



NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

Date: May 13, 2022

To: Agencies and Interested Parties

Lead agency: Sacramento Municipal Utility District
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Subject: Cordova Park Underground Cable Replacement Project Environmental Impact Report

Review period: May 13, 2022 to June 27, 2022

In accordance with California Environmental Quality Act requirements, the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for the installation of approximately 0.6 miles of 12 kilovolt (kV) underground cable, approximately 2.12 miles of 69kV underground cable, and up to 13 new utility vaults in the City of Rancho Cordova, near the location of existing 12kV and 69kV underground cables that are approaching the end of their operational lives.

Project location

The project is in the City of Rancho Cordova (see Figure 1). The proposed project alignments are shown in Figure 2. The proposed 12kV alignment begins at SMUD's Cordova Park Substation located near the intersection of Ambassador Drive and Trails Court. The 12kV path travels to Ambassador Drive where it follows the road for approximately 0.6 miles until it connects to existing riser poles just east of Ellison Drive.

The proposed 69kV alignment begins on the northwest side of Coloma Road, approximately 200 feet southeast of Sierra Madre Court. The 69kV alignment heads northwest from Coloma Road, crossing through the property of Mills Middle School and Cordova High School, until it connects to SMUD's Cordova Park Substation. From the substation, the 69kV alignment heads northeast nearly adjacent to, but outside, the backyards of homes facing Ambassador Drive until it reaches Rossmoor Drive. At Rossmoor Drive, the 69kV alignment turns and heads north towards the American River. The 69kV alignment stays along Rossmoor Drive until its termination near the American River, when the 69kV alignment connects to existing

riser poles located between the boundaries of Rossmoor Drive and the American River. The proposed 69kV alignment is approximately 2.12 miles in length.

Significant environmental effects

Impacts related to Tribal cultural resources, cultural resources, air quality, biological resources and transportation were determined to be potentially significant and were addressed in the Draft EIR. After implementation of recommended mitigation measures, the Draft EIR concluded that impacts related to these environmental issue areas would not be significant. The project would not result in any significant and unavoidable environmental impacts.

Cortese List sites

While there are active hazardous and cleanup sites located near the project site, the project is not located on an active site included on a list of hazardous materials sites.

Public meeting

A virtual public meeting will be held on June 9, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. to receive input from agencies and the public on the Draft EIR. During the meeting, project information can be discussed with SMUD staff and written Draft EIR comments will also be accepted via email. Details for joining the meeting are available at [**smud.org/CordovaParkCableReplacement**](https://smud.org/CordovaParkCableReplacement).

How to view project documents

As lead agency for the project, SMUD is distributing the Draft EIR to interested members of the public and regulatory agencies for review and comment. SMUD will accept public and agency comments on the Draft EIR for a 45-day period, beginning May 13, 2022 and ending June 27, 2022. The Draft EIR is available for review at [**smud.org/CordovaParkCableReplacement**](https://smud.org/CordovaParkCableReplacement).

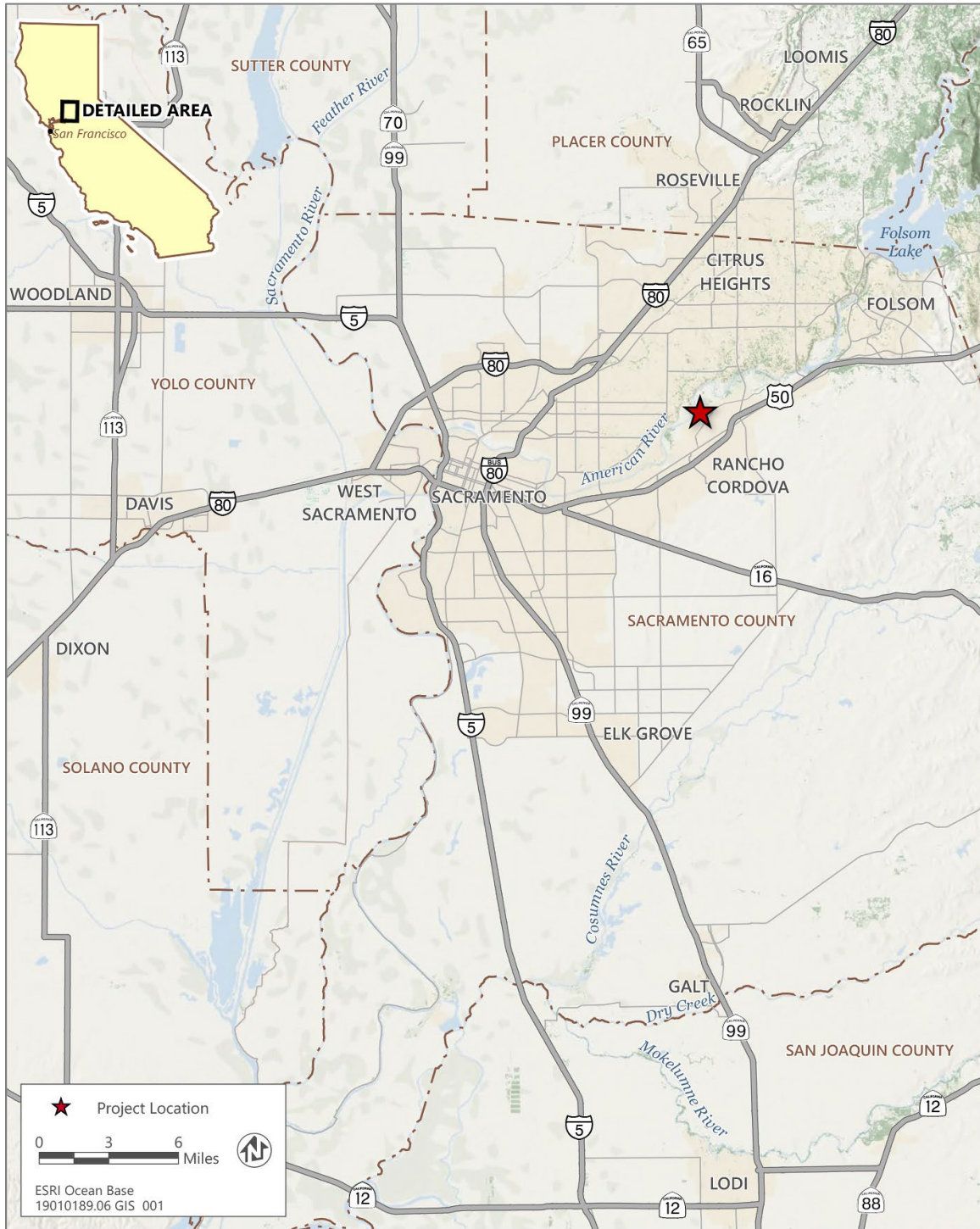
Hard copies may be reviewed at the following locations:

- SMUD East Campus Operations Center, 4401 Bradshaw Road, Sacramento, CA 95827
- SMUD Customer Service Center, 6301 S Street, Sacramento, CA 95817

Where to send your comments

Written comments should be submitted to Rob Ferrera at SMUD, P.O. Box 15830, MS B209, Sacramento, CA, 95852-0830 or at [**Rob.Ferrera@smud.org**](mailto:Rob.Ferrera@smud.org) before 5 p.m. on June 27, 2022. If you have questions, please contact Rob Ferrera via his email or at 916-732-6676.

Figure 1. Project location



Source: Adapted by Ascent Environmental in 2022

Figure 2. Project alignments



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