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# BIRD-POWERLINE ASSOCIATIONS TECHNICAL REPORT

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#### 6.3 Bird/Powerline Associations Study Plan

#### 6.3.1 <u>Pertinent Issue Questions</u>

The bird/powerline associations study addresses Terrestrial Resource Issue Questions:

- 7(b). "What are the relevant and known factors (limiting and beneficial) affecting special status bird populations in the Project area and how/where are these factors influenced by Project operation and maintenance?"
- 8. "To what extent do Project-associated power lines comply with established design standards for protection of raptors and other birds from electrocution? To what extent do Project-associated power lines contribute to avian collision mortality?"
- 21. "What are the Project impacts on special status birds with particular emphasis on Project facilities, operation, maintenance and Project-influenced recreation?"

#### 6.3.2 Background

The UARP transmission and distribution system consists of many miles of electric power lines, utility poles/towers, transformers, and energized hardware that may pose a risk to birds of electrocution or collision mortality. <sup>1</sup> Most native birds in the United States are protected from such "take" by a variety of state and federal laws, including the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, Eagle Protection Act, and state and federal Endangered Species Acts, among others.

A tremendous amount of research has been conducted and the results published on the positive and adverse effects of powerlines on birds. The adverse effects of powerlines and powerline rights-of-way fall into three primary categories: 1) electrocution mortality; 2) collision mortality; and 3) habitat loss, fragmentation, and/or conversion. The positive effects are related primarily to provision of perching and nesting sites, which can extend the breeding range of certain species, increase local densities of populations, and open up new foraging habitat to species that hunt from perches. Right-of-way clearing can also affect raptors, beneficially or adversely depending on the species, by altering the distribution and availability of prey populations. This study focuses on an assessment of the electrocution and collision risks to birds for the Project transmission and distribution system. Rights-of-way effects on vegetation, invasive species, and other resources are discussed primarily in the Rights-of-Way Management Study.

The factors contributing to electrocution and collision mortality are complex and diverse. In general, the following relationships have been established through research: 1) low voltage distribution lines create a greater risk of electrocution than high voltage transmission lines due to greater spacing of conductors and energized hardware; 2) larger birds, especially raptors, are more susceptible to electrocution than smaller birds; 3) flocking birds are more susceptible to collision than solitary birds; and 4) wind, fog, and other inclement weather conditions can increase the risk of collision.

The Edison Electric Institute in collaboration with the Raptor Research Foundation and the Avian Power Line Interaction Committee have developed suggested practices for the protection of raptors (and other birds) on power lines (EEI 1996). These suggested practices provide a basis for determining the level of risk posed by a given powerline along with standards and guidelines for modifying lines to reduce this risk to acceptable limits.

#### 6.3.3 <u>Study Objectives</u>

The objective of the bird/powerline associations study is to determine if and where the UARP electric transmission/distribution system poses a substantial risk of electrocution and/or collision mortality for birds, especially raptors.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Electrical transmission of electricity generated within the UARP includes 69 kV lines (Robbs Peak and Loon Lake powerhouses) and 230 kV lines (all other powerhouses). Some powerhouses (Slab Creek) have station power supplied by outside sources. All electrical transmission and distribution facilities will be assessed.

#### 6.3.4 <u>Study Area and Sampling Sites</u>

The study area consists of all electric transmission and distribution facilities (switchyards, transformers, poles/towers, conductors) associated with the UARP. Field studies will be restricted to those lands where the Licensee has legal access (e.g., ownership/easement rights, public lands) and will not occur on private lands without prior permission from the landowner.

#### 6.3.5 Information Needed From Other Studies

Supporting information will be derived from the Rights-of-Way Management Study and Fuels Management Study. Important information will also be derived from the Licensee's records on bird-caused outages tied to facilities in the study area and published findings of research on bird/powerline associations.

#### 6.3.6 <u>Study Methods and Schedule</u>

The study consists of two components: 1) Review of Licensee's outage records for the UARP electrical system to determine if there is a history of bird-caused outages and, if so, where these outages occurred; and 2) Visual inspection of all electrical facilities within the study area to determine the relative potential for bird electrocution and collision mortality by comparing the existing design against known problem designs and established standards and guidelines for protection of raptors (and other birds). If any problem poles or other facilities are discovered based on these two steps, the configuration will be photographed and the location established by recorded pole/tower numbers. All perched birds or nests on facilities will be recorded.

#### 6.3.7 <u>Analysis</u>

The information obtained from the Licensee's outage records and visual inspection of electric facilities will be evaluated against the standards and guidelines for raptor protection on power lines and the existing body of research available on this subject. The objective of this analysis will be to determine if there is a substantial (i.e., re-occurring mortality at a given location) risk to birds and the need for measures to reduce this risk. Factors to be considered will be levels and locations of past mortality, configuration (e.g., inadequate spacing or insulation) of energized equipment, spatial relationship of facilities to major flight paths, existence of preferred perch/nest sites in "at-risk" locations near energized equipment, etc.

#### 6.3.8 <u>Study Output</u>

Study results will be presented to the Terrestrial Resources Technical Working Group (TWG) and Plenary Group toward the end of 2002. However, the ultimate study output will be a written report that includes the issues addressed, objectives, study area, methods, analysis, results, discussion, and conclusions. The reports will be prepared in a format that allows the information to be inserted directly into the Licensee-prepared Draft Environmental Assessment that will be submitted to FERC with the Licensee's application for a new license.

#### 6.3.9 <u>Preliminary Estimated Study Cost</u>

A preliminary estimated study cost will be prepared after the Plenary Group approves the plan.

#### 6.3.10 <u>TWG and Plenary Group Endorsement</u>

On April 16, 2002 the following entities gave approval to the plan: USFS, BLM and SMUD.

On May 1, 2002 the following participants gave Plenary Group approval to the plan: USFS, BLM, USFWS, Taxpayers of El Dorado County, Friends of El Dorado County, Camp Lotus, El Dorado County Water Agency, El Dorado County, Placer County Water Agency, California Department of Fish and Game, California State Water Resources Control Board, Pacific Gas and Electric and Friends of the River. None of the participants at the meeting said they could not "live with" this study plan.

#### 6.3.11 Literature Cited

EEI (Edison Electric Institute). 1996. Suggested practices for raptor protection on power lines: the state of the art in 1996.

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#### SUMMARY

This technical report compares the existing design specifications of the Upper American River Project electric transmission system with respect to standard and guidelines developed by the Avian Powerline Interaction Committee (APLIC) for the protection of birds from electrocution and collision mortality. The key standard for avoidance of bird electrocutions is to achieve a minimum spacing of 60 inches between energized phases (i.e., energized electrical conductor) or between a phase and a grounding source (APLIC 1996). The key design and siting standards for minimizing risk of collision mortality are removal of overhead ground wires and avoidance of major bird flight paths (APLIC 1994). All support structures used on UARP 230 kV transmission lines greatly exceed the 60-inch minimum spacing guideline. Support structure designs 62DSS, 62DSD, 63DSS, and 63DSD, which are used on the Loon Lake-Union Valley and Loon Lake-Robbs Peak 69 kV transmission lines, have minimum spacing of approximately 54 inches. Some Type H wood pole structures used on the Jones Fork-Union Valley 69 kV line have overhead jumper wires that are inconsistent with APLIC design standards. The Brush Creek 12 kV tap line has several support configurations also inconsistent with APLIC standards. However, no avian mortality due to electrocution or collision has been recorded on the UARP transmission system.

### **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

This technical report is one in a series of reports prepared by Devine Tarbell & Associates, Inc., (DTA) for the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) as an appendix to SMUD's application to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for a new license for the Upper American River Project (UARP or Project). The report addresses bird-powerline associations within the UARP area and includes the following sections:

- **BACKGROUND** Summarizes the applicable study plan approved by the UARP Relicensing Plenary Group; a brief description of the issue questions addressed, in part, by the study plan; the objectives of the study plan; the study area, and agency information requests. In addition, requests by resource agencies for additions to this technical report are described in this section.
- **METHODS** A description of the methods used in the study, including a listing of study sites.
- **RESULTS** A description of the most important data. Copious raw data, photographs, and drawings are provided by request in a separate compact disc (CD) for additional analysis and review by interested parties.
- ANALYSIS An analysis of the results, where appropriate.
- LITERATURE CITED A listing of all literature cited in the report.

This technical report does not include a detailed description of the UARP Alternative Licensing Process (ALP) or of the UARP, which can be found in the following sections of SMUD's application for a new license: The UARP Relicensing Process, Exhibit A (Project Description), Exhibit B (Project Operations), and Exhibit C (Construction). Sacramento Municipal Utility District Upper American River Project FERC Project No. 2101

Also, this technical report does not include a discussion of the effects of the UARP electric transmission system on birds and related environmental resources, nor does the report include a discussion of appropriate protection, mitigation and enhancement (PM&E) measures. An impacts discussion regarding the UARP is included in the applicant-prepared draft environmental assessment (PDEA) document, which is part of SMUD's application for a new license. Development of resource measures will occur in settlement discussions, which will commence in 2004, and will be reported in the PDEA.

### 2.0 BACKGROUND

### 2.1 Bird-Powerline Associations Study Plan

Nearly all native, North American bird species are protected from take (i.e., to hunt, capture, kill, harass, or possess) under the federal Migratory Bird Act of 1918, as amended (16 U.S.C. 703-712). Other state and federal laws and regulations that prohibit unauthorized take of birds include the federal Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543), the federal Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668-668C), and the California Endangered Species Act. In response to these prohibitions against take of birds and the known potential for bird electrocution or collision mortality to result from contact with electric transmission and distributions systems, the UARP Terrestrial Resources Technical Working Group (TWG) developed the Bird-Powerline Associations Study Plan. The TWG approved this plan on April 16, 2002 and the UARP Relicensing Plenary Group approved the plan on May 1, 2002. The study plan was designed to address, in part, the following issues questions developed by the Plenary Group:

Issue Question 7(b).	What are the relevant and known factors (limiting and beneficial) affecting special status bird populations in the Project area, and how/where are those factors influenced by Project operation and maintenance?
Issue Question 8.	To what extent do Project-associated power lines comply with established design standards for protection of raptors and other birds from electrocution? To what extent do Project-associated power lines contribute to avian collision mortality?
Issue Question 21.	What are the Project impacts on special status birds with particular emphasis on Project facilities, operation, maintenance and Project- influenced recreation?

The objective of the bird-powerline associations study was to determine if and where the UARP electric transmission/distribution system poses a substantial risk of electrocution and/or collision mortality for birds, especially raptors.

The study area consisted of all electric transmission and distribution facilities (switchyards, poles/towers, energized hardware, etc.) associated with the UARP from Loon Lake Powerhouse westward to the Folsom Junction (Figure 2.1-1; Appendix A).

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# 2.2 Agency Requested Information

In a letter dated December 17, 2003 to SMUD, the agencies identified, by study, information they believed they needed to begin settlement discussions with the understanding that additional information might be requested. Information requests pertinent to the Bird-Powerline Associations Study are:

- GIS shape file showing transmission corridors and voltage.
- Possible risk/collision locations.

Figure 2.1-1 (Appendix A) delineates the UARP transmission corridor and line voltages. Engineering drawings for each distinctive transmission and distribution support structure with the system are provided in Appendix B. Representative photos of support structures are provided in Appendix C. A discussion of structures that pose a potential electrocution and/or collision risk to birds is provided in Section 5.0, Analysis.

In a May 13, 2004 letter, the agencies stated in regards to the *Bird-Powerline Associations Technical Report* (February 2004) the following:

• We have reviewed this study report and have no comments on the report. No additional studies are necessary in 2004.

