

APPENDIX 6-1

Questionnaire Consultation

COLLIERVILLE AND SPICER MEADOW
RELICENSING QUESTIONNAIRE



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The Spicer Meadow Transmission Line is a buried 13-mile-long, 21-kilovolt (kV) single-phase transmission line extending from Spicer Meadow Powerhouse switchyard to the Cabbage Patch switchyard located behind the Caltrans Cabbage Patch Maintenance Station located on CA-4 in Arnold (see enclosed map). The Collierville Transmission Line is a 40-mile-long, 230-kV double-circuit, three-phase transmission line extending from Collierville Powerhouse switchyard located at the end of Camp 9 Road, approximately one mile upstream of Yea Hoo Gulch, to the Bellota switchyard located approximately 4 miles west of Linden (see enclosed map).

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1. Information about person completing this questionnaire:

Name:

Title:

Organization:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

2. Do you or your organization plan to participate in the 3 to 5 year-long licensing proceeding for the operation and maintenance of the existing Transmission Lines?

Yes

No



3. Do you or your organization know of existing, relevant, and reasonably available information that describes the existing environment or known potential impacts of the operation and maintenance of the existing Transmission Lines?

Yes (Please complete 3a thru 3f)

No (Proceed to 4)

- 3a. If yes, check box(es) to indicate the specific resource area(s) that the information relates to:

Geology and soils

Water resources

Fish and aquatic resources

Wildlife and botanical resources

Wetlands, riparian, and littoral habitat

Rare, threatened, and endangered species

Recreational and land use

Aesthetic resources

Cultural resources

Socio-economic resources

Tribal resources

Other resource information

- 3b. Briefly describe the information or list available documents:

- 3c. Where or how can NCPA obtain this information?



3d. Please indicate whether there is a specific representative for potential follow-up contact by NCPA or its representative for the resource area(s) checked in 3a:

Representative Contact Information:

Name:

Title:

Organization:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Name:

Title:

Organization:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

3e. Are you aware of any particular issues pertaining to the specific resource area(s) identified in 3a?

Yes (Please list specific issues below)

No

Resource area and please state the specific issue



- 3f. Based on the issues identified in 3e, are you aware of any potential studies or information needs associated with the identified issues?

Yes (Please list below)

No

Potential Studies or Information Needs

4. NCPA is considering using the use of the Traditional Licensing Process for relicensing of the operation and maintenance of the Electric Transmission Lines. Do you have concerns with the use of the TLP? If so, please specify your concerns.

Yes (Please describe concerns below)

No

Traditional Licensing Process Concerns

5. NCPA is interested in any additional comments, questions, or information you may have regarding the licensing of the Transmission Lines. If the additional comments, questions, or information you provide below pertain to a particular question, please indicate the applicable question (such as 3b, 3d, 3e, 3f).

Additional comments, questions, or information



6. Are there any other individuals or organizations that you believe would be interested in this process that are not included in the enclosed list? If so, please provide their contact information.

Additional Interested Individuals or Group Contact Information

Name:

Title:

Organization:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Name:

Title:

Organization:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

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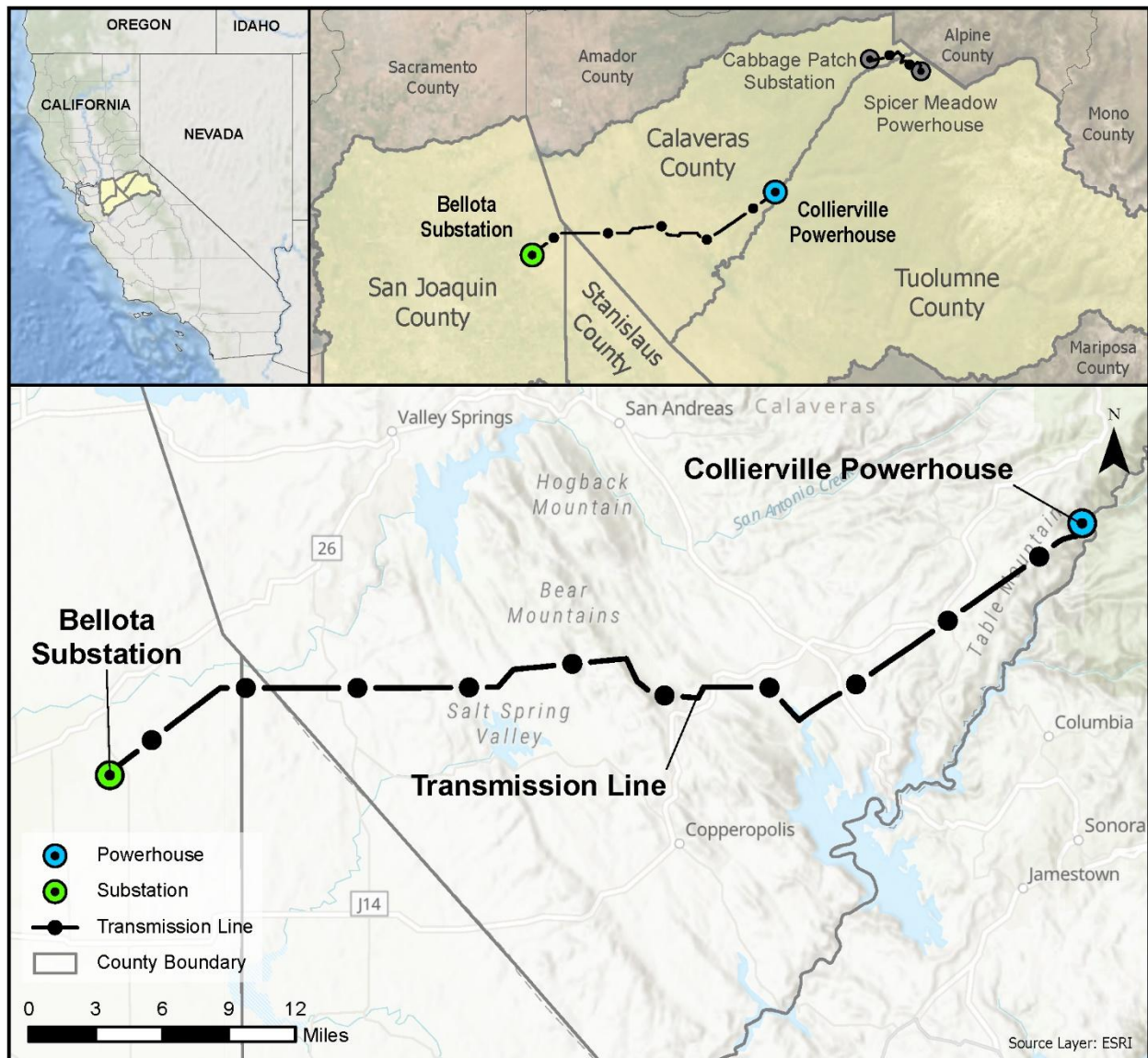
Collierville Transmission Line

FERC No. 11197

Licensee: Northern California Power Authority

License Expires: January 21, 2032

Notice of Intent to Relicense Due: January 31, 2027



The Collierville 230-kilovolt double-circuit, three-phase transmission line currently runs 40 miles from the Collierville Powerhouse switchyard to the Bellota switchyard.

