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## **APPENDIX E: NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNICATIONS**

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**Riverside Transmission Reliability Project (RTRP)**  
**Native American Communications**  
**May 2006 - January 2011**

Date	From	To	Format	Description	File Name	NAHC	Morongo	Soboba	Pechanga	Ramona	Gabrielino/Tongva	Pala	San Luis Rey
1-May-06	David Smith, TRC	Rob Wood, NAHC	Letter	Requested information on sacred lands and traditional cultural properties and a list of tribes in the area.	TRC_Smith_050106	X							
19-Jun-06	Rob Wood, NAHC	David Smith, TRC	Letter	NAHC reported no sacred lands in files. Provided list of tribal contacts.	NAHC_Wood_061906	X							
13-Dec-06	Stephen Badgett, Utilities Deputy Director/Energy Delivery, RPU	Robert Salgado, Chairperson, Soboba	Letter	Scoping letter; described proposed project and announced upcoming scoping meetings	RPU_Badgett_Soboba2_121306			X					
13-Dec-06	Stephen Badgett, Utilities Deputy Director/Energy Delivery, RPU	Harold Arres, Cultural Resource Manager, Soboba	Letter	Scoping letter; described proposed project and announced upcoming scoping meetings	RPU_Badgett_Soboba1_121306			X					
13-Dec-06	Stephen Badgett, Utilities Deputy Director/Energy Delivery, RPU	John Gomez, Cultural Resources, Ramona	Letter	Scoping letter; described proposed project and announced upcoming scoping meetings	Referenced in POWER_Rudolph_062207.					X			
13-Dec-06	Stephen Badgett, Utilities Deputy Director/Energy Delivery, RPU	Anthony Morales, Chairman, Gabrielino/Tongva	Letter	Scoping letter; described proposed project and announced upcoming scoping meetings	Referenced in Gabrielino_Martinez_012307						X		
13-Dec-06	Stephen Badgett, Utilities Deputy Director/Energy Delivery, RPU	Britt Wilson, Cultural Resource Coordinator, Morongo	Letter	Scoping letter; described proposed project and announced upcoming scoping meetings	Referenced in Morongo_Wilson_122706.		X						
13-Dec-06	Stephen Badgett, Utilities Deputy Director/Energy Delivery, RPU	Erica Helms, Cultural Resource Administrator, Soboba	Letter	Scoping letter; described proposed project and announced upcoming scoping meetings	Referenced in Soboba_Helms_122106.			X					
20-Dec-06	Shasta Gaughen, Assistant Director, Pala	Mike Strand, POWER	Letter	Explained that RTRP was outside traditional territory of the Pala and that there was no need for further consultation	Pala_Gaughen_122006							X	
21-Dec-06	Erica Helms, Cultural Resource Administrator, Soboba	Mike Strand, POWER	Letter	Response to scoping letter of 13-Dec-06. Did not see a "direct need" for consultation; however, also asked to be involved in all consultation. This letter identical to Soboba_Helms_011607 and Soboba_Helms_012907.	Soboba_Helms_122106. Referenced in POWER_Rudolph_062207.			X					
27-Dec-06	Britt Wilson, Cultural Resource Coordinator, Morongo	Stephen Badgett, Utilities Deputy Director/Energy Delivery, RPU	Letter	Response to scoping letter of 13-Dec-06. Mentioned some of the concerns of the Morongo	Morongo_Wilson_122706. Referenced in POWER_Rudolph_062207.		X						
16-Jan-07	Erica Helms, Cultural Resource Administrator, Soboba	Denise Williams, POWER	Letter	Response to scoping letter. Did not see a "direct need" for consultation; however, asked to be involved in all consultation. Identical to Soboba_Helms_122106 and Soboba_Helms_012907.	Soboba_Helms_011607. Referenced in POWER_Rudolph_062207.			X					
19-Jan-07	POWER		Initial Study	RPU RTRP Initial Study: "A review was requested from the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) fro the 230 kV transmission line area. The NAHC has reported that it has no records of scared lands in the RTRP (project area). The NAHC recommended that several Native American organizations be contracted for additional information. RPU is in the process of initiating contact with these organizations."	POWER_InitialStudy_011907	X							

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23-Jan-07	Lisa Barko, POWER	Vicky Arres, assistant to chairman, Soboba	Phone Call	Arres did not recall seeing the scoping letter of 13-Dec-06 and asked that letter and attachments be e-mailed to her.	Barko_Rudolph_012407			X					
23-Jan-07	Lisa Barko, POWER	Vicky Arres, assistant to chairman, Soboba	Email	Sent copy of scoping letter of 13-Dec-06	Referenced in Barko_Rudolph_012407			X					
23-Jan-07	Desiree Martinez, Administrative Assistant, Gabrielino/Tongva	Stephen Badgett, Utilities Deputy Director/Energy Delivery, RPU	Letter	In response to RTRP contact letter. Mentioned only that tribal offices of the Gabrielino/Tongva Nation had moved and that there were new points of contact. No reference to RTRP	Gabrielino_Martinez_012307. Reference (with incorrect date) in POWER_Rudolph_062207						X		
After 23-Jan-07	Mike Strand, POWER	Desiree Martinez, Administrative Assistant, Gabrielino/Tongva	Letter	Sent copy of RTRP Initial Study (19-Jan-07). No response received	Referenced (with incorrect date) in POWER_Rudolph_062207. POWER_InitialStudy_011907						X		
23-Jan-07	Stephen Badgett, Utilities Deputy Director/Energy Delivery, RPU	Federal, State and County agencies, interested parties	Letter	Notice of Preparation (NOP) and Initial Study (19-Jan-07) for RTRP DEIR. Mailing List includes BIA and NAHC. List also includes the following tribes:  Augustine Band of Cahuilla Cabazon Band of Mission Indians Cahuilla Band of Mission Indians Gabrielino Band of Mission Indians of California Gabrielino/Tongva Nation La Jolla Band of Indians Los Coyotes Band of Mission Indians Morongo Band of Mission Indians Pauma & Yuima Pechanga Band of Mission Indians Ramona Band of Mission Indians San Luis Rey Band of Mission Indians San Manuel Band of Mission Indians Santa Rosa Band of Cahuilla Indians Santa Rosa Band of Mission Indians Serrano Band of Mission Indians Soboba Band of Mission Indians Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians	Referenced in Ramona_Gomez_022307. RTRP_NOP_012307. RTRP_NOP_DistList_011907. POWER_InitialStudy_011907	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
25-Jan-07	Jim Rudolph, POWER	Erica Helms, Cultural Resource Administrator, Soboba	Phone call	Regarding her letter of 16-Jan-07. She requested a copy of the project map. She said the project falls within Soboba traditional territory.	POWER_Rudolph_Soboba1_012507. POWER_Rudolph_Soboba2_012507.			X					
25-Jan-07	Jim Rudolph, POWER	Erica Helms, Cultural Resources, Soboba	Letter	Sent copy of RTRP project map	Referenced in POWER_Rudolph_Soboba1_012507			X					
25-Jan-07	William Pink, Pechanga	Lisa Barko, POWER	E-mail	Pink recommended mitigation measures for RTRP	Pechanga_Pink_012507. Referenced in POWER_Rudolph_062207.				X				
29-Jan-07	Erica Helms, Cultural Resource Administrator, Soboba	Stephen Badgett, Utilities Deputy Director/Energy Delivery, RPU	Letter	Response to scoping letter. Did not see a "direct need" for consultation; however, asked to be involved in all consultation.	Soboba_Helms_012907. Referenced in POWER_Rudolph_062207.			X					

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3-Feb-07	John Gomez, Cultural Resources, Ramona	Mike Strand, POWER	E-mail	Response to NOP of 23-Jan-07. Expressed interest in further consultation regarding RTRP	Ramona_Gomez_020307. Referenced in POWER_Rudolph_062207					X			
23-Mar-07	Corman Mahado, San Luis Rey	Mike Strand, POWER	Phone call	Response to NOP. Said RTRP falls outside their territory; no need for further consultation. Also said that the project is in the area of the Pechanga, Soboba, San Manuel, and Morongo.	San_Luis_Mahado_032307								X
6-Apr-07	Rebecca Toupal, Kathleen Van Vlack - BARA; Mike Strand, Jim Rudolph - POWER	Erica Helms, Cultural Resource Administrator, Soboba	Meeting	At tribal headquarters. Discussed RTRP in general, reviewed consultation process, discussed cultural resource work to date, and arranged field trip	POWER_BARA_Tribal Meetings_Apr07. Referenced in POWER_Rudolph_062207.			X					
9-Apr-07	Rebecca Toupal, Kathleen Van Vlack - BARA; Jim Rudolph - POWER	Britt Wilson, archaeologist, Ernest Siva, tribal historian, Morongo	Meeting	At tribal headquarters. Discussed RTRP in general, reviewed consultation process, discussed cultural resource work to date, and arranged field trip	POWER_BARA_Tribal Meetings_Apr07. Referenced in POWER_Rudolph_062207.		X						
10-Apr-07	Rebecca Toupal, Kathleen Van Vlack - BARA; Jim Rudolph - POWER	Paul Macarro, head of cultural program, Pat Kudell, archaeologist, Pechanga	Meeting	At tribal headquarters. Discussed RTRP in general, reviewed consultation process, discussed cultural resource work to date, and arranged field trip	POWER_BARA_Tribal Meetings_Apr07. Referenced in POWER_Rudolph_062207.				X				
16-Apr-07	Rebecca Toupal, BARA	Britt Wilson, archaeologist, Morongo	Letter	Provided additional information on RTRP and made arrangements for site visits	Toupal_Wilson_041607		X						
16-Apr-07	Rebecca Toupal, BARA	Erica Helms, Cultural Resource Administrator, Soboba	Letter	Provided additional information on RTRP and made arrangements for site visits	Toupal_Helms_041607			X					
16-Apr-07	Rebecca Toupal, BARA	Paul Macarro, head of cultural program, Pechanga	Letter	Provided additional information on RTRP and made arrangements for site visits	Toupal_Macarro_041607				X				
25-Apr-07	Rebecca Toupal, Kathleen Van Vlack, BARA	Soboba	Site visit	Visit to RTRP area to assess cultural sensitivity	Referenced in AISIA_052307			X					
26-Apr-07	Rebecca Toupal, Kathleen Van Vlack, BARA	Pechanga, Morongo	Site visit	Visit to RTRP area to assess cultural sensitivity	Referenced in AISIA_052307		X		X				
30-Apr-07	Rebecca Toupal, BARA	Jim Rudolph, POWER	Email	Short synopsis of the results of the field trips of 25 and 26-Apr-07	Toupal_Rudolph_043007		X	X	X				
23-May-07	Rebecca Toupal, Kathleen Van Vlack, Richard Stoffle, BARA	POWER	Report	First Draft AISIA. Copies sent to Soboba, Pechanga, and Morongo.	AISIA_Report_052307. Referenced in POWER_Rudolph_062207.		X	X	X				
15-Jun-07	Jim Rudolph, POWER	John Gomez, Jr., Cultural Resources, Ramona	Phone Call	Rudolph explained reasons for not following up on email of 3-Feb-07 (from Gomez to Strand, POWER). Gomez requested a site visit similar to what other tribes had received and also wanted to comment before draft EIR was complete.	Referenced in POWER_Rudolph_062207					X			

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20-Jun-07	Jim Rudolph, POWER	Anthony Morales, Chairman, Gabrielino/Tongva	Phone call	Contacted because Morales was mentioned in SWCA report of 08-Jun-07. Discussed RTRP. Morales explained that previous letter from RPU was to Gabrielino/Tongva Nation, another group that formed in 2006. Morales said his group is the correct one to consult with. Said he had no time to make a site visit. However, if Pechanga, Morongo, and Soboba were having input, he was satisfied.	Referenced in POWER_Rudolph_062207						X		
22-Jun-07	Jim Rudolph, POWER	Mike Strand, John McGrew, POWER	Memo	Memo summarizing tribal consultation efforts to date	POWER_Rudolph_062207								
26-Jun-07	Jim Rudolph, POWER	John Gomez, Jr., Cultural Resources, Ramona	Letter	Draft letter that explained tribal consultation to date and provided a copy of draft AISIA <i>[Note: Unclear whether a final letter and the draft AISIA were ever sent]</i>	POWER_Rudolph_Ramona_062607.					X			
26-Jun-07	Jim Rudolph, POWER	Anthony Morales, Chairman, Gabrielino/Tongva	Letter	Draft letter that explained tribal consultation to date and provided a copy of draft AISIA <i>[Note: Unclear whether a final letter and the draft AISIA were ever sent]</i>	POWER_Rudolph_Gabrielino_062607.						X		
18-Nov-09	Lyle Hill, RPU	State Clearinghouse	Letter	Notice of Completion (NOC); NAHC included on list of agencies to receive letter.	RTRP_NOC_111809	X							
18-Nov-09	Stephen Badgett, Utilities Deputy Director/Energy Delivery, RPU	Interested Parties, Responsible Agencies, Office of Planning and Research	Letter	Notice of Preparation (NOP) for RTRP DEIR	RTRP_NOP_111809								

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19-Nov-09	POWER/RPU	File	List	Mailing list for NOP; includes the following tribes: Augustine Band of Cahuilla Cabazon Band of Mission Indians Cahuilla Band of Mission Indians Gabrielino Band of Mission Indians of California Gabrielino/Tongva Nation Gabrielino/Tongva Tribe of the LA Basin La Jolla Band of Indians Los Coyotes Band of Mission Indians Morongo Band of Mission Indians Pala Band of Mission Indians Pauma Band of Luiseno Indians Pechanga Band of Mission Indians Ramona Band of Mission Indians San Fernando Band of Mission Indians San Luis Rey Band of Mission Indians San Manuel Band of Mission Indians Santa Rosa Band of Cahuilla Indians Santa Rosa Band of Mission Indians Serrano Band of Mission Indians Soboba Band of Mission Indians Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians	RTRP_NOP_Mail_List_111909		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2-Dec-09	Joseph Ontiveros, Cultural Resource Department, Soboba	Stephen Badgett, Utilities Deputy Director/Energy Delivery, RPU	Letter	Comments on NOP for DEIR	Soboba_Ontiveros_120209			X					
9-Dec-09	Kathy Sanchez, NAHC	Lyle Hill, RPU	Letter	Response to Notice of Completion of 18-Nov-09. Provided list of Tribes	NAHC_Sanchez_120909; Strand_Rudolph_121710	X							
23-Dec-09	Anna Hoover, Cultural Analyst, Pechanga	RTRP Project Team, POWER	Letter	Comments on NOP for DEIR	Pechanga_Hoover_122309; Strand_Rudolph_010710				X				

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24-Dec-09	POWER		List	List of results of certified letters to tribes (Y=receipt)  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">             Augustine Band of Cahuilla (Y)              Cabazon Band of Mission Indians (Y)              Cahuilla Band of Mission Indians (Y)              Gabrielino Band of Mission Indians of California (Undeliverable)              Gabrielino/Tongva Nation (No Response)              Gabrielino/Tongva Tribe of the LA Basin (No Response)              La Jolla Band of Indians (Y)              Los Coyotes Band of Mission Indians (Y)              Morongo Band of Mission Indians (Y)              Pala Band of Mission Indians (Y)              Pauma Band of Luiseno Indians (Y)              Pechanga Band of Mission Indians (Y)              Ramona Band of Mission Indians (Y)              San Fernando Band of Mission Indians(Y)              San Luis Rey Band of Mission Indians (Y)              San Manuel Band of Mission Indians (Y)              Santa Rosa Band of Cahuilla Indians (Y)              Santa Rosa Band of Mission Indians (Y)              Serrano Band of Mission Indians (Y)              Soboba Band of Mission Indians (Y)              Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians (Y)              Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians (Y)           </div>	RTRP_NOP_CER_RESP_122409								
19-Jan-11	Joseph Ontiveros, Cultural Resource Department, Soboba	Mike Strand, POWER	Letter	Comments on NOP for DEIR	J_Ontiveros_Soboba_01-19-11			X					





May 1, 2006

Mr. Rob Wood  
Native American Heritage Commission  
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Dear Mr. Wood:

TRC is providing cultural resource services for Southern California Edison within the City of Riverside. The project boundary covers portions of six quadrangles. The table below provides the legal definitions for the project.