The Terrestrial Resources TWG met on June 7, 2004 to consider "conclusions" relative to bats and to develop recommendations for consideration by the Settlement Negotiations Group. The TWG agreed on the following general conclusions:

- 1. The Issue Questions and Objectives stated in the Bird-Powerline Associations Study Plan are adequately addressed by the information provided in the *Bird-Powerline Associations Technical Report*.
- 2. Methods employed were adequate to address Issue Questions and Objectives.
- 3. There is no known negative effect of UARP transmission and distribution system operations and maintenance activities on birds. There may be potential improvements that can be made relative to wood frame "H" configuration structures and some steel lattice structures as problems are made known or line retrofits are proposed.
- 4. Major bird migration corridors/flight paths do not occur within the UARP area, nor are transmission lines located in an area that pose a collision threat to birds.

The TWG also developed the following recommendation for consideration by the Settlement Negotiations Group:

SMUD should coordinate with state and federal resource agencies and other interested parties in development of a Bird/Powerline Association Management Plan that considers the following:

- 1. Wood frame "H" configuration structures and transformer design may have jumper wires that could lead to electrocution of birds. A "carte blanche" retrofit of all configurations that would comply with best management practices for bird protection is not recommended; however, "problem" areas should be addressed as they are made known, or when line retrofits are proposed.
- 2. A reporting protocol should be developed (via an environmental training program for UARP field personnel) to assess outages in the UARP transmission system. For example, an inspector that follows-up on an outage report should also report the outage to a qualified biologist who can assess if the outage was bird-caused and recommend remedial actions.

# 3.0 METHODS

### 3.1 Bird-Powerline Associations Study

SMUD's records of sustained outages on the UARP electrical system were reviewed to determine to what extent bird electrocutions or collisions with electrical conductors were responsible for these outages and where they occurred. In addition, design drawings of the UARP transmission system were compared with known problem designs, established standards and guidelines for protection of raptors (and other birds), and the extensive body of research available on the subject (APLIC 1994, 1996; CEC, 1995, Williams and Colson 1989).

On-site visual inspections of the transmission system were performed to further evaluate the relative potential for bird electrocution and collision mortality based on system design, habitat associations, and direct observation of bird activity. Focused inspections were conducted by helicopter on May 29, 2002 and July 14, 2003, and by automobile on May 14, 2002, January 24, 2003, and May 22, 2003. Incidental inspections of the transmission system were also conducted on several other dates during the performance of terrestrial resource studies. During each inspection, photographs were taken of representative transmission tower configurations and right-of-way habitat conditions.

### 3.2 Incidental Observations

Biologists engaged in these field surveys also recorded incidental observations of wildlife for purposes of generating a comprehensive species list for the UARP area. Data recorded for each observation generally included: species, date of observation, location, and any remarkable behavior or activity exhibited by the animals observed.

### 4.0 **RESULTS**

### 4.1 Bird-Powerline Associations Study

Although bird-caused outages are documented for the SMUD urban distribution grid, SMUD has no records of bird-caused outages or of avian mortality associated with the UARP transmission

system (SMUD unpublished data, personal communication, L. Maier, SMUD UARP Environmental Coordinator).

The UARP electrical system includes over 300 support structures, eight switchyards and nearly 150 miles of transmission line circuits within approximately 60 linear miles of shared rights-ofway (ROW) (i.e., two or more lines occupying the same linear corridor) between Loon Lake Powerhouse and Folsom Junction. The voltages, approximate length, approximate width of ROW, and support structure design codes used in each transmission line segment are listed in Table 4.1-1. Detailed design specifications for each type of support structure used for the UARP transmission and distribution system are provided in Table 4.1-2. Design drawings for each type of support structure and location maps are included in Appendix B. Representative photographs of the transmission system ROW and support structures are included in Appendix C.

Table 4.1-1.Voltages, approximate length, rights-of-way (ROW) width, and support structure designs within UARP transmission and distribution segments.								
Name	Length ROV Wid		Support Structure Designs					
Loon Lake/Robbs Peak - 69 kV Loon Lake/Union Valley - 69 kV Robbs Peak/Union Valley - 69 kV	7.9 miles 12.4 miles 6.8 miles	100 ft	Steel Lattice – 60DSS, 61DSS, 60DSD, 61DSD, 62DSS, 63DSS, 62DSD, 63DSD, 2 DSS, 3DSS					
Jones Fork/Union Valley - 69 kV Union Valley/Camino - 230 kV Union Valley/Jaybird – 230 kV	4.0 miles 11.8 miles 5.9 miles	200 ft 200 ft	Wood Pole – Type A1, B1, C1, H Steel Lattice - 8DSS, 9DSS, 8DSD, 9DSD					
Jaybird/White Rock - 230 kV	15.9 miles	200 ft	Steel Lattice – 2DSS, 3DSS, 2DSD, 3DSD, 5DSS					
Camino/Lake – 230 kV Camino/White Rock 230 kV White Rock/Hedge - 230 kV	31.7 miles (approx. 30 miles to Folsom Jct.) 10.0 miles 39.6 miles (approx. 22	200 ft	Steel Lattice - 1DSS, 2DSS, 3DSS, 4DSS, 5DSS, 1DSD, 2DSD, 3DSD, 4DSD					
White Rock/Orangevale 230 kV	miles to Folsom Jct.) 31.1 miles (approx. 22 miles to Folsom Jct.)	200 ft	Steel Lattice - 1DSS, 4DSS, 6DSS, 7DSS, 1DSD, 4DSD					
Brush Creek Tap Line – 12 kV	1.2 miles	30 ft	Wood Pole					

Table 4.1-2.         Design specifications of support structures used on the UARP transmission and distribution system.							
Design Code	Voltage	Description	Support Structure	Maximum Structure	Min. Spacing Phase-Phase	Ground Wire	Number of Structures
			Material	Height	Phase-Ground		
A1	69 kV	2-Pole Tangent	Wood	61 ft	10 ft – 6 in	Yes	35
B1	69 kV	2-Pole Angle	Wood	61 ft	10 ft – 6 in	Yes	2
C1	69 kV	2-Pole Angle	Wood	61 ft	10 ft – 6 in	Yes	1
D	69 kV	Single Pole Angle	Wood	61 ft	10 ft – 6 in	Yes	1
G	69 kV	3-Pole Dead End	Wood	61 ft	10 ft – 6 in	Yes	1
Н	69 kV	5-Pole Dead End	Wood	61 ft	14 ft – 6 in*	Yes	11
60DSS	69 kV	75 Suspension Tower	Steel Lattice	98 ft – 3 in	$\sim 5.5 - 6 \text{ ft}$	Yes	23
61DSS	69 kV	75' Dead End Tower	Steel Lattice	93 ft – 3 in	~. 5.5 – 6 ft	No	
60DSD	69 kV	75' Dead End Tower	Steel Lattice	97 ft – 11 in	$\sim 5.5 - 6$ ft	Yes	9
61DSD	69 kV	75' Dead End Tower	Steel Lattice	91 ft – 11 in	$\sim 5.5 - 6$ ft	No	
62DSS	69 kV	75 Suspension Tower	Steel Lattice	98 ft – 3 in	$\sim 4.5 - 5$ ft	Yes	28

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Table 4.	Table 4.1-2.         Design specifications of support structures used on the UARP transmission and distribution system.							
Design Code	Voltage	Description	Support Structure Material	Maximum Structure Height	Min. Spacing Phase-Phase Phase-Ground	Ground Wire	Number of Structures	
63DSS	69 kV	75' Suspension Tower	Steel Lattice	93 ft – 3 in	$\sim 4.5 - 5$ ft	No		
62DSD	69 kV	75' Dead End Tower	Steel Lattice	97 ft – 11 in	$\sim 4.5 - 5$ ft	Yes	11	
63DSD	69 kV	75' Dead End Tower	Steel Lattice	97 ft – 11 in	$\sim 4.5 - 5$ ft	No	-	
1DSS	230 kV	65' Suspension Tower	Steel Lattice	114 ft	9 ft	Yes	34	
4DSS	230 kV	65' Suspension Tower	Steel Lattice	104 ft	9 ft	No		
1DSD	230 kV	55' Dead End Tower	Steel Lattice	106 ft	9 ft	Yes	9	
4DSD	230 kV	55' Dead End Tower	Steel Lattice	94 ft	9 ft	No		
2DSS	230 kV	65' Suspension Tower	Steel Lattice	119 ft	10 ft – 6 in	Yes	90	
3DSS	230 kV	65' Suspension Tower	Steel Lattice	107 ft – 1 in	10 ft – 6 in	No		
2DSD	230 kV	55' Dead End Tower	Steel Lattice	109 ft	10 ft – 6 in	Yes	35	
3DSD	230 kV	55' Dead End Tower	Steel Lattice	97 ft – 1 in	10 ft – 6 in	No		
5DSS	230 kV	65' Dead End Suspension Tower	Steel Lattice	119 ft	10 ft – 6 in	Yes	4	
6DSS	230 kV	75' Light Suspension Tower	Steel Lattice	120 ft	7 ft – 6 in	Yes	2	
7DSS	230 kV	75' Light Suspension Tower	Steel Lattice	110 ft	7 ft – 6 in	No		
8DSS	230 kV	65' Suspension Tower	Steel Lattice	119 ft	9 ft	Yes	21	
9DSS	230 kV	65' Suspension Tower	Steel Lattice	107 ft	9 ft	No	]	
8DSD	230 kV	55' Dead End Tower	Steel Lattice	109 ft	9 ft	Yes	12	
9DSD	230 kV	55' Dead End Tower	Steel Lattice	97 ft	9 ft	No	]	
Brush Ck Tap	12 kV	Unavailable	Single Wood Pole	Unavailable	< 24 in	No	Unavailable	

Type "H" Structures used on the Jones Fork-Union Valley 69 kV transmission line have upright insulators supporting energized jumper wires that provide less than 36 inches of separation between the jumper and the grounded cross-arm.

# 4.2 Incidental Observations

Biologists recorded 140 species of birds and mammals during UARP field studies including this Bird-Powerline Associations Study. These incidental observations are provided in Appendix D.

### 5.0 ANALYSIS

Extensive research has been conducted on the causes of, and potential solutions to, bird electrocution and collision mortality on electric transmission and distribution systems (APLIC 1994, 1996; CEC 1995; Williams and Colson 1989). This research has prompted state and federal resource agencies working with the electric utility industry to adopt various design and siting standards for avoidance or minimization of bird electrocutions and collisions. The key standard for avoidance of bird electrocutions is to achieve a minimum spacing of 60 inches between energized phases (i.e., energized electrical conductors) or between a phase and a grounding source (APLIC 1996). The key design and siting standards for minimizing risk of collision mortality are removal of overhead ground wires and avoidance of major bird flight paths (APLIC 1994).

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# 5.1 Electrocution Issues and Relationship to UARP

The potential for electrocution of raptors and other large birds is dependent on both biological and electrical/design factors. Avian species that occupy forests, perch or nest primarily on the ground, or are of small size are rarely electrocuted (APLIC 1996). Maximum size (e.g., wingspan, head-to-tail length) is by far the most crucial factor in determining susceptibility of birds to electrocution. Such risk is greatest on lower voltage lines where phase-to-phase or phase-to-ground separation is minimal. Risks increase in weather that hinders flight maneuverability, or when feathers are wet, thereby increasing conductivity.

Immature and sub-adult birds that are less skilled at flying and at landing on power poles are also at greater risk. Other factors that affect susceptibility to electrocution include location and abundance of prey, habitat diversity, wind speed and direction, topography, excreta streams, and proclivity to nest and perch on support structures (APLIC 1996).

