters. Cunningham Davis Corporation is removing existing towers and foundations.
2. Work associated with Segment 1 included: Foundation pour preparation at Construction Area 1X12.
3. Work associated with Segment 2 included: Grading activities at Construction Area 2N14; and grading, importing, and Hilfiker Wall installation at Construction Areas 2N10, 2N31, and 2N32 (see Photo 2).
4. Work associated with Segment 3 included: Assembling and erecting towers at Construction Areas 3X08, 3X10, 3X12, 3X16, 3X17, 3X20, 3X26, and 3X27; wire pull at Construction Areas 3X06, 3X10, 3X12, 3X15, 3X16, 3X17, and 3X06-07 to 3X24 (see Figures 3-6); installing travelers at Construction Area 3X29; stringing conductor from Construction Areas 3X29-WSS-MPR-23 through WSS-3-3X55-3X56 and 3X29 through 3X57; excavating and exporting at Construction Areas 3X31 and 3X64; and dead ending of OPGW at Construction Area 3X65.
5. Work associated with Segment 4 included: Installing T-post caps at Construction Areas 4N59, 4N60, 4N61.
6. Work associated with Segment 5 (which includes sites within Morongo lands along Segment 5 as reported by SCE) included: Foundation drilling/installation at Construction Areas 5X42, 5X43, and

5X44;; stripping and patching foundations at Construction Areas 5X44 and 5X47; rock crushing at Construction Areas 5X42 and 5X46; vegetation removal and grading at Construction Area 5X36; vegetation trimming at Construction Areas 5X34, 5X36 and 5X35; and road maintenance in several areas.

7. Work associated with Segment 6 (non-BLM lands) included: Grading and removal of vegetation at Construction Areas 6X09, 6X10, 6X14, 6N15 and 6S15; and pad and road grading activities at Construction Areas 6X11 and 6X12.
8. As of the closing of this monitoring period, construction progress associated with NTP #4 is as follows:
  - 4 miles of minor road maintenance was completed in Segments 2 and 5.
  - Grading for foundation installation has been completed at 206 sites.
  - Foundations are completed for 132 of 386 lattice towers and 31 of 83 TSPs.
  - Erection of 62 of 386 lattice towers and 15 of 83 TSPs have been completed.
  - Erection of 51 temporary shoofly locations has been completed.
  - Stringing of approximately 3.7 of 8.0 circuit miles of shoofly conductor, 11.3 of 184.0 circuit miles of mainline conductor, and 4.82 of 99.0 circuit miles of OPGW fiber has been completed.
  - Demolition of 69 of 602 existing structures and 66 of 415 existing foundations has been completed.
  - Wire wreck-out has been completed along 11.8 circuit miles.
9. The first required outages (Project Move 1 and Project Move 2) were completed in 2018. Project Move 3 in Segment 3 began January 7, 2019 and will continue through April 26, 2019.

### **Environmental Compliance**

1. There were no SCE self-reported or CPUC incidents documented for construction activities associated with NTP #3 throughout the monitoring period.
2. There were two spills (<1 gallon) reported during the reporting period. Both spills were cleaned up as soon as they were identified. No other spills (reportable >1 gallon or non-reportable <1 gallon) associated with NTP #4 were identified during the monitoring period.
3. As of the end of the monitoring period, there are 76 active nests at locations associated with NTP #4 during the monitoring period. Nests include: lark sparrow, killdeer, Anna's hummingbird, bushtit, house finch, house wren, cactus wren, Bewick's wren, northern rough-winged swallow, California towhee, California thrasher, northern mockingbird, common raven, mourning dove, Cassin's kingbird, lesser goldfinch, red-tailed hawk, and great horned owl. Buffers have been established per the Project NBMP. If required, management, including the removal of inactive non-special-status bird species' nests is being implemented per the requirements of the Project NBMP. No nests were removed during the subject reporting period.
4. There were thirteen special-status species observed or identified at locations associated with NTP #4 during the monitoring period. These included four burrowing owls, one coast patch-nosed snake, one southern California rufous-crowned sparrow, one least Bell's vireo, two San Diego desert woodrat, and one loggerhead shrike.
5. SCE provided documentation of FAA filings for the Project on September 17 and September 26; FAA concurrence will be required prior to tower installation where applicable. Additional information was provided February 11, 2019. FAA recommended marker balls have been installed on the shoofly spans near El Casco Substation.

## **Transmission Work BLM Lands (NTP #5)**

NTP #5 includes the portion of one transmission line segment, identified as Segment 6, which traverses properties managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). NTP #5 was approved by BLM on March 29, 2018. The preconstruction compliance package for BLM lands was deemed acceptable by BLM on February 5, 2019.

