

RETI Phase 2A Appendix D Environmental Concerns Checklist

Segment length in miles

Category One Lands (some limited tx may be allowed)

Designated Federal Wilderness Areas/Wilderness Study Areas (BLM)
National Park Service Units (including Mojave Preserve)
National Wildlife Refuges
Inventoried Roadless Areas (USFS)
BLM Natl. Recreation Areas/Natl. Monuments/Natl. Conservation Areas
National Historic and/or Scenic Trails/National Wild, Scenic and/or Recreational Rivers
Lands in Pending Wilderness Bills
HCP and NCCP Hard Reserves
State Wildlife Areas and Ecological Reserves (DFG)/California State Wetlands
State Parks/State Wilderness Areas
Wildlands Conservancy and Other Private Preserves
Research Natural Areas (RNA) or Special Interest Areas (SIA)

Category Two Lands (limited tx)

BLM Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC)
Designated Critical Habitat T&E Species
Desert Wildlife Management Areas (DWMA)
Mojave Ground Squirrel Conservation Areas (MGSCA)
Wildlands Conservancy acquisitions under BLM ownership
Proposed and Potential Conservation Reserves in HCPs and NCCPs
Conservation Easements

Other Environmental Concerns

Identified cultural resources
Visual resources
Williamson Act
Other important wildlife habitat
Citizen-proposed wilderness areas
Proposed Mother Road National Monument

Other Relevant Information (e.g., line size)

ROW/Corridor Information

- 1 - ROW no change
- 2 - ROW expansion
- 3 - New ROW in designated corridor
- 4 - New ROW co-located but NOT in a designated corridor.
- 5 - New ROW not colocated and NOT in a designated corridor

Segment/Section Information

- 1 - Upgrade/no footprint change
- 2 - Rebuild/footprint changes
- 3 - New line

Environmental Concern (Low, Medium, High)

Energy Commission Adopted Corridor Selection Criteria 2009 STIP

Online Service date of 2020

Environmental Concern (Low, Medium, High)

Note: Same as RETI

Type of ROW required

Note: Same as RETI

Energy Potential of Line Segment

CREZ development timing based on contracts and interconnection agreements

Possible Additional RETI Criteria to Access Gateway Substations and Generation Areas – DRAFT-- Revised after 4/8/10 RETI Transmission Working Group Call

Gateway Substation Criteria (discussed during 4/8/10 TWG call)

Staff proposed:

Consistency with local land use plans and zoning (where applicable)

Proximity to sensitive land uses – what type?

- Schools/Hospitals/Parks
- Other sensitive receptors
- Wildlife areas/habitats/sensitive species and issues

Proximity to populated areas/developments

Others?

Stakeholder comments

Review local government General Plan Energy Elements (where applicable)

- Kern County
- Imperial County
- Other counties?

Utilize RETI Category I and II lands filter

Review Local Airport Plans for potential conflicts

Department of Defense Land Uses and Overflight Zones

Ensure no conflicts with pending transmission projects expected to file CPCNs at CPUC

Generation Area Criteria (not yet discussed)

Staff proposed:

Timing of generation development in generation areas (same as above)

Access to RETI/DRECP/BLM generation areas

Segments connecting BLM or Section 368 Corridors

Others?