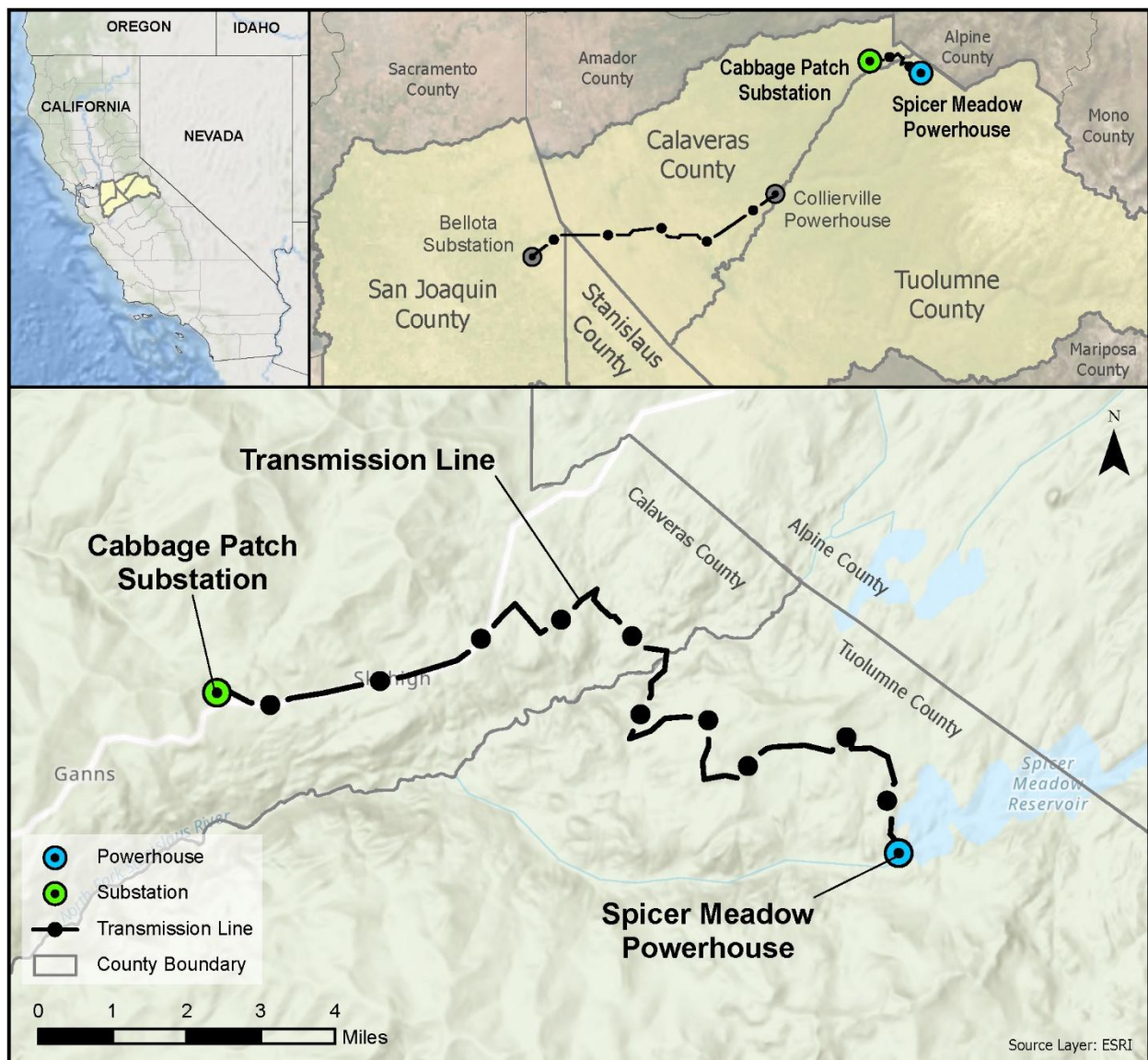
Spicer Meadow Transmission Line

FERC No. 11197

Licensee: Northern California Power Authority

License Expires: January 21, 2032

Notice of Intent to Relicense Due: January 31, 2027



The underground Spicer Meadow 21-kilovolt, single-phase transmission line currently runs 13 miles from the Spicer Meadow Powerhouse switchyard to the Cabbage Patch switchyard.

Northern California Power Agency Spicer Meadow and Collierville Transmission Lines

From Samantha Gulick <Samantha.Gulick@meadhunt.com>

Date Mon 6/23/2025 3:31 PM

Cc Shawn Puzen <Shawn.Puzen@meadhunt.com>

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Northern California Power Agency Spicer Meadow and Collierville Transmission Line Fact Sheets and Questionnaire.pdf;

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Thank you very much in advance for your time and cooperation.



Sam Gulick

Administrative Assistant

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SAMPLE LANDOWNER LETTER



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July 11, 2025

[REDACTED]

Re: Landowner Update on NCPA-Operated Existing Transmission Line Relicensing

Dear [REDACTED]:

As a landowner next to the Collierville Transmission Lines, I wanted to give you a quick update on some regulatory filings that are necessary for the continued operation of the existing transmission lines.

As part of a 5-year relicensing process with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, NCPA will gather information, conduct studies, and perform community outreach to ensure the continued safe and efficient use of the transmission lines. NCPA is not proposing any changes to the current transmission equipment. To help you understand more about the transmission lines that are due to be relicensed, I have included a fact sheet with this letter.

Although the relicensing process will not officially begin until late 2026, your name is going to be added to a list of individuals and entities that may be interested in participating in the upcoming relicensing process. Adding your name to the list will allow you to receive project updates and provide us with any information you may have about the existing operation and maintenance of the transmission lines. Documents filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission will be available electronically.

If you do not wish to be included in the list, please reach out to me at P11197-Relicensing@ncpa.com and we will remove your name from the relicensing participant list. Although it is not required, if you have any existing information you wish to share about the current operation and maintenance of the transmission lines, please reach out to me.

