



CLEVELAND NATIONAL FOREST POWER LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECTS



MINOR PROJECT REFINEMENT REQUEST FORM

Date Submitted:	08-23-18	Request #:	021
Date Approval Required:	09-06-18	Landowner:	La Jolla Indian Reservation
APN:	XXX-XXX-XX		
Refinement from (check all that apply):			
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigation Measure	<input type="checkbox"/> APM	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other
Identify source (mitigation measure, project description, etc.):			
<p>Notice to Proceed (NTP) request #13 and Minor Project Refinement (MPR) request #14 for the Cleveland National Forest Power Line Replacement Projects (Project) were approved by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) and United States Forest Service on April 5, 2018. Since the approval of NTP request #13 and MPR request #14, San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) has determined that a new 12 kilovolt (kV) interset pole (P259149) is required along Phase III of Transmission Line (TL) 682. A brief description and justification of the refinement is provided on page 2 of this MPR request.</p>			
Attachments (check all that apply):			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Refinement Request Screening Form (See Attachment A: Minor Project Refinement Request Screening Form)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maps (See Attachment B: Comparison Map)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Photos (See Attachment C: Photographs)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
<p>Under Order 2 of the Decision Granting SDG&E Permit to Construct the Cleveland National Forest Power Line Replacement Projects (D.16-05-038), the CPUC may approve minor project refinements under certain circumstances. In accordance with Order 2 of the Decision, respond “yes” or “no” to the following questions (a) through (d).</p>			
<p>(a) Is the proposed refinement outside the geographic boundary of the EIR/EIS study area?</p> <p>The requested refinement is located within the geographic boundary of the Final Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) study area, which is depicted in Figure ES-1 Regional Overview Map in the Final EIR/EIS. In addition, the refinement area occurs within the baseline biological survey area; however, the refinement area occurs outside of the baseline cultural and hydrological survey areas. Therefore, supplemental cultural resource surveys were conducted in 2016 through 2018, and a supplemental hydrological resource survey was conducted in 2018. A supplemental biological survey was conducted in 2018 to verify site conditions. Additional details regarding the specific surveys conducted can be found in each applicable resource section in Attachment A: Minor Project Refinement Request Screening Form.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<p>(b) Will the proposed refinement result in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously identified significant impact based on the criteria used in the EIR/EIS?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<p>(c) Does the proposed refinement conflict with any mitigation measure or applicable law or policy?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<p>(d) Does the proposed refinement trigger an additional permit requirement?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

Describe refinement being requested (attach drawings and photos as needed):					
As depicted in Attachment B: Comparison Map and Attachment C: Photographs, SDG&E is requesting to add a new steel 12 kV interset pole (P259149), as well as an associated temporary pole work area along Phase III of TL682. The pole location and temporary pole work area will be accessed using an existing, approved navigation access road, as well as a newly identified dirt navigation access road. Minor vegetation clearing may be required for fire prevention and use of the temporary pole work area. The requested refinement will result an increase of approximately 0.01 acre of temporary impacts, and less than 0.01 acre of permanent impacts. The activities associated with the installation of the pole will occur in the same manner as described in the Final EIR/EIS for construction of the Project.					
Provide need for refinement (attach drawings and photos as needed):					
SDG&E is requesting to add Pole P259149 in order to provide service to an existing customer.					
Date refinement is expected to be implemented:				09-07-18	
Resource Agency Coordination					
Resource Agency	Name	Action Required	Date	Documentation (see attached if yes)	
Not Applicable (N/A)	N/A	N/A	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

ATTACHMENT A: MINOR PROJECT REFINEMENT REQUEST SCREENING FORM

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RESOURCE EVALUATION

The requested refinement was evaluated to verify that it will not result in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously identified significant impact based on the criteria used in the Final Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) for the San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) Cleveland National Forest Power Line Replacement Projects (Project). The following Final EIR/EIS Consistency Checklist answers the consistency questions for each resource category and includes a description and justification, as necessary. The consistency questions were developed using the California Environmental Quality Act Checklist provided in the Final EIR/EIS. Refer to the Final EIR/EIS for the details on the Project impact evaluation.