The vast majority of electrocutions occur on lower-voltage (e.g., < 69 kV) distribution lines than on higher voltage (e.g., 69 kV or greater) transmission lines. The voltage rating dictates conductor spacing and the clearance required above the ground. In accordance with the National Electrical Safety Code (NESC 1993), both the distance between conductors and the distance that they are hung above ground must be increased as voltages increase. As a result, distribution lines, with lower voltages, have less spacing between conductors and therefore are more likely to electrocute birds. Conversely, the spacing between conductors on transmission lines is generally adequate to preclude electrocution of birds.

# 5.1.1 <u>UARP Transmission Lines</u>

The UARP transmission system includes both 69 kV and 230 kV line segments. Most of the support structures on the UARP transmission line exceed the minimum 60-inch phase-to-phase or phase-to-ground spacing necessary to prevent electrocution of large birds such as eagles. Four designs (62DSS, 63DSS, 62DSD, and 63DSD) used on 39 structures (12% of all UARP transmission line structures) have spacing between the top conductor and the middle cross-arm that are near the 60-inch threshold (Table 4.1-2). These designs are all located at higher elevations of the UARP along the following 69 kV transmission line segments: Loon Lake–Robbs Peak, Loon Lake–Union Valley, and Robbs Peak–Union Valley (Table 4.1-1). Eleven type "H", 5-pole dead end structures used on the Jones Fork-Union Valley 69 kV line have adequate phase-to-phase separation (Approx. 14.5 ft) but less than 36 inches of clearance between energized jumper wires and grounded cross-arms. However, no bird electrocutions have been recorded at any of these structures.

# 5.1.2 Brush Creek Tap Line

The 1.2-mile long Brush Creek 12 kV tap line is a 3-phase line with several different support structure configurations including: 1) transformer poles with extensive energized hardware such as lightning arrestors, fused cutouts, exposed bushings and jumpers; and 2) poles with horizontal cross-arms with two phases on the same side of the cross-arm spaced less than 30 inches apart. Phase-to-phase and phase-to-ground spacing on these configurations is insufficient to prevent

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bird electrocution and have been specifically identified as "problem designs" by APLIC (1996). However, no bird electrocutions have been recorded along the Brush Creek tap line.

### 5.2 Collision Issues and Relationship to UARP

Bird collisions with power lines generally become biologically significant only in very specific localized situations as determined by species, environmental, and powerline design characteristics (APLIC 1994). The most critical biological factor in determining collision potential is the frequency that birds in flight must cross a powerline within their daily use area. For instance, where feeding and nesting/roosting areas for a species are on the same side of a line, encounters are few; when the line bisects the two areas, encounters and risk increase. Other important factors in determining risk of collisions are: species size and maneuverability; height at which a species typically flies; time of day and related light/visibility; presence of distracting lighting at night; adverse weather conditions; local habitat characteristics; and flocking behavior (increasing risk with denser groupings (APLIC 1994)). Finally line placement, orientation, and configuration can influence collisions.

Overhead groundwires are the major engineering factor contributing to the potential for bird collisions with powerlines. Groundwires are generally constructed on the tops of transmission or distribution support structures in areas subject to lightning to protect the lines against outages due to a lightning strike which can result in costly damage to equipment and affect service reliability (APLIC 1994). Although birds seem to recognize and avoid large support structures and conductors, they often collide with the much smaller groundwires, which are only about 0.4-0.5 inches in diameter and can be nearly invisible in dim light. On the UARP transmission system, groundwires exist currently throughout most of the higher elevation segments of the transmission line from Loon Lake Powerhouse to just west of Camino Powerhouse, including the Jones Fork-Union Valley transmission line segment. An isolated segment with groundwires also occurs over an approximate 3.0-mile segment near White Rock Powerhouse. Design drawings showing the locations of groundwires along the UARP transmission line are provided in Appendix B).

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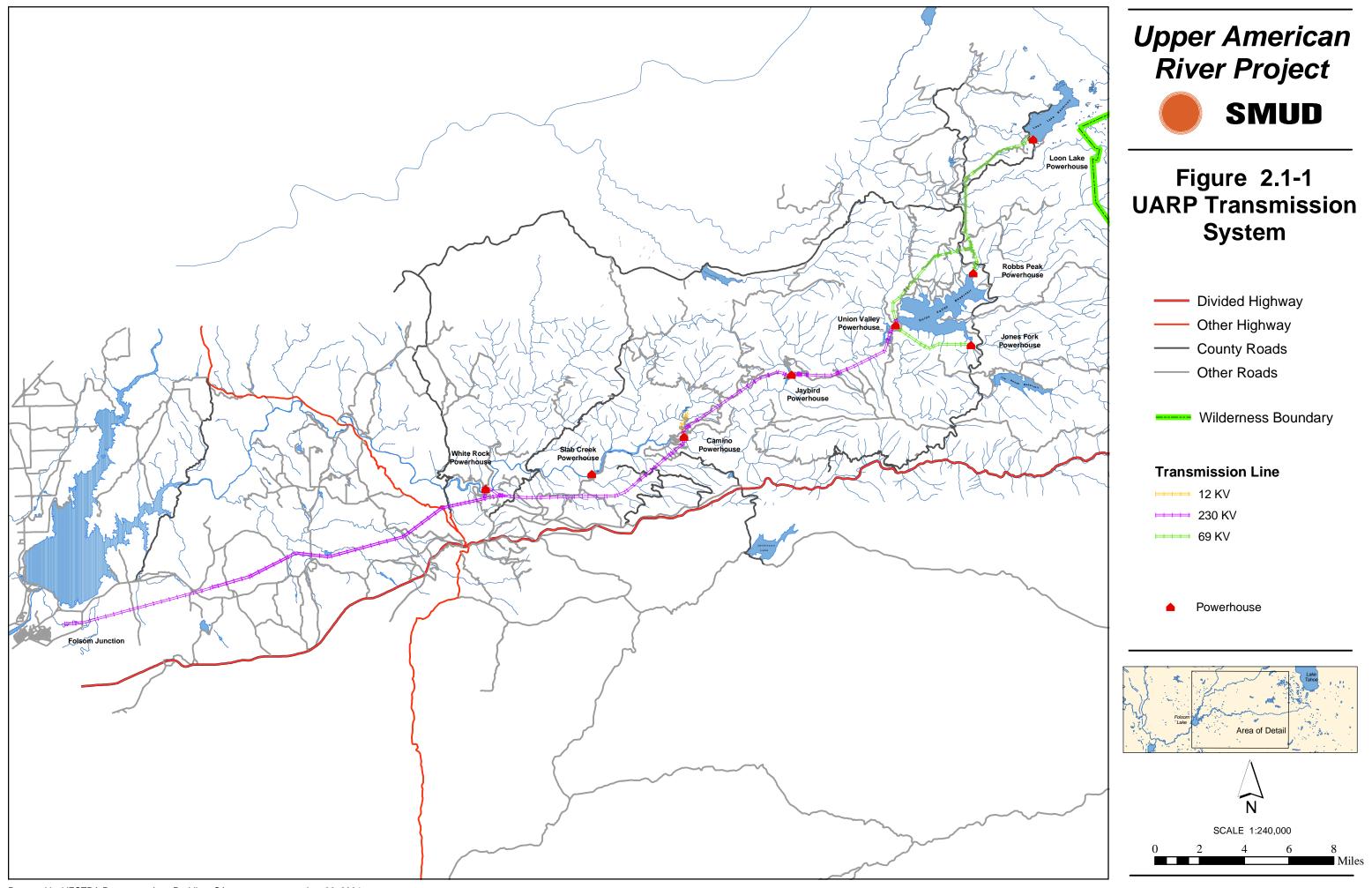
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# **APPENDIX A**

# FIGURE 2.1-1. UPPER AMERICAN RIVER PROJECT TRANSMISSION SYSTEM



# **APPENDIX B**

# DESIGN DRAWINGS FOR THE UPPER AMERICAN RIVER PROJECT TRANSMISSION SYSTEM

- Drawing 1DSD-4DSD
- Drawing 1DSS-4DSS
- Drawing 2DSD-3DSD
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- Drawing A1, B1, C1
- Drawing Brush Creek
- Drawing C-442-600
- Drawing E-432-311
- Drawing H-Frame