Lastly, NCPA is attempting to complete much of this relicensing process electronically. Therefore, if you want to receive future notifications for relicensing electronically, when possible, instead of in hard copy form by mail, please provide an email address for the future relicensing notifications to P11197-Relicensing@ncpa.com.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office at 209-728-1387. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA POWER AGENCY

Jake Eymann,
Manager, Hydroelectric Facilities

APN #	OWNER	MAILING ADDRESS	City	State	ZIP
001-001-016-000	Norden Carl	9500 N Shelton Rd	Lindon	CA	95236
050-020-017-000	Dennis C Borba Land and Livestock, Inc.	P.O. Box 192	Farmington	CA	95230
050-020-024-000	Adolfo Gomez	9411 Eggiman Lane	Jackson	CA	95642
050-021-024-000	Steven L. Ladd	11430 Hogan Dam Road	Farmington	CA	95230
050-021-033-000	Michael Miller	12550 Hogan Dam Road	Farmington	CA	95230
050-022-014-000	GreenHungry Veggies Inc	108 Medinah Place	San Ramon	CA	94583
050-022-017-000	James & Diane Lawson	P.O. Box 418	Copperopolis	CA	95228
050-022-019-000	Juan Barroso	3451 Country Club Blvd	Stockton	CA	95204
050-022-022-000	Sean & Lacey Chandler	1425 Thompson Ave.	Santa Cruz	CA	95062
050-024-001-000	Kelly C Wooster	P.O. Box 62	Copperopolis	CA	95228
050-025-004-000	Carol Ann Gant	226 Raylow Ave.	Manteca	CA	95336
050-025-005-000	Jessie A Warner	2251 E 3000 S.	Wendell	ID	83355
050-025-019-000	Leslie A Hunt	2171 N. Shore Diamond Lake Road	Newport	WA	99156
050-025-027-000	Deborah S. Lombardi	10390 Hunt Road	Milton	CA	95230
050-026-001-000	Dorothy J Ogren	P.O. Box 234	Linden	CA	95236
050-026-003-000	Howard G. Hatler	13001 Plaza Street	Farmington	CA	95230
050-026-027-000	W. John & Kathryn Robie Trust Et al	14886 Milton Road	Valley Springs	CA	95252
050-081-002-000	Boneta K Cartlidge, Trustee	8706 North Oaks Dr	Oakdale	CA	95361
050-081-004-000	Keith & Valla Alexander	1165 Beecher Rd	Stockton	CA	95212
050-081-006-000	Thomas & Katherine Hedrick	7192 Baldwin St	Valley Springs	CA	95252
050-081-008-000	Paula Derrick	P.O. Box 1583	Valley Springs	CA	95252
050-081-010-000	Esparza Jovan Alexis Etal	1295 Caballeros Street	Oakdale	CA	95361
050-082-002-000	Antonio Aguilar	855 Curlew Rd	Livermore	CA	94551
050-082-004-000	Western Recovery Inc. FBO George Rose	608 Fairfax Drive	Oakdale	CA	95361
050-082-006-000	John J. & Misti Combs, Et al	13542 Lancaster Road	Oakdale	CA	95361
052-017-001-000	Sharon G Bianchini	121 Vincente Way	Stockton	CA	95207
052-017-052-000	Dan Allen Nordstrom	10503 MJB Ranch Road	Angels Camp	CA	95222
052-017-076-000	Carlos Fonseca	P.O. Box 451	Redwood City	CA	94064
052-017-077-000	Otoniel & Imelda Avila Et Al	8 Caleb Circle	San Antonio	TX	78258
052-017-084-000	Laura Sternick	P.O. Box 92	Copperopolis	CA	95228
052-017-085-000	Mark & Elissa Wall	10624 MJB Ranch Road	Angels Camp	CA	95222
052-018-003-000	Jaymie R. Ryman Trustee	P.O. Box 863	Altaville	CA	95221
052-018-004-000	Jina Hoffman	10682 Pool Station Road	Angels Camp	CA	95222
052-018-009-000	Guy Loveday	2310 Pleasant Acres Drive	San Jose	CA	95148
053-001-009-000	Tiscornia Ranches LP	P.O. Box 4	San Andreas	CA	95249
053-001-015-000	Anita Valente Nyland	4038 Vista Way	Davis	CA	95618
053-001-017-000	James R. Leimbach	10 Waterbury Place	San Ramon	CA	94583
053-001-053-000	Kristina Czapkay	5072 Banca CT	Browns Valley	CA	95918
053-002-010-000	William & Shelby French	4085 Highway 4	Angels Camp	CA	95222
057-015-020-000	Twisted Oak Winery LLC	P.O. Box 2385	Murphys	CA	95247
057-015-024-000	Robert & Ashley Friend	P.O. Box 1101	Angels Camp	CA	95222
062-014-040-000	Elizabeth Martineau	24 Karen Drive	Watsonville	CA	95076
062-014-049-000	Amber Cromwell Trustee	2012 Thomas Taylor Drive	Hughson	CA	95326
064-001-005-000	Angel Watch Calaveras LLC	PO Box 284	Angels Camp	CA	95222
064-001-007-000	Micheal J Airola	P.O. Box 502	Angels Camp	CA	95222
064-001-010-000	Kyle Rasmussen	284 Leaf Court	Angels Camp	CA	95222
064-002-013-000	County of Calaveras	Government Center	San Andreas	CA	95249
064-004-012-000	Thomas M Tryon	P.O. Box 1177	Angels Camp	CA	95222
064-004-013-000	John C Tryon	731 Cumberland Drive	Pleasant Hill	CA	94523
064-004-021-000	U.S. Bureau Of Land Management	5152 Hillsdale Circle	El Dorado Hills	CA	95762
064-004-032-000	John A. Broglio	P.O. Box 743	Angels Camp	CA	95221
064-010-001-000	William A Spence Surv Trustee	P.O. Box 172	Altaville	CA	95221
064-010-008-000	Tom H. Piatt	100 EL Toyonal	Orinda	CA	94563
064-010-026-000	U.S. Army Corps Of Engineers	6850 Studhorse Flat Rd.	Sonora	CA	95370
064-010-028-000	William & Deloris Airola	6896 Red Hill Road	Angels Camp	CA	95222
064-010-029-000	Katherine Reid et al	P.O. Box 515	Angels Camp	CA	95222
064-010-042-000	City of Angels Sewage Disposal Site	P.O. Box 667	Angels Camp	CA	95222
064-011-024-000	Joyce R Helmbrecht	P.O. Box 164	Altaville	CA	95221
066-013-012-000	Dennis Ray Truelock	P.O. Box 47	Vallecito	CA	95251
066-013-015-000	Jason Eisenman	P.O. Box 262	Vallecito	CA	95251
066-017-003-000	Nicolee Swendeman	P.O. Box 13	Vallecito	CA	95251
066-017-004-000	Jennie G Hoag	P.O. Box 69	Murphys	CA	95247
066-017-007-000	Larae Ver Halen	P.O. Box 336	Vallecito	CA	95251