Final EIR/EIS Consistency Checklist			
Would the proposed action(s) result in a new impact, or increase the severity of a previously analyzed impact to:	No Change	Potentially Significant Change	Not Applicable
<p>Visual Resources (e.g., adversely affect scenic vistas, damage scenic resources within a state scenic highway, degrade the existing visual character of the site and its surroundings, create sources of light or glare, or result in an inconsistency with applicable scenic integrity objectives)?</p> <p><i>Final EIR/EIS evaluation¹: Significant and unavoidable (Class I)/Adverse and unavoidable</i></p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Summary of Proposed Minor Project Refinement Impacts on Visual Resources:</p> <p>The new steel distribution interset pole will not substantially increase impacts to visual resources because it will be located adjacent to the transmission line right-of-way and in line with an existing distribution span. In addition, the pole will be similar in appearance to the adjacent, new steel transmission and distribution structures. The requested refinement will be consistent with the visual resource analysis defined in the Final EIR/EIS, and will not impact the Henshaw Scenic Vista (more than five miles west) nor substantially affect existing views from State Route (SR-) 76 (an eligible state scenic highway). Impacts to the visual character of the area may occur as a result of additional vegetation clearing; however, these impacts will be temporary and reduced with implementation of Applicant-Proposed Measure (APM) VIS-01 and APM VIS-02. Therefore, the requested refinement will not result in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously analyzed impact to visual resources as identified in the Final EIR/EIS.</p>			
<p>Air Quality (e.g. produce additional emissions, conflict with applicable local air quality plans, or expose sensitive receptors to additional pollutants)?</p> <p><i>Final EIR/EIS evaluation: Significant and unavoidable (Class I)/Adverse and unavoidable</i></p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Summary of Proposed Minor Project Refinement Impacts on Air Quality:</p> <p>Activities associated with construction and utilization of the refinement area (e.g., the type of equipment used and the number of truck trips) will be consistent with those discussed in the Final EIR/EIS and will not increase air emissions beyond what was analyzed. Additional vegetation clearing may result in a minor increase in air quality impacts for the localized area; however, this activity will be short term and temporary, and no additional sensitive receptors will be affected. With the implementation of air-related APMs, the requested refinement will not result</p>			

¹ The Final EIR/EIS evaluations of impact significance are provided for each resource; this table notes the most significant determination within each resource section identified in the Final EIR/EIS.

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Would the proposed action(s) result in a new impact, or increase the severity of a previously analyzed impact to:	No Change	Potentially Significant Change	Not Applicable
<p>in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously identified impact to air quality as identified in the Final EIR/EIS.</p>			
<p>Biological Resources (e.g., result in temporary or permanent loss of native vegetation, preserve areas, native wildlife and/or their habitats; cause an adverse effect to jurisdictional waters or sensitive or special-status species; result in the introduction of invasive, non-native, or noxious plant species; conflict with local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan; or interfere with the movement of any resident or migratory wildlife)?</p> <p><i>Final EIR/EIS evaluation: Less than significant with mitigation (Class II)/Adverse</i></p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Summary of Proposed Minor Project Refinement Impacts on Biological Resources:</p> <p>The requested refinement area was previously surveyed for sensitive vegetation communities and special-status plant and wildlife species during initial surveys that were conducted for the Project. In addition, a supplemental survey of the refinement area was conducted in 2018 to verify site conditions. No special-status plant or wildlife species or other biological resource issues were identified within or adjacent to the refinement area that were not previously analyzed in the Final EIR/EIS.</p> <p>The requested refinement will result in an increase of approximately 0.01 acre of temporary impacts to bare ground and urban and developed/ornamental landscaping, and less than 0.01 acre of permanent impacts to bare ground. No United States (U.S.) Fish and Wildlife Service-designated critical habitat or U.S. Forest Service occupied habitat occurs within the refinement area. All mitigation measures (MMs) defined in the Project’s Mitigation Monitoring, Compliance, and Reporting Program—as well as other permit and plan conditions—will be implemented as applicable to minimize or mitigate for additional impacts. Thus, the requested refinement will not result in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously analyzed impact to biological resources as identified in the Final EIR/EIS.</p>			
<p>Cultural and Paleontological Resources (e.g., cause an adverse change to Traditional Cultural Properties or historical, archeological, or paleontological resources; or disturb any human remains)?</p> <p><i>Final EIR/EIS evaluation: Less than significant with mitigation (Class II)/Adverse</i></p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Summary of Proposed Minor Project Refinement Impacts on Cultural and Paleontological Resources:</p> <p>The requested refinement area was not previously surveyed for cultural resources during pre-construction and cultural resources inventory work in 2011 due to restricted landowner access on the La Jolla Indian Reservation. A supplemental intensive pedestrian survey of work areas within the La Jolla Indian Reservation was conducted by ASM Affiliates, Inc. in 2016 once access was granted. The refinement area was also surveyed in 2017 in support of Notice to Proceed (NTP) request #13 and in 2018 to verify site conditions. No new cultural resources and no previously recorded cultural resources were identified within the refinement area. In addition, the refinement is located within the Project’s area of potential effect, as defined in the Project’s Programmatic Agreement. As a result, the requested refinement will not result in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously analyzed impact to cultural resources as defined in the Final EIR/EIS.</p> <p>The requested refinement area is underlain by the same geological formations along Transmission Line (TL) 682 as analyzed in the Final EIR/EIS, which includes geologic rock units/formations assigned a rank of Potential Fossil Yield Classification (PFYC) Class 3 (moderate or unknown sensitivity). In accordance with APM CUL-</p>			