- Drawing T-line tower numbers and access roads
- Drawing T-line tower numbers and access roads-2
- Drawing T-line tower numbers and access roads-3
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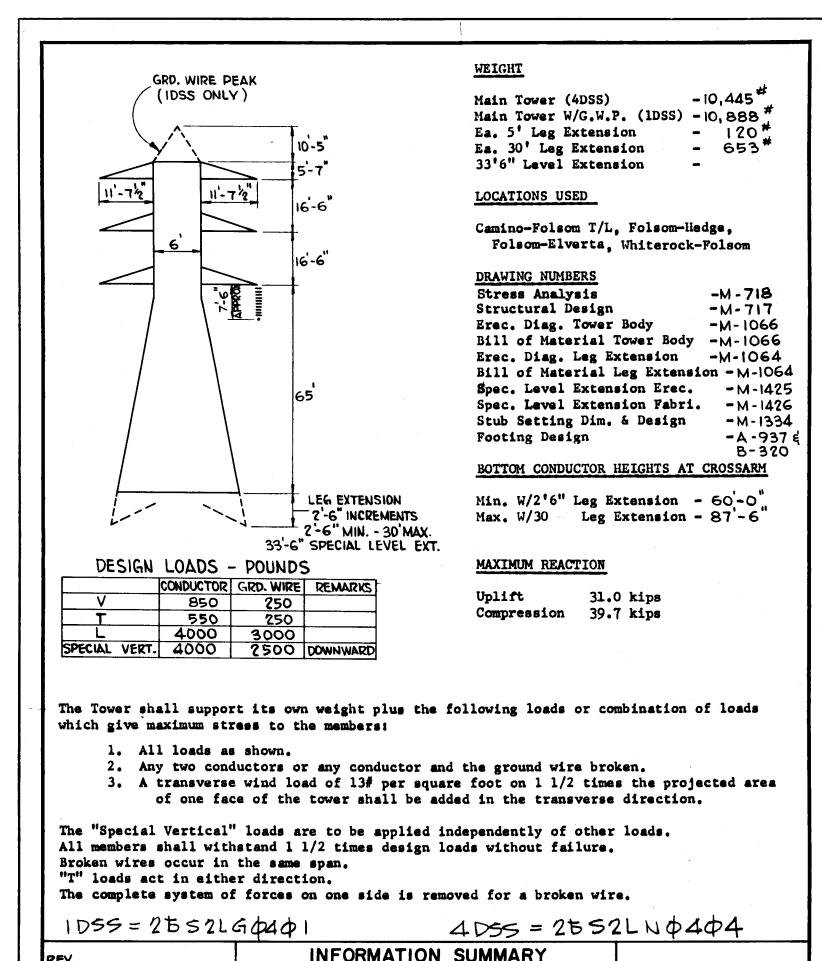
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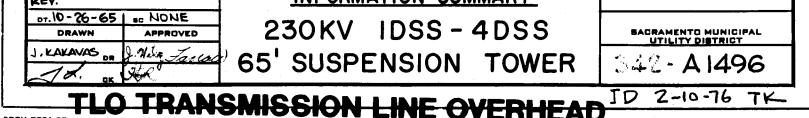
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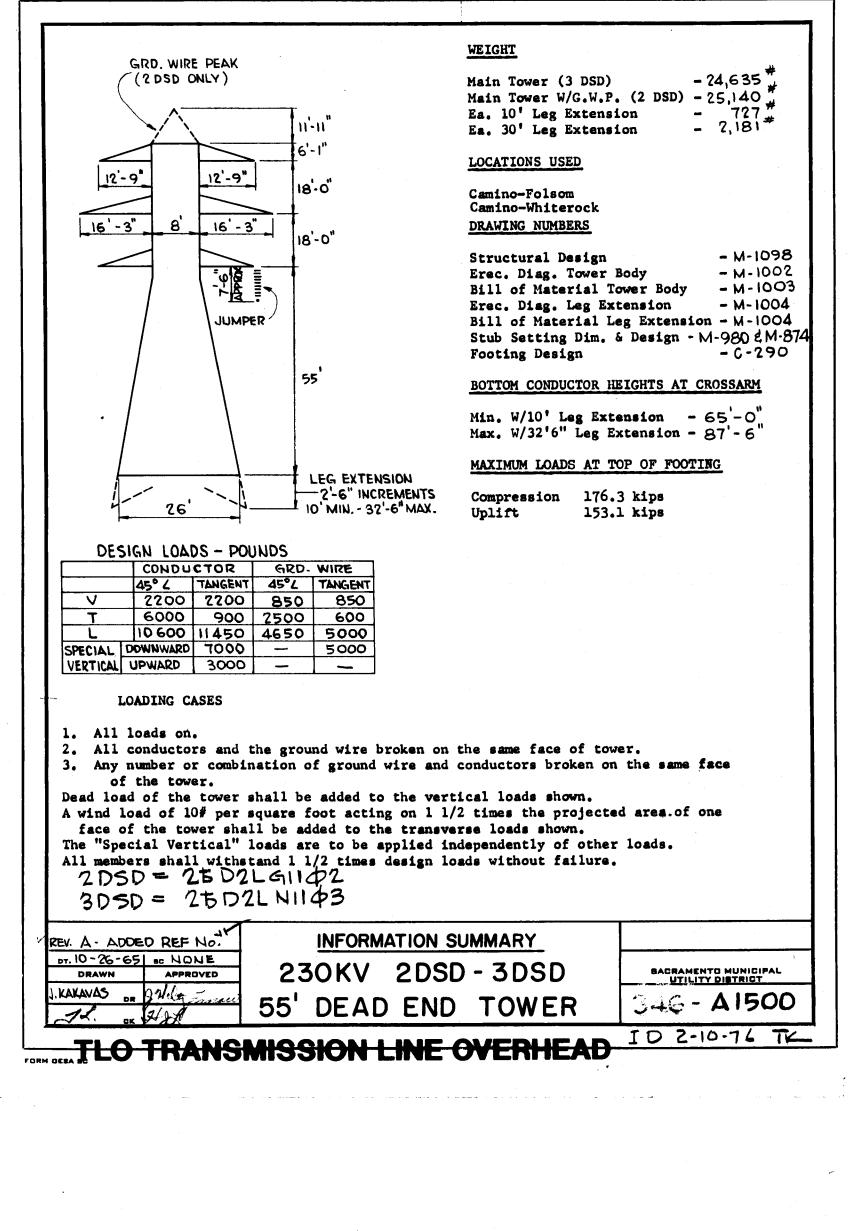
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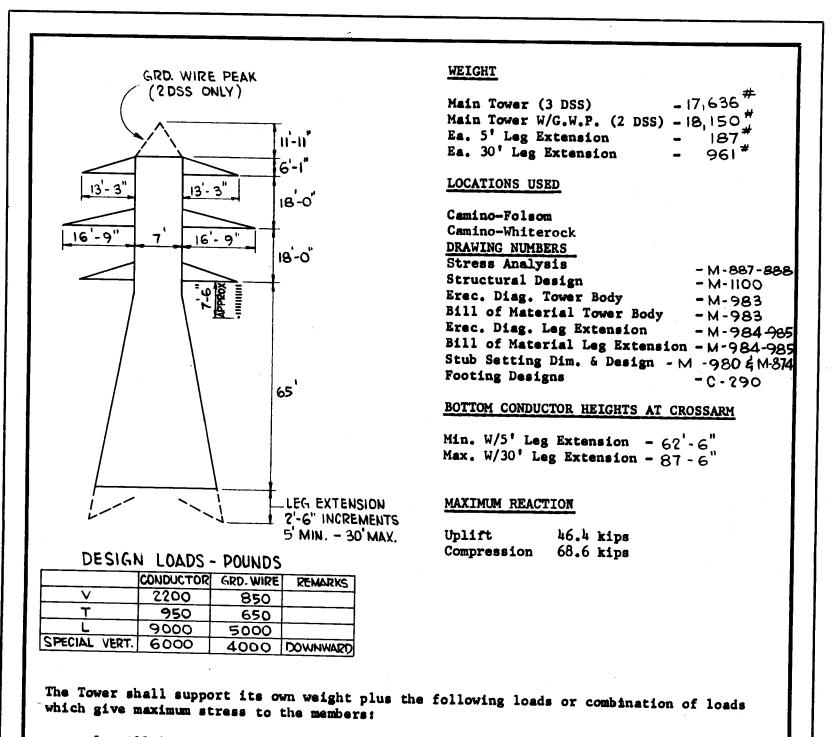
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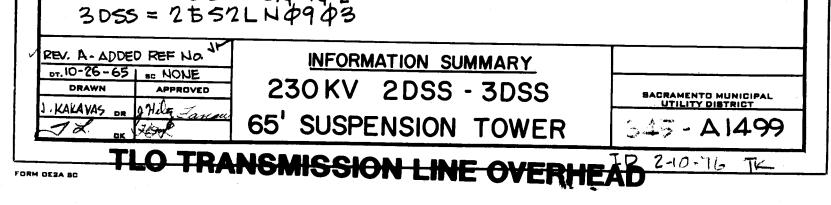
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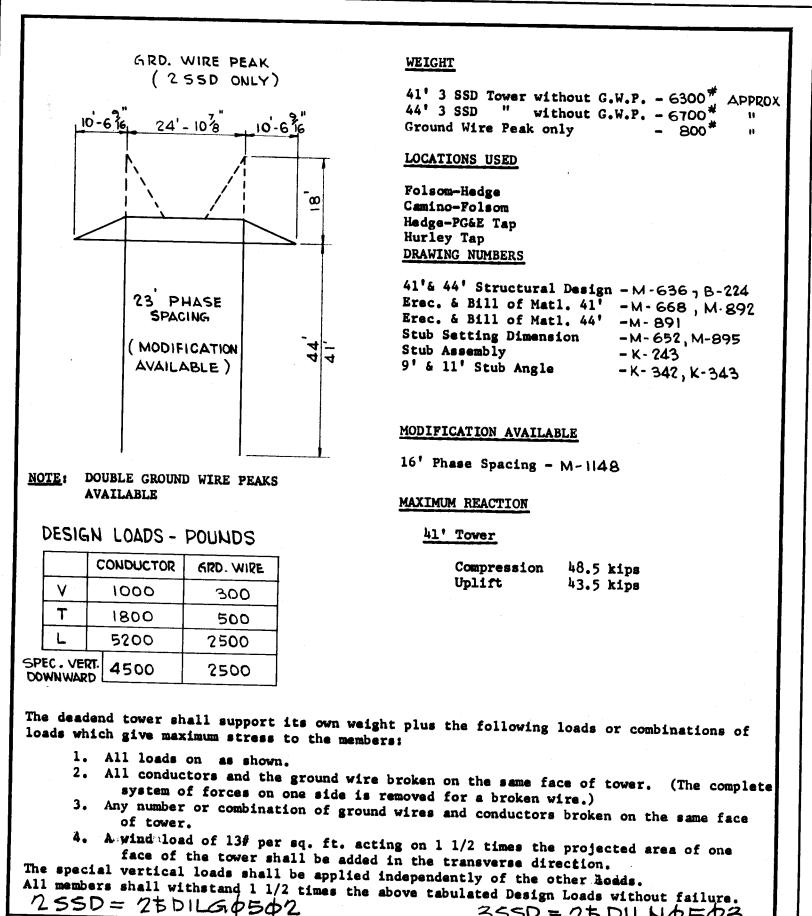
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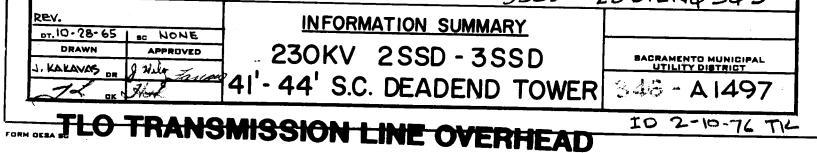
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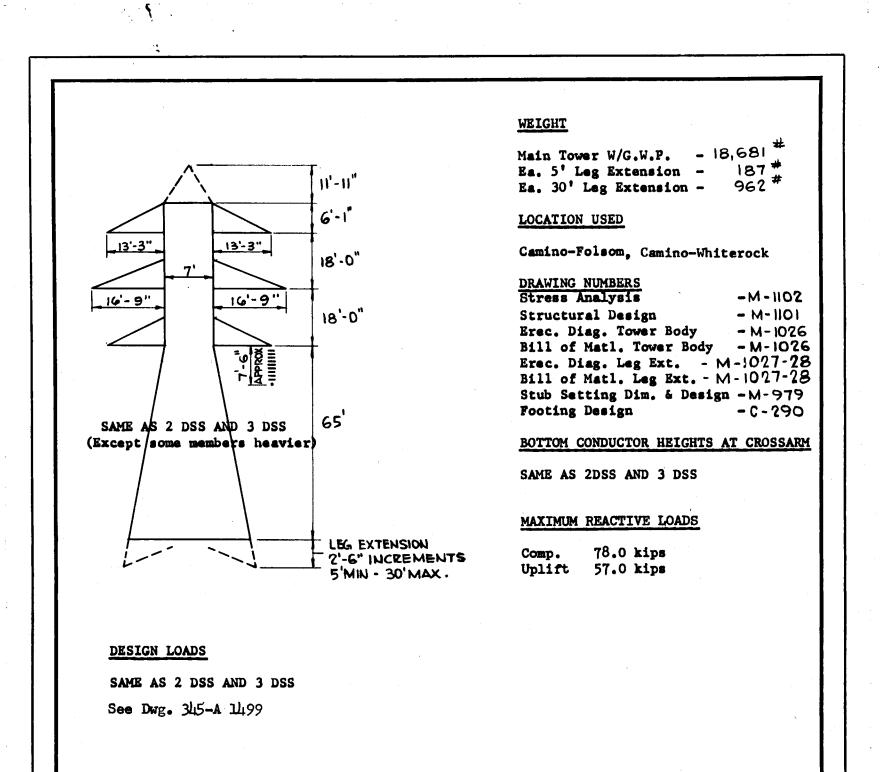
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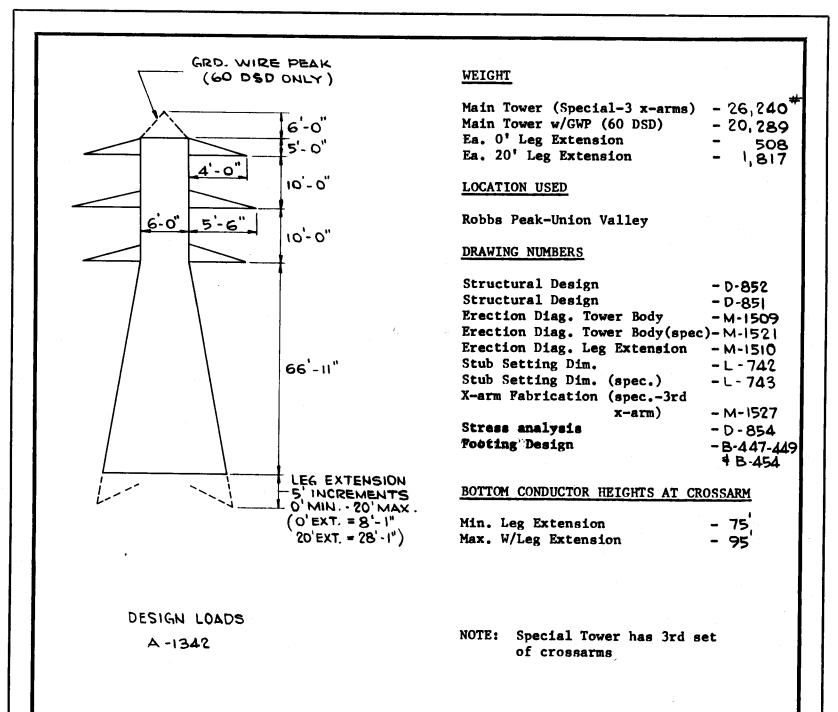