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066-018-008-000	Kurt R Terri Ernst	P.O. Box 333	Vallecito	CA	95251
066-018-017-000	Edward C McGlothern	P.O. Box 241	Vallecito	CA	95251
066-018-030-000	Kimberly Weatherman	1109 Blair Lane	Billings	MT	59102
066-018-038-000	Cheryl S. Stanesic	P.O. Box 172	Vallecito	CA	95251
066-018-055-000	John E Arthur	P.O. Box 382	Vallecito	CA	95251
066-022-009-000	Louie C. Nielsen	1259 Bedford Street	Fremont	CA	94539
066-022-028-000	Sheila Redd	3684 El Grande Drive	San Jose	CA	95132
066-022-080-000	Steven & Karen Ellis	20501 County Road 5	Barrett	MN	56311
066-022-081-000	Kevin & Debra Fisher	P.O. Box 196	Vallecito	CA	95251
066-022-084-000	Penelope L. Alderson	P.O. BOX 1071	Converse	TX	78109
066-022-094-000	Jasper Valley LLC	P.O. Box 676	Jamestown	CA	95327
066-025-049-000	DKM, LLC	P.O. Box 2716	Murphys	CA	95247
068-001-008-000	Tan Property Investments LLC	411 Amapola Avenue	Torrence	CA	90501
068-001-023-000	Esser Family Trust	3305 Denver Way	Bakersfield	CA	93309
068-001-039-000	Michael and Karen Riley, Trustees	P.O.B Box 2394	Murphys	CA	95247
068-001-042-000	Raymond & Julianna Allustiarti	308 Viscaino Way	San Jose	CA	95119
068-001-069-000	Steven Alvarez & Lisa Hauck	15075 Stratford Drive	San Jose	CA	95124
068-001-120-000	David P Fleming, Trustee	P.O.Box 1465	Murphys	CA	95247
068-001-122-000	Perfect Fit Properties LLC	P.O. Box 2661	Murphys	CA	95247
068-001-124-000	Estate of William D Mathis	343 N 9TH Street	Grover Beach	CA	93433
068-001-125-000	James Chris Caley	P.O. Box 761	Murphys	CA	95247
068-001-132-000	John Friend II	3400 Skunk Ranch Road	Murphys	CA	95247
068-001-133-000	Charles M Lortz	P.O. Box 1785	Murphys	CA	95247
068-002-026-000	Bradford Wolfman	955 Chardonnay	Murphys	CA	95247
068-002-027-000	Cal Ponderosa Associates LLC	1695 Broadway ST	Redwood City	CA	94063
093-160-030-000	The Wine Group LLC ATTN: Paul Buwalda, Vineyard Manager	17000 E. Highway 120	Ripon	CA	95366
093-160-040-000	Fresno Farming LLC	P.O. Box 457	Livingston	CA	95334
093-220-020-000	Flood Road Ranch LLC	P.O. Box 168	Stockton	CA	95201
093-220-040-000	Thomas J Conlin Conlin Farms, LP	P.O. Box 747	Linden	CA	95236
093-310-020-000	Sheldon Road Ranch LLC Attn: Brett Lagorio	20001 E Flood Road	Linden	CA	95236
093-310-030-000	Andrew & Milena Magnasco	3200 Snyder Lane	Stockton	CA	95215
093-310-040-000	Oliveto LLC Mail to: AgWest, Inc. Attn: Mike Berg	119 E. Weber Avenue	Stockton	CA	95202
093-320-060-000	Roger D Sitkin	P.O. Box 989	Linden	CA	95236
093-340-090-000	Majid and Masoumeh Nikou	29600 E Shelton Road	Linden	CA	95236
093-340-100-000	Alfred James Jimenez	3123 Corrib Drive	Tallahassee	FL	32309
093-340-200-000	Peter & Katherine Lucchese	646 Mt Olivet CT	Clayton	CA	94517
093-340-210-000	Stephen E. & Debra J. Auten	7223 Lighthouse Drive	Stockton	CA	95219
093-450-010-000	Peter J Garibaldi	P.O. Box 41	Sutter Creek	CA	95685
093-450-080-000	Brocchini Farms Inc.	27011 S. Austin Road	Ripon	CA	95366
066-022-083-000	David Anderson	P.O. Box 383	Vallecito	CA	95251
093-100-040-000	Pacific Gas & Electric Co	24350 Flood Road	Linden	CA	95236
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068-002-027-000	Bradford Wolfman	P.O. Box 835	Altaville	CA	95221
093-210-090-000	Gilmore 138 LLC	6259 N Brentt Rd	Linden	CA	95236

UTICA WATER AND POWER AUTHORITY
QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSE



Re: Northern California Power Agency Spicer Meadow and Collierville Transmission Lines

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Date Mon 6/23/2025 3:46 PM

To Samantha Gulick <Samantha.Gulick@meadhunt.com>

Cc Shawn Puzen <Shawn.Puzen@meadhunt.com>

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Received. Thank you Sam.

Joel

On Mon, Jun 23, 2025 at 1:31 PM Samantha Gulick <Samantha.Gulick@meadhunt.com> wrote:

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QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSE



Outlook

RE: Northern California Power Agency Spicer Meadow and Collierville Transmission Lines

From Maher, Michael@Wildlife <Michael.Maher@wildlife.ca.gov>

Date Fri 7/11/2025 11:28 AM

To Samantha Gulick <Samantha.Gulick@meadhunt.com>; Shawn Puzen <Shawn.Puzen@meadhunt.com>

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Hi Sean and Samantha,

Attached is our questionnaire. We don't necessarily have any info I can think of offhand that would inform your relicensing efforts but if there are any CDFW or older CDFG reports you are interested in feel free to reach out and I can coordinate with the appropriate staff and try and locate them. Please include me in any future meetings or emails regarding the relicensing and the development of study plans.

Have a great weekend,

Michael Maher

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From: Samantha Gulick <Samantha.Gulick@meadhunt.com>

Sent: Monday, June 23, 2025 1:23 PM

Cc: Shawn Puzen <Shawn.Puzen@meadhunt.com>

Subject: Northern California Power Agency Spicer Meadow and Collierville Transmission Lines

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Greetings,

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No new construction is being proposed. The approval NCPA is seeking is to continue to operate the transmission lines the way in which they have been previously operated.

The attached PAD Information Questionnaire will be used by us to help identify sources of existing, relevant, and reasonably available information that is not currently in NCPA's possession.

Again, no new construction is planned for the existing Transmission Lines under the upcoming issuance of a subsequent license. All information being requested will be used to analyze the

impacts of the operation and maintenance of the existing Transmission Lines, which is expected to follow the same protocols currently implemented when the upcoming subsequent license is issued.

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The completed questionnaire may be returned via email to this email inbox or to Shawn Puzen with Mead & Hunt at: shawn.puzen@meadhunt.com.

Comments and/or questions may also be sent to either email.

Thank you very much in advance for your time and cooperation.



Sam Gulick

Administrative Assistant

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No new construction is planned for the existing Transmission Lines under the upcoming issuance of a subsequent license. All information being requested will be used to analyze the impacts of the operation and maintenance of the existing Transmission Lines, which is expected to follow the same protocols currently implemented when the upcoming subsequent license is issued.

1. Information about person completing this questionnaire:

Name:

Title:

Organization:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

2. Do you or your organization plan to participate in the 3 to 5 year-long licensing proceeding for the operation and maintenance of the existing Transmission Lines?

Yes

No



3. Do you or your organization know of existing, relevant, and reasonably available information that describes the existing environment or known potential impacts of the operation and maintenance of the existing Transmission Lines?

Yes (Please complete 3a thru 3f)

No (Proceed to 4)

- 3a. If yes, check box(es) to indicate the specific resource area(s) that the information relates to:

Geology and soils

Water resources

Fish and aquatic resources

Wildlife and botanical resources

Wetlands, riparian, and littoral habitat

Rare, threatened, and endangered species

Recreational and land use

Aesthetic resources

Cultural resources

Socio-economic resources

Tribal resources

Other resource information

- 3b. Briefly describe the information or list available documents:

- 3c. Where or how can NCPA obtain this information?