7.5' Quadrangle	Township & Range	Sections
Fontana	1S/5W, 1S/6W, 2S/5W, 2S/6W	4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 12, 15, 18, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 36
Riverside West	2S/5W, 2S/6W	14, 23, 25, 26, 29, 30, 34, 35, 36
San Bernardino South	1S/4W, 1S/5W, 2S/4W, 2S/5W	1, 6, 12, 28, 31, 31, 36
Corona North	2S/6W	19, 28, 33
Guasti	2S/1W, 2S/6W	3, 4
Riverside East	2S/5W, 3S/5W	13, 23

Please conduct a search of the Sacred Lands Inventory to determine if the location is within identified Sacred Lands. Additionally, please forward a list of Native Americans tribes associated with these areas so that we may initiate consultations pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

Thank you for your assistance.

Respectfully,  
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June 19, 2006

David Smith  
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Number of Pages: 7

RE: Proposed Southern California Edison project within the City of Riverside, Fontana, Riverside West, San Bernardino South, Corona North, Guasti and Riverside East quadrangles; Riverside County

Dear Mr. Smith:

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,

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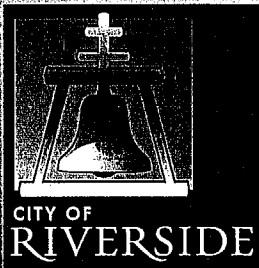
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Administration

December 13, 2006

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Cultural Resources Manager  
Soboba Band of Mission Indians  
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San Jacinto, CA 92581

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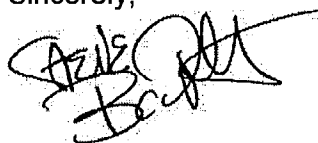
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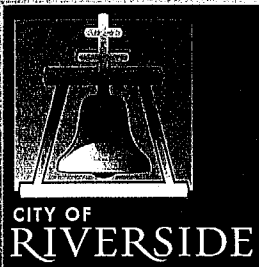
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Enclosure  
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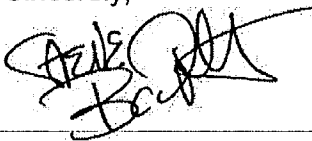
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Enclosure  
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December 20, 2006

Mike Strand  
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Re: Riverside Transmission Reliability Project

Dear Mr. Strand:

Thank you for your request for consultation regarding the above-referenced project. The Cupa Cultural Center responds to these requests on behalf of Robert Smith, Chairman of the Pala Band of Mission Indians.

At this time, we do not request government-to-government consultation on this project. Because this project takes place outside the traditional areas of residence of the people of Pala, we have a low level of concern regarding possible areas of cultural sensitivity. However, this should not be construed as indicating that no cultural resources or traditional cultural properties are present in this location. Areas of significance may be identified by other concerned bands, or revealed in the course of land development. The Pala Band of Mission Indians stands behind any assertions made by other bands that there are significant resources within the project area, should such assertions be made. Furthermore, we do not renounce our right or desire to be consulted regarding future projects taking place within the City of Riverside.

We appreciate being made aware of this project and having the opportunity to comment.

Thank you,

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Assistant Director

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December 21, 2006

Attn: Mike Strand

POWER Engineers, Inc.  
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RE: Riverside Transmission Reliability Project

The Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians appreciates your observance of Tribal Cultural Resources and their preservation in your project. The information provided to us on said project(s) has been assessed through our Cultural Resource Department, where it was concluded that although it is outside the existing reservation, the project area does fall within the bounds of our Tribal Traditional Use Areas.

Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians is requesting the following:

1. Further consultations which may include a Mitigation Plan.
2. Copies of archeological and/or cultural resource documentation.
3. Working in and around traditional use areas intensifies the possibility of encountering cultural resources during the construction/excavation phase. For this reason the Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians requests Cultural Resource Monitor(s) to be present during any ground disturbing proceedings.

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Sincerely,

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Erica Helms

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December 27, 2006

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MORONGO  
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A SOVEREIGN NATION

Re: Riverside Transmission Reliability Project

Dear Mr. Badgett:

Thank you very much for contacting me and the Chairman of the Morongo Band of Mission Indians concerning the Riverside Transmission Reliability Project.

Your letter was seeking our input in general and, specifically in three areas as indicated below. The Morongo Band of Mission Indians' response follows each bullet point.

1. Riverside – any issues and concerns you may have for RTRP

Morongo – The Tribe's only interest is in relation to Native American Cultural Resources. Of particular concern to the Tribe would be impacts to those resources as a result of this project. Sites considered very important would be village sites, rock art sites, and burial grounds. Because the project alternative route follows the Santa Ana River, it is likely to impact sites important to Native Americans which were frequently situated along rivers.

2. Riverside – a list of relevant permits, approvals, or authorizations from your agency

Morongo – the Tribe has no authority to issue permits, approvals or authorizations; however, we trust you will hear our concerns over Native American cultural resources which may be impacted by the RTRP.

3. Riverside – whom in your organization you would like us to work with (e.g., relevant contact)

Morongo – Please direct further inquiries to Mr. Britt Wilson, Project Manager, Morongo Band of Mission Indians, 245 N. Murray Street, Suite C, Banning, CA, 92220; (951) 755-5206; [britt\\_wilson@moronog.org](mailto:britt_wilson@moronog.org).

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Mr. Stephen H. Badgett  
City of Riverside  
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We note in your letter that this project is subject to CEQA. For the Tribe to further analyze the RTRP, it will be necessary for us to obtain a copy of the cultural resources report which should be conducted for this project. We are seeking the confidential report that will have specifics on the sites. The public version of the report will not have sufficient information to allow us to conduct our analysis. At such time as we receive the report, the Tribe will be in a better position to respond.

Thank you again for contacting the Morongo Band of Mission Indians. We look forward to working with the City on this important project.

Sincerely,

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Britt W. Wilson  
Project Manager/Cultural Resources Coordinator



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January 16, 2007

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Re: SCE 230kV Alternative Routes & Proposed RPU 69kV Routes

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At this time the Soboba Band does see a direct need for Native American Monitoring and consultation. The Tribe requests a Native American Monitor be present during any and all ground disturbing activities. Soboba requests this, until deemed unnecessary by both Archaeological and Native American Monitors. Also the Tribe requests to be involved in any and all consultation throughout the project. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Cultural Resource Department.

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January 19, 2007

## RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES

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Riverside Transmission Reliability Project  
Initial Study

**PROJECT NUMBER:**  
111728

**PROJECT CONTACT:**  
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Mike Strand, Environmental Coordinator

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	not yet known which of these might qualify as unique archaeological resources. Impacts to these would be avoided where feasible. Other mitigation strategies would be considered where avoidance is not feasible. For previously unrecorded archaeological resources discovered during construction, impacts would be reduced or eliminated through data recovery or other mitigation options.			
c) Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	c) There are no previously recorded or known paleontological resources, sites or unique geologic features in the project area. However, older alluvium may contain paleontological resources. If areas of paleontological resources, sites or unique geologic features are discovered during project construction, mitigation measures to avoid and preserve these resources will be implemented to reduce impacts to a less than significant level.			
d) Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	d) Records show that one CHL, Aqua Mansa cemetery, might be impacted by the 230 kV transmission line. Archival research has not yet indicated the presence of any other human remains in the project area.  A review was requested from the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) for the 230 kV transmission line study area. The NAHC has reported that it has no records of sacred lands in the RTRP project area. The NAHC recommended that that several Native American organizations be contact for additional information. RPU is in the process of initiating contact with these organizations.			

## Jim Rudolph 6323

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**From:** Lisa Barko 5507  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 24, 2007 10:41 AM  
**To:** Jim Rudolph 6323  
**Subject:** Soboba Band contact letters and map

**Attachments:** Agency Letter V Arres.pdf; Agency Letter J Rudolph.pdf; RTRP Agency Contact Map.pdf

### Phone Notes:

Called 012307 ~11:50 AM. I spoke with Ms. Vicky Arres, Mr. Salgado's Assistant. She did not recall the letter and asked that we e-mail the document that were send on 121306. We sent the following e-mail. Ms. Arres: Per our discussion this morning you requested that I email the attached documents that we sent to Mr. Salgado on December 13, 2006 regarding the proposed Riverside Transmission Reliability Project. Please make sure that he or the appropriate person receives this information and please let us know if you have any questions regarding the proposed project.

Attached Files: NOTE files are named after who they were sent to the second time.



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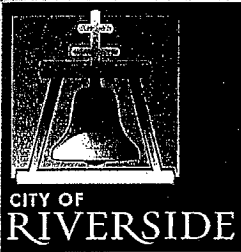


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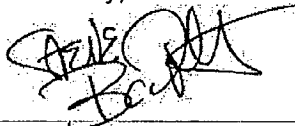
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Thank you for your time and we look forward to working with you as this project progresses.

Sincerely,



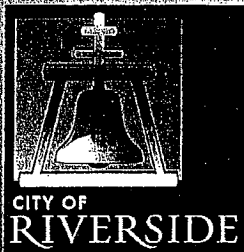
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Utilities Deputy Director/Energy Delivery

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Public Utilities Department  
Administration

December 13, 2006

Mr. Harold Arres  
Cultural Resources Manager  
Soboba Band of Mission Indians  
P.O. Box 487  
San Jacinto, CA 92581

Dear Mr. Arres,

This letter is to inform you of a proposed joint project (Riverside Transmission Reliability Project) between the City of Riverside Public Utilities (RPU) and Southern California Edison (SCE) and to ask you for your input on the project. The proposed project is a result of studies indicating that in the next several years the existing interconnection to the state power grid combined with RPU's local generation will not provide adequate capacity to serve RPU's electric customers. Therefore, there is a need to construct a new interconnection point with the state power grid. RPU is dedicated to providing reliable service to its' customers, thus the proposed Riverside Transmission Reliability Project (RTRP) has several elements to accomplish this that include: an expansion of SCE's 230 kV transmission line to a new interconnection point with RPU; several upgrades to RPU's 69 kV transmission system; and two new substations (collocated on the same property) to provide the new interconnection between SCE and RPU. The proposed project area can be seen on the enclosed map.

Currently, the sole source of bulk electrical energy supply for RPU electric customers is through the Vista Substation located within the city of Grand Terrace. Due to continued growth in the area resulting in additional customers and the increased demand of existing customers, the substation's limit for supplying energy will be exceeded within the next couple of years. The RTRP is the long-term solution needed and developed by RPU to provide enough electrical capacity to meet the expected growth.

The RTRP would also significantly ensure the reliability of RPU's electrical system, thereby benefiting RPU's customers. The second interconnection point with the state power grid will improve grid reliability and reduce the significant impact on RPU customers should any loss of supply at the Vista Substation (i.e., outage) occur. The RTRP will provide a second energy delivery point from the state power grid, thereby providing capacity and reliability for the future. The RTRP is scheduled for completion in summer 2009.

The proposed 230 kV transmission line will interconnect to SCE's existing 230 kV transmission line that crosses the northern part of Riverside County. The new transmission line will connect to a new SCE 230 kV substation on RPU-owned land near the northeast corner of Wilderness Avenue and Ed Perkić Street within the City of Riverside. SCE's new substation would connect to a new RPU 69 kV substation that will transform the electrical voltage down from 230 kV to 69 kV for delivery into RPU's system. Both proposed substations would be located adjacent to each other on the same RPU-owned land. In addition, several new or upgraded RPU 69 kV



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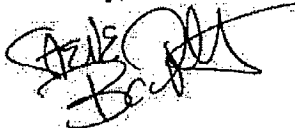
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Stephan Badgett  
City of Riverside  
3901 Orange Street  
Riverside, CA 92501

January 23, 2007

Dear Stephan Badgett,

Thank you for contacting the Gabrielino/Tongva Nation. Please be advised that our Tribal Offices have moved. All correspondence to any of the Tribal Council should be sent to the following:

Gabrielino/Tongva Nation  
761 Terminal St., Building 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90021  
(213) 489-5001  
(213) 489-5002 fax  
office@tongvatribal.net

We would also like to advise you that Jonathan Stein, former CEO of the Gabrielino/Tongva Gaming Authority and Barbara Garcia, Administrative Office Assistant, no longer work for the Nation. Should you be contacted by them on the Nation's behalf, please know that they no longer represent the Nation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Thank you for your time and cooperation.

Desiree R. Martinez  
Administrative Assistant

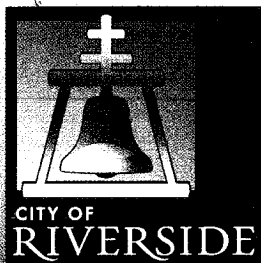
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Public Utilities Department  
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January 23, 2007

To: Federal, State, County, local agencies and interested parties

Subject: Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report,  
Riverside Transmission Reliability Project  
Riverside Public Utilities Department, City of Riverside

The City of Riverside Public Utilities Department (RPU) will be the Lead Agency and will prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the Riverside Transmission Reliability Project (RTRP). The RTRP is a proposed joint project between RPU and Southern California Edison (SCE) that would involve the construction of a SCE 230 kV transmission line, RPU 69 kV transmission lines, SCE 230 kV electrical substation, and RPU 69 kV electrical substation. The project would also include upgrades to existing substations and new fiber optic communications lines. It is proposed that both new substations be located adjacent to each other on the same RPU-owned land near the northeast corner of Wilderness Avenue and Ed Perkic Street in Riverside. The new 230 kV transmission line would interconnect to SCE's existing 230 kV transmission line that crosses the northern part of Riverside County. SCE's proposed 230 kV substation would connect to RPU's proposed 69 kV substation to transform the electrical voltage down from 230 kV to 69 kV for delivery into RPU's system. The new 69 kV transmission lines and upgrades to existing substations would strengthen the "backbone" of RPU's electrical system and ensure adequate capacity to deliver the power.

You were recently sent a letter from RPU that introduced the RTRP to your agency or organization. The purpose of this Notice of Preparation (NOP) is to provide notification that RPU will prepare an EIR to assess potential environmental impacts resulting from implementation of the proposed project and to solicit information on the scope of the environmental analysis for the proposed project. The detailed project description, location, and potential environmental effects are contained in the attached Initial Study.

RPU invites the views of your agency or organization regarding the scope and content of the environmental information to be included in the EIR, including any information that would be necessary to meet any statutory responsibilities related to the proposed project. Your agency will need to use the EIR prepared by our agency when considering your permit or other discretionary approval for the project.

Pursuant to Section 21083.9 of the Public Resources Code a Public Scoping Meeting will be held on January 25, 2007 between 4:00 and 8:00 PM at the Riverside Municipal Airport Lobby located at 6951 Flight Road in Riverside, CA. The meeting will be held in an open house format to receive agency and public comments on the preparation of the EIR.

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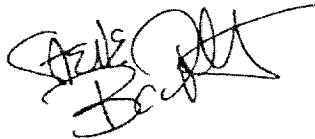
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Due to time limits imposed by state law, your response to this notice must be sent at the earliest possible date but not later than 30 days after receipt of this notice. Please include the name and telephone number of the contact person for your agency or organization. RPU appreciates your interest and participation in the environmental review process.

Thank you for your time and we look forward to working with you as this project progresses.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen H. Badgett". The signature is stylized and somewhat cursive, with a large initial "S" and "B".

Stephen H. Badgett  
Utilities Deputy Director/Energy Delivery

**From:** Jim Rudolph 6323  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 25, 2007 5:31 PM  
**To:** Lisa Barko 5507; Michael Strand 2710  
**Subject:** RTRP Contact Report with Soboba Band

Lisa, Mike:

On Thursday, January 25, 2007, I spoke on the telephone with Erica Helms of the Cultural Resource Department of the Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians regarding her letter to POWER Engineers of January 16. We had a good and positive conversation. She specifically mentioned that she likes working with agencies and firms that are interested in the Soboba Band's input.

Major points were:

1. She told me that the entire project area falls within the Tribal Traditional Use Area of the Soboba Band, so all future ground disturbance would need Native American monitoring as stated in the letter of January 16.
2. I told her that ground disturbing activities requiring monitoring would not occur until sometime in 2008.
3. I told her that a cultural resource survey would be starting soon and that David Smith would be directing the survey. She has worked with TRC Solutions in the past.
4. I told her that a preferred alternative for the 230kV line had not been selected and we would appreciate Tribal input if they had concerns about particular routes or specific locations. I also explained that I understood the importance of confidentiality. She told me that she had not seen the project map, so I said that I would email her a copy (I just did so).
5. I told her that if she has any questions or concerns to feel free to contact me.

