



Existing Scenic Integrity: High, with Areas of Unacceptably Low. This existing landscape view is taken from southbound Angeles Forest Highway, about ½ miles south of Mill Creek Summit, looking southwest across proposed Segment 6. Overall, the existing scenic integrity of this natural-appearing National Forest landscape is high, with few deviations of form, line, color, texture, or scale, except for the highly discordant transmission line conductors that glow with reflected sunlight, leading the eye to very visually evident, industrial-character steel lattice towers. Access and spur roads to the existing towers are evident and further emphasize the reflectivity of the conductors. These manmade features are excessive and begin to totally dominate the landscape character, leading to a rating of unacceptably low scenic integrity for the utility corridor.

Scenic Integrity Objective: High. In the 2005 Forest Plan, the entire landscape in this vicinity is mapped as High SIO, where the management direction states that human activities should not be visually evident. Human-caused deviations may be present but must repeat the form, line, color, texture, and pattern common to the natural landscape character so completely and at such a scale that they are not evident.

Figure 3.14-19a
Existing Conditions
for KOP-Center-4
Southbound Angeles
Forest Highway
(Alternative 2, Segment 6)

Source: Lee Anderson, 2007.