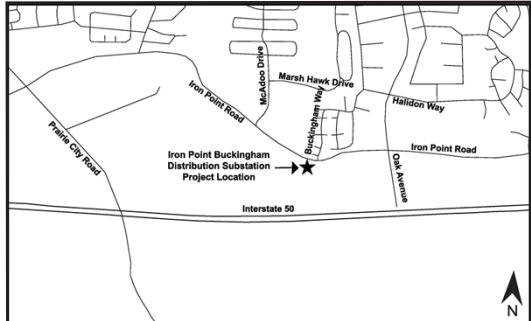


PUBLIC NOTICE

IRON POINT BUCKINGHAM DISTRIBUTION SUBSTATION PROJECT DRAFT INITIAL STUDY AND MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

A Draft Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for the proposed Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) Iron Point Buckingham Distribution Substation Project (project) in Sacramento County, California. This document was prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). SMUD is the CEQA lead agency.

SMUD proposes to construct and operate the Iron Point Buckingham Distribution Substation in order to provide a reliable source of electricity to meet the electrical demand of existing and approved development within a 1- to 1.5-mile radius of the proposed substation. The substation site would be about 0.5 acre, located on the south side of Iron Point Road and southwest of Buckingham Way, in Folsom, California. The proposed substation would consist of one 25-MVA transformer, capacitor banks,



a backup battery, metal clad switchgear, grounding grid, and a low-profile 69-kV bus structure. Additional improvements include new cement slabs for the equipment and a 10-foot high masonry wall to encompass the footprint of the substation. The substation would be energized by connecting to an existing 69-kV line in an underground utility corridor adjacent to the south side of Iron Point Road. The substation would receive 69-kV electricity and step it down to 12 kV. As part of the proposed project, four new underground 12-kV feeders would be added and tie the substation into the existing underground distribution lines on both the north and south sides of Iron Point Road. The 12-kV power would be distributed throughout the near vicinity, where existing local transformers would step down the power to household or retail business service voltage levels.

This Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration complies with CEQA, pursuant to Section 21080 of the California Public Resource code, to evaluate the environmental impacts associated with the construction and operation of subject Project. The Mitigated Negative Declaration concludes that the Project will not cause a significant adverse environmental impact and an Environmental Impact Report is not required.

With the guidance and oversight of the State Clearinghouse, The Draft Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration was released for circulation to concerned resource agencies and interested parties on June 10, 2009, for a 30-day public review period that will end July 10, 2009. The entire document will be available on SMUD's web page at www.smud.org/about/reports-ceqa.html and hardcopies may also be reviewed at the following locations:

- Folsom Public Library, 411 Stafford Street, Folsom, CA 95630
- Norman R. Siefkin Public Library, 1970 Broadstone Pkwy, Bldg. F, Folsom, CA 95630
- Rancho Cordova Library, 9845 Folsom Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95827
- Sacramento Central Library, 828 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814
- Sacramento Municipal Utility District Office, 6201 S Street, Sacramento, CA 95817
- State Clearinghouse, 1400 Tenth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

Written comments should be submitted to Kimberly Crawford, SMUD, P.O. Box 15830, MS B203, Sacramento, CA 95852-1830, kcrawford@smud.org before 5 p.m., July 10, 2009.

If you would like a copy or have questions please contact Kimberly Crawford at (916) 732-5063 or at kcrawford@smud.org.

SMUD invites members of the public to attend a public meeting regarding the Draft Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration. The public meeting will be held:

June 22, 2009
Rancho Cordova Library
9845 Folsom Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95827

The SMUD Board of Directors will consider adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project at two meetings at which the public may make oral comments. The Board will take no action at the Integrated Resources and Customer Service Committee meeting.

Both public meetings will be held at
SMUD Headquarters Building
6201 S Street, Sacramento, CA 95817

SMUD's Integrated Resources and
Customer Service Committee Meeting
August 5, 2009, 5:00 p.m.,
Rm.: HCC

SMUD Board of Directors Meeting
August 6, 2009, 6:00 p.m.,
Rm.: Auditorium

Accommodations are available for disabled individuals. If you need a hearing assistance device or other aid, or have questions, please contact Kimberly Crawford at (916) 732-5063.



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