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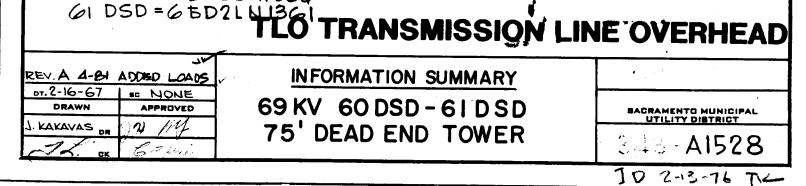
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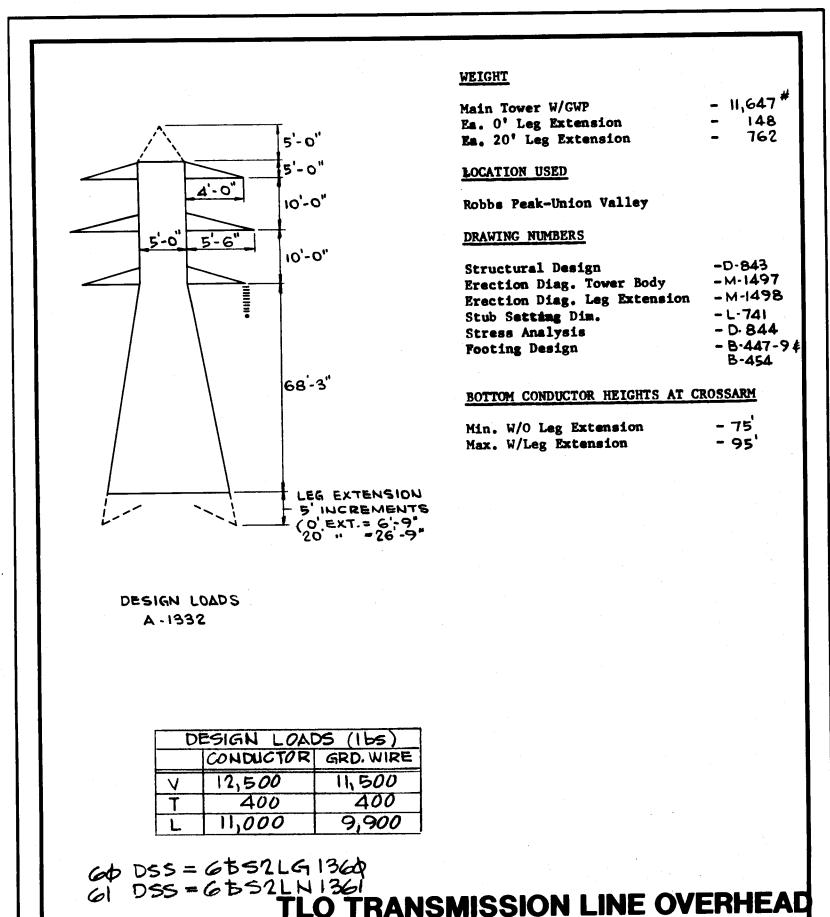


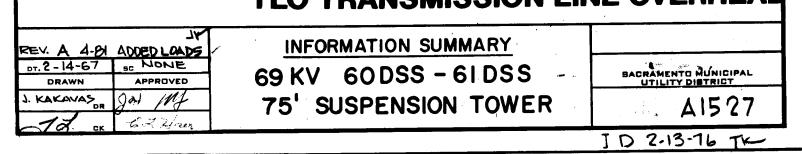
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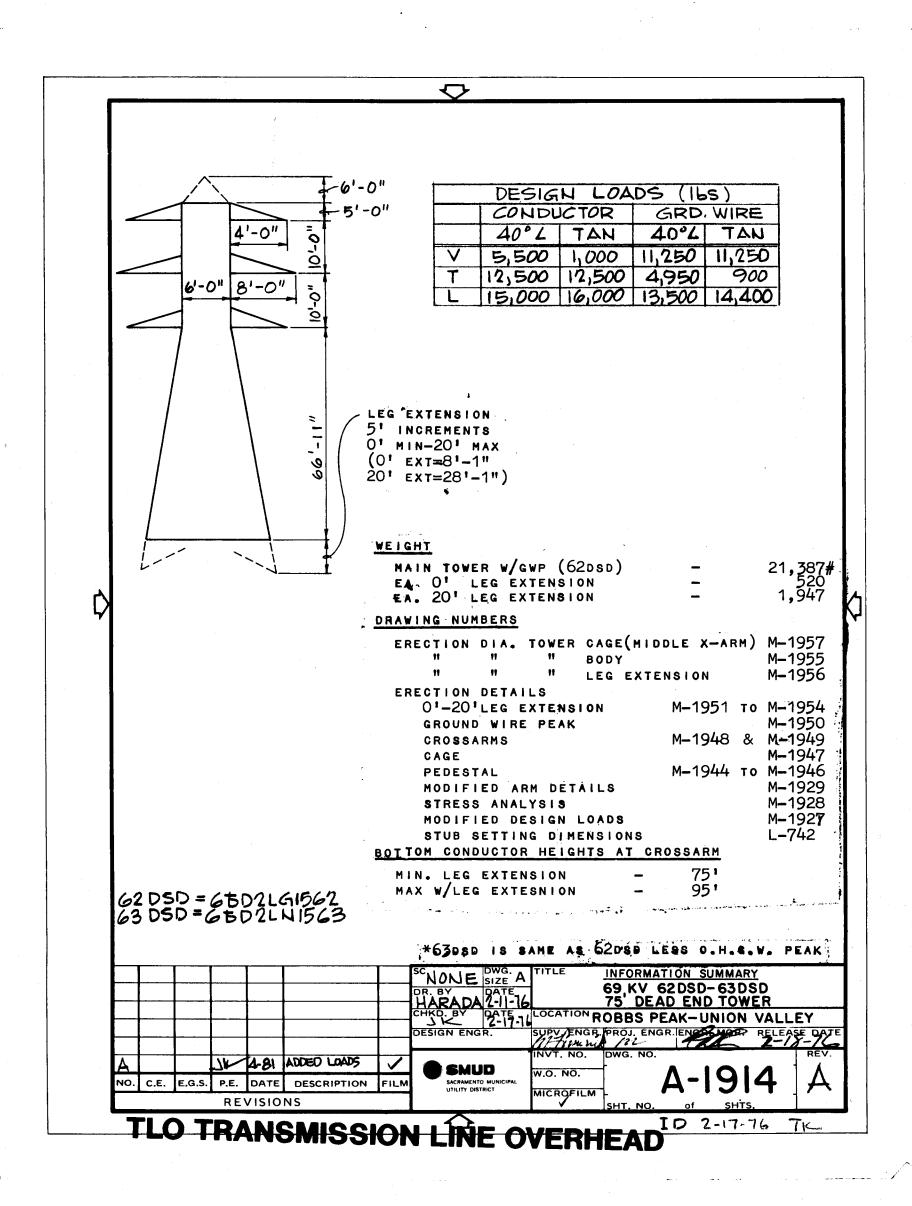


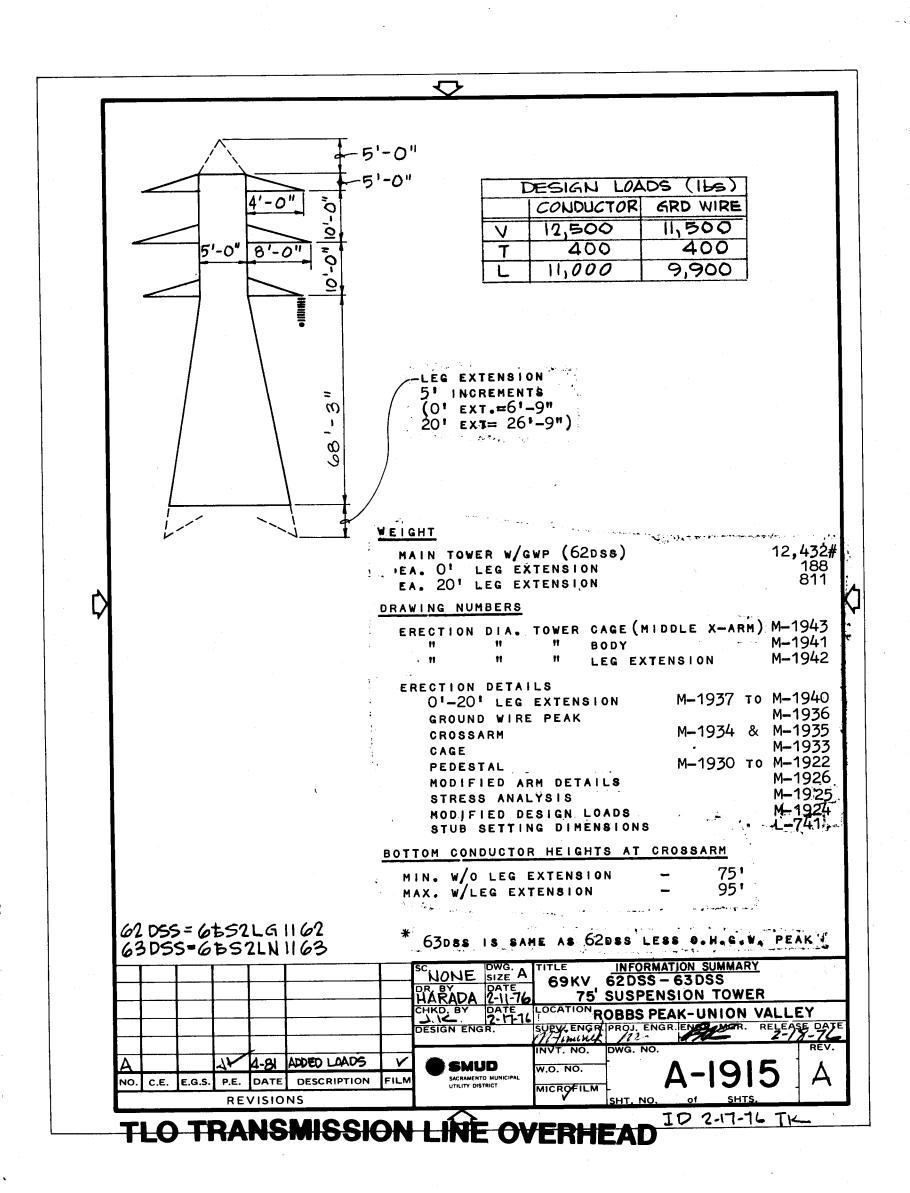
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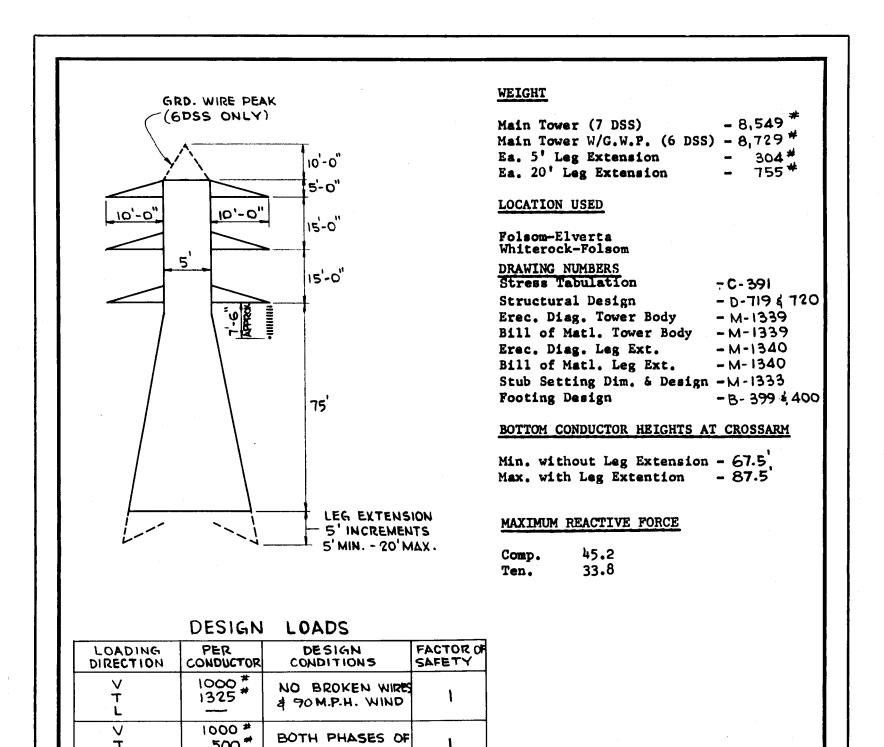




