<u>Public Notice – 401 Certification/Dredged Or Fill Waste Discharge Requirements</u> Application

Date:

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Applicant:

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Project Name:

Southern California Edison TD1961873 Devers – Hi Desert - Yucca Deteriorated Pole Replacement Project, Located in San Bernardino County, California

WDID No. 7A363054001, RM 456406, Place ID 894218

Receiving Water:

Unnamed ephemeral river/streambed

Location:

City or Area:

The Project is located on private land near the intersection of Rice Avenue and Palm Vista Drive in the unincorporated community of Joshua Tree, San Bernardino County, California.

Latitude/Longitude:

34.129495° N, 116.284799° W

Section, Township, Range:

Section 31, Township 1 North, Range 6 East

Project Description:

SCE is continually repairing, maintaining, upgrading, and replacing distribution facilities throughout its service territory. Ongoing operation and maintenance activities are necessary to ensure safe, reliable service as mandated by the California Public Utilities Commission.

SCE is proposing to install a new Tubular Steel Pole (TSP) within SCE's right of way. The work location will be accessed via an existing dirt road and overland travel. An approximately 0.24 acre work area will extend 130 feet south from an existing dirt road to the pole installation location. The installation will require excavation of up to 30 feet in depth and 7 feet in diameter to accommodate a poured concrete foundation. Excavated soils will be stockpiled on adjacent tarps and excess spoils will be removed from the

project site for disposal. Concrete will be delivered via ready-mix trucks. Once the foundation for TSP 4964326E has been poured and cured, a crane will be staged approximately 50 feet northwest of TSP 4964326E to move the pole components into place. Once the TSP 4964326E has been installed, conductor wires will be attached.

The area of direct soil disturbance (i.e., excavation, side casting and backfill) will be limited to approximately 10 feet around the pole, as well as a general 25 foot temporary work area for the staging and operation of construction vehicles and equipment. Equipment that will be used includes a tracked large diameter auger machine, a skid steer or backhoe, concrete truck, dump truck, rubber wheeled lift trucks, crane, and various hand tools.

The proposed Project will result in 0.059 acres and 249 linear feet of temporary impacts to Colorado River Basin Water Board jurisdictional waters of the state. No permanent impacts were identified. Upon Project completion, the disturbed area will be returned to pre-Project contours.

Anticipated Project Start and End Dates:

July 10, 2024 – July 9, 2029

US Army Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permit Number(s):

n/a

Action:

Pending

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