3d. Please indicate whether there is a specific representative for potential follow-up contact by NCPA or its representative for the resource area(s) checked in 3a:

Representative Contact Information:

Name:

Title:

Organization:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Name:

Title:

Organization:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

3e. Are you aware of any particular issues pertaining to the specific resource area(s) identified in 3a?

Yes (Please list specific issues below)

No

Resource area and please state the specific issue



- 3f. Based on the issues identified in 3e, are you aware of any potential studies or information needs associated with the identified issues?

Yes (Please list below)

No

Potential Studies or Information Needs

4. NCPA is considering using the use of the Traditional Licensing Process for relicensing of the operation and maintenance of the Electric Transmission Lines. Do you have concerns with the use of the TLP? If so, please specify your concerns.

Yes (Please describe concerns below)

No

Traditional Licensing Process Concerns

5. NCPA is interested in any additional comments, questions, or information you may have regarding the licensing of the Transmission Lines. If the additional comments, questions, or information you provide below pertain to a particular question, please indicate the applicable question (such as 3b, 3d, 3e, 3f).

Additional comments, questions, or information



6. Are there any other individuals or organizations that you believe would be interested in this process that are not included in the enclosed list? If so, please provide their contact information.

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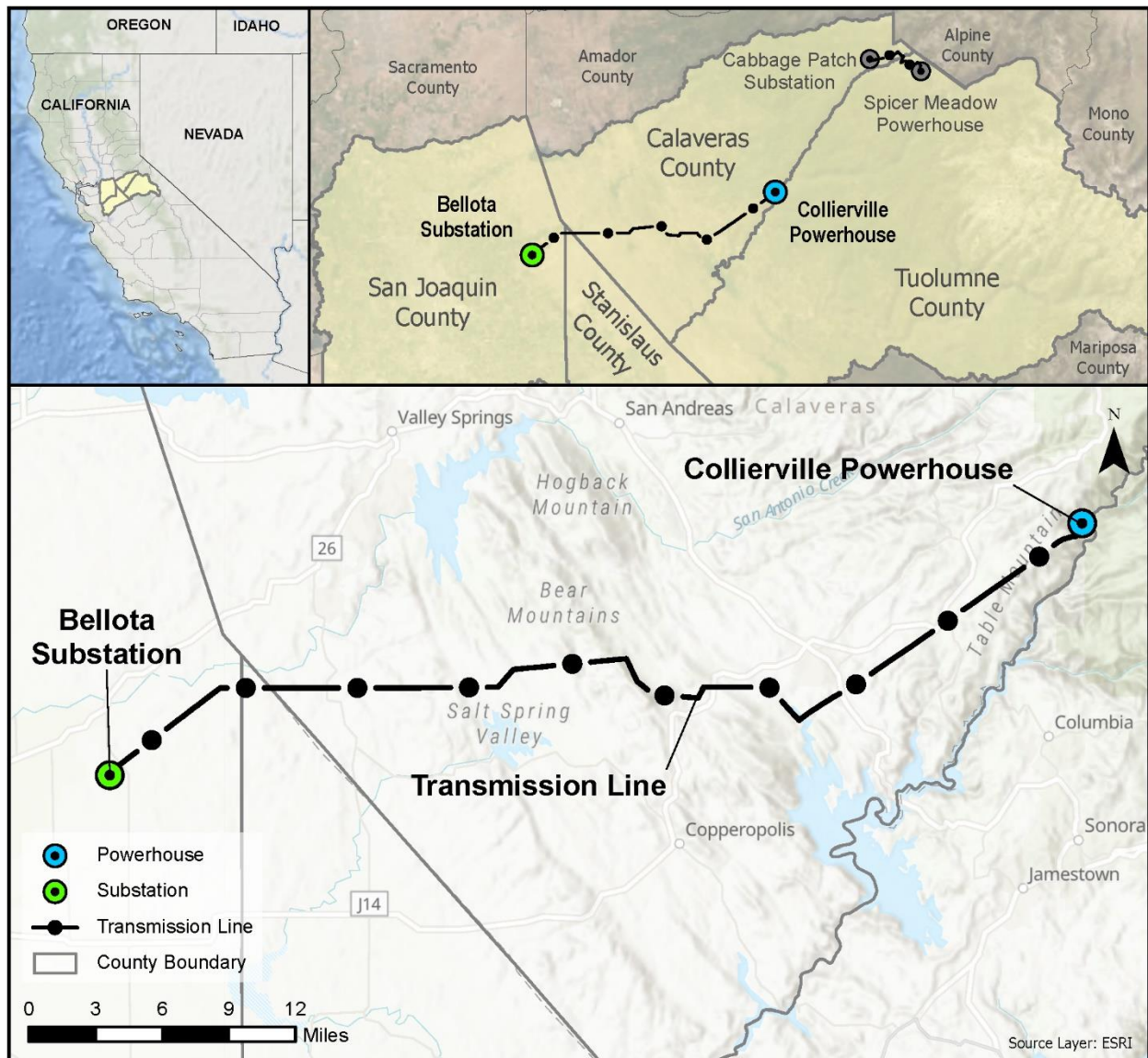
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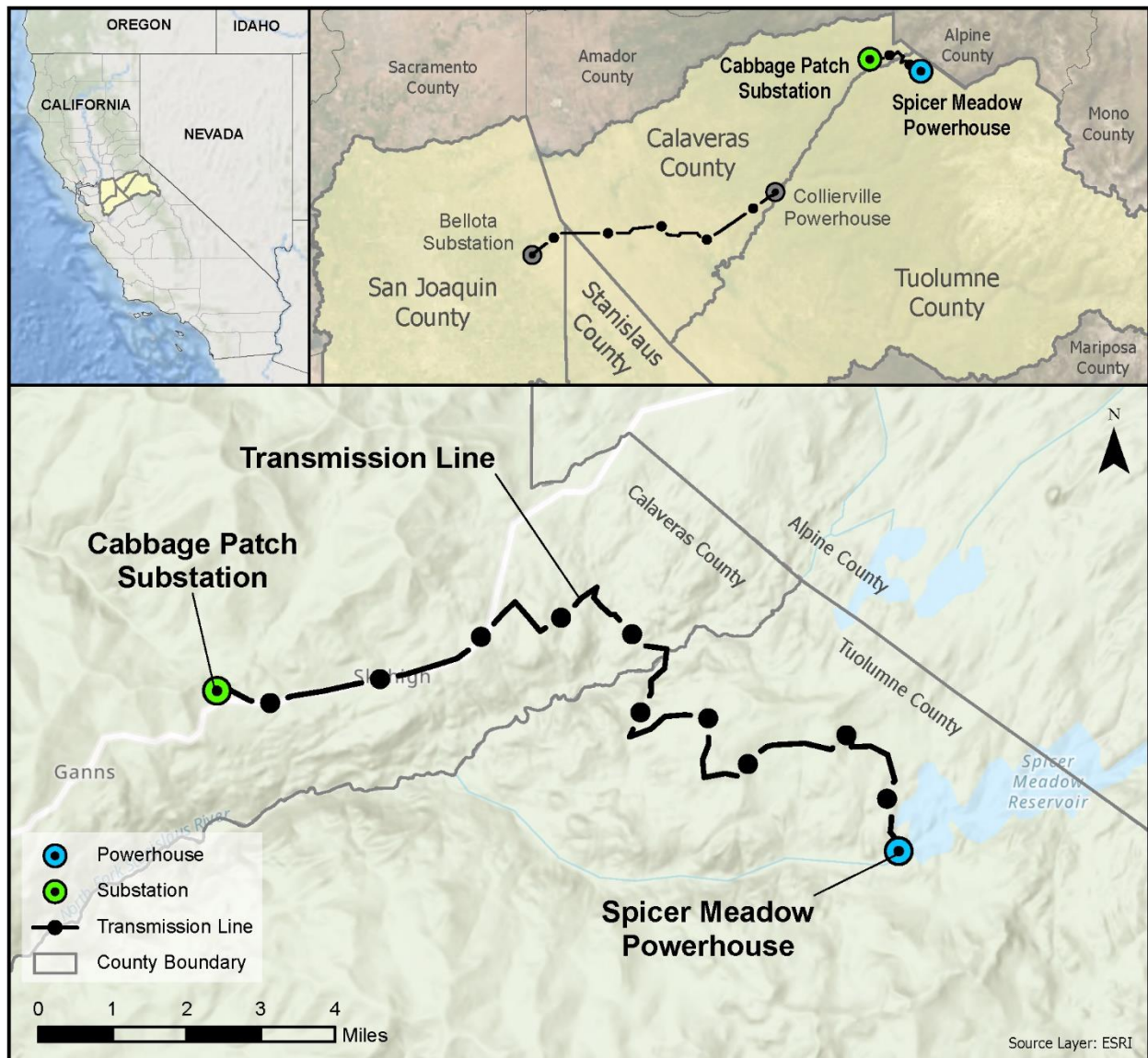
Spicer Meadow Transmission Line