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<p>08, a paleontological monitor will be present for excavation activities associated with the pole as it is underlain by PFYC Class 3 deposits. In addition, the Paleontological Monitoring & Treatment Plan will be updated to include Pole P259149. Therefore, the requested refinement will not result in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously analyzed impact to paleontological resources as identified in the Final EIR/EIS.</p>			
<p>Greenhouse Gases (e.g., result in a net increase of greenhouse gas emissions, or conflict with an applicable plan, policy, or regulation that reduces greenhouse gas emissions)?</p> <p><i>Final EIR/EIS evaluation: Less than significant (Class III)/Not adverse</i></p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Summary of Proposed Minor Project Refinement Impacts on Greenhouses Gases:</p> <p>Activities associated with utilization of the requested refinement area are consistent with the greenhouse gas (GHG) analysis in the Final EIR/EIS. Although minor vegetation clearing may occur, the requested refinement will not trigger an exceedance of the GHG threshold of 10,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent per year or an exceedance of the County of San Diego Climate Action Plan criteria for annual grading and land clearing due to the small change in acreage. Therefore, the requested refinement will not result in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously analyzed impact to GHG emissions as identified in the Final EIR/EIS.</p>			
<p>Public Health and Safety (e.g., result in a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials; emit hazardous waste within one-quarter mile of a school; be located on a hazardous materials site; result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the Project area; interfere with an adopted emergency plan; or create safety hazards due to structural failure)?</p> <p><i>Final EIR/EIS evaluation: Less than significant with mitigation (Class II)/Adverse</i></p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Summary of Proposed Minor Project Refinement Impacts on Public Health and Safety:</p> <p>The requested refinement occurs within the area assessed in the <i>Report on ASTM Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Cleveland National Forest Electric Safety and Reliability Project San Diego County, California</i>. No known hazardous materials sites are located in the requested refinement area. Therefore, the requested refinement will not result in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously analyzed impact to public health and safety as identified in the Final EIR/EIS.</p>			

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Would the proposed action(s) result in a new impact, or increase the severity of a previously analyzed impact to:	No Change	Potentially Significant Change	Not Applicable
<p>Fire and Fuels Management (e.g., increase the probability of a wildfire, reduce the effectiveness of firefighting, or introduce non-native plants that would contribute to ignition potential)?</p> <p><i>Final EIR/EIS evaluation: Less than significant with mitigation (Class II)/Adverse</i></p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Summary of Proposed Minor Project Refinement Impacts on Fire and Fuels Management:</p> <p>The requested refinement will be located within the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, which is consistent with the Fire and Fuels Management analysis in the Final EIR/EIS. The potential risk of wildfire ignition and spread associated with the refinement area will be managed in compliance with the Project’s Construction Fire Prevention/Protection Plan. Therefore, the requested refinement will not result in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously analyzed impact to fire and fuels management as identified in the Final EIR/EIS.</p>			
<p>Hydrology and Water Quality (e.g., result in increased levels of turbidity, introduce contaminants, deplete groundwater supplies, or degrade water quality)?</p> <p><i>Final EIR/EIS evaluation: Significant and unavoidable (Class I)/Adverse and unavoidable</i></p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Summary of Proposed Minor Project Refinement Impacts on Hydrology and Water Quality:</p> <p>The requested refinement was not surveyed for the presence of waters of the state and/or the U.S. (i.e., jurisdictional wetlands or non-wetland waters) during initial surveys that were conducted for the Project. Therefore, a supplemental water resource survey of the refinement area was conducted in 2018. The requested refinement area does not contain any waters of the state or the U.S. under the jurisdiction of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Regional Water Quality Control Board, or U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. To minimize potential impacts from erosion and off-site sedimentation during construction, the refinement area will be included in the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) for Phase III of TL682. The Phase III of TL682 SWPPP is authorized under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s 2017 Construction General Permit (CGP), National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ID #CAR10I000. In accordance with Section 7.4 of the CGP, the Qualified SWPPP Developer will update the SWPPP Amendment Log and mapping to reflect this change within seven days of initiation of the change. Therefore, the requested refinement will not result in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously analyzed impact to hydrology and water quality as identified in the Final EIR/EIS.</p>			
<p>Land Use (e.g., disturb land uses at or near the Project components, divide an established community, or conflict with a land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the Project)?</p> <p><i>Final EIR/EIS evaluation: Significant and unavoidable (Class I)/Adverse and unavoidable</i></p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Summary of Proposed Minor Project Refinement Impacts on Land Use:</p> <p>In accordance with the Construction Notification Plan and MM LU-1, property owners within 1,000 feet of TL682 were notified of construction activities on June 7, 2017, and the property owners within 1,000 feet of the requested refinement were included in that notification process. The requested refinement will not introduce a new land use, establish a permanent barrier or obstacle between uses, or create a physical division or separation of use. In addition, the requested refinement will not conflict with the applicable land use plans, policies, or regulations of an agency with jurisdiction over the Project, as it is located in the same County of San Diego land use and zoning designations that</p>			