**From:** William J. Pink [mailto:wjpink@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 25, 2007 11:25 PM  
**To:** Lisa Barko 5507  
**Cc:** Paul Macarro; Gary Dubois; Tina Thompson; 'james ramos'  
**Subject:** RE: Riverside Transmission Reliability Project.

Dear Lisa,

It appears that a majority of the route parallels the Santa Ana River. This area is known for having several cultural sites especially along the Colton/Grand Terrace Area. Hundreds of cog stones have been recovered from this area and it would be expected that similar type finds would be typical along this route. I did check the area for current development on Google Earth and it appears that much of the route is undeveloped or still in Agricultural use. Given the fact that most of or a greater majority of the cultural sites in Riverside and San Bernardino County have been destroyed makes any remaining cultural sites in these respective counties significant.

I am very familiar with the construction of transmission lines of this magnitude and am also aware that mitigation measures can be taken to avoid severe or irreparable harm to culturally significant sites. Given these circumstances I propose the following:

1. Any survey to determine, at any phase, the number and cultural significance of aboriginal sites within the proposed corridors, whether spiritual or physical, be accomplished in the presence of Native American Monitors from the affected Tribes.
  - a. It is my belief and position that both the Luiseno and Serrano Tribes will be affected by this project and that consultation with these respective Tribes be sought.
  - b. To the best of my knowledge occupation of this area by the Cahuilla is considered to have been in contemporary times and near the proper of the City of Riverside.
2. On any lands, privately owned, State, County or City owned or agency owned, that said owners, agencies or persons operating legally and under proper permit/s on such lands strictly adheres to any and all laws governing the treatment of Native American Burial Sites and/or Native American human remains whether known to exist or inadvertently discovered. In the event that lands utilized for the purpose of the proposed transmission line corridor are owned by the United States via the appropriate Federal Agency, agencies and/or persons operating legally and under proper permit/s on such lands strictly adhere to any and all appropriate Federal Laws and Regulations governing the treatment of Native American Burial Sites and/or Native American human remains whether known to exist or inadvertently discovered.
3. No Archaeologist is qualified to determine the cultural significance of any aboriginal site within the proposed project area. Archaeologists should limit their comments as to the scientific aspect and relative scientific significance of these sites. If it is determined by a duly qualified Archaeologist that a site or sites within the project area are insignificant that this determination shall have no affect as to the cultural significance of these sites to the affected Tribes and/or Tribal individuals.
4. That in all instances and events of construction, every effort be made to avoid any and all impact to sites deemed to be culturally significant by the respective Tribes and/or Tribal individuals.

I have serious knowledge of both the service area and the electrical transmission grid for this region. I participated in both aerial and ground surveys of this region during the 1970's and

recognize both the need and necessity of having a reliable delivery system for the region. It is therefore my belief that there is a definite need to upgrade the transmission grid for this region and offer my support for this project. This being stated, I ask that the measures I have proposed here be incorporated and be made part of the project.

Please note my address change:

William J. Pink  
48310 Pechanga Road  
Temecula, CA 92592

Please do not send any information or notices as certified as I do not have time to go to the post office to retrieve these notices.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

William J. Pink





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**Mission:**

Educate and communicate the rich heritage of Soboba peoples; Lead and assist individuals, organizations and communities in understanding the needs and concerns of Native American monitoring of traditional sites; Advocate Native American participation in state agencies and boards; Advocate legislation and enforcement of laws affecting Native American peoples and protecting historical and archaeological resources.

January 29, 2007

Attn: Stephen Badgett  
Riverside Public Utilities Dept.  
3901 Orange Street  
Riverside, CA 92501

Re: Riverside Transmission Reliability Project

The Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians appreciates your observance of Tribal Cultural Resources and their preservation in your project. The information provided on said project(s) has been assessed through our Cultural Resource Department, where it was concluded that although this site is outside the existing reservation, the project area does fall within the bounds of our Tribal Traditional Use Areas.

At this time the Soboba Band does see a direct need for Native American Monitoring and consultation. The Tribe requests a Native American Monitor be present during any and all ground disturbing activities. Soboba requests this, until deemed unnecessary by both Archaeological and Native American Monitors. Also the Tribe requests to be involved in any and all consultation throughout the project. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Cultural Resource Department.

[SPECIAL NOTE (for projects other than cell towers): If this project is associated with a city or county specific plan or general plan action it is subject to the provisions of SB18-Traditional Tribal Cultural Places (law became effective January 1, 2005) and will require the city or county to participate in **formal, government-to-government** consultation with the Tribe. If the city or county are your client, you may wish to make them aware of this requirement. By law, they are required to contact the Tribe.]

Sincerely,

Erica Helms  
Soboba Cultural Resource Department  
Cell (951) 663-8333  
Phone (951) 487-8268  
ehelms@soboba-nsn.gov

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**From:** John Gomez [mailto:pechangajg@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Sat 2/3/2007 10:38 AM  
**To:** Michael Strand 2710  
**Cc:** Ramona Admin  
**Subject:** NOP of DEIR Riverside Transmission Reliability Project

Dear Mr. Strand:

As per the notice dated January 23, 2007 regarding above described NOP, please accept this email as the Ramona Band of Cahuilla Indians' request to enter into government-to-government consultation.

Please forward any additional information to the Ramona Band of Cahuilla Indians at:

56310 Highway 371, Suite B  
PO Box 391670  
Anza, CA 92539

You may also contact me at:

(951)763-4105 office  
(951)941-4943 cell

Thank you.

John Gomez, Jr.  
Cultural Resources  
Ramona Band of Cahuilla Indians



## TELEPHONE RECORD

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*DATE:* 03/23/07 *TIME OF CALL:*

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*TO:* Corman Mahado  
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Indians *PHONE NUMBER:* (760) 724-8505

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*FROM:* *CC:*

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*TYPED BY:* M. Strand *PROJECT NUMBER:*

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*CLIENT:* RPU

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*PROJECT NAME:* RTRP

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*SUBJECT:* Response to Initial Study / Notice of Preparation

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### MESSAGE

Ms. Mahado (sp?) called and left a message in response to the IS / NOP that was sent to the tribe for comment. She indicated that the tribes responsible for the area of the project are the Pechanga, Soboba, San Manuel, and possibly the Morongo.

If we come into San Diego, then we should be in contact with her again. She said if we have any further questions, we could call her.

## **RTRP TRIBAL CONSULTATION MEETING**

### **Soboba**

Friday, April 6, 2007, 10:00 a.m. at Soboba Reservation

Met with Erica Helms, the Soboba Cultural Resource Specialist.  
Jim Rudolph, Mike Strand, Rebecca Toupal, and Kathleen Van Vlack

Very positive meeting.

Friday is normally a day off for the Tribal administration, but she came in just to meet with us.

Mike explained the basics of the RTRP project and the CEQA process. Jim explained what had gone on so far with cultural resource work. Showed them the cultural resource sensitivity map (without specific sites or surveys) prepared by TRC. Erica asked for a copy so I left it with her.

Erica said that the three tribes (Soboba, Morongo, and Pechanga) often work together and a group meeting may be feasible. April 25 may be a good day for a site visit.

Darrin Hill is their cultural coordinator and would do any fieldwork (like monitoring). Bennae Calac is the director and she may go on site visit as well.

Erica expressed concerns about the river in particular. She had less concern about the urbanized areas and said they may not even have an interest in visiting the 69kV are.

She mentioned Agua Mansa Cemetery as being of particular concern.

Interested in a site tour, particularly the 230kV area, and would be willing to share a trip with the other tribes. Rebecca's suggested a consensus meeting with all three tribes during early May and she agreed in general, depending on the specific date.

Interested in having a monitor present during the survey. I explained that the survey would not happen until a Preferred Route was chosen and only the Preferred Route would be surveyed.

Mike agreed to send her a copy of the initial study.

Robert Selgado is tribal chairman.

### **Morongo**

Monday, April 9, 2007

Met Britt Wilson (Archaeologist) and Ernest \_\_\_\_\_ (Tribal historian; musician, elder)  
Jim Rudolph, Rebecca Toupal, and Kathleen Van Vlack  
Met at the Cultural Resource Office in the old casino.

Overall a good meeting.

Britt Wilson is not a Native American. He's an archaeologist, but he told me that he had no professional training.

They were interested in Agua Mansa cemetery, the river, and the hills. Wilson said he has done a lot of survey in the hills around Riverside and especially to the east of the city. There are a lot of sites up there. He sort of implied that the eastern part of the 69kV area may be sensitive.

Interested in a site tour and a consensus meeting. Not sure about schedule.

## **Pechanga**

Tuesday, April 10, 2007

Paul Macarro, head of the cultural program, and Pat Kudell, an archaeologist(?).  
Jim Rudolph, Rebecca Toupal, and Kathleen Van Vlack

Met at the reservation at their temporary cultural center.

Macarro is brother of the tribal chairman (Mark Macarro) and is very well educated and well spoken. Kudell is older, very quiet, and has only worked for the tribe for a few months. I don't believe Kudell is a Native American.

Interested in scheduling a trip, perhaps April 26<sup>th</sup>.

Macarro told us that the tribe's Deputy Counsel wants to go government-to-government with the City of Riverside. They are already doing it with Riverside County. He also asked me to pass on to the City of Riverside his desire for meeting regarding SB 18. I told him that I would pass that on to the PM.

Letters to Paul should be cc'ed to the Tribal Chairman and the Deputy Counsel.

With respect to the transmission line, they asked how deep poles and structures would go into native soil. I told them that that would depend on the specific location, since there is already fill dirt and cutting in various locations

Rebecca asked if it would be possible for POWER to arrange a meeting place in the city of Riverside.

Paul said that they would like to get GIS shapefiles of the project. Their GIS guy is Robert Conrad.

Rconrad@pechanga-nsn.gov

Mentioned concerns about mountains, the river. Said he had ancestors (on his Mexican side) buried at Agua Mansa cemetery. They've done a lot of research to find village sites and especially they have done a place name study and incorporated into their GIS. (Similar to what the Coeur d'Alene are doing. He said only three tribes in the country are doing this.)

He also mentioned that one good sign that the Pechanga lived somewhere is the presence of an elderberry bush. He seemed adamant about this.

Paul apparently spent a number of years working around the country teaching high school band.

He also is very proud of a program the cultural center has teaching their teenagers traditional ways of doing things (building houses, etc.)

Came away feeling that we had an excellent meeting.

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April 16, 2007

Erica Helms  
Cultural Resource Administrator  
Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians  
23904 Soboba Rd.  
San Jacinto, CA 92583

Dear Erica,

I am writing to follow up on our meeting of April 6, 2007, which concerned the Riverside Transmission Reliability Project (RTRP) being conducted by the City of Riverside Public Utilities (RPU) and Southern California Edison (SCE). This letter includes information about the alternative routes and tribal site visits tentatively scheduled for the last week in April.

On April 8, 2007, our research team (University of Arizona) and a representative from POWER Engineers drove the proposed routes to assess the amount of time needed for driving the routes and interviewing. We were able to view and photograph all of the 230 kV route alternatives (SCE), and the eastern section of the 69 kV route alternatives (RPU) (please reference the 11"x17" route map provided at the meeting as well as the PDF maps requested and sent by email). Our research team drove the western section of the 69 kV route alternatives on April 9<sup>th</sup>. We estimate at least one very full day to cover the entire area; it is quite possible that a second day (or part of) may be needed.

The field work will require two tribal representatives to assist in the identification of culturally sensitive sites along the route alternatives. Our aim is to identify each alternative as high, medium, or low sensitivity, and identify those places where cultural features would be impacted by the proposed powerlines. Any additional information the representatives wish to share about the site will be noted as well.

As you are aware, the Morongo Band of Mission Indians and the Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians are participating in this project. Following the field work with all three tribes, we would like to schedule a concurrence meeting during which the tribal participants can meet privately and with our research team to discuss the cultural sensitivity results. The goal of this meeting will be to concur on the sensitivity ratings of the route alternatives, and the findings to present to the RTRP sponsors (RPU and SCE).

The tentative schedule for the fieldwork is the last week of April 2007. The dates below were proposed by the tribes at our meetings. Given the anticipated amount of field time, we would like the tribal representatives to meet our research team at 8:00 a.m. at the Hampton Inn on 9<sup>th</sup> Street in Colton. Directions are included with this letter.



April 25<sup>th</sup> – Soboba Field Visit

April 26<sup>th</sup> – Pechanga and Morongo Field Visit

May 3<sup>rd</sup> – Soboba, Pechanga, and Morongo Concurrence meeting

As you can see, this schedule does not include a second consecutive day for Soboba representatives. Given your comments at our meeting about not visiting highly developed or residential areas, this may not be a problem. You have the option of rescheduling around the 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> if you wish. The PDF maps should give you a good idea about the development of the areas and we can provide photographs if you would like further clarification.

The location suggested during our meeting with Pechanga for the May 3<sup>rd</sup> tribal concurrence meeting is the city of Riverside. The site has yet to be determined and we will notify you when one has been selected.

Tribal representatives will be reimbursed for their time and travel. Each representative will receive a \$150 honorarium for each day of field work, a per diem of \$34 for each day of field work, and reimbursement for their mileage at \$0.445 per mile. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us by email or at (520) 626-9269 or (520) 621-2462. We look forward to working with you on this project.

Sincerely,

Rebecca S. Toupal  
Assistant Research Scientist







cc: Robert Salgado, Tribal Chairman  
Mike Strand, Project Manager, Power Engineers, Inc., CA  
Jim Rudolph, Senior Environmental Specialist, Power Engineers, Inc., ID

enc: Directions to Hampton Inn, Colton, CA

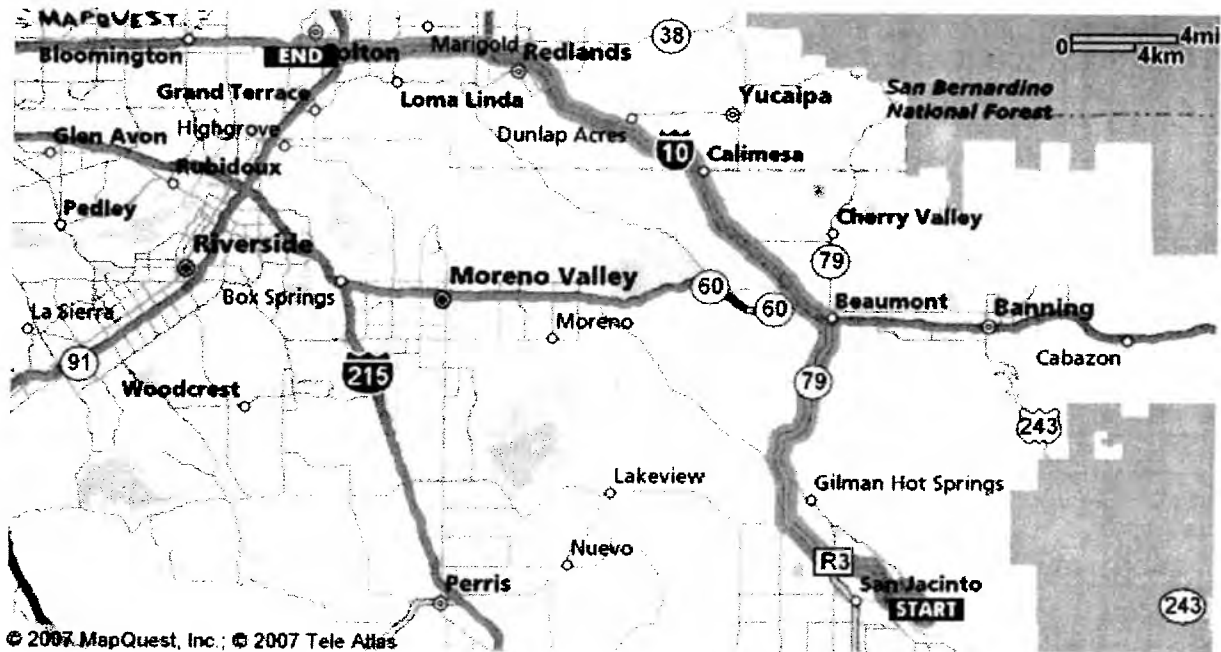


Directions to the Colton Hampton Inn from Soboba

**Total Est. Time: 44 minutes Total Est. Distance: 39.27 miles**

- START** 1: Start out going **NORTHWEST** on **SOBOBA RD** toward **LAKE PARK DR.** 1.3 miles
-  2: Turn **LEFT** onto **LAKE PARK DR.** 0.7 miles
-  3: Turn **RIGHT** onto **N RAMONA EXPY.** 5.0 miles
-  4: Turn **RIGHT** onto **N SANDERSON AVE / CA-79.** Continue to follow **CA-79 N.** 8.0 miles
-  5: Merge onto **I-10 W** via the ramp on the **LEFT** toward **LOS ANGELES.** 23.7 miles
-  6: Take the **9TH ST** exit toward **DOWNTOWN.** 0.1 miles
-  7: Turn **RIGHT** onto **N 9TH ST.** <0.1 miles
- END** 8: End at **250 N 9th St**  
Colton, CA 92324-2915, US

**Total Est. Time: 44 minutes Total Est. Distance: 39.27 miles**



Start: 23905 Soboba Rd  
San Jacinto, CA 92583, US

End: 250 N 9th St  
Colton, CA 92324-2915, US

April 16, 2007

Paul Macarro  
Coordinator, Cultural Resources  
Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians  
P.O. Box 2183  
Temecula, CA 92593

Dear Paul,

I am writing to follow up on our meeting of April 10, 2007, which concerned the Riverside Transmission Reliability Project (RTRP) being conducted by the City of Riverside Public Utilities (RPU) and Southern California Edison (SCE). This letter includes information about the alternative routes and tribal site visits tentatively scheduled for the last week in April.