FERC No. 11197

Licensee: Northern California Power Agency

License Expires: January 21, 2032

Notice of Intent to Relicense Due: January 31, 2027



The underground Spicer Meadow 21-kilovolt, single-phase transmission line currently runs 13 miles from the Spicer Meadow Powerhouse switchyard to the Cabbage Patch switchyard.

CENTRAL VALLEY REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSE



**COMMENTS TO REQUEST FOR REVIEW FOR THE PRELIMINARY APPLICATION DOCUMENT,
COLLIERVILLE AND SPICER MEADOW TRANSMISSION LINE – FERC NO. 11197 PROJECT, CALAVERAS,
TUOLUMNE, STANISLAUS, AND SAN JOAQUIN COUNTIES**

From Minkel, Peter G.@Waterboards <Peter.Minkel2@waterboards.ca.gov>

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Shawn,

These are some of the permits to consider when doing your maintenance.

Pete

Peter Minkel
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Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

17 July 2025

Shawn Puzen
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Pursuant to the Mead & Hunt, Inc.'s 23 June 2025 request, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) has reviewed the *Request for Review for the Preliminary Application Document* for the Collierville and Spicer Meadow Transmission line – FERC No. 11197 Project, located in Calaveras, Tuolumne, Stanislaus, and San Joaquin Counties.

Our agency is delegated with the responsibility of protecting the quality of surface and groundwaters of the state; therefore our comments will address concerns surrounding those issues.

I. Regulatory Setting

Basin Plan

The Central Valley Water Board is required to formulate and adopt Basin Plans for all areas within the Central Valley region under Section 13240 of the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act. Each Basin Plan must contain water quality objectives to ensure the reasonable protection of beneficial uses, as well as a program of implementation for achieving water quality objectives with the Basin Plans. Federal regulations require each state to adopt water quality standards to protect the public health or welfare, enhance the quality of water and serve the purposes of the Clean Water Act. In California, the beneficial uses, water quality objectives, and the Antidegradation Policy are the State's water quality standards. Water quality standards are also contained in the National Toxics Rule, 40 CFR Section 131.36, and the California Toxics Rule, 40 CFR Section 131.38.

The Basin Plan is subject to modification as necessary, considering applicable laws, policies, technologies, water quality conditions and priorities. The original Basin Plans were adopted in 1975, and have been updated and revised periodically as required, using Basin Plan amendments. Once the Central Valley Water Board has

adopted a Basin Plan amendment in noticed public hearings, it must be approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Office of Administrative Law (OAL) and in some cases, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). Basin Plan amendments only become effective after they have been approved by the OAL and in some cases, the USEPA. Every three (3) years, a review of the Basin Plan is completed that assesses the appropriateness of existing standards and evaluates and prioritizes Basin Planning issues. For more information on the *Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basins*, please visit our website:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/basin_plans/

Antidegradation Considerations

All wastewater discharges must comply with the Antidegradation Policy (State Water Board Resolution 68-16) and the Antidegradation Implementation Policy contained in the Basin Plan. The Antidegradation Implementation Policy is available on page 74 at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/basin_plans/sacsjr_201805.pdf

In part it states:

Any discharge of waste to high quality waters must apply best practicable treatment or control not only to prevent a condition of pollution or nuisance from occurring, but also to maintain the highest water quality possible consistent with the maximum benefit to the people of the State.

This information must be presented as an analysis of the impacts and potential impacts of the discharge on water quality, as measured by background concentrations and applicable water quality objectives.

The antidegradation analysis is a mandatory element in the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and land discharge Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) permitting processes. The environmental review document should evaluate potential impacts to both surface and groundwater quality.

II. Permitting Requirements

Construction Storm Water General Permit

Dischargers whose project disturb one or more acres of soil or where projects disturb less than one acre but are part of a larger common plan of development that in total disturbs one or more acres, are required to obtain coverage under the General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction and Land Disturbance Activities (Construction General Permit), Construction General Permit Order No. 2009-0009-DWQ. Construction activity subject to this permit includes clearing, grading, grubbing, disturbances to the ground, such as stockpiling, or excavation, but does not include regular maintenance activities performed to restore the original line, grade, or capacity of the facility. The Construction General Permit requires the development and implementation of a Storm Water Pollution Prevention

Plan (SWPPP). For more information on the Construction General Permit, visit the State Water Resources Control Board website at:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/stormwater/constpermits.shtml

Clean Water Act Section 404 Permit

If the project will involve the discharge of dredged or fill material in navigable waters or wetlands, a permit pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act may be needed from the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). If a Section 404 permit is required by the USACE, the Central Valley Water Board will review the permit application to ensure that discharge will not violate water quality standards. If the project requires surface water drainage realignment, the applicant is advised to contact the Department of Fish and Game for information on Streambed Alteration Permit requirements. If you have any questions regarding the Clean Water Act Section 404 permits, please contact the Regulatory Division of the Sacramento District of USACE at (916) 557-5250.