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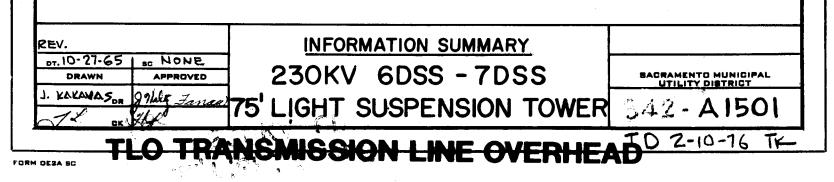






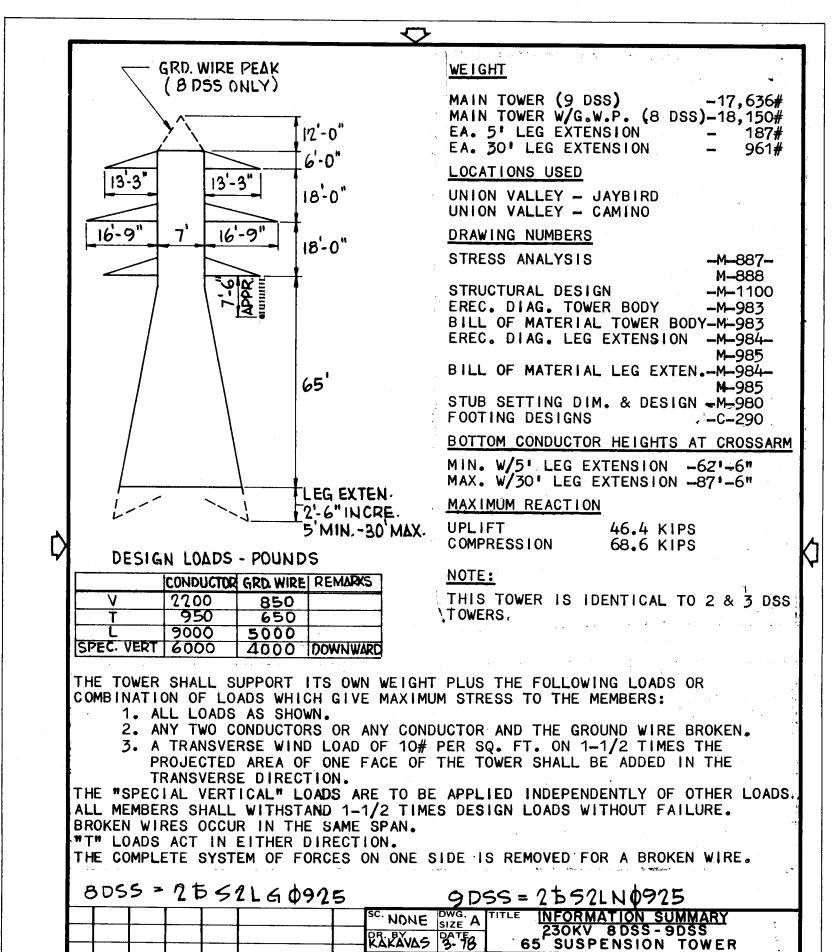
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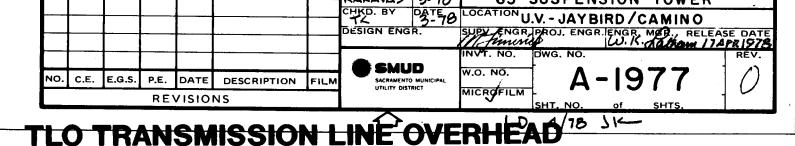
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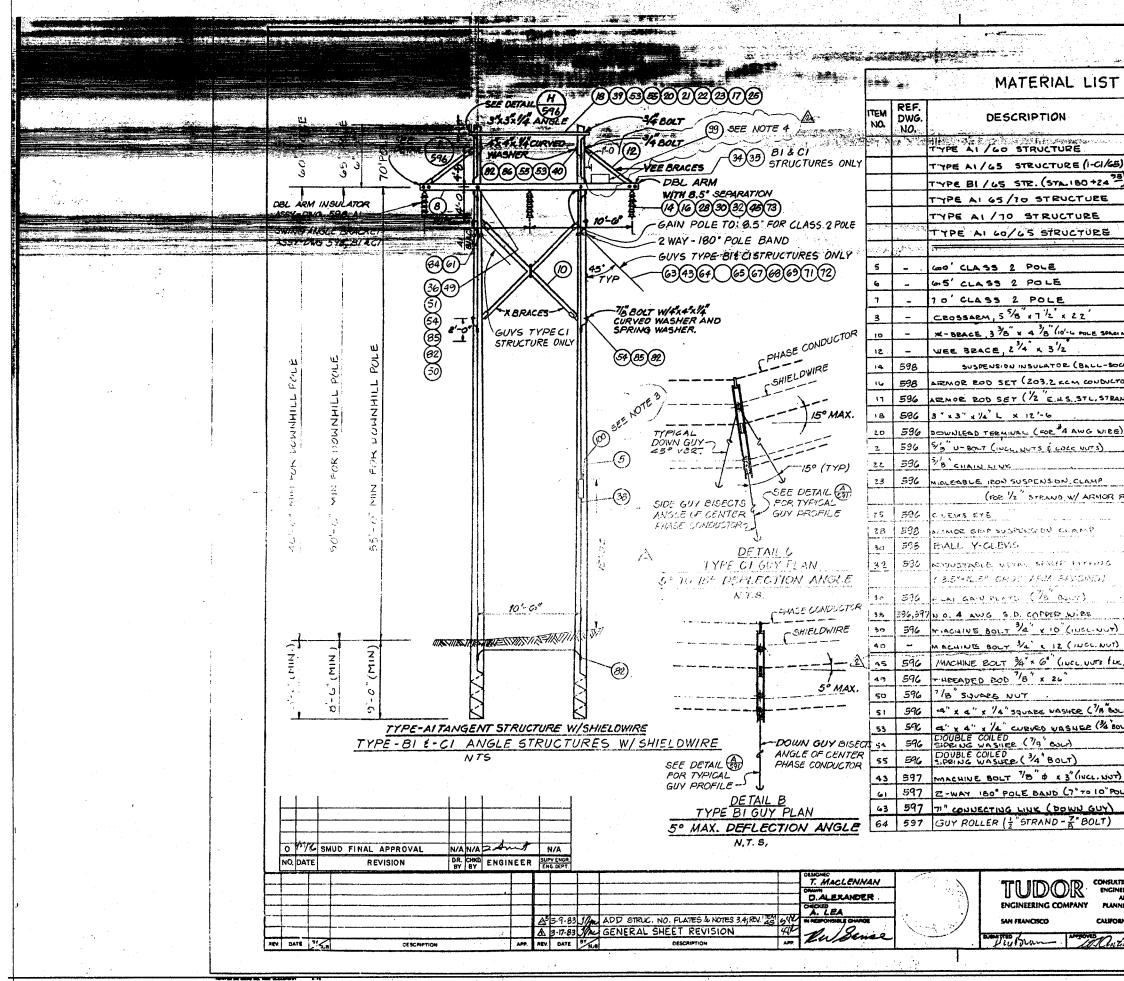


