Power Line Replacement Projects for Cleveland National Forest

Enhancing Safety and Reliability

Transmission Line 629

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) and United States Forest Service (USFS) have approved SDG&E's Power Line Replacement Projects (Project). Construction is scheduled to begin on or near August/September 2018 for approximately ten months for this portion of the Project. Construction activities are currently ongoing for other components of the Project and additional work will start when Notices to Proceed are issued by the CPUC for subsequent work in the remaining Project areas.

The Project consists of rebuilding five existing 69-kilovolt (kV) power lines and six existing 12-kV distribution lines and the removal of service of one 69-kV power line, replacing it with reconstruction of an existing 69-kV line. These activities take place in and adjacent to the Cleveland National Forest (CNF). The Project will increase safety and reliability by replacing the existing electric infrastructure that currently serves the USFS, emergency service facilities, campgrounds, homes, businesses, and other customers within the CNF and surrounding areas. The Project will provide heightened safety and reliability by replacing approximately 1,400 existing wood poles with fire-resistant weatherized steel poles.

This notice is to advise you of construction activities for this portion of Transmission Line 629, which runs along Old Highway 80 south from the Border Patrol checkpoint to Kitchen Creek Road. The activities include: site preparation, undergrounding fiber optic cable, cable pulling, placement of weatherized steel poles, removal of existing wood poles, stringing conductors, and restoration. It's important to note that construction activities often occur intermittently and are often not completed concurrently. Activities, including the use of helicopters, may temporarily increase local noise levels, dust, and other disturbances. Limited night work is anticipated and temporary lane closures are expected.

Additional public notices and mailings will be developed and posted, as needed, announcing future Project construction activities in appropriate areas.

Location: **Transmission Line 629 in or near the unincorporated areas of San Diego County**
Work Days: **Monday – Saturday**
Hours: **7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.**
Duration: **Approximately ten months for this component of the Project**

SDG&E® will continue to work closely with local communities to ensure construction activities are as least disruptive as possible. Occasional lane reductions, temporary restrictions, or access to recreational facilities, parks, and trails may be required during construction. SDG&E will provide information on construction activities that impact these recreational facilities and notify the public of any detours or temporary access restrictions.

For more information on the Project, please visit **sdge.com/cnf** or contact SDG&E Regional Public Affairs Manager, Todd Voorhees, at 1-844-765-6388 or **tvoorhees@semprautilities.com**.

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