Clean Water Act Section 401 Permit – Water Quality Certification

If an USACE permit (e.g., Non-Reporting Nationwide Permit, Nationwide Permit, Letter of Permission, Individual Permit, Regional General Permit, Programmatic General Permit), or any other federal permit (e.g., Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act or Section 9 from the United States Coast Guard), is required for this project due to the disturbance of waters of the United States (such as streams and wetlands), then a Water Quality Certification must be obtained from the Central Valley Water Board prior to initiation of project activities. There are no waivers for 401 Water Quality Certifications. For more information on the Water Quality Certification, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:
https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/water_quality/certification/

Waste Discharge Requirements – Discharges to Waters of the State

If USACE determines that only non-jurisdictional waters of the State (i.e., “non-federal” waters of the State) are present in the proposed project area, the proposed project may require a Waste Discharge Requirement (WDR) permit to be issued by Central Valley Water Board. Under the California Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, discharges to all waters of the State, including all wetlands and other waters of the State including, but not limited to, isolated wetlands, are subject to State regulation. For more information on the Waste Discharges to Surface Water NPDES Program and WDR processes, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:
https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/waste_to_surface_water/

Projects involving excavation or fill activities impacting less than 0.2 acre or 400 linear feet of non-jurisdictional waters of the state and projects involving dredging activities impacting less than 50 cubic yards of non-jurisdictional waters of the state may be eligible for coverage under the State Water Resources Control Board Water

Quality Order No. 2004-0004-DWQ (General Order 2004-0004). For more information on the General Order 2004-0004, visit the State Water Resources Control Board website at:
https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_decisions/adopted_orders/water_quality/2004/wqo/wqo2004-0004.pdf

Dewatering Permit

If the proposed project includes construction or groundwater dewatering to be discharged to land, the proponent may apply for coverage under State Water Board General Water Quality Order (Low Threat General Order) 2003-0003 or the Central Valley Water Board's Waiver of Report of Waste Discharge and Waste Discharge Requirements (Low Threat Waiver) R5-2018-0085. Small temporary construction dewatering projects are projects that discharge groundwater to land from excavation activities or dewatering of underground utility vaults. Dischargers seeking coverage under the General Order or Waiver must file a Notice of Intent with the Central Valley Water Board prior to beginning discharge.

For more information regarding the Low Threat General Order and the application process, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_decisions/adopted_orders/water_quality/2003/wqo/wqo2003-0003.pdf

For more information regarding the Low Threat Waiver and the application process, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:
https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/waivers/r5-2018-0085.pdf

Limited Threat General NPDES Permit

If the proposed project includes construction dewatering and it is necessary to discharge the groundwater to waters of the United States, the proposed project will require coverage under a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. Dewatering discharges are typically considered a low or limited threat to water quality and may be covered under the General Order for *Limited Threat Discharges to Surface Water* (Limited Threat General Order). A complete Notice of Intent must be submitted to the Central Valley Water Board to obtain coverage under the Limited Threat General Order. For more information regarding the Limited Threat General Order and the application process, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/general_orders/r5-2016-0076-01.pdf

NPDES Permit

If the proposed project discharges waste that could affect the quality of surface waters of the State, other than into a community sewer system, the proposed project will require coverage under a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. A complete Report of Waste Discharge must be submitted with the Central Valley Water Board to obtain a NPDES Permit. For more information

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regarding the NPDES Permit and the application process, visit the Central Valley
Water Board website at: <https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/help/permit/>

If you have questions regarding these comments, please contact me at (916) 464-4684
or Peter.Minkel2@waterboards.ca.gov.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Peter G. Minkel". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Peter G. Minkel
Engineering Geologist

CALAVERAS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
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Outlook

CCWD Response to NCPA Fact Sheets and Questionnaire

From Kelly Gerkensmeyer <kellyg@ccwd.org>

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To Shawn Puzen <shawn.puzen@meadhunt.com>

Cc Michael Minkler <michaelm@ccwd.org>; Andrew Renshaw <andrewr@ccwd.org>

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NCPA Spicer Meadow and Collierville Transmission Line Fact Sheets and Questionnaire.pdf;

Good morning, Shawn,

Attached is the Calaveras County Water District's (CCWD) response to the Northern California Power Agency's Spicer Meadow and Collierville Transmission Line Fact Sheets and Questionnaire.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,



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1. Information about person completing this questionnaire:

Name: [Michael Minkler](#)
Title: [General Manager](#)
Organization: [Calavreas County Water District](#)
Address: [120 Toma Court, San Andraes, CA 94249](#)
Phone: [\(209\) 754-3001](#)
Email: michaelm@ccwd.org

2. Do you or your organization plan to participate in the 3 to 5 year-long licensing proceeding for the operation and maintenance of the existing Transmission Lines?

Yes ☒

No ☐



3. Do you or your organization know of existing, relevant, and reasonably available information that describes the existing environment or known potential impacts of the operation and maintenance of the existing Transmission Lines?

Yes ☐ (Please complete 3a thru 3f)

No ☒ (Proceed to 4)

- 3a. If yes, check box(es) to indicate the specific resource area(s) that the information relates to:

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- ☐ Recreational and land use
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- ☐ Cultural resources
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- ☐ Tribal resources
- ☐ Other resource information

- 3b. Briefly describe the information or list available documents:

- 3c. Where or how can NCPA obtain this information?



3d. Please indicate whether there is a specific representative for potential follow-up contact by NCPA or its representative for the resource area(s) checked in 3a:

Representative Contact Information:

Name:

Title:

Organization:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Name:

Title:

Organization:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

3e. Are you aware of any particular issues pertaining to the specific resource area(s) identified in 3a?

Yes ☒ (Please list specific issues below)

No ☐

Resource area and please state the specific issue

Adequate, reliable, and cost effective transmission of electricity from North Fork Stanislaus River, FERC Project No. 2409, to the California electric grid.



- 3f. Based on the issues identified in 3e, are you aware of any potential studies or information needs associated with the identified issues?

Yes ☒ (Please list below)

No ☐

Potential Studies or Information Needs

Adequacy of the transmisison line to continue providing transmisison of Project 2409 power to the California electric grid.

4. NCPA is considering using the use of the Traditional Licensing Process for relicensing of the operation and maintenance of the Electric Transmission Lines. Do you have concerns with the use of the TLP? If so, please specify your concerns.

