LAND RIGHT RENEWAL

SAN XAVIER ALLOTTEES ASSOCIATION

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

JULY 22, 2017

Tucson Electric Power
1892-2017
125 YEARS OF SERVICE
Tucson Electric Power (TEP) 138 kilo-volt transmission line connects the TEP Midvale Substation to the South Loop Substation.

It crosses Tohono O’odham San Xavier District land and allotments along the east side of the District from Los Reales Road to Pima Mine Road.
ROW GRANT

The 100-foot wide land right was approved in 1968, and crosses approximately 18 allotments. The land right was granted for 50 years, and expires in 2018. TEP is applying for a new land right, and requests the consent of the allottees.
PURPOSE AND NEED

• TEPs 138kV system is a looped system serving Tucson and the surrounding area.

• The Midvale to South Loop 138kV line is an integral part of the TEP 138kV system.

• The system provides power to customers on the west side of Tucson.

• The line is currently located in an existing 100-foot wide right-of-way that is due to expire in 2018.

• The ROW is needed to maintain reliable service to TEP customers.

• No change would be made to the location or width of the existing right-of-way.
REPRESENTATIVE STRUCTURES

• Pole structure types will change from H-frame to monopole as poles need replacement
• No additional impact to the property
• No natural resources impacts
• Notifications made prior to any maintenance activities
LINE BENEFITS TO TOHONO O’ODHAM NATION SXD

• If outage on Irvington to South 138kV line, the South to Midvale 138kV line would continue to deliver power to the Tohono O’odham reservation.

• The line supports TOUA’s 46kV back-up source. If the main 46kV source fails, the line supports the back-up.

• Provides reliable power to the District and local businesses.
• Initial Meeting with TON SXD Chairman Nunez – August 2016
• TON SXD Coordination – ongoing
• BIA Coordination – ongoing
• Tribal member public outreach activities – ongoing
• Cultural Resources Survey – completed 2017 by TON Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (Peter Steere). No issues reported.
• Biological Resources Survey – completed 2016 by TON Department of Natural Resources (Holly Barton). Salvage of mesquite and barrel cactus recommended if disturbed
• Appraisals – anticipated for July 2017
• Land Survey – completed 2017
• Negotiation – anticipated to begin late 2017
SURVEYS

• Environmental Survey
  • Pedestrian survey by biologists and cultural resources experts to determine status of wildlife and cultural resources on the allotments

• Appraisal
  • Pedestrian survey by a BIA approved appraiser, who will determine the value of the land right being requested

• Land Survey
  • Boundary survey of the allotments performed by Registered Land Surveyor under the supervision of TEP
  • Involves crew of 3 to 4 personnel with non-ground-disturbing survey equipment

• SXD Monitors present on site for all surveys
NEWSLETTER

- Mailed quarterly to all allottees
- Provides update on all actions
NOTIFICATION LETTERS

- Mailed to all affected allottees
- Lists allotments affected
- Notifies allottee of upcoming activities to be conducted by TEP
- Surveys and appraisals are at no cost to the allottee
- Consent to the renewed land right will be done by separate document
- **No response required**
PUBLIC OUTREACH

• Allottee Meeting, September 10, 2016
• Annual Indian Market, Pueblo Grande Museum Phoenix; December 10, 2016
• Indian Nations and Tribes Legislative Day, Phoenix; January 11, 2017
• SRPMIC WailaFest, Wild Horse Pass; January 14, 2017
• TON Rodeo and Fair; January 27, 2017
• TON Wa:k Pow Wow; March 11, 2017
• TON San Xavier Allottee Association Semi-Annual Meeting; July 22, 2017

Seeking comments from event attendees
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