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would like the tribal representatives to meet our research team at 9:00 a.m. at the Hampton Inn on 9<sup>th</sup> Street in Colton. Directions are included with this letter.

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**May 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Soboba, Pechanga, and Morongo Concurrence meeting

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Sincerely,

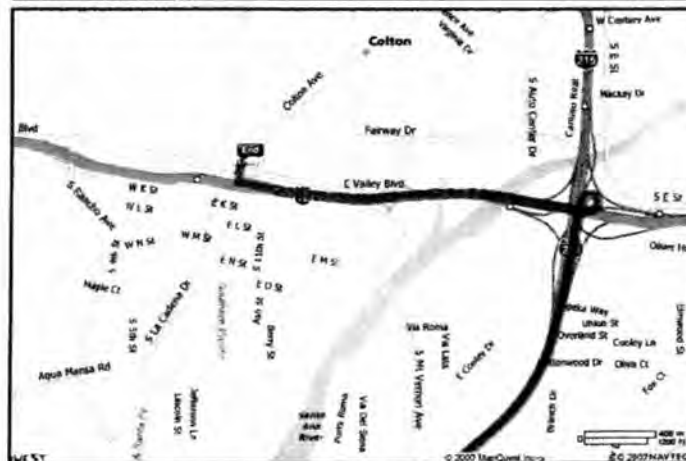
Rebecca S. Toupal  
Assistant Research Scientist

cc: Mark Macarro, Tribal Chairman  
Pat Kudell, Cultural Resources  
Mike Strand, Project Manager, Power Engineers, Inc., CA  
Jim Rudolph, Senior Environmental Specialist, Power Engineers, Inc., ID

enc: Directions to Hampton Inn, Colton, CA

**Directions to Hampton Inn (250 N 9th St., Colton, CA) from Pechanga (45000 Pechanga Pkwy., Temecula, CA) Total Est. Time: 50 minutes Total Est. Distance: 50.38 miles**

- START** 1: Start out going **NORTHWEST** on **PECHANGA PKWY / CR-S16 N** toward **HURON ST.** 1.6 miles
- 2: Turn **LEFT** onto **CA-79.** 0.7 miles
- NORTH 15** 3: Merge onto **I-15 N** toward **RIVERSIDE / LOS ANGELES.** 4.8 miles
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April 16, 2007

Britt Wilson  
Project Manager  
Morongo Band of Mission Indians  
245 N. Murray St., Suite C  
Banning, CA 92220

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Sincerely,

Rebecca S. Toupal  
Assistant Research Scientist

cc: Maurice Lyons, Tribal Chairman  
Ernest Siva, Tribal Historian/Cultural Advisor  
Mike Strand, Project Manager, Power Engineers, Inc., CA  
Jim Rudolph, Senior Environmental Specialist, Power Engineers, Inc., ID

enc: Directions to Hampton Inn, Colton, CA



## Jim Rudolph 6323

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**From:** Rebecca Toupal [rst@u.arizona.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 30, 2007 12:01 PM  
**To:** Jim Rudolph 6323  
**Cc:** Richard Stoffle; Kathleen Van Vlack  
**Subject:** Riverside fieldwork

Hi Jim.

We'll have a trip report to you this week but for the purposes of your meeting on the 3rd, here's a quick synopsis. The project area is a shared use area. All route segments were identified as at least medium cultural sensitivity. All three tribes emphasized that their determinations are preliminary and that before they can make a final call on cultural sensitivity, they need to see all cultural resource reports for the area and participate in any ground disturbing activities and surveys.

While we didn't encounter any "project stoppers," we did identify some segments that are of particular concern to the tribes. On the 230 routes, those segments are #27 at Mount Rubidoux, and #10, 35, 36, and 39. On the 69 routes, those segments include #7 in the west cluster along the river, and #16, 25, 27, and 28, which are entering rocky, mountainous terrain. All river segments are of concern, as are mountain segments.

These results reflect all three tribes' site assessments so a concurrence meeting this week won't be necessary. We'll finalize the trip report and get it to you in the next couple of days.

Rebecca

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Rebecca S. Toupal, Ph.D.  
[http://www.toupal.bara.arizona.edu/Rebecca\\_Toupal.html](http://www.toupal.bara.arizona.edu/Rebecca_Toupal.html)

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Cultural Landscapes as a Methodology for Understanding Natural Resource Management Impacts  
<http://www.consecol.org/vol7/iss1/art12/print.pdf>

4/30/2007





## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** June 22, 2007

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**TO:** Mike Strand

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**CC:** John McGrew

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**FROM:** Jim Rudolph

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**SUBJECT:** RTRP Tribal Consultation Issues

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### MESSAGE

This memo summarizes tribal consultation activities for RTRP that have been performed to date and specifically addresses recent issues related to contacting the Ramona Band of Cahuilla Indians and the Gabrieleño/Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians.

#### Summary

After receiving a list of tribes from the California Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC), on December 13, 2006, RPU sent letters to tribes on the list informing them about RTRP.

Letters or emails expressing interest in further consultation were received from:

- Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians (letters received on December 21, 2006, January 16, 2007, and January 29, 2007).
- Morongo Band of Mission Indians (letter received on December 27, 2007).
- Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians (email received on January 25, 2007).
- Ramona Band of Cahuilla Indians (email received February 3, 2007).

On February 26, 2007 I contacted Dr. Richard Stoffle of the Bureau of Applied Research in Anthropology (BARA) at the University of Arizona to request their assistance in conducting Native American consultation for the project. I informed him of the need for meetings/site visits with the Soboba, Morongo, and Pechanga, but neglected to mention the Ramona.

Representatives of POWER Engineers and BARA met with representatives of the Soboba, Morongo, and Pechanga at tribal offices in San Jacinto, Cabazon, and Temecula between April 6 and April 10, 2007.

Following the initial meetings, a letter was sent by BARA to each of the three tribes providing additional information about RTRP and making arrangements for site visits. BARA (Rebecca Toupal and Kathleen Van Vlack) performed site visits with the Soboba, Morongo, and Pechanga to assess cultural sensitivity of the RTRP area on April 25 and 26, 2007.

BARA completed a draft report (*American Indian Social Impact Assessment, Riverside Transmission Reliability Project*) on May 23, 2007. The draft report was sent to POWER (Rudolph) and the Soboba, Morongo, and Pechanga for review. Following receipt of feedback from reviewers and after making suggested changes, BARA has completed a revised version of the report. It will be available for distribution during the week of June 24, 2007.

### **Ramona Band**

On February 4, 2007 I received an email from Mike Stand telling me of "another tribe (Ramona) that would like consultation on the project." The forwarded email from the Ramona is presented below:

**From:** John Gomez [mailto:pechangajg@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Sat 2/3/2007 10:38 AM  
**To:** Michael Strand 2710  
**Cc:** Ramona Admin  
**Subject:** NOP of DEIR Riverside Transmission Reliability Project

Dear Mr. Strand:

As per the notice dated January 23, 2007 regarding above described NOP, please accept this email as the Ramona Band of Cahuilla Indians' request to enter into government-to-government consultation.

Please forward any additional information to the Ramona Band of Cahuilla Indians at:

56310 Highway 371, Suite B  
PO Box 391670  
Anza, CA 92539

You may also contact me at:

(951)763-4105 office  
(951)941-4943 cell

Thank you.

John Gomez, Jr.  
Cultural Resources  
Ramona Band of Cahuilla Indians

On February 26, 2007, when I contacted BARA regarding Native American consultation for RTRP, I discussed the Soboba, Morongo, and Pechanga, but failed to mention the Ramona.

On June 13, 2007, following the completion of BARA's draft report, Mike Strand emailed me asking about what had been done with the Ramona. I called John Gomez, the cultural resources specialist with the Ramona on June 15, 2007. I explained that I had mistakenly failed to include the Ramona in the consultation process and took full responsibility for the error. Mr. Gomez was concerned about the error and stated that he wanted to see the BARA report and also make a site visit to the project area similar to the visits made by the Soboba, Morongo, and Pechanga. I told him that I would send him a copy of BARA's report as soon as it was finalized. Mr. Gomez also stated that he should be given the opportunity to provide input before the EIR is finished.

On June 18, 2007, I contacted Rebecca Toupal at BARA about the possible need for additional consultation and a site visit with the Ramona. On June 21, 2007 she provided a cost estimate for doing this work. Ms. Toupal also suggested that the *American Indian Social Impact Assessment* for RTRP not be finalized until information has been received from the Ramona and incorporated into the document.

#### **Gabrieleño/Tongva Band**

On January 13, 2007, the Gabrielino/Tongva Tribal Council sent a letter in response to the RTRP agency contact letters stating that tribal offices had moved and that there had been a change in staff and to forward project information to this new address.

Subsequently, a copy of the RTRP Initial Study was sent to the Gabrielino/Tongva Tribal Council, but no response was received (M. Strand, personal communication 2007).

On June 8, 2007, SWCA Environmental Consultants completed a letter report on the Constraints Analysis for the proposed Wilderness site. The report mentioned that a phone call had been received from Anthony Morales, tribal chairman of the Gabrielino/Tongva, during which he stated that the Wilderness site was within the traditional use area of the Gabrieleño and that he wished to be contacted if Native American cultural resources were discovered at the site.

Because Mr. Morales had not contacted RPU or POWER during previous RTRP consultation efforts, I called him on June 20, 2007. He was very friendly and interested in the project. Apparently, previous correspondence had been with the Gabrielino/Tongva Nation, which Mr. Morales said is a group that formed just a year ago and that he has no affiliation with it. He said his group has been around a long time and that he is the appropriate Gabrieleño/Tongva representative for consultation.

Mr. Morales said he is very busy with other work and has no staff to help him, so he did not have time to make a site visit to the RTRP area. He said that as long as the Pechanga, Soboba, and Morongo are providing input, he was satisfied. He would,

however, like to be involved if and when future monitoring takes place during cultural resource surveys and construction

Mr. Morales would also like to receive the information that was previously sent to the Gabrielino/Tongva (e.g., contact letter, Initial Study); a copy of the EIR when it is available; and a copy of the report being prepared by BARA.

Mr. Morales can be reached at:

Anthony Morales  
Tribal Chairman  
Gabrieleño/Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians  
PO Box 693  
San Gabriel, CA 91778

June 26, 2007

Mr. Anthony Morales  
Tribal Chairman  
Gabrieleño/Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians  
PO Box 693  
San Gabriel, CA 91778

Subject: American Indian Social Impact Assessment for the Riverside Transmission Reliability Project

Dear Mr. Morales:

You may recall that I spoke to you by telephone on June 20, 2007 regarding the Riverside Transmission Reliability Project (RTRP). POWER Engineers, Inc. has been contracted by the City of Riverside (CEQA Lead Agency) to prepare the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for this project. As part of the tribal consultation process, in December 2006 the Gabrieleño/Tongva Tribal Council was sent a letter by the City of Riverside regarding the project. As I explained during the call, meetings were held in early April 2007 with three Native American groups that had expressed interest in the project—the Morongo, the Soboba, and the Pechanga. These were attended by representatives of POWER Engineers and anthropologists from the University of Arizona's Bureau of Applied Research in Anthropology (BARA). Later, anthropologists from BARA arranged site visits to the RTRP area for the tribal representatives and prepared a draft report on the results of consultation. The report includes discussions of issues of concern to the Morongo, Soboba, and Pechanga and recommendations for mitigation measures – including monitoring-- that could reduce potential impacts. I have included a copy of this report for your review.

If you have any questions or need additional information about RTRP, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Jim Rudolph  
Senior Environmental Specialist/Archaeologist

JR/kb

cc: Mike Strand, POWER Engineers, Inc.  
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Rebecca Toupal, Bureau of Applied Research in Anthropology, University of Arizona  
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Paul Macarro, Pechanga Band of Mission Indians  
Erica Helms, Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians

June 26, 2007

Mr. John Gomez, Jr.  
Cultural Resources  
56310 Highway 371, Suite B  
P.O. Box 391670  
Anza, California 92539

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In April 2007, our subconsultant, the University of Arizona's Bureau of Applied Research in Anthropology (BARA), arranged meetings and site visits for three Native American groups -- the Morongo, the Soboba, and the Pechanga. BARA anthropologists recently completed a draft report on the results of preliminary consultation with these three groups. The report includes discussions of issues of concern to the Morongo, Soboba, and Pechanga and recommendations for mitigation measures -- including monitoring-- that could reduce potential impacts. I have included a copy of this report for your review.

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Senior Environmental Specialist/Archaeologist

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Erica Helms, Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians

**Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal**

Mail to: State Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 3044, Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 (916) 445-0613  
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**SCH #2007011113**

**Project Title:** Riverside Transmission Reliability Project

Lead Agency: Riverside, City of Contact Person: Lyle Hill  
 Mailing Address: 3901 Orange Street Phone: (951) 710-5013  
 City: Riverside Zip: 92501 County: Riverside

**Project Location:** County: Riverside City/Nearest Community: Riverside, Norco  
 Cross Streets: State Highway 60 and 91, Interstate 15 Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): \_\_\_\_\_ ° \_\_\_\_\_ ' \_\_\_\_\_ " N / \_\_\_\_\_ ° \_\_\_\_\_ ' \_\_\_\_\_ " W Total Acres: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 91 and 60 Waterways: Santa Ana River  
 Airports: Riverside Municipal, Flabob Railways: UPRR, BNSF Schools: 56 within 1 mile

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 General Plan Element  Planned Unit Development  Use Permit  Coastal Permit  
 Community Plan  Site Plan  Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)  Other: Public Infrastructure

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 Educational: \_\_\_\_\_  Hazardous Waste: Type \_\_\_\_\_  
 Recreational: \_\_\_\_\_  Other: \*Electric Transmission Lines and Substations. 69/230kV  
 Water Facilities: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MGD \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Issues Discussed in Document:**

Aesthetic/Visual  Fiscal  Recreation/Parks  Vegetation  
 Agricultural Land  Flood Plain/Flooding  Schools/Universities  Water Quality  
 Air Quality  Forest Land/Fire Hazard  Septic Systems  Water Supply/Groundwater  
 Archeological/Historical  Geologic/Seismic  Sewer Capacity  Wetland/Riparian  
 Biological Resources  Minerals  Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading  Growth Inducement  
 Coastal Zone  Noise  Solid Waste  Land Use  
 Drainage/Absorption  Population/Housing Balance  Toxic/Hazardous  Cumulative Effects  
 Economic/Jobs  Public Services/Facilities  Traffic/Circulation  Other: Utilities

**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

**Project Description:** (please use a separate page if necessary)

Notice of Preparation with project summary is attached. The CEQA process for this project was originally started in 2007; however, based on public comment and constructability issues, the project has undergone significant revision. For continuity, OP&R recommended maintaining the original SCH number 2007011113.