### **Summary of Construction Activity**

1. For the currently approved transmission components, Power Grade Incorporated is conducting access road maintenance/stabilization, BMP installation, vegetation removal, and site grading. CJ/Aldridge Drilling is performing foundation work. Abercrombie Services is assembling and erecting new towers, and conducting wire operations with support from Summit Helicopters. Cunningham Davis Corporation is removing existing towers and foundations.
2. No construction activities were conducted on BLM lands during the subject period.

### **Environmental Compliance**

See NTP #4 discussion above for environmental compliance activities.

## **Temporary Extra Workspaces (TEWS) and Minor Project Refinements (MPRs)**

No TEWS or MPRs were approved during the subject monitoring period. Table 2 summarizes the TEWS and MPRs for the WOD Upgrade Project to date.

**Table 2 - TEWS & MPRs**  
(Updated 04/24/19)

<b>TEWS / MPR</b>	<b>Date Requested</b>	<b>Date Issued</b>	<b>Phase</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>Temporary Extra Workspaces (TEWS)</b>				
TEWS #1	10-12-17	10-19-17	Maraschino Connection	Access to Beaumont Cherry Valley District water hydrant meter located near the intersection of Highland Springs Avenue and Crooked Creek, Beaumont.
TEWS #2	11-13-17	11-21-17	El Casco–Banning Connection	Water source on Oak Valley Boulevard.
TEWS #3	12-15-17	12-15-17	Banning Connection	Access to existing poles off of Lincoln Street.
TEWS #4	12-18-17	12-18-17	Banning Connection	Access to existing poles off of Wesley Street.
TEWS #5	12-20-17	12-21-17	Banning Connection	Access to existing poles at intersection of Wesley Street and Old Idyllwild Road
TEWS #6	6-13-18	6-13-18	Timoteo Relocation	Extra workspace to facilitate erection of TSP #4696058 at intersection of Redlands Boulevard and Bryn Mawr Street
TEWS #7	7-27-18	7-30-18	Timoteo Relocation	Extra workspace to facilitate wire pulling activities along Research Drive and Almond Avenue

<b>TEWS / MPR</b>	<b>Date Requested</b>	<b>Date Issued</b>	<b>Phase</b>	<b>Description</b>
TEWS #8	8-27-18	8-28-18	Dental/Intern Circuits	DENIED AND RESCINDED – Extra workspace to facilitate construction along Mission Road
TEWS #9	10-18-18	10-19-18	Timoteo Relocation	Extra workspace for walking path at Bryn Mawr and I-10
TEWS #10	11-05-18	11-05-18	Timoteo Relocation	Extra workspace along Barton and Mountain View Roads for cutover operations.
TEWS #11	01-30-19	01-31-19	Timoteo Relocation	Extra workspace to facilitate the removal of fiber optic cable from overhead poles north along Mountain View Avenue and east along Redlands Boulevard.
TEWS #12	02-06-19	02-07-19	Timoteo Relocation	Extra workspace along Mountain View Avenue for subtransmission pole removal.
TEWS #13	02-26-19	02-26-19	Segment 3	Temporary access road detour for vehicle and equipment travel to/from San Timoteo Canyon Road and Tower Site 3X41.
<b>Minor Project Refinements (MPRs)</b>				
MPR #1	11-17-17	11-22-17	Maraschino Connection	Revisions to the amount of new underground telecom construction.
MPR #2	12-13-17	12-15-17	Maraschino Connection	Addition of two vault work areas on Highland Springs Road.
MPR #3	12-21-17	12-28-17	El Casco– Banning Connection	Adjustments to alignment along Oak Valley Parkway
MPR #4	12-27-17	1-3-18	Maraschino/ El Casco– Banning Connections	Continued use of two fire hydrants previously approved as TEWS #1 and TEWS #2
MPR #5	1-16-18	1-22-18	Banning Connection	Continued use of access routes described in TEWS #3, 4, and 5 and temporary access paths through private property along Coyote Trail
MPR #6	2-8-18	2-12-18	Project-wide	Use of 10 water sources to support construction activities
MPR #7	2-23-18	2-28-18	Poultry MY	Temporary water and electrical supply to yard
MPR #8	2-27-18	3-2-18	El Casco Connection/ Segment 1	New telecom splice location and single new steel pole installation
MPR #9	3-26-18	3-27-18	El Casco Connection	Telecom work areas along El Casco Substation access road
MPR #10	4-6-18	4-9-18	Mountain View #1 MY/All subtrans	Additional work spaces at Mountain View #1 MY entry and at subtransmission improvements work areas



