



Overall Visual Change: moderate. Replacement of an existing 220-kV line with new 500-kV lattice steel towers (LSTs) would create very little new contrast because of the amount of existing visual clutter in the Antelope-Vincent ROW. The new transmission line would add to the visual clutter, but would not change the contrast, structural dominance, or view blockage of the skyline at Portal Ridge, all of which are high. The overall visual change would be moderate; and combined with the moderate overall visual sensitivity of the visual setting and viewing characteristics for roads (worst case), visual impacts would be **Adverse But Not Significant**, as indicated in Table 2-2.

Adverse Visual Impacts. In the vicinity of KOP-North-7, implementation of the Project would result in adverse but not significant visual impacts V-1, V-3, and V-5, as detailed in Table 6-1.

Mitigation Measures. Implementation of Mitigation Measures (MMs) would reduce these visual impacts somewhat, and they would remain adverse but not significant (**Class III**). MMs would include: V-1 – Clean up staging areas, storage areas, marshalling yards, access/spur roads, and structure locations on a regular periodic basis; V-2b – Treat surfaces with appropriate colors, textures, and finishes; and V-3a – Match spans of existing transmission structures.

Figure 3.14-9b
Visual Simulation
for KOP-North-7
Avenue L Near Olive Grove
(Alternative 2, Segment 5)

Source: Lee Anderson and 3DScape, 2008.