Note: The State Clearinghouse will assign identification numbers for all new projects. If a SCH number already exists for a project (e.g. Notice of Preparation or previous draft document) please fill in.

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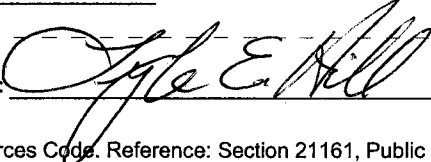
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**Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)**

Starting Date November 23, 2009 Ending Date December 24, 2009

**Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):**

Consulting Firm: <u>POWER Engineers</u>	Applicant: <u>City of Riverside/ Riverside Public Utilities</u>
Address: <u>713 East Ball Rd Suite 100</u>	Address: <u>3901 Orange Street</u>
City/State/Zip: <u>Anaheim, CA</u>	City/State/Zip: <u>Riverside, CA 92501</u>
Contact: <u>Michael Strand</u>	Phone: <u>(951) 826-5496</u>
Phone: <u>(714)-740-5043 507-2710</u>	

Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  Date: 11-18-09

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.



# Notice of Preparation

November 18, 2009

**To:** Interested Individuals,  
Responsible Agencies,  
Office of Planning and Research

**From:** Stephen H. Badgett  
Utilities Deputy General Manager/Energy Delivery  
City of Riverside  
3901 Orange Street  
Riverside, CA 92501

**Subject:** Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report,  
Riverside Transmission Reliability Project  
Riverside Public Utilities Department, City of Riverside

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the City of Riverside will be the Lead Agency in the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed Riverside Transmission Reliability Project (RTRP). The project would involve the construction of a new, double-circuit 230 kilovolt (kV) transmission line, new 69 kV subtransmission lines, and various system upgrades and other improvements. The project would also include the construction of a new 230 kV electrical substation and a new 230-69 kV electrical substation at adjacent sites located on City of Riverside Public Utilities (RPU)-owned land near the northeast corner of Wilderness Avenue and Ed Perkić Street in Riverside. The new double circuit 230 kV transmission line would interconnect to an existing Southern California Edison (SCE) 230 kV transmission line that traverses the northwest corner of Riverside County. SCE's proposed 230 kV substation would connect to and be located immediately adjacent to RPU's proposed 230-69 kV substation to transform the electrical voltage down from 230 kV to 69 kV for delivery into RPU's system. In addition, new 69 kV subtransmission lines would be constructed and some existing subtransmission lines and substations would be upgraded to strengthen the "backbone" of RPU's electrical system and ensure adequate capacity to deliver the power.

The purposes of this Notice of Preparation (NOP) are to provide notification that RPU will prepare a Draft EIR, to assess potential environmental effects resulting from implementation of the proposed project, and to solicit information on the scope of the environmental analysis for the proposed project. The Draft EIR will include topical content required by CEQA and will focus, as appropriate, on environmental impacts determined to be potentially significant. During early project development, an Initial Study prepared in 2007 determined that an EIR was warranted because of the potential for significant environmental effects. Since that time, SCE and RPU have continued a process of alternate route refinement, data collection, and inter-agency consultation. The City of Riverside has determined that preparation of a new Initial Study affords no efficacy as a decision-making document and a draft EIR should be prepared directly. This approach is consistent with CEQA Guidelines Section 15063(a) as the project in its present form clearly requires the preparation of an EIR.

RPU requests input from your agency or organization regarding the scope and content of the environmental information to be included in the EIR, including any information that would be necessary to meet statutory responsibilities related to the proposed project. This input is critical for the development of a thorough report, full examination of issues and requirements, and informed decision making. In addition, your agency will need to use the EIR prepared by our agency when considering your permit or other discretionary approval for the project.

A Project Summary document identifying the project location and providing a description of the project, its purpose and need, and a summary of potential effects as they are presently understood is contained in the attached materials (Attachment 1). Maps indicating project location and key elements are included as Attachments 2, 3 and 4.

Pursuant to Section 21083.9 of the Public Resources Code, a Public Scoping Meeting will be held during the regularly-scheduled Riverside City Planning Commission Meeting on December 3, 2009 at 9:30am. The meeting will be held at the Art Pick Council Chamber, City Hall, 3900 Main Street, Riverside, California, 92522. Following a brief presentation on the project by RPU, a public hearing will be conducted. At this time, agency and public comments on the preparation of the Environmental Impact Report will be received.

RPU has retained the firm of POWER Engineers, Inc. (POWER) to assist in the development of the EIR. Comments focusing on your area of expertise, your agency's area of jurisdiction, or issues relative to the environmental analysis may be submitted using any of the following:

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Due to time limits imposed by state law, your response to this notice must be sent at the earliest possible date but not later than 30 days after receipt of this notice. Please include the name and telephone number of the contact person for your agency or organization. RPU appreciates your interest and participation in the environmental review process.

Thank you for your time and we look forward to working with you as this project progresses.

Sincerely,



Stephen H. Badgett  
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Attachments: RTRP Project Summary  
RTRP 230 kV Alternative Routes Map  
RTRP 69 kV Alternative Routes Map  
Wildlife and Wilderness Substations Site Plan

## ATTACHMENT 1

### **RIVERSIDE TRANSMISSION RELIABILITY PROJECT SUMMARY**

#### PROJECT HISTORY

The City of Riverside Public Utilities (RPU) is a municipal utility that serves approximately 105,000 electric customers within the City of Riverside (City). The City is one of the fastest growing areas in Southern California. In order to meet increased electrical demand associated with existing customers and the projected growth within the RPU service area, expansion in electrical energy delivery capacity and increased transmission capacity are required. Additionally, substation improvements are necessary to support the additional capacity and to maintain system reliability. RPU provides retail electric service for customers in the City. Power is delivered to RPU through the regional bulk transmission system owned by Southern California Edison Company (SCE) and operated by the California Independent System Operator (CAISO). Currently, connection to SCE's bulk transmission system is through Vista Substation.

In 2004, pursuant to SCE's FERC-approved Transmission Owner (TO) Tariff, RPU made a request for SCE to provide additional transmission capacity to meet projected load growth and to provide for system reliability. SCE performed a series of interconnection studies that determined it could not expand Vista Substation due to site and environmental constraints but could expand the regional electrical system to provide RPU a second source of transmission capacity to import bulk electric power. This would be accomplished by creation of a new SCE 230 kilovolt (kV) transmission interconnection, the construction of a new SCE substation, the construction of a new RPU substation, and the expansion of the RPU 69 kV system. The proposed Project, called the Riverside Transmission Reliability Project (RTRP), would provide RPU with long-term system capacity for load growth, and needed system reliability and flexibility.

In November 2004, the Riverside Board of Public Utilities authorized RPU to enter an agreement with SCE for completion of a System Impact Study and a Facilities Study. The results of these studies indicate the need for construction of a new double circuit 230 kV transmission line into Riverside. In order to provide additional electrical power into the City, two new substations would also be needed. The System Impact Study identified a 20 acre RPU-owned parcel of land for the proposed substations. The proposed 230 kV substation would be the interconnection point for the proposed double circuit 230 kV transmission line and would be constructed, owned and operated by SCE. The new SCE substation would be called "Wildlife Substation." The proposed 230-69 kV substation would "step-down" electrical energy from 230 kV to 69 kV. The proposed 230-69 kV substation would be constructed, owned and operated by RPU and would be called "Wilderness Substation". These two new proposed substations would be located adjacent to each other on the 20 acre parcel described above (identified on Attachment 4). The System Impact Study identified the existing SCE Mira Loma-Vista No. 1 230 kV transmission line as the tap point for interconnecting the proposed 230/69 kV substations to the existing SCE electrical grid. In addition to the 230 kV interconnection facilities, the proposed project would require construction of several new 69 kV subtransmission lines and upgrades to existing 69 kV subtransmission lines and substations to transfer the bulk power within the RPU electrical

system. Proposed routes and localized alternatives as well as substations are identified on Attachments 2 and 3.

At a June 2006 California Independent System Operator (CAISO) Board of Governors meeting, the CAISO concluded that the proposed interconnection was needed and directed SCE to build the proposed RTRP as soon as possible and preferably no later than June 30, 2009.

In August 2006, a Siting Study was completed that presents the results of an inventory of baseline environmental conditions, environmental sensitivity analyses, and alternative route locations for the 230 kV transmission line. A separate study prepared in June 2006, referred to as the Alternatives Analysis, identified the proposed route locations for the new 69 kV subtransmission lines within Riverside. The report involved studying a variety of environmental and engineering factors to select the proposed 69 kV routes.

In early 2007, RPU issued an NOP and Initial Study for RTRP. Data collection, preliminary engineering, issues identification, land use investigations, route revision, and agency consultation continued in an iterative process. A series of informal open houses were hosted by SCE and RPU during this period to present revised routes and obtain comments from the public. In the fall of 2009, it was determined that the RTRP concept was sufficiently refined to move forward with a Notice of Preparation for the development of a draft Environmental Impact Report.

## **Project Location**

The RTRP is located in the northwestern section of Riverside County and includes portions of the City of Riverside and unincorporated areas of Riverside County, including Pedley, Mira Loma and Eastvale (Attachment 2 and 3). Interstate 10 and Interstate 15 border the project area to the north and west, respectively. The Santa Ana River flows through the center of the project area and would be spanned by this project. New substation locations are south of the Santa Ana River near the Riverside Municipal Airport.

## **Purpose and Need**

The purpose of the RTRP is to provide a long-term solution that would provide adequate electrical capacity and a reliable electrical system to serve RPU's electric customers. Riverside is the largest city in Riverside County, historically one of the fastest growing counties in the United States. It serves as the county seat of government, includes three university and one community college campuses, and three major hospitals. These services benefit not only the City, but the region in general.

RPU has an obligation to provide a safe and reliable energy supply and electrical infrastructure to all customers, including government, education and health facilities within the City limits. The rapid population growth and commercial development have led to an increase in local electric customers and in their use of electric energy. Currently, the sole source of bulk electrical energy supply for RPU electric customers is through SCE's Vista Substation located within the City of Grand Terrace. RPU's electrical demand has exceeded the available 557 megawatts (MW) of capacity from Vista Substation, and this existing point of interconnection cannot be expanded. A new interconnection to SCE's transmission system is urgently needed to provide

capacity for existing as well as new electrical load. Without this addition, load shedding and area electrical blackouts will eventually be required.

In addition to increasing supply, the RTRP would substantially reduce the impact of an outage similar to that which occurred in October 2007, when all the electric customers, including government, school, university, and hospital facilities within the City lost power for up to four hours.

The existing RPU electrical system would require several improvements in order to accept the new point of delivery of bulk electrical power at the proposed 230 kV substation. RPU has established electrical system planning criteria to ensure reliable operation of the 69 kV subtransmission system for expected loading conditions. The last major addition to the system was the completion of the Vista-Freeman 69 kV subtransmission line thirteen years ago. New reinforcements to RPU's 69 kV system are required to provide reliable electric service to RPU customers.

In accordance with prudent utility practice, RPU needs to separate the 69 kV electrical grid into two systems (an east system and a west system). Three 69 kV lines now serve four substations on the east side of the system: La Colina, Orangecrest, Springs, and University. These lines are inadequate to handle the present and projected loads and are being addressed in a separate project. Likewise, the Harvey Lynn Substation is a heavily loaded distribution substation on the west side of the system which is served by only two lines. By building new 69 kV transmission lines and upgrading existing substations, the RPU subtransmission system will be reinforced, allowing operating criteria to be met and providing for reliable system operation.

## **Project Description**

The components of the proposed RTRP include:

- A new double circuit SCE 230 kV transmission line that will interconnect to SCE's existing 230 kV transmission line that crosses the northern part of Riverside County and to the new SCE 230 kV substation described below. Route options and localized alternatives for the 230 kV transmission line are shown on Attachment 2.
- A new SCE 230 kV substation on RPU-owned land near the northeast corner of Wilderness Avenue and Ed Perkić Street within the City of Riverside ("Wildlife Substation", Attachment 4).
- A new RPU 230-69 kV substation that will transform the electrical voltage down from 230 kV to 69 kV for delivery into RPU's system ("Wilderness Substation", Attachment 4). RPU's substation would be located adjacent to SCE's 230 kV substation on the same RPU-owned land.
- Three new double circuit RPU 69 kV subtransmission line segments that will integrate the proposed RPU 230-69 kV substation and strengthen RPU's backbone electrical system within the City of Riverside (Attachment 3). The new 69 kV subtransmission line segments include:

1. One double circuit overhead 69 kV subtransmission line between the new Wilderness 230-69 kV Substation and Mountain View Substation.
  2. Two double circuit overhead 69 kV subtransmission lines from the new 69 kV Substation to the RERC Substation.
  3. One double circuit overhead 69 kV subtransmission line between RERC and Harvey Lynn and Freeman Substations.
- New fiber optic communication lines will be attached to existing SCE transmission structures between the Pedley Substation and the new 230 kV Substation and on the new 230 kV transmission line. SCE would lease an existing fiber optic line from RPU between the new 230 kV Substation and Vista Substation.

### **Environmental Setting and Surrounding Land Uses**

The natural topography of the project area is valley lowland intersected with rolling hills surrounded by mountain ranges. Elevations range from 680 to 1,900 feet mean sea level. Most of the project area has been developed, and the only remaining large areas of native habitats occur along the Santa Ana River and in the Jurupa Mountains. The majority of the project area is characterized by rural, urban and suburban development intermixed with agriculture and undeveloped lands. Rapid population growth in the project area has resulted in increased development with accompanying changes in land use.

### **Agencies, Permits, and Approvals**

All the required federal, state, and local agency permits and approvals would be obtained prior to the start of construction of the RTRP components. This list may be modified as a result of field investigations and further consultation with agencies.

#### **Local Agencies**

*The City of Riverside Public Utilities (CEQA Lead Agency)*

- CEQA compliance
- Approval to construct the proposed project

*Riverside County*

- Crossing and encroachment permits for County road
- Land and Water Conservation Fund conversion agreement
- Compliance with Western Riverside County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan

#### **State Agencies**

*California Public Utilities Commission*

- Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) issued to SCE to construct the 230 kV transmission line and substation.