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<p>were analyzed in the Final EIR/EIS. Therefore, the requested refinement will not result in new significant impacts or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously analyzed impact to land use as identified in the Final EIR/EIS.</p>			
<p>Noise (e.g., disturb sensitive receptors and violate local rules, standards, and/or ordinances; or cause ground borne vibration)? <i>Final EIR/EIS evaluation: Less than significant with mitigation (Class II)/Adverse</i></p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Summary of Proposed Minor Project Refinement Impacts on Noise: Additional construction-related noise will be generated within the requested refinement area due to minor vegetation clearing, stringing conductor, pole installation, and large equipment operation. Although use of the refinement area may result in minor increases in noise levels for the localized area, this activity will be short term and temporary, and no additional sensitive receptors will be affected. With implementation of noise-related MMs and APMs, the requested refinement will not result in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously analyzed impact to noise as identified in the Final EIR/EIS.</p>			
<p>Public Services and Utilities (e.g., result in construction of new, or expansion of existing, facilities for fire protection, municipal water supplies, telecommunications, and solid waste; or disrupt electric service)? <i>Final EIR/EIS evaluation: Less than significant with mitigation (Class II)/Adverse</i></p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Summary of Proposed Minor Project Refinement Impacts on Public Services and Utilities: The requested refinement will be consistent with the public services and utilities analysis in the Final EIR/EIS, and will not require new or expanded facilities or services. Therefore, the requested refinement will not result in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously analyzed impact to public services and utilities as identified in the Final EIR/EIS.</p>			
<p>Recreation (e.g., reduce access and visitation to recreation areas, preclude recreational activities, or result in increased, unauthorized access to specially designated or restricted areas)? <i>Final EIR/EIS evaluation: Less than significant with mitigation (Class II)/Adverse</i></p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Summary of Proposed Minor Project Refinement Impacts on Recreation: Like NTP request #13, the requested refinement will be located near the Amago Sports Park and La Jolla Indian Campground. However, use of the refinement area will not reduce or preclude access or visitation to these recreational areas, nor will use of the refinement area increase the possibility of unauthorized access to specially designated or restricted areas, which is consistent with the Final EIR/EIS. Therefore, the requested refinement is consistent with the Final EIR/EIS analysis and will not result in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously analyzed impact to recreation as identified in the Final EIR/EIS.</p>			

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<p>Transportation and Traffic (e.g., conflict with an applicable congestion management program or a plan, ordinance, or policy associated with the circulation system or alternative transportation; increase hazards due to a design feature; or result in inadequate emergency access)?</p> <p><i>Final EIR/EIS evaluation: Less than significant with mitigation (Class II)/Adverse</i></p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Summary of Proposed Minor Project Refinement Impacts on Transportation and Traffic:</p> <p>The requested refinement will not require additional or different types of construction vehicles and equipment than those discussed in the Final EIR/EIS for construction of the approved Project. In addition, the total number of truck trips associated with construction of the Project will not change, and use of the refinement area will affect the same roadways analyzed in the Final EIR/EIS, including SR-76, Sengme Oaks Road, and smaller public and private roads. Therefore, with the implementation of APM TRANS-01 through APM TRANS-05, use of the refinement area will not create additional impacts to the existing levels of service (LOS).² Thus, the requested refinement will not result in a new significant impact or a substantial increase in the severity of a previously analyzed impact to transportation and traffic as identified in the Final EIR/EIS.</p>			

² SR-76 has an LOS of B. An LOS does not exist for Sengme Oaks Road or the smaller public and private roads.