TEWS / MPR	Date Requested	Date Issued	Phase	Description
MPR #11	5-4-18	5-8-18	Tennessee Relocation	Relocation of 5 subtransmission structures from the east side to the west side of Nevada Street
MPR #12	5-14-18	5-16-18	Timoteo Relocation	Additional work space for TSP erection at Bryn Mawr Avenue and Interstate 10.
MPR #13	5-23-18	5-25-18	Project-wide	Addition of encased fire hose to O'Grady Court water source and use of 17 water sources to support construction activities
MPR #14	5-24-18	5-31-18	Timoteo/ Tennessee Relocations	Location shift of 3 TSPs and 1 vault location
MPR #15	5-31-18	6-4-18	Poultry MY	Paving of access road and trailer complex area
MPR #16	6-11-18	6-13-18	Banning Connection	Shift of horizontal directional drilling (HDD) alignment through Smith Creek and addition of walking paths along Coyote Trail
MPR #17	6-20-18	6-22-18	Dental Circuit/ Tennessee Relocation	Additional work space along Mission Road, Lugonia Avenue, and Nevada Street
MPR #18	8-3-18	8-7-18	Timoteo Relocation/ Beaumont #2 MY	Expansion of vault installation work area off Mountain View Avenue and new water source near Beaumont #2 MY
MPR #19	8-13-18	8-20-18	Segment 4	Additional work space requests at Sites 4N58, 4N59, and 4N64
MPR #20	8-21-18	8-27-18	Banning Connection	Use of unpaved access road west of Smith Creek
MPR #21	10-4-18	10-10-18	Project-wide/ Segments 3&4	Use of 6 water sources, installation of water tank, use of access road, and expansion of WSS
MPR #22	11-19-18	11-20-18	Subtrans and Telecom	Pole replacement, switch replacement, and shift in underground telecom route.
MPR #23	12-11-18	12-21-18	Transmission	Site 3N32 and Move 3 work areas.
MPR #24	01-15-19	01-28-19	Transmission	Additional Wire Stringing Site in Segment 1.
MPR #25	03-11-19	03-14-10	Transmission	Additional work area west of Supersite 3X55, Segment 3.
MPR #26	04-02-19	04-04-19	Transmission	Use of Prado Lane access road (Segment 2) and two existing hydrants (Segment 6).

## CPUC Compliance Incidents, Project Memoranda (PMs) and Non-Compliance Reports (NCRs)

Table 3 summarizes the CPUC Incidents, PMs, and NCRs issued to date.

**Table 3**  
**CPUC Incidents, Project Memoranda, and Non-Compliance Reports**  
(Updated 04/24/19)

<b>Incident/PM/NCR</b>	<b>Regulatory Requirement</b>	<b>Date Issued</b>	<b>Phase</b>	<b>Description</b>
Level 1 Incident	Traffic Control Plan	01-30-18	Banning Connection	Traffic control was set up in such a way that diverted flow into active work area and deviated from approved Traffic Control Plan.
Level 1 Incident	MM WIL-1b	04-19-18	Timoteo/Tennessee Relocation	A portable water tank was observed uncovered for four consecutive days.
Level 1 Incident	MM VEG-1a	5-24-18	El Casco Substation	Equipment was staged outside of approved disturbance limits for at least 1-2 days.
Level 1 Incident	MM AQ-1a	8-15-18	Banning Connection	Fugitive dust observed from construction activities.
Level 1 Incident	MM WIL-1b	8-15-18	Banning Connection	Use of unapproved access road.
Level 1 Incident	MM WIL-1b	8-15-18	Banning Connection	Use of unapproved staging area.
Level 1 Incident	Fire Management Plan	9-18-18	Segment 4	Lack of adequate fire abatement equipment at 3 locations.
Level 1 Incident	Fire Management Plan	9-20-18	Segment 4	Lack of adequate fire abatement equipment
Level 1 Incident	HH-1a	10-17-18	Segment 4	Lack of proper secondary containment for 4 pieces of equipment.
Level 1 Incident	N-1a	10-17-18	Segment 4	Work outside of approved hours
Level 1 Incident	WIL-1b	10-18-18	Grand Terrace MY	Lack of proper covering for pipes between 1.5" to 4"
Level 1 Incident	N-1a	10-18-18	Segment 4	Work outside of approved hours
Level 1 Incident	AQ-1a	10-30-18	Grand Terrace MY	Fugitive Dust Emissions Outside of Property Boundaries at the Grand Terrace Yard.
Level 1 Incident	WIL-1b	01-24-19	Segment 3	Pipes/tubing left open at Sites 3X08 and 3X10.
Level 1 Incident	AQ-1a	02-13-19	Segment 3	Fugitive dust along Segment 3 access road to 3X06.
Level 2 Incident	VEG-3a	02-13-19	Segment 3	Offsite sediment discharge from access road into JD ID 3054.

## PROJECT PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo 1 – Desert tortoise proof fencing installation occurred in the Devers MY (April 18, 2019).



Photo 2 – Grading occurred at sites in Segment 2 (April 16, 2019).



Photo 3 – Grading occurred in Segment 3 (April 17, 2019).



Photo 4 – Stringing activities occurred in Segment 3 (April 19, 2019).



Photo 5 – Stringing activities occurred in Segment 3 (April 19, 2019).



Photo 6 – Helicopter pulling line in Segment 3 (April 19, 2019).