*California Department of Fish and Game*

- Lake and Streambed Alteration Notification
- California Endangered Species Act consultation on potential effects on state-listed species

*California Environmental Protection Agency, State Water Resources Control Board Santa Ana*

### *Region*

- Construction General Permit for storm water discharges
- Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)
- Section 401 Water Quality Certification

### *California Office of Historic Preservation*

- Project review and approval

### *California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)*

- State Highway Crossing and Encroachment Permits

### **Federal Agencies**

#### *Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)*

- FAA Notice of Proposed Construction or Alteration (Form 7460-1)

#### *U.S. Army Corps of Engineers*

- Section 404 permit
- Section 10 permit for work over navigable waters of the U.S.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED**

In the 2007 initial study and completion of CEQA checklist, this project was found to have the potential for significant impacts in three areas:

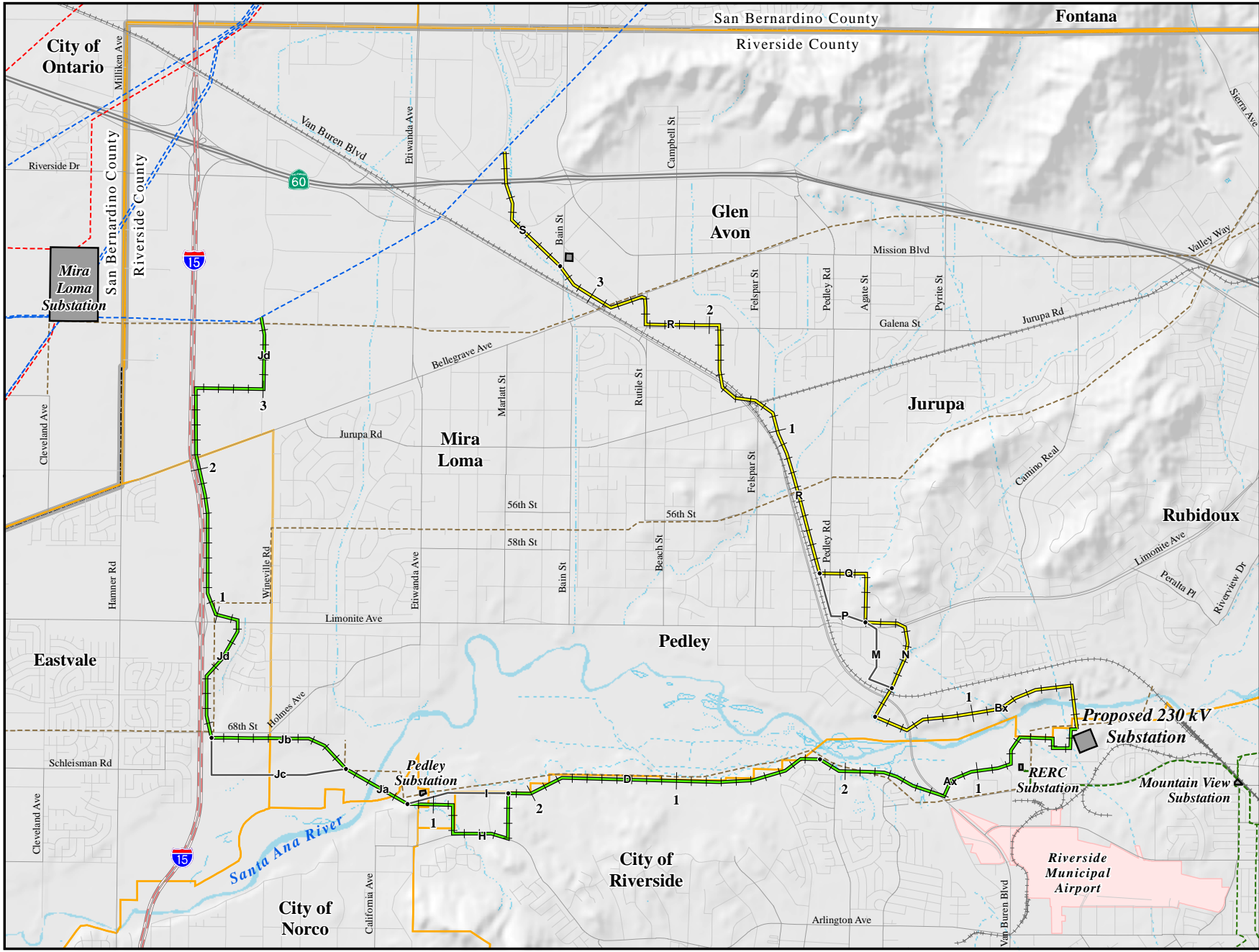
- **Aesthetics** - The project could cause potentially significant impacts for many recreational and residential viewers with scenic vistas of the Santa Ana River riparian corridor and surrounding hills. These vistas are most important from the areas in and around the Hidden Valley Wildlife Area and Santa Ana River Regional Park where the 230 kV routes would encroach into scenic views of the vegetated river and hills in the background. These views tend to be the most scenic and diverse in the project area.
- **Biological Resources** - The 230 kV alternative routes cross the Santa Ana River in two possible locations. Riparian habitat in the project area is known to support protected and sensitive species including species afforded federal protection under the Endangered Species Act. With the exception of the river crossings, the majority of the 230 kV alternative routes and proposed 69 kV routes are located in areas that do not have riparian habitat or other sensitive natural communities. Any loss of riparian habitat from clearing the transmission line right-of-way will be a potential significant impact that will be analyzed in the EIR.
- **Mandatory Finding of Significance** - The project would not have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce habitat, cause drop in fish or wildlife population sustaining levels, eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce number or eliminate rare or endangered species or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory. However, individual resources would be affected in certain specific ways.

Since this time, substantial project refinement and revision have occurred; however, the project may still have significant effects on the environment based upon CEQA Guidelines Section 15064. In addition to the specific areas of focus described above, the EIR will provide a broad

review of potential environmental effects across all resources. Resources of particular interest include cultural resources, land use and transportation.

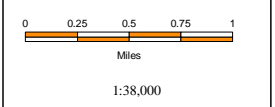
The project has the potential to have cumulative impacts. As required under CEQA, cumulative impacts will be addressed in the EIR.





**Riverside Transmission Reliability Project**  
**RTRP 230 kV**  
**Alternative Routes**  
**Attachment 2**

- Legend**
- Route Features**
- SCE 230 kV Alternative Route
  - Tenth Mile Marker
  - Mile Marker
  - Ax — Link Name
  - Link Node
  - West (I-15) Route
  - Van Buren Route
  - Localized Alternative
- Utility Features**
- - - SCE 500 kV Transmission Line
  - - - SCE 230 kV Transmission Line
  - - - RPU Lower Voltage Transmission Line
  - - - Other Lower Voltage Transmission Line
  - Substation
- Municipal Features**
- - - County Boundary
  - - - City Boundary
  - Airport
- Water Features**
- Waterbody
  - River or Stream
  - Intermittent Stream
  - Canal or Aqueduct
  - Seasonally Flooded



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**RTRP 69 kV  
Alternative Routes  
Attachment 3**

**Legend**

Route Features

- RPU 69 kV Alternative Link
- Tenth Mile Marker
- Mile Marker
- Link Number
- Link Node

- 69 kV Preferred Route
- 69 kV Alternative Route

Existing Utility Features

- 69 kV Transmission Line

Municipal Features

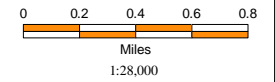
- City Boundary
- Airport

Water Features

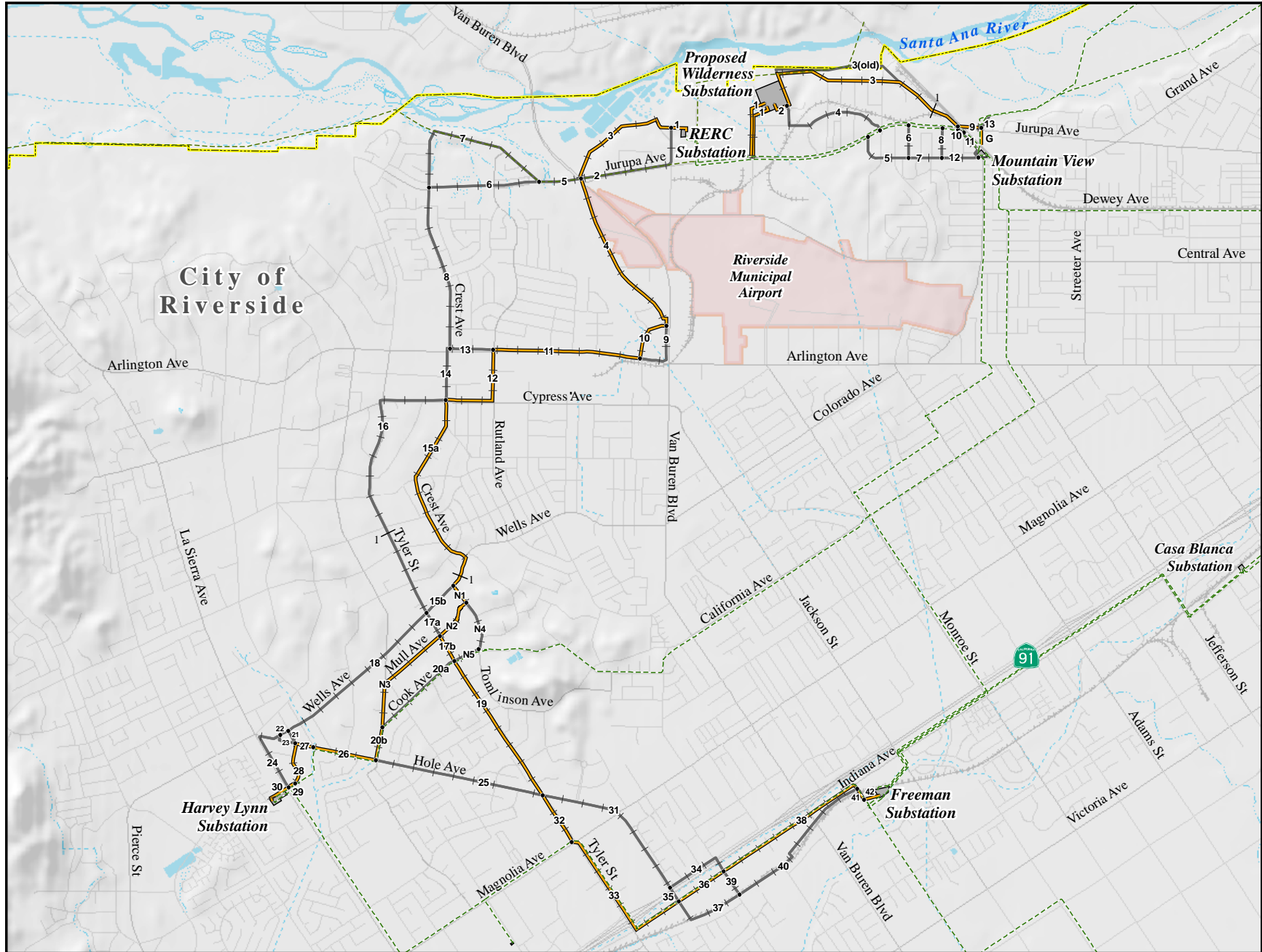
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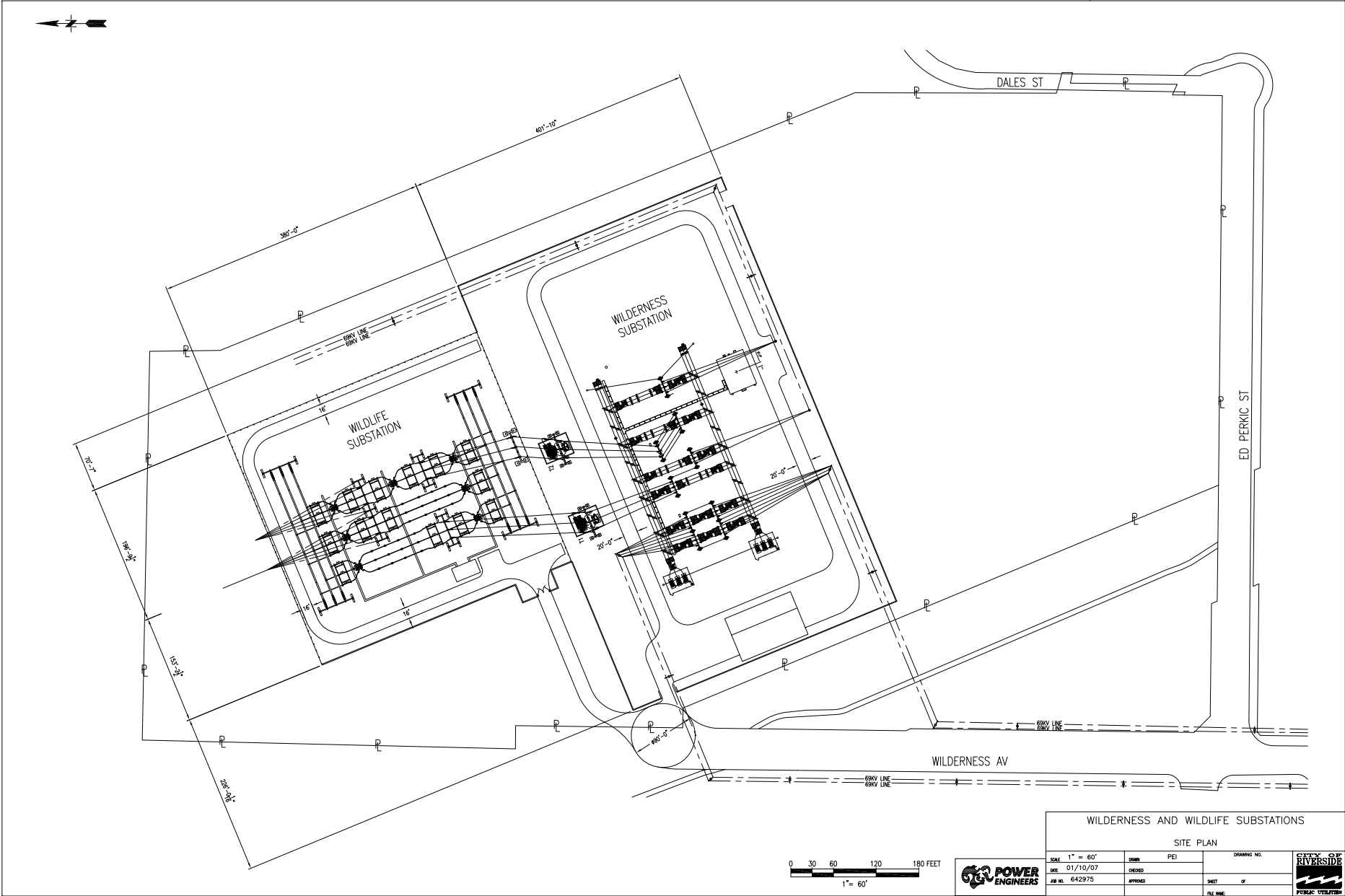
Transportation Features

- State Highway
- Arterial Road
- Railroad

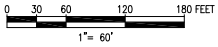


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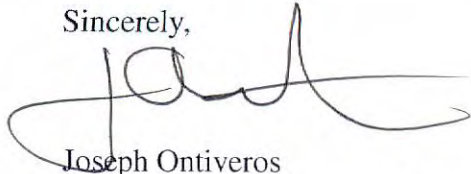
**Re: Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report,  
Riverside Transmission Reliability Project  
Riverside Public Utilities Department, City of Riverside**

The Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians appreciates your observance of Tribal Cultural Resources and their preservation in your project. The information provided to us on said project has been assessed through our Cultural Resource Department, where it was concluded that although it is outside the existing reservation, the project area does fall within the bounds of our Tribal Traditional Use Areas. This project location is in close proximity to known village sites and is a shared use area that was used in ongoing trade between the Luiseño and Cahuilla tribes. Therefore it is regarded as highly sensitive to the people of Soboba.

Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians is requesting the following:

1. **Government to Government** consultation in accordance to SB18. Including the transfer of information to the Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians regarding the progress of this project should be done as soon as new developments occur.
2. Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians continues to be a lead consulting tribal entity for this project.
3. Working in and around traditional use areas intensifies the possibility of encountering cultural resources during the construction/excavation phase. For this reason the Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians requests that Native American Monitor(s) from the Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians Cultural Resource Department to be present during any ground disturbing proceedings. Including surveys and archaeological testing.
4. Request that proper procedures be taken and requests of the tribe be honored (Please see the attachment)

Sincerely,



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**Cultural Items (Artifacts).** Ceremonial items and items of cultural patrimony reflect traditional religious beliefs and practices of the Soboba Band. The Developer should agree to return all Native American ceremonial items and items of cultural patrimony that may be found on the project site to the Soboba Band for appropriate treatment. In addition, the Soboba Band requests the return of all other cultural items (artifacts) that are recovered during the course of archaeological investigations. Where appropriate and agreed upon in advance, Developer's archeologist may conduct analyses of certain artifact classes if required by CEQA, Section 106 of NHPA, the mitigation measures or conditions of approval for the Project. This may include but is not limited or restricted to include shell, bone, ceramic, stone or other artifacts.

The Developer should waive any and all claims to ownership of Native American ceremonial and cultural artifacts that may be found on the Project site. Upon completion of authorized and mandatory archeological analysis, the Developer should return said artifacts to the Soboba Band within a reasonable time period agreed to by the Parties and not to exceed (30) days from the initial recovery of the items.