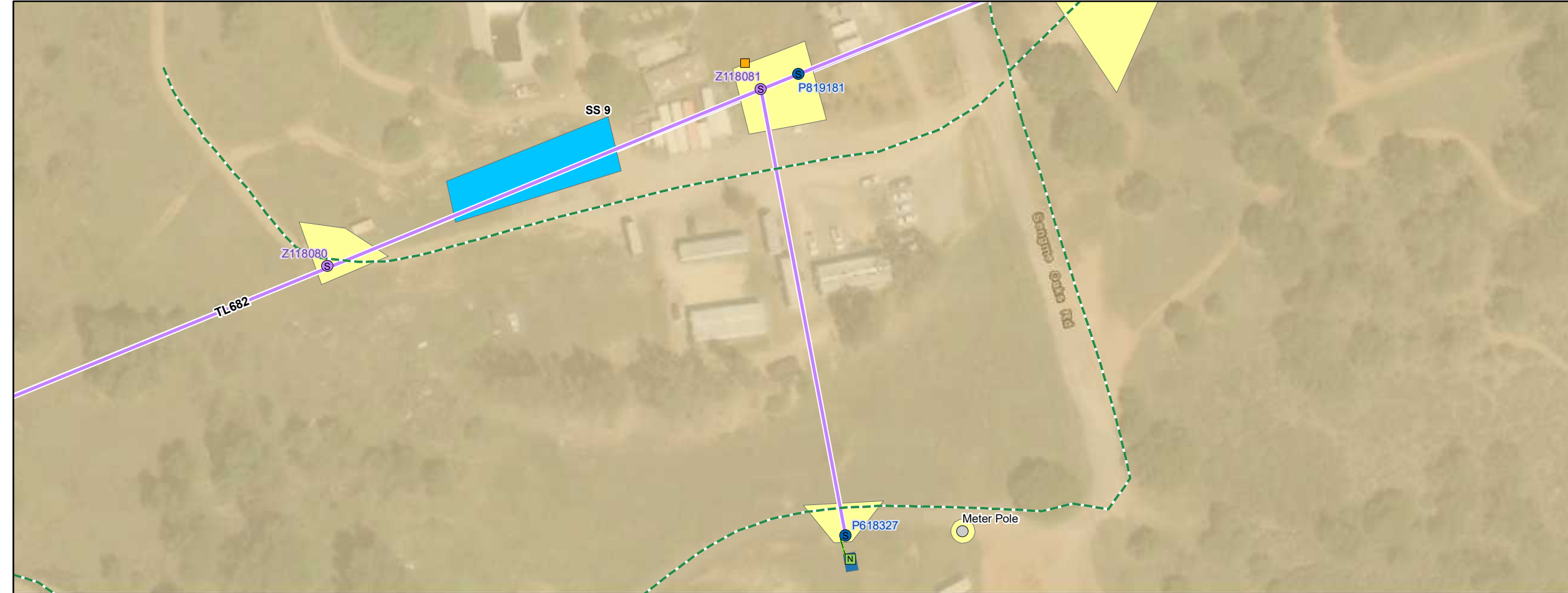
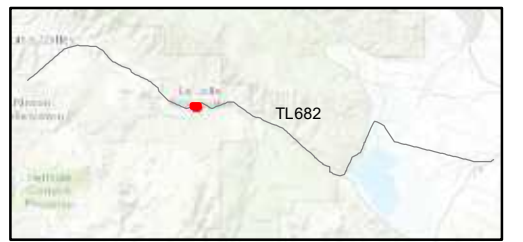
ATTACHMENT B: COMPARISON MAP

**Attachment B:
Comparison Map
TL682 Map 1 of 1**

**Cleveland National Forest
Power Line Replacement Projects**

Approved Design

- Pole Top Work Only
- ⊗ Wood-to-Steel Replacement
- ⊗ Wood-to-Steel Replacement - 12kV Only
- ⊗ New Anchor
- ⊗ Remove from Service Anchor
- ⊗ Anchor Work Area
- ⊗ Stringing Site
- ⊗ Temporary Pole Work Area
- Footpath
- - - Navigation Access Road
- Wood-to-Steel Replacement
- Bureau of Indian Affairs Land



