

Public Notice – 401 Water Quality Certification Application

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Project Name:

Ten West Link Transmission Line Project, Blythe, Riverside County, California.
WDID No. 7B333026001, RM 437724, Place ID 866263

Receiving Water:

Two Unnamed ephemeral tributaries to the Palo Verde Canals and one unnamed tributary to Ford Dry Lake Bed

Location:

City or area: Blythe, Riverside County, California
Longitude/ Latitude: 33.481188, -113.034153 to 33.577593, -114.815270
Township/Range: N/A

Project Description:

In 2014, the California Independent System Operator (CAISO), an independent non-profit electricity grid operator for California, identified that an additional high-voltage transmission connection between the Delaney and Colorado River substations was needed for reliability and efficiency of the California and western electricity grid, and for renewable energy resources in support of state policy. Through a competitive bid process, CAISO selected DCRT to construct, operate, and maintain the Project, maximizing the use of existing or expanded transmission line Right-of-Way (ROWs).

The Ten West Transmission Line Project for which 401 Certification is part of a larger project that extends 125 miles through Riverside County, CA and La Paz and Maricopa Counties in Arizona. The 20 mile portion of the project located in California enters Riverside County, California over the Colorado River south of Blythe, CA and terminates at the Southern California Edison (SCE) Colorado River Substation southwest of Blythe, California. The proposed route parallels an existing transmission line and other linear facilities, primarily within designated utility corridors.

The Project would consist of a single-circuit, series-compensated, 500 kV transmission line between the Arizona Public Service (APS) Delaney Substation in Maricopa County,

Arizona and the Southern California Edison (SCE) Colorado River Substation in Riverside County, California and would provide interconnection capability for new energy projects located in the region.

Anticipated Project Start and End Dates:

10/01/2020 to 10/01/2025

US Army Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permit Number(s):

Nationwide Permit Number 12

Action:

Pending

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