**Treatment and Disposition of Remains**

- A. The Soboba Band shall be allowed, under California Public Resources Code § 5097.98 (a), to (1) inspect the site of the discovery and (2) make determinations as to how the human remains and grave goods shall be treated and disposed of with appropriate dignity.
- B. The Soboba Band, as MLD, shall complete its inspection within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving notification from either the Developer or the NAHC, as required by California Public Resources Code § 5097.98 (a). The Parties agree to discuss in good faith what constitutes "appropriate dignity" as that term is used in the applicable statutes.
- C. Reburial of human remains shall be accomplished in compliance with the California Public Resources Code § 5097.98 (a) and (b). The Soboba Band, as the MLD in consultation with the Developer, shall make the final discretionary determination regarding the appropriate disposition and treatment of human remains.
- D. All parties are aware that the Soboba Band may wish to rebury the human remains and associated ceremonial and cultural items (artifacts) on or near, the site of their discovery, in an area that shall not be subject to future subsurface



disturbances. The Developer should accommodate on-site reburial in a location mutually agreed upon by the Parties.

E. The term "human remains" encompasses more than human bones because the Soboba Band's traditions periodically necessitated the ceremonial burning of human remains. Grave goods are those artifacts associated with any human remains. These items, and other funerary remnants and their ashes are to be treated in the same manner as human bone fragments or bones that remain intact

**Coordination with County Coroner's Office.** The Lead Agencies and the Developer should immediately contact both the Coroner and the Soboba Band in the event that any human remains are discovered during implementation of the Project. If the Coroner recognizes the human remains to be those of a Native American, or has reason to believe that they are those of a Native American, the Coroner shall ensure that notification is provided to the NAHC within twenty-four (24) hours of the determination, as required by California Health and Safety Code § 7050.5 (c).

**Non-Disclosure of Location Reburials.** It is understood by all parties that unless otherwise required by law, the site of any reburial of Native American human remains or cultural artifacts shall not be disclosed and shall not be governed by public disclosure requirements of the California Public Records Act. The Coroner, parties, and Lead Agencies will be asked to withhold public disclosure information related to such reburial, pursuant to the specific exemption set forth in California Government Code § 6254 (r).

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December 9, 2009

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RE: SCH#2007011113 Riverside Transmission Reliability Project; Riverside and San Bernardino Counties.

Dear Mr. Hill:

The Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) has reviewed the Notice of Preparation (NOP) referenced above. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) states that any project that causes a substantial adverse change in the significance of an historical resource, which includes archeological resources, is a significant effect requiring the preparation of an EIR (CEQA Guidelines 15064(b)). To comply with this provision the lead agency is required to assess whether the project will have an adverse impact on historical resources within the area of project effect (APE), and if so to mitigate that effect. To adequately assess and mitigate project-related impacts to archaeological resources, the NAHC recommends the following actions:

- ✓ Contact the appropriate regional archaeological Information Center for a record search. The record search will determine:
  - If a part or all of the area of project effect (APE) has been previously surveyed for cultural resources.
  - If any known cultural resources have already been recorded on or adjacent to the APE.
  - If the probability is low, moderate, or high that cultural resources are located in the APE.
  - If a survey is required to determine whether previously unrecorded cultural resources are present.
- ✓ If an archaeological inventory survey is required, the final stage is the preparation of a professional report detailing the findings and recommendations of the records search and field survey.
  - The final report containing site forms, site significance, and mitigation measures should be submitted immediately to the planning department. All information regarding site locations, Native American human remains, and associated funerary objects should be in a separate confidential addendum, and not be made available for public disclosure.
  - The final written report should be submitted within 3 months after work has been completed to the appropriate regional archaeological Information Center.
- ✓ Contact the Native American Heritage Commission for:
  - A Sacred Lands File Check. **USGS 7.5 minute quadrangle name, township, range and section required.**
  - A list of appropriate Native American contacts for consultation concerning the project site and to assist in the mitigation measures. **Native American Contacts List attached.**
- ✓ Lack of surface evidence of archeological resources does not preclude their subsurface existence.
  - Lead agencies should include in their mitigation plan provisions for the identification and evaluation of accidentally discovered archeological resources, per California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) §15064.5(f). In areas of identified archaeological sensitivity, a certified archaeologist and a culturally affiliated Native American, with knowledge in cultural resources, should monitor all ground-disturbing activities.
  - Lead agencies should include in their mitigation plan provisions for the disposition of recovered artifacts, in consultation with culturally affiliated Native Americans.
  - Lead agencies should include provisions for discovery of Native American human remains in their mitigation plan. Health and Safety Code §7050.5, CEQA §15064.5(e), and Public Resources Code §5097.98 mandates the process to be followed in the event of an accidental discovery of any human remains in a location other than a dedicated cemetery.

Sincerely,

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December 23, 2009

**VIA E-MAIL and USPS**

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**Re: Pechanga Tribe Comments on the Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report on the Riverside Transmission Reliability Project**

To Whom It May Concern:

Thank you for inviting us to submit comments on the above named Project. This comment letter is written on behalf of the Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians (hereinafter, "the Tribe"), a federally recognized Indian tribe and sovereign government. The Tribe is formally requesting, pursuant to Public Resources Code §21092.2, to be notified and involved in the entire CEQA environmental review process for the duration of the above referenced project (the "Project"). Please add the Tribe to your distribution list(s) for public notices and circulation of all documents, including environmental review documents, archeological reports, and all documents pertaining to this Project. The Tribe further requests to be directly notified of all public hearings and scheduled approvals concerning this Project. The Tribe also requests that these comments be incorporated into the record of approval for this Project as well.

The Tribe submits these comments concerning the Project's potential impacts to cultural resources in conjunction with the environmental review of the Project. The Tribe reserves the right to fully participate in the environmental review process, as well as to provide further comment on the Project's impacts to cultural resources and potential mitigation for such impacts. Further, the Tribe reserves the right to participate in the regulatory process and provide comment on issues pertaining to the regulatory process and Project approval.

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**RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT (RPUD) MUST INCLUDE  
INVOLVEMENT OF AND CONSULTATION WITH THE PECHANGA TRIBE IN ITS  
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS**

It has been the intent of the Federal Government<sup>1</sup> and the State of California<sup>2</sup> that Indian tribes be consulted with regard to issues which impact cultural and spiritual resources, as well as other governmental concerns. The responsibility to consult with Indian tribes stems from the unique government-to-government relationship between the United States and Indian tribes. This arises when tribal interests are affected by the actions of governmental agencies and departments. In this case, it is undisputed that the project lies within the Pechanga Tribe's traditional territory. Therefore, in order to comply with CEQA and other applicable Federal and California law, it is imperative that the RPUD consult with the Tribe in order to guarantee an adequate knowledge base to appropriately evaluate the Project's effects and prepare adequate mitigation measures.

**PECHANGA CULTURAL AFFILIATION TO PROJECT AREA**

The Pechanga Tribe asserts that portions of the Project area south of the Santa Ana River are part of Luiseño, and therefore the Tribe's, aboriginal territory as evidenced by the existence of Luiseño place names, *tóota yixélval* (rock art, pictographs, petroglyphs), and an extensive Luiseño artifact record within these portions of the Project. The Tribe further asserts that the culturally sensitive areas are affiliated with the Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians because of the Tribe's cultural ties to this area as well as our history with Projects within the City of Riverside and its sphere of influence.

The Pechanga Tribe's knowledge of our ancestral boundaries is based on reliable information passed down to us from our elders; published academic works in the areas of anthropology, history and ethno-history; and through recorded ethnographic and linguistic accounts. The Tribe considers the Santa Ana River as the topographical marker of our northern boundary. Many anthropologists and historians who have presented boundaries of the Luiseño traditional territory have included the City of Riverside and the Santa Ana River area in their descriptions (Drucker 1937; Heiser and Whipple 1957; Kroeber 1925; Smith and Freers 1994), and such territory descriptions correspond with what was communicated to the Pechanga people by our elders. While historic accounts and anthropological and linguistic theories are important in determining traditional Luiseño territory, the Pechanga Tribe asserts that the most critical

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<sup>1</sup> See Executive Memorandum of April 29, 1994 on Government-to-Government Relations with Native American Tribal Governments and Executive Order of November 6, 2000 on Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments.

<sup>2</sup> See California Public Resource Code §5097.9 et seq.; California Government Code §§65351,65352,65352.3 and 65352.4

sources of information used to define our traditional territories are our songs, creation accounts, and oral traditions.

Luiŕeño history originates with the creation of all things at 'éxva Teméeku, known today as the City of Temecula, and dispersing out to all corners of creation (what is today known as Luiŕeño territory). It was at Temecula that the Luiŕeño deity *Wuyóot* lived and taught the people, and here that he became sick, finally expiring at Lake Elsinore. Many of our songs relate the tale of the people taking the dying *Wuyóot* to the many hot springs at Elsinore, where he died (DuBois 1908). He was cremated at 'éxva Teméeku. It is the Luiŕeño creation account that connects Elsinore to Temecula, and thus to the Temecula people who were evicted and moved to the Pechanga Reservation, and now known as the Pechanga Band of Luiŕeño Mission Indians (the Pechanga Tribe). From Elsinore, the people spread out, establishing villages and marking their territories. The first people also became the mountains, plants, animals and heavenly bodies.

Many traditions and stories are passed from generation to generation by songs. One of the Luiŕeño songs recounts the travels of the people to Elsinore after a great flood (DuBois 1908). From here, they again spread out to the north, south, east and west. Three songs, called *Moniivol*, are songs of the places and landmarks that were destinations of the Luiŕeño ancestors, several of which are located near the Project area. They describe the exact route of the Temecula (Pechanga) people and the landmarks made by each to claim title to places in their migrations (DuBois 1908:110). In addition, Pechanga elders state that the Temecula/Pechanga people had usage/gathering rights to an area extending from Rawson Canyon on the east, over to Lake Mathews on the northwest, down Temescal Canyon to Temecula, eastward to Aguanga, and then along the crest of the Cahuilla range back to Rawson Canyon. The Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) Most Likely Descendent (MLD) files substantiate this habitation and migration record from oral tradition. These examples illustrate a direct correlation between the oral tradition and the physical place; proving the importance of songs and stories as a valid source of information outside of the published anthropological data.

*Tóota yixélval* (rock art) is also an important element in the determination of Luiŕeño territorial boundaries. *Tóota yixélval* can consist of petroglyphs (incised) elements, or pictographs (painted) elements. The science of archaeology tells us that places can be described through these elements. Riverside and Northern San Diego Counties are home to red, black and white pigmented pictograph panels. Archaeologists have adopted the name for these pictograph-versions, as defined by Ken Hedges of the Museum of Man, as the San Luis Rey style. The San Luis Rey style incorporates elements which include chevrons, zig-zags, dot patterns, sunbursts, handprints, net/chain, anthropomorphic (human-like) and zoomorphic (animal-like) designs. Tribal historians and photographs inform us that some design elements are reminiscent of Luiŕeño ground paintings. A few of these design elements, particularly the flower motifs, the net/chain and zig-zags, were sometimes depicted in Luiŕeño basket designs and can be observed in remaining baskets and textiles today.



The Tribe knows of several traditional Luiseño place names that are near the Project boundaries. *Húlvulpa*, which in English means “sagebrush there,” is a gathering area and is located 200-300 yards from the Santa Ana River, one mile due west of Mt. Rubidoux and near Grand Ave. *Pocháppa* is a hilly area that lies approximately ¼ mile west of the 91 Freeway, bisected by present day Central Avenue. It refers to a place where an important event occurred. The prefix “Po” usually connotes being located at that place or village. Our Place Names Project is ongoing and we anticipate additional locations within the area to be identified with traditional Luiseño names.

Thus, our songs and stories, our indigenous place names, as well as academic works, demonstrate that the Luiseño people who occupied what we know today as the City of Riverside and its sphere of influence are ancestors of the present-day Luiseño/Pechanga people, and as such, Pechanga is culturally affiliated to this geographic area.

The Tribe welcomes the opportunity to meet with the City of Riverside to further explain and provide documentation concerning our specific cultural affiliation to lands within your jurisdiction.

### **PROJECT IMPACTS TO CULTURAL RESOURCES**

The southern portion of the Proposed Project is located in a sensitive region of Luiseño territory and the Tribe believes that the possibility for recovering subsurface resources during ground-disturbing activities is moderate to high. The Tribe has over thirty-five (35) years of experience in working with various types of construction projects throughout its territory. The combination of this experience, along with the knowledge of the culturally-sensitive areas and oral tradition, is what the Tribe relies on to make fairly accurate predictions regarding the likelihood of subsurface resources in a particular location. The Tribe understands that a large portion of the Project has already been developed; however, the most sensitive areas are located along the Santa Ana River and contain much of the native (undisturbed) vegetation and soils.

Given the sensitivity of the area, inadvertent discoveries are foreseeable impacts and for which appropriate mitigation must be developed. The identification of surface resources during an archaeological survey should not be the sole determining factor in deciding whether mitigation measures for inadvertent discoveries are required. The cultural significance of the area should play a large part in determining whether specifications concerning unanticipated discoveries should be included

### **REQUESTED TRIBAL INVOLVEMENT AND MITIGATION**

The proposed Project is on land that is within the traditional territory of the Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians. The Pechanga Band is not opposed to this Project. The Tribe’s primary concerns stem from the Project’s proposed impacts on Native American cultural resources. The Tribe is concerned about both the protection of unique and irreplaceable cultural

resources, such as Luiseño village sites, sacred sites and archaeological items which would be displaced by ground disturbing work on the Project, and on the proper and lawful treatment of cultural items, Native American human remains and sacred items likely to be discovered in the course of the work.

The Tribe has not received any environmental documents for the Project to date and it is not clear whether a cultural resources study has been initiated or completed. The Tribe requests that the project consultant complete any initial surveys in consultation with Pechanga representatives. This will ensure that the cultural resources report appropriately addresses the full impact to known and unknown resources in the Project area. In addition, the NOP suggests that Federal permits are required, thus the consultation requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act will likely apply. Consultation and development of mitigation measures should also involve Southern California Edison even though they are not the Lead Agency because the Project proposes a new substation that will be constructed, owned and operated by SCE.

We will be engaging in further assessment of the Project area, in consultation with tribal elders, to identify more specific information about this culturally sensitive area. The Tribe will also offer proposed mitigation once it has completed the assessment of the Project. Moreover, the Tribe possesses necessary information about the archeological and cultural sensitivity that an archeological survey alone will not reveal, and should be consulted with at the earliest possible stage of the environmental review to assist in identifying and mitigating the cultural resources impacts for this Project. Given that Native American cultural resources will likely be affected by the Project, the Pechanga Tribe requests to be involved with the RPUD in creating mitigation plans for the duration of the Project under California Public Resources Code § 21081. In addition, given the sensitivity of the Project area, the Pechanga Tribe believes that Pechanga tribal monitors must be required for all ground-disturbing activities conducted in connection with the Project, including any archeological excavations.

The CEQA Guidelines state that lead agencies should make provisions for inadvertent discoveries of cultural resources (CEQA Guidelines §15064.5). As such, it is the position of the Pechanga Tribe that an agreement specifying appropriate treatment of inadvertent discoveries of cultural resources be executed between the Project Applicant/Developer and the Pechanga Tribe.

The Tribe believes that adequate cultural resources assessments and management must always include a component which addresses inadvertent discoveries. Every major State and Federal law dealing with cultural resources includes provisions addressing inadvertent discoveries (See e.g.: CEQA (Cal. Pub. Resources Code §21083.2(i); 14 CCR §1506a.5(f)); Section 106 (36 CFR §800.13); NAGPRA (43 CFR §10.4). Moreover, most state and federal agencies have guidelines or provisions for addressing inadvertent discoveries (See e.g.: FHWA, Section 4(f) Regulations - 771.135(g); CALTRANS, Standard Environmental Reference - 5-10.2 and 5-10.3). Because of the extensive presence of the Tribe's ancestors within the Project area, it is not unreasonable to expect to find vestiges of that presence. Such cultural resources

and artifacts are significant to the Tribe as they are reminders of their ancestors. Moreover, the Tribe is expected to protect and assure that all cultural sites of its ancestors are appropriately treated in a respectful manner. Therefore, as noted previously, it is crucial to adequately address the potential for inadvertent discoveries.

Further, the Pechanga Tribe believes that if human remains are discovered, State law would apply and the conditions of approval and mitigation measures for the permit must account for this. According to the California Public Resources Code, § 5097.98, if Native American human remains are discovered, the Native American Heritage Commission must name a “most likely descendant,” who shall be consulted as to the appropriate disposition of the remains. Given the Project’s location in Pechanga territory, the Pechanga Tribe intends to assert its right pursuant to California law with regard to any remains or items discovered in the course of this Project.