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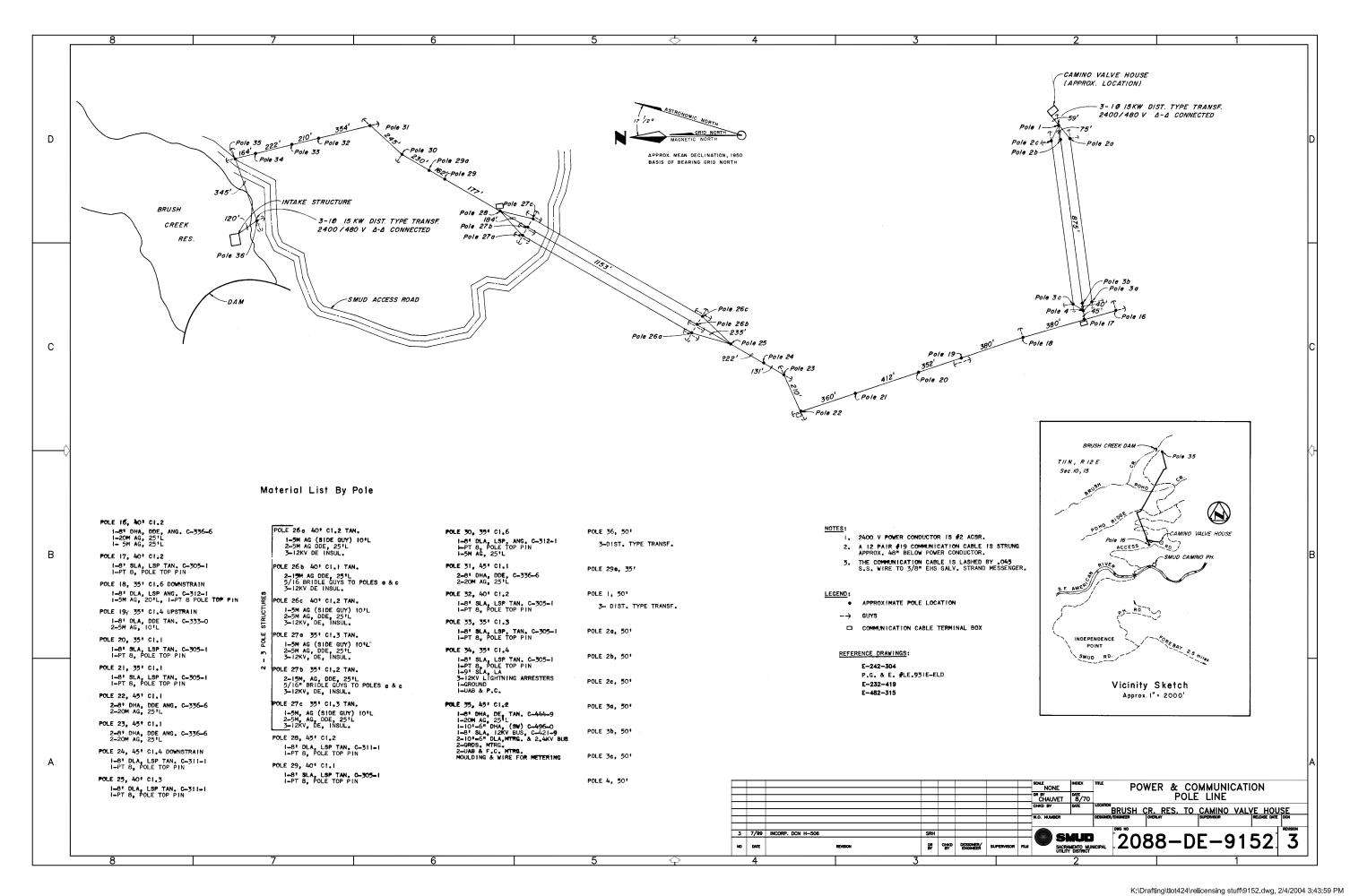
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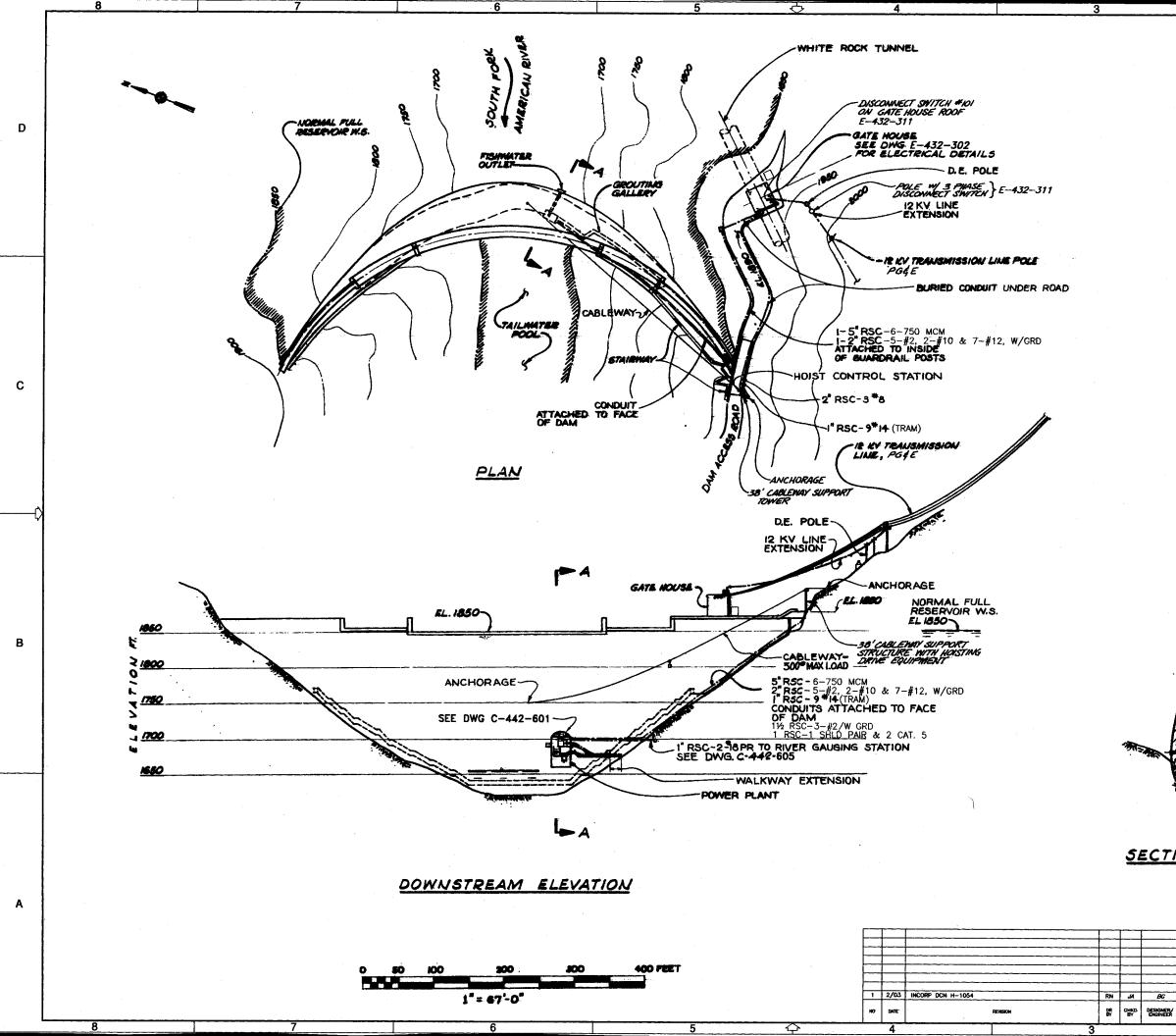
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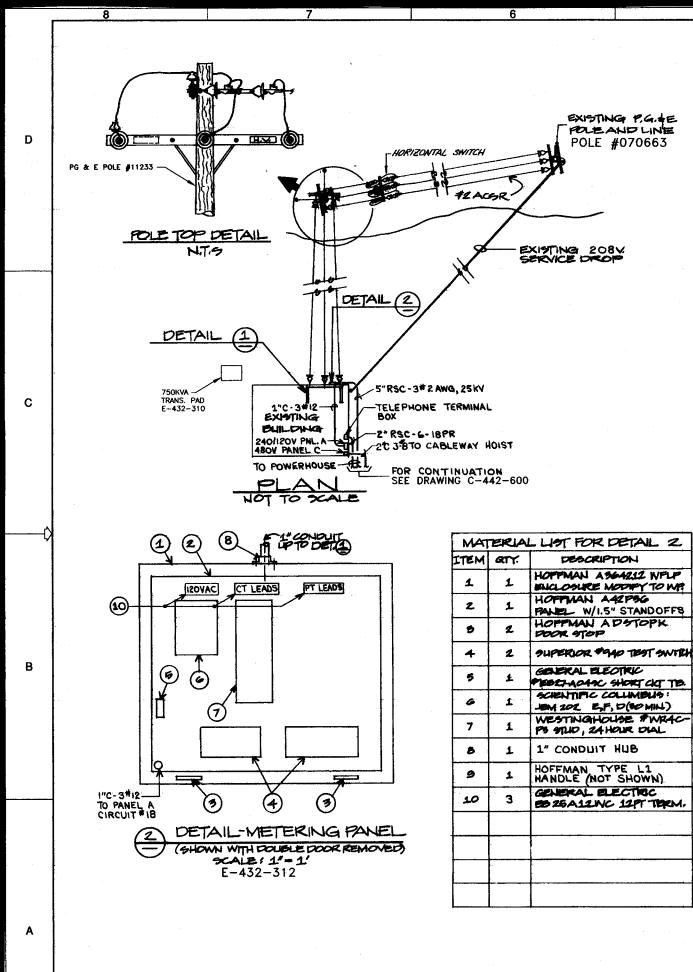
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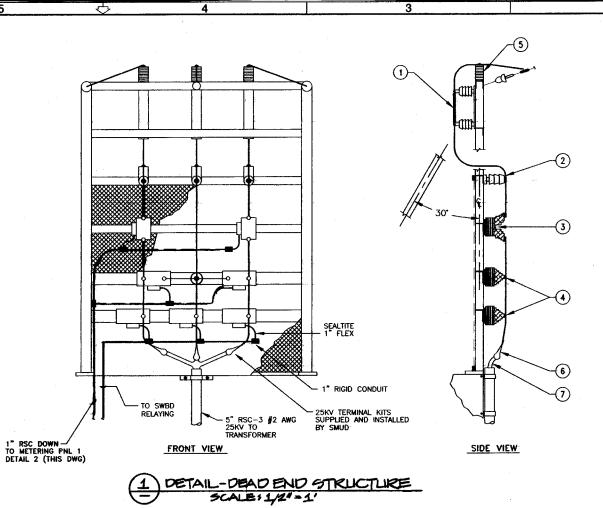




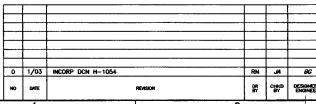
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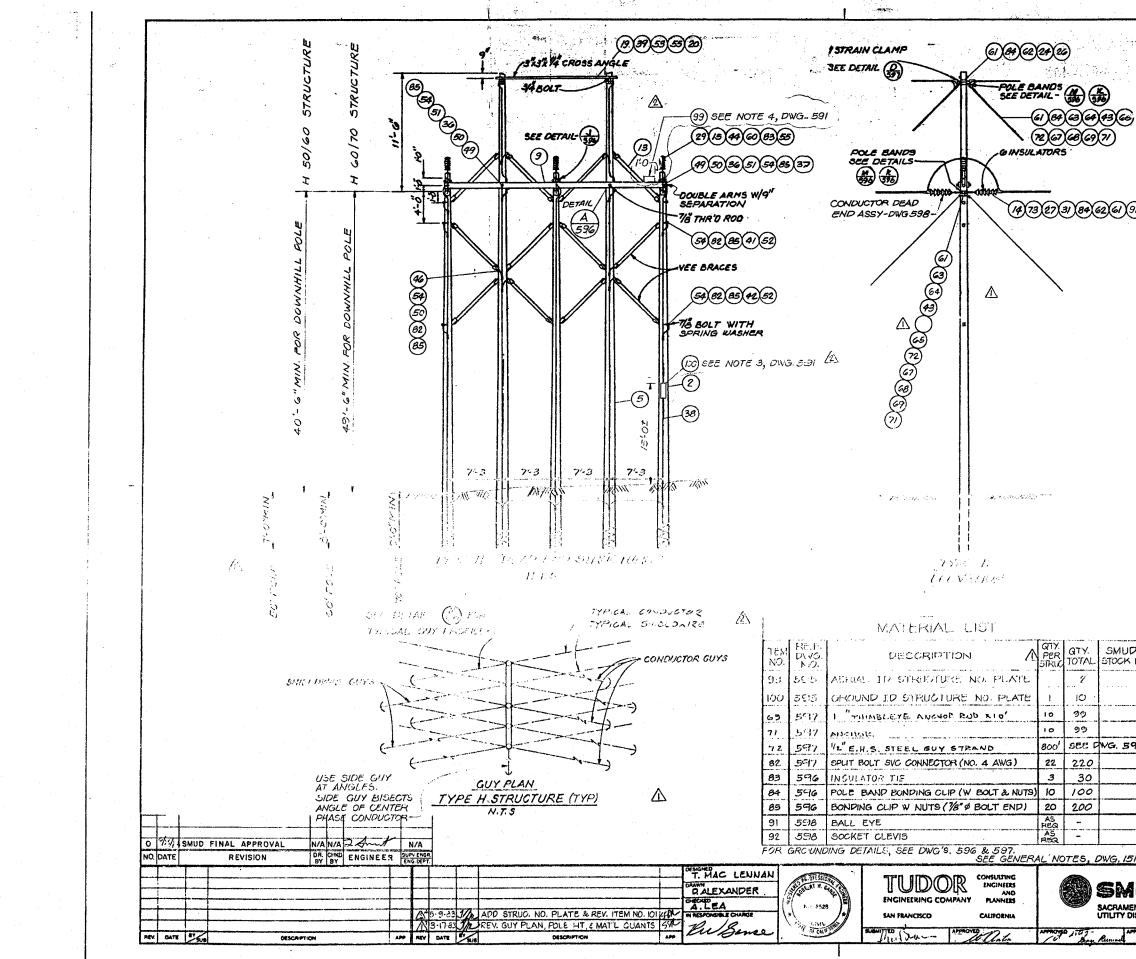