Yes ☐ (Please describe concerns below)

No ☒

Traditional Licensing Process Concerns

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Additional Interested Individuals or Group Contact Information

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Title: [Water Resources Manager](#)
Organization: [Calaveras County Water District](#)
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Phone: [209-754-3094](#)
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Organization: [Calaveras County Water District](#)
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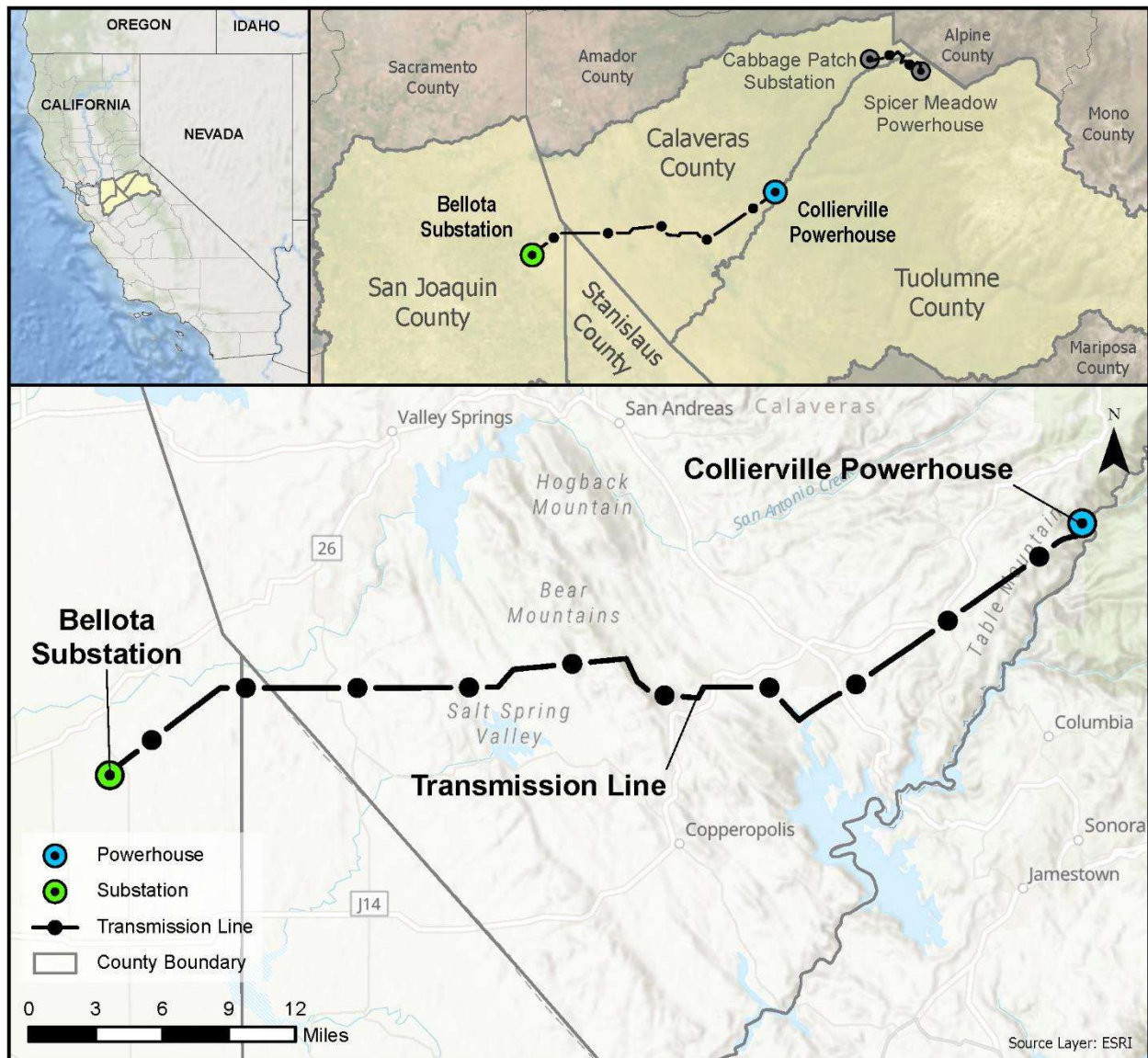
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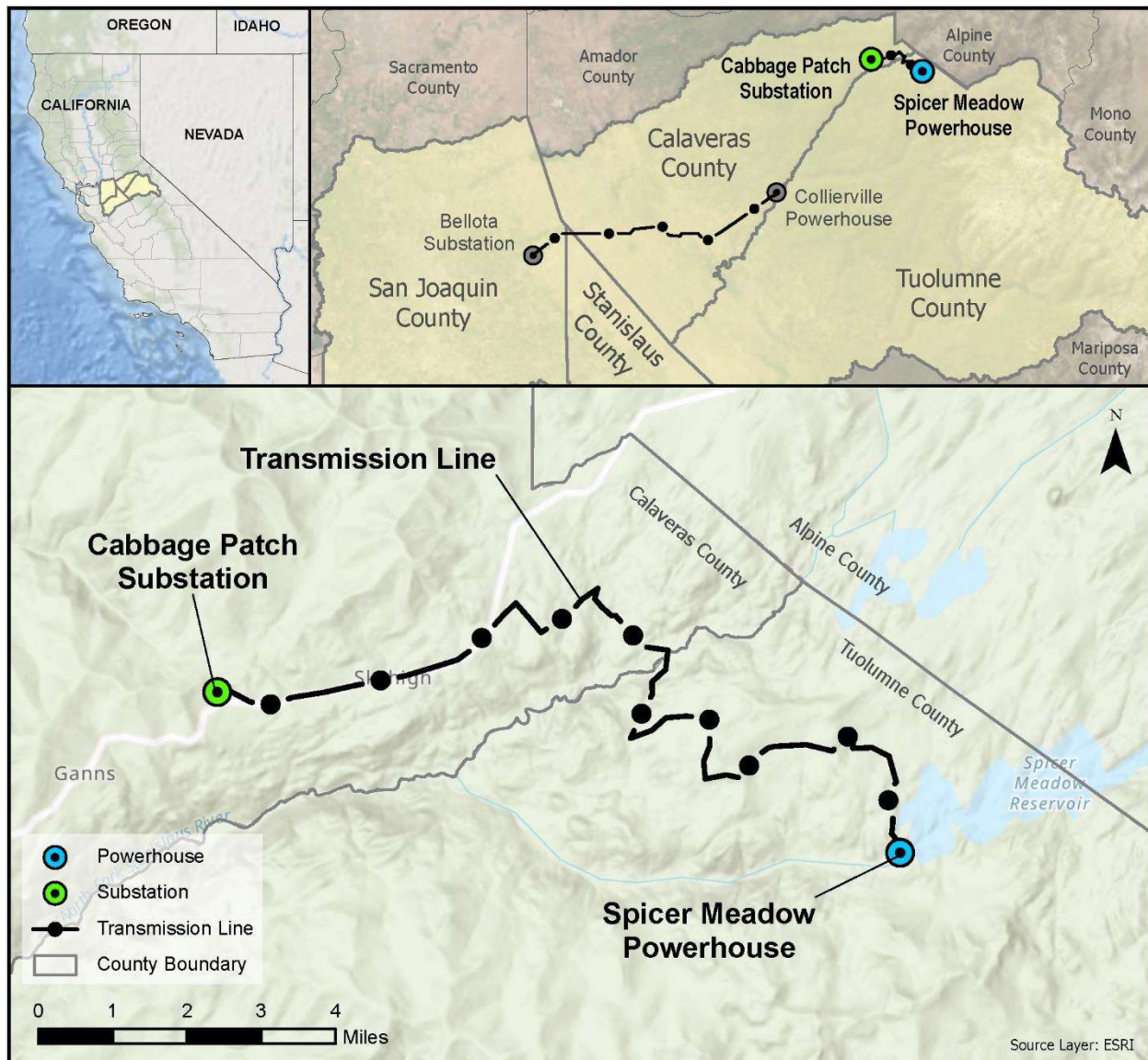
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