### **PROJECT MITIGATION MEASURES**

The Tribe understands that the Environmental Impact Report still must be prepared for this Project. The Tribe intends to work with the RPUD and Project Archaeologist to thoroughly evaluate and assess potential impacts to the Project Area. Once that process is completed, the Tribe may submit additional mitigation to specifically address impacts to any sites or resources found during the archaeological site assessments. For the present time, the Tribe asks that, at a minimum, the RPUD include the following mitigation measures in its environmental assessment documents:

- MM 1** Prior to beginning project construction, the Project Applicant shall retain an archaeological monitor to monitor all ground-disturbing activities in an effort to identify any unknown archaeological resources. Any newly discovered cultural resource deposits shall be subject to a cultural resources evaluation.
- MM 2** At least 30 days prior to beginning project construction, the Project Applicant shall contact the Pechanga Tribe to notify the Tribe of grading, excavation and the monitoring program, and to coordinate with the RPUD and the Tribe to develop a Cultural Resources Treatment and Monitoring Agreement. The Agreement shall address the treatment of known cultural resources, the designation, responsibilities, and participation of Native American Tribal monitors during grading, excavation and ground disturbing activities; project grading and development scheduling; terms of compensation; and treatment and final disposition of any cultural resources, sacred sites, and human remains discovered on the site.
- MM 3** Prior to beginning project construction, the Project Archaeologist shall file a pre-grading report with the RPUD (if required) to document the proposed methodology for grading activity observation. Said methodology shall include the

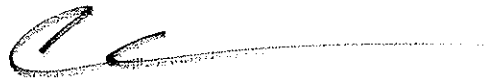
requirement for a qualified archaeological monitor to be present and to have the authority to stop and redirect grading activities. In accordance with the agreement required in MM 2, the archaeological monitor's authority to stop and redirect grading will be exercised in consultation with the appropriate Tribe in order to evaluate the significance of any archaeological resources discovered on the property. Tribal monitors shall be allowed to monitor all grading, excavation and groundbreaking activities, and shall also have the authority to stop and redirect grading activities in consultation with the project archaeologist.

- MM 4** If human remains are encountered, California Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5 states that no further disturbance shall occur until the Riverside County Coroner has made the necessary findings as to origin. Further, pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 5097.98(b) remains shall be left in place and free from disturbance until a final decision as to the treatment and disposition has been made. If the Riverside County Coroner determines the remains to be Native American, the Native American Heritage Commission must be contacted within 24 hours. The Native American Heritage Commission must then identify the "most likely descendant(s)" within 48 hours of receiving notification of the discovery. The most likely descendant(s) shall then make recommendations, and engage in consultations concerning the treatment of the remains as provided in Public Resources Code 5097.98 and the Treatment Agreement described in MM 2.
- MM 5** The landowner shall relinquish ownership of all cultural resources, including sacred items, burial goods and all archaeological artifacts that are found on the project area to the appropriate Tribe for proper treatment and disposition.
- MM 6** All sacred sites, should they be encountered within the project area, shall be avoided and preserved as the preferred mitigation, if feasible.
- MM 7** If inadvertent discoveries of subsurface archaeological resources are discovered during grading, the Project Applicant, the Project Archaeologist, and the Tribe shall assess the significance of such resources and shall meet and confer regarding the mitigation for such resources. If the Project Applicant and the Tribe cannot agree on the significance or the mitigation for such resources, these issues will be presented to the RPUD for decision. The RPUD shall make the determination based on the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act with respect to archaeological resources and shall take into account the religious beliefs, customs, and practices of the appropriate Tribe.

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The Pechanga Tribe looks forward to working together with the Riverside Public Utilities Department in protecting the invaluable Pechanga cultural resources found in the Project area. Please contact me at 951-308-9295 X8104 once you have had a chance to review these comments so that we might address the issues concerning the mitigation language. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anna Hoover', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Anna Hoover  
Cultural Analyst

Cc: Pechanga Office of the General Counsel  
Lyle Hill, RPUD

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Jonathan	Hutchison	Amtrak	530 Water Street	Y
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Karin	Kupcha	Augustine Band of Cahuilla Mission Indians	P.O. Box 1291	Y
LaDonna V.	DiCamillo	Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway	One World Trade Center, Suite 1680	No Response
Bill	Anderson	Cabazon Band of Mission Indians	84-245 Indio Springs Parkway	Y
John A.	James	Cabazon Band of Mission Indians	84-245 Indio Springs Parkway	Y
Judy	Stapp	Cabazon Band of Mission Indians	84-245 Indio Springs Parkway	Y
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Colleen J.	Nicol	City Clerk	3900 Main Street	Y
Steve	King	City of Norco	2870 Clark Ave.	No Response
Councilmember Steve	Adams	City of Riverside	3900 Main St.	Y
Councilmember Rusty	Bailey	City of Riverside	3900 Main St.	Y
Councilmember Paul	Davis	City of Riverside	3900 Main St.	Y
Councilmember Mike	Gardner	City of Riverside	3900 Main St.	Y
Councilmember Nancy	Hart	City of Riverside	3900 Main St.	Y
Brad	Hudson	City of Riverside	3900 Main St.	Y
Mayor Ron	Loveridge	City of Riverside	3900 Main St.	Y
Councilmember Chris	MacArthur	City of Riverside	3900 Main St.	Y
Councilmember Andy	Melendrez	City of Riverside	3900 Main St.	Y
Ken	Gutierrez	City of Riverside Planning Division	3900 Main St.	Y
Scott	Barber	Community Development Director	3900 Main Street, 3rd Floor	Y
Supervisor Bob	Buster	County of Riverside	Central Administration Center, PO Box 1527	No Response
Supervisor John	Tavaglione	County of Riverside	PO Box 1646	Y
Harry	Oliver	County of Riverside, Housing Authority	5555 Arlington Avenue	No Response
Carolyn	Syms Luna	Director	4080 Lemon Street, 12 Floor	Y
Stephen	Van Stockum	Director of Environmental Health	4065 County Circle Drive	Y
Juan C.	Perez	Director of Transportation	4080 Lemon Street	Y
Matt	Riha	Environmental Resources Management Division	4080 Lemon Street, 2nd Floor	No Response
Larry	Kephart	FAA Western Pacific Region	15000 Aviation Blvd, Room 6016	No Response
Gene	Fong	FHWA	650 Capitol Mall, Suite 4-100	Y
Leo	Doiron	Flabob Airport	4130 Mennes Avenue	Y
Susan	Frank	Gabrielino Band of Mission Indians of CA	P.O. Box 3021 1053 Elm Ave	Returned Undeliverable
Mercedes	Dorame	Gabrielino/Tongva Council/Gabrielino Tongva Nation	P.O. Box 490	No Response
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Virginia	Carmelo	Gabrielino/Tongva Tribe of the LA Basin	761 Terminal St, Building 1, Second Floor	Y
Cindy	Roth	Greater Riverside Chamber of Commerce	3985 University Ave.	Y
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Ed	Cooper	Interim Executive Director	4080 Lemon Street, 9th Floor	Y
Dan	Rodriguez	Jurupa Area Recreation & Park District	48010 Pedley Road	Y
Eldon	Horst	Jurupa Community Services District	11201 Harrel Street	Y
Shelia	Carpenter	Jurupa Unified School District	4850 Pedley Road	Y
Larriann	Music	La Jolla Band of Indians	22000 Highway 76	Y
Evelyn	Duro	Los Coyotes Band of Mission Indians	P.O. Box 189	Y
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Francine	Kupsch	Los Coyotes Band of Mission Indians	P.O. Box 189	No Response
Ron	Mathieu	Metrolink, So. Cal. Regional Rail Authority	700 South Flower Street, 26th Floor	No Response
Gilbert	Ivey	Metropolitan Water District	700 North Alameda Street	Y
Michael	Contreras	Morongo Band of Mission Indians	13000 Fields Road	Y
Robert	Martin	Morongo Band of Mission Indians	12700 Pumerra Road	Y
Britt W.	Wilson	Morongo Band of Mission Indians	245 N Murray St, Suite C	Returned Undeliverable
Shasta	Gaughen	Pala Band of Mission Indians	35008 Pala-Temecula Road	Y
Robert	Smith	Pala Band of Mission Indians	12196 Pala Mission Road	Y
Ralph	Nunez	Parks, Rec & Community Services Director	3936 Chestnut Street	Y
Bennae	Calac	Pauma Band of Luiseño Indians	P.O. Box 369	Y
Christobal C.	Devers Sr.	Pauma Band of Luiseño Indians	P.O. Box 369	Y
Juanita	Dixon	Pauma Band of Luiseño Indians	P.O. Box 369	Received after 12/24
Mark	Macarro	Pechanga Band of Mission Indians	P.O. Box 1477	Y
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Siobhan	Foster	Public Works Director	3900 Main Street	Y
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Robert	Johnson	Riverside County Airport Land Use Commission	4080 Lemon Street, 9th Floor	Y
David	Garcia	Riverside County Flood Control District & Water Conservation District	1995 Market Street	Y
Stephen C.	Thomas	Riverside County Flood Control District & Water Conservation District	1995 Market Street	Y
Ron	Baxter	Riverside County Parks Department	11401 Arlington Ave.	Returned Undeliverable
Mark	Brewer	Riverside County Parks Department	4600 Crestmore Rd	Y
Paul	Frandsen	Riverside County Parks Department	4600 Crestmore Rd	Y
Ron	Goldman	Riverside County Planning Department	4080 Lemon Street	Y
Gail	Egenes	Riverside Land Conservancy	4075 Mission Inn Avenue	Y
Janet	Dixon	Riverside Unified School District	3070 Washington Street	Y
Shelli	Lamb	Riverside/Corona Conservation Resource District	4500 Glenwood Drive, Building A	Y
David D.	Lopez	Rubidoux Community Services District	3590 Rubidoux Blvd.	Y
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Henry	Contreras	San Luis Rey Band of Mission Indians	1763 Chapulin Lane	Received after 12/24
Carmen	Mojado	San Luis Rey Band of Mission Indians	1889 Sunset Drive	Y
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Bernadette	Brierty	San Manuel Band of Mission Indians	P.O. Box 266	Y
James	Ramos	San Manuel Band of Mission Indians	26569 Community Center Drive	Y
		Santa Ana River Water Company	10530 54th Street	No Response
Jeff	Beehler	Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority	11615 Sterling Avenue	Y
John	Marcus	Santa Rosa Band of Cahuilla Indians	P.O. Box 609 432 S Palm Ave	Y
Terry	Hughes	Santa Rosa Band of Mission Indians	P.O. Box 609 432 S Palm Ave	Y
Goldie	Walker	Serrano Nation of Indians	6588 Valeria Drive	Y
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Stuart	Chuck	Southern California Regional Rail Authority	700 S Flower St, Ste 2600	Y
George	Johnson	TLMA Director	4080 Lemon Street, 14 Floor	Y
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Roland	Ferrer	Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians	P.O. Box 1160	Y
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Melinda	Becker	Water Quality Control Board - Santa Ana Region	320 West 4th. Street, Suite 200	No Response
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January 19, 2011

Attn: Mike Strand  
POWER Engineering, Inc. 731 E. Ball Rd., Suite 100  
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## Re: Riverside Transmission Reliability Project (RTRP)

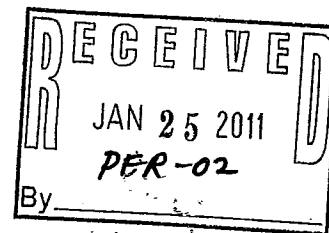
The Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians appreciates your observance of Tribal Cultural Resources and their preservation in your project. The information provided to us on said project has been assessed through our Cultural Resource Department, where it was concluded that although it is outside the existing reservation, the project area does fall within the bounds of our Tribal Traditional Use Areas. This project location is in close proximity to known village sites and is a shared use area that was used in ongoing trade between the Luiseño and Cahuilla tribes. Therefore it is regarded as highly sensitive to the people of Soboba.

Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians is requesting the following:

1. **Government to Government** consultation in accordance to Section 106. Including the transfer of information to the Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians regarding the progress of this project should be done as soon as new developments occur.
2. Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians continue to be a lead consulting tribal entity for this project.
3. Working in and around traditional use areas intensifies the possibility of encountering cultural resources during the construction/excavation phase. For this reason the Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians requests that Native American Monitor(s) from the Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians Cultural Resource Department to be present during any ground disturbing proceedings. Including surveys and archaeological testing.
4. Request that proper procedures be taken and requests of the tribe be honored (Please see the attachment)

Sincerely,

  
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**Cultural Items (Artifacts).** Ceremonial items and items of cultural patrimony reflect traditional religious beliefs and practices of the Soboba Band. The Developer should agree to return all Native American ceremonial items and items of cultural patrimony that may be found on the project site to the Soboba Band for appropriate treatment. In addition, the Soboba Band requests the return of all other cultural items (artifacts) that are recovered during the course of archaeological investigations. When appropriate and agreed upon in advance, the Developer's archeologist may conduct analyses of certain artifact classes if required by CEQA, Section 106 of NHPA, the mitigation measures or conditions of approval for the Project. This may include but is not limited or restricted to include shell, bone, ceramic, stone or other artifacts.

The Developer should waive any and all claims to ownership of Native American ceremonial and cultural artifacts that may be found on the Project site. Upon completion of authorized and mandatory archeological analysis, the Developer should return said artifacts to the Soboba Band within a reasonable time period agreed to by the Parties and not to exceed (30) days from the initial recovery of the items.

#### **Treatment and Disposition of Remains**

A. The Soboba Band shall be allowed, under California Public Resources Code § 5097.98 (a), to (1) inspect the site of the discovery and (2) make determinations as to how the human remains and grave goods shall be treated and disposed of with appropriate dignity.

B. The Soboba Band, as MLD, shall complete its inspection within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving notification from either the Developer or the NAHC, as required by California Public Resources Code § 5097.98 (a). The Parties agree to discuss in good faith what constitutes "appropriate dignity" as that term is used in the applicable statutes.

C. Reburial of human remains shall be accomplished in compliance with the California Public Resources Code § 5097.98 (a) and (b). The Soboba Band, as the MLD in consultation with the Developer, shall make the final discretionary determination regarding the appropriate disposition and treatment of human remains.

D. All parties are aware that the Soboba Band may wish to rebury the human remains and associated ceremonial and cultural items (artifacts) on or near the site of their discovery, in an area that shall not be subject to future subsurface

disturbances. The Developer should accommodate on-site reburial in a location mutually agreed upon by the Parties.

E. The term "human remains" encompasses more than human bones because the Soboba Band's traditions periodically necessitated the ceremonial burning of human remains. Grave goods are those artifacts associated with any human remains. These items, and other funerary remnants and their ashes are to be treated in the same manner as human bone fragments or bones that remain intact.

**Coordination with County Coroner's Office.** The Lead Agencies and the Developer should immediately contact both the Coroner and the Soboba Band in the event that any human remains are discovered during implementation of the Project. If the Coroner recognizes the human remains to be those of a Native American, or has reason to believe that they are those of a Native American, the Coroner shall ensure that notification is provided to the NAHC within twenty-four (24) hours of the determination, as required by California Health and Safety Code § 7050.5 (c).

**Non-Disclosure of Location Reburials.** It is understood by all parties that unless otherwise required by law, the site of any reburial of Native American human remains or cultural artifacts shall not be disclosed and shall not be governed by public disclosure requirements of the California Public Records Act. The Coroner, parties, and Lead Agencies, will be asked to withhold public disclosure information related to such reburial, pursuant to the specific exemption set forth in California Government Code § 6254 (r).

Ceremonial items and items of cultural patrimony reflect traditional religious beliefs and practices of the Soboba Band. The Developer agrees to return all Native American ceremonial items and items of cultural patrimony that may be found on the project site to the Soboba Band for appropriate treatment. In addition, the Soboba Band requests the return of all other cultural items (artifacts) that are recovered during the course of archaeological investigations. Where appropriate and agreed upon in advance, Developer's archeologist may conduct analyses of certain artifact classes if required by CEQA, Section 106 of NHPA, the mitigation measures or conditions of approval for the Project. This may include but is not limited or restricted to include shell, bone, ceramic, stone or other artifacts.