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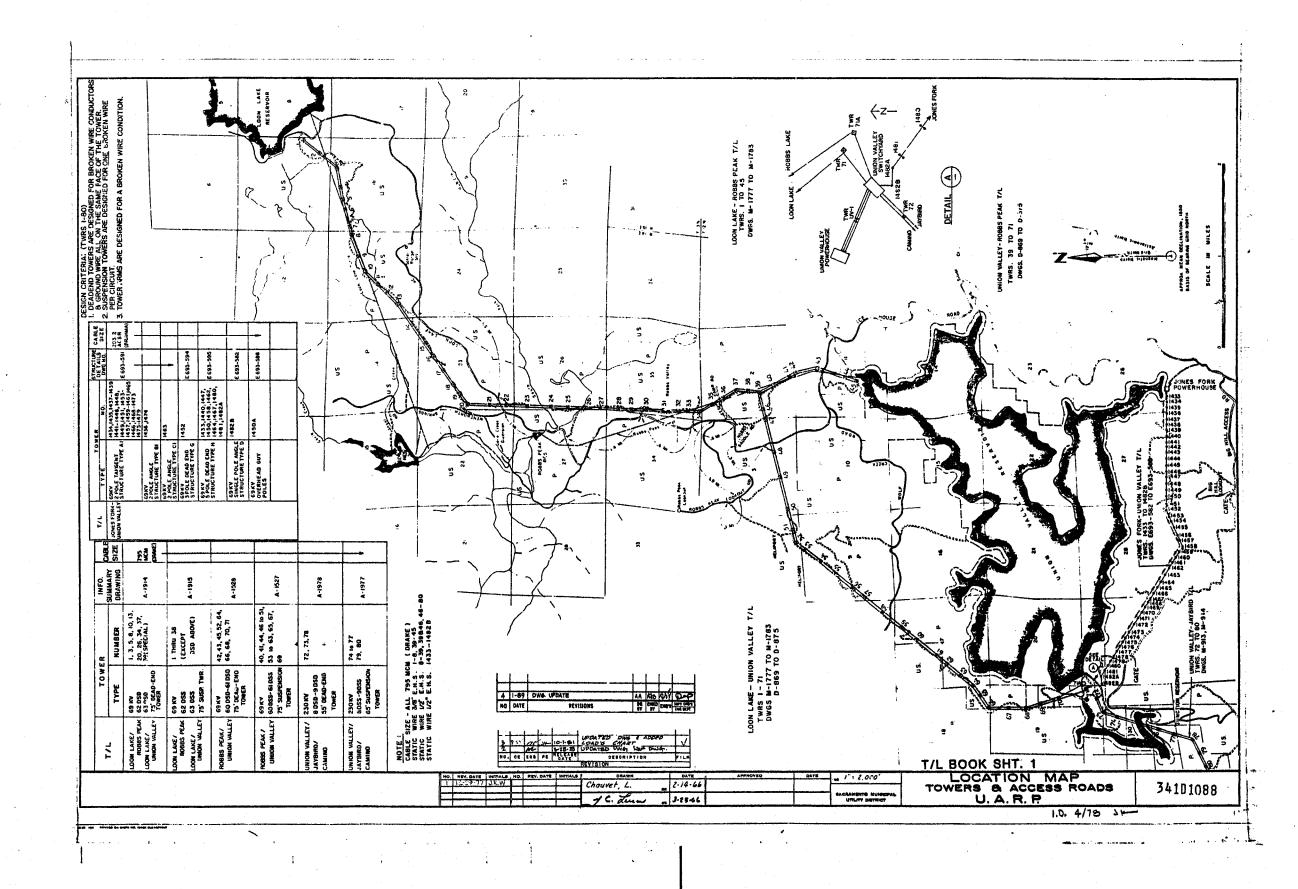


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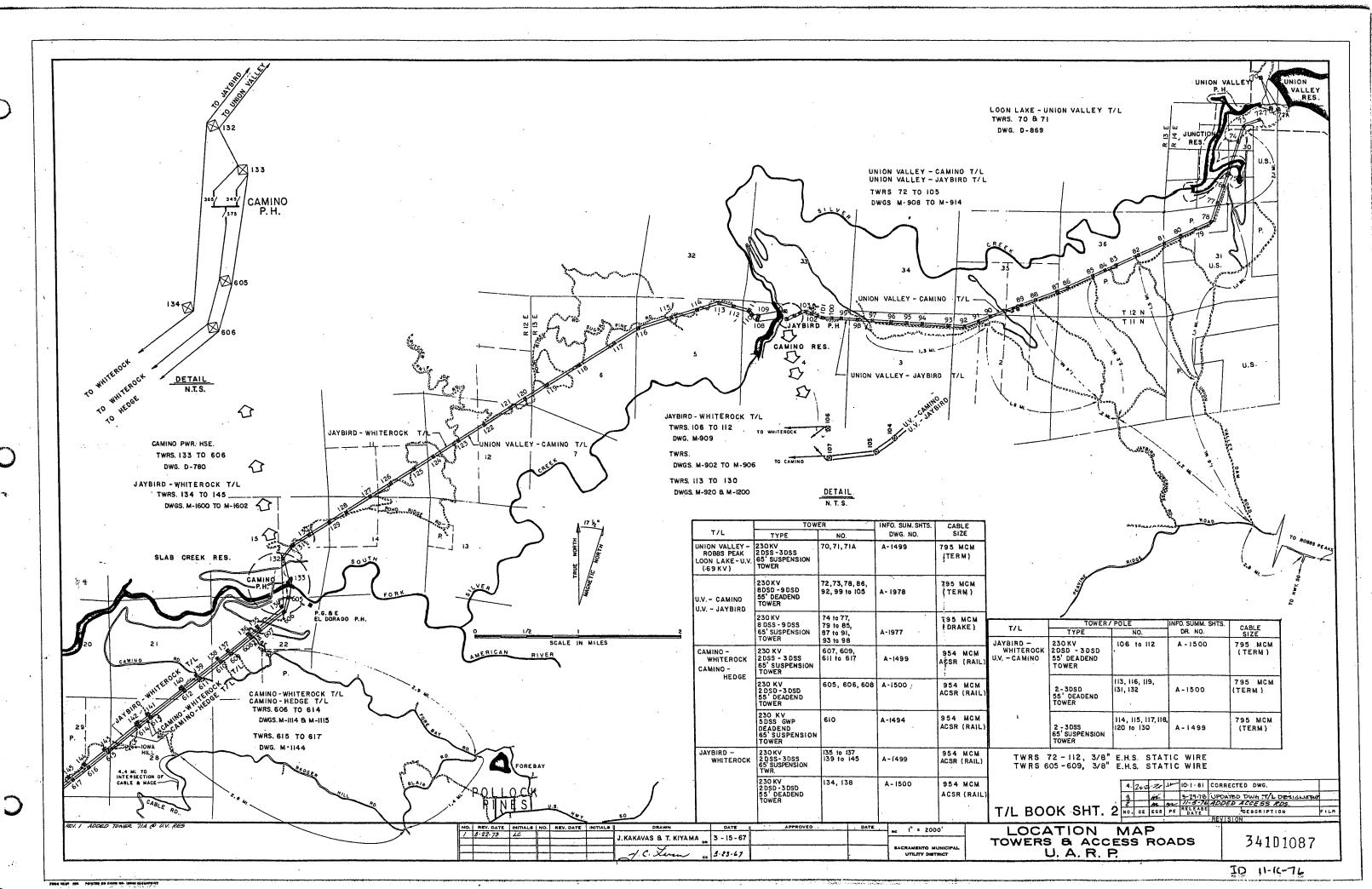
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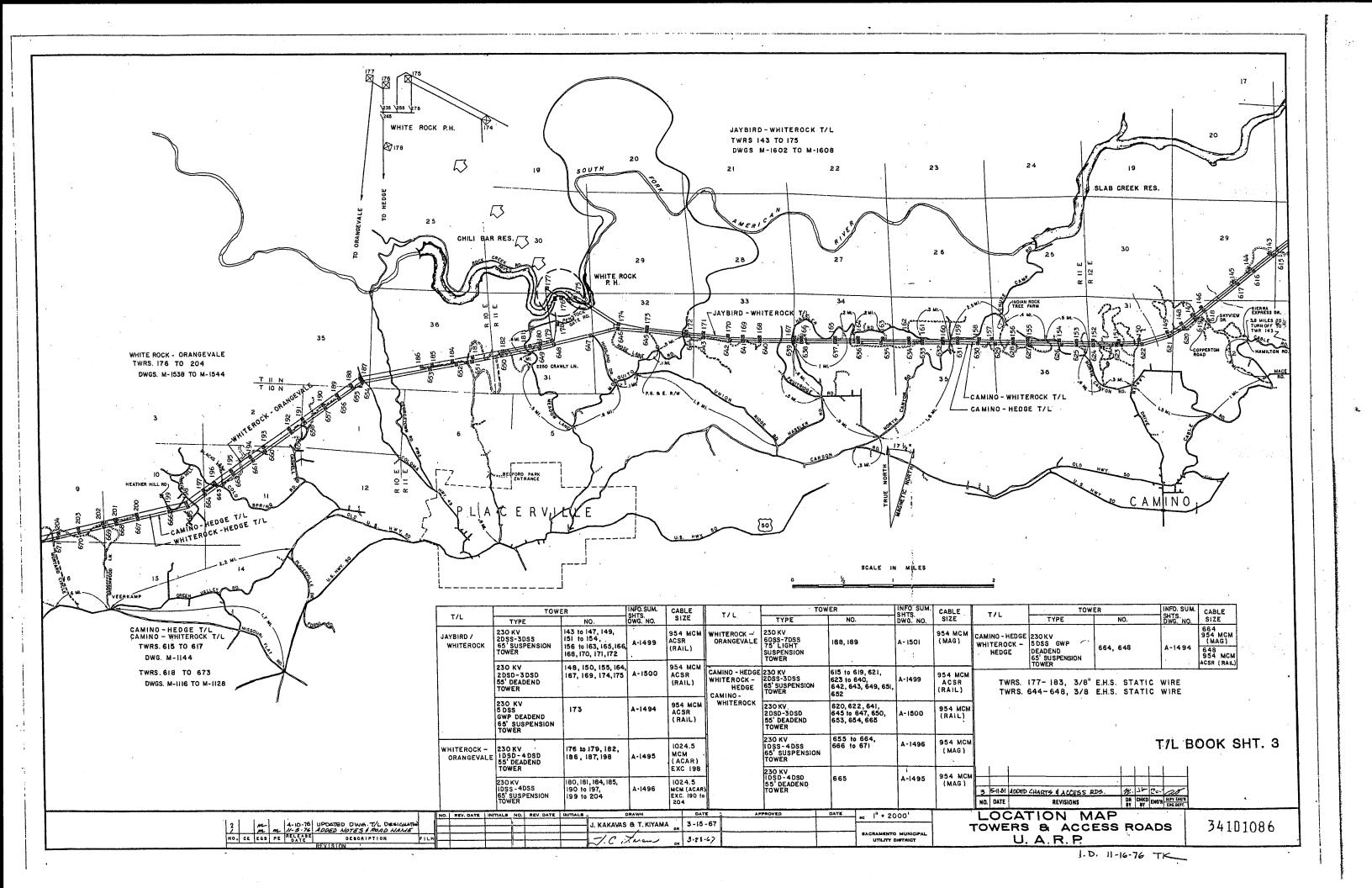


