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Marshall Styers
Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
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RE: Toluca-Hollywood Line 1 Upgrade
Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)
SCH # 2022120355
Vic. Multiple
GTS # 07-LA-2022-04138

Dear Marshall Styers:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced MND. The project proposes to upgrade an approximately 1.8-mile portion of the existing Toluca–Hollywood 230 kilovolt (kV) Transmission Line 1 (TOL–HWD L1) cable, which runs underground within a pipe from the Nichols Canyon Terminal Tower to the Hollywood Receiving Station. All work would be located within the road right-of-way (ROW), the confines of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) property, or within an easement. The LADWP is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

As a reminder, any work completed on or near Caltrans' right of way may require an encroachment permit. However, the final determination on this will be made by Caltrans' Office of Permits. This work would require additional review and may be subject to additional requirements to ensure current design standards and access management elements are being addressed. For more information on encroachment permits, see: <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/ep>.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Karen Herrera, the project coordinator, at Karen.Herrera@dot.ca.gov and refer to GTS # 07-LA-2022-04138.

Sincerely,

MIYA EDMONSON
LDR/CEQA Branch Chief

cc: State Clearinghouse