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Oceanside to Fallbrook Alignment TL 694 Wood-to-Steel



The new steel poles replacing existing wood poles are an essential component to help strengthen our electric infrastructure within the High Fire-Threat Districts (HFTD).

We're leading the transition to a resilient, clean energy future. As energy demand and high-fire- risk conditions increase, strengthening the energy grid is more important than ever for our communities in North County.

Overview

Our commitment to providing clean, safe and reliable energy means making improvements to our system, including fire hardening electrical equipment to make the system more resilient in the communities we serve. The Oceanside to Fallbrook Transmission Line (TL) 694 fire-hardening project will enhance the reliability of electrical power in the Tier 2 High-Fire Threat District (HFTD) area. Also, new transmission hardware and conductor will be installed. The fire-hardening project will replace approximately 77 wood and distribution structures with new, safer, fire-resistant steel poles.

As part of our Community Fire Safety Program, this project includes dependability and protection measures that help improve the resilience of our electrical system during high-fire-risk conditions. This will enhance the reliability of the electric power to the community and surrounding areas to help ensure that it meets the load growth of the area.

Customer benefits

- Enhanced safety and reliability for Oceanside/Fallbrook and surrounding communities during high-fire-risk weather conditions
- Removal of outdated wood transmission and distribution structures and replacing with new top-equipment hardware and conductor
- Reduction of potential unplanned power outages
- Reduction in potential future maintenance and power outage costs

About the project

The scope of work includes replacing 69 kV transmission and 12 kV distribution structures, including all wood facilities within the High Fire Threat District (HFTD) Zone 2, to enhance fire resilience and system reliability. Underbuilt distribution facilities will also be upgraded to meet current standards and improve overall system performance. Additional equipment improvements include replacing existing arms, conductors, anchors, switches, fuses and transformers. Also, approximately five miles of new high-temperature, low-sag conductor will be installed. Optical Ground Wire (OPGW) with fiber for telecommunication purposes will be added to all the new structures, providing lightning protection and increased system reliability.

Estimated project schedule

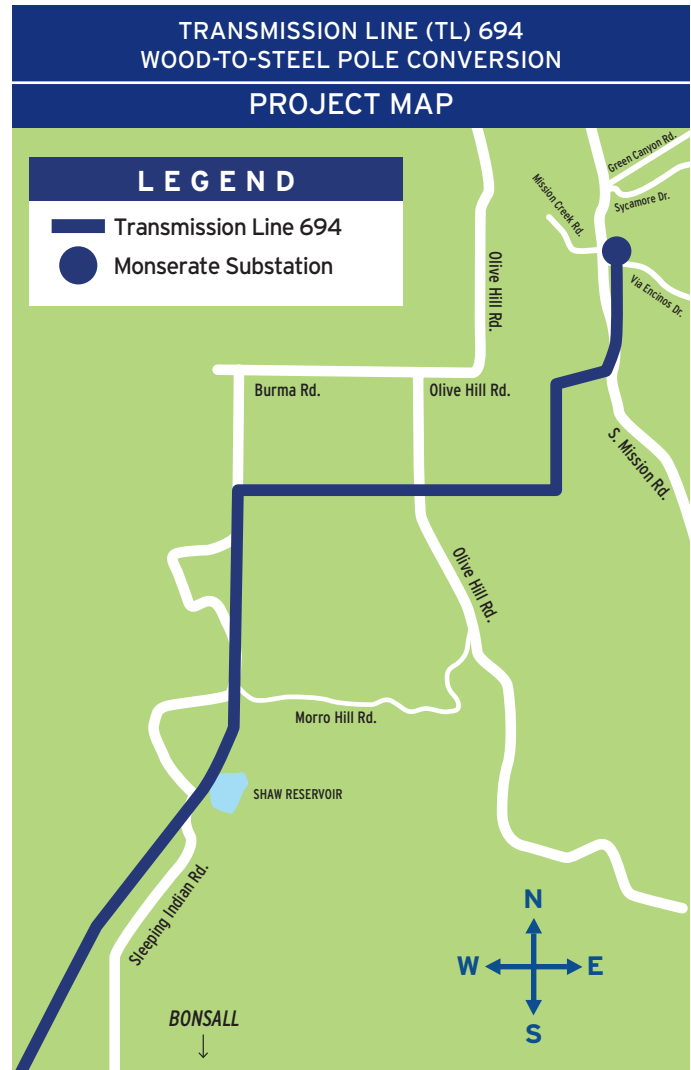
Construction: Q1 2026 through Q4 2026

Construction Completion: Approximately 12 months

What to expect

Throughout the project, we'll work as safely and quickly as possible and make every effort to minimize disruptions such as construction traffic, lane/road closures, dust and noise along the impacted streets. Although not anticipated, our work may require us to shut off the power for safety purposes. If so, we will contact you in advance to help make sure you are prepared for a planned outage.

Multiple construction activities may take place simultaneously, which could impact traffic and noise levels. Some locations will require the use of helicopters to transport hardware equipment and crew members to specific work areas. We'll monitor the work hours, traffic control measures and noise restrictions established by local authorities.



Contact information

For more information, visit sdge.com/TL694 or call the Project Information Line at **(844) 765-6388**.

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