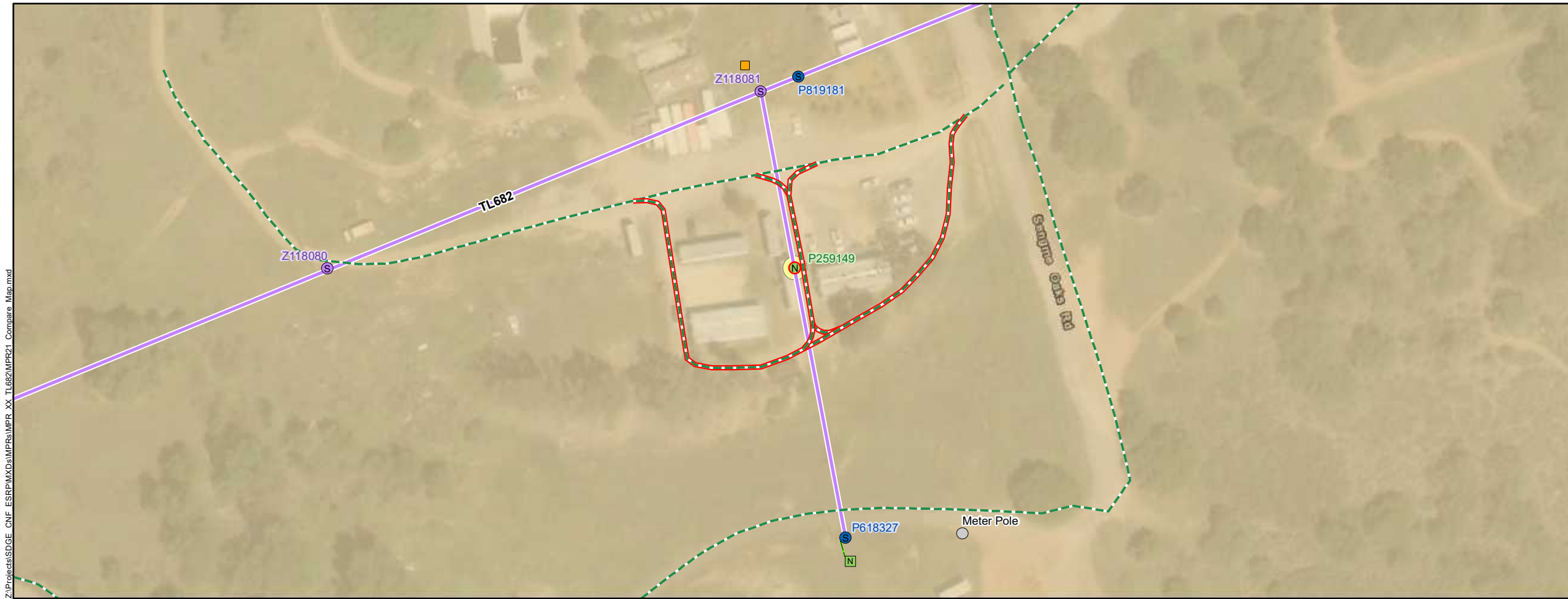
Final Design

NTP # 13/MPR #14



- Pole Top Work Only
- ⊗ Wood-to-Steel Replacement
- ⊗ Wood-to-Steel Replacement - 12kV Only
- Footpath
- - - Navigation Access Road
- Wood-to-Steel Replacement


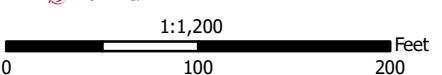
MPR #21

- ⊗ New Steel Pole
- ⊗ Temporary Pole Work Area
- - - Navigation Access Road
- Bureau of Indian Affairs Land



Note:
1. Some of the roads depicted in these maps do not match the aerial imagery. This is due to slight discrepancies between the aerial photographs and the georeferenced access road data.

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ATTACHMENT C: PHOTOGRAPHS



Cleveland National Forest Power Line Replacement Projects
Minor Project Refinement Request #21
Attachment C: Photographs



Photograph 1: South-facing view of the location for Pole P259149 and the surrounding temporary pole work area, as observed on July 31, 2018. The stake with the white flagging marks the new pole location.



Photograph 2: Northwest-facing view of the location for Pole P259149 and the surrounding temporary pole work area, as observed on July 31, 2018.



Photograph 3: Southwest-facing view of the location for Pole P259149 and the surrounding temporary pole work area, as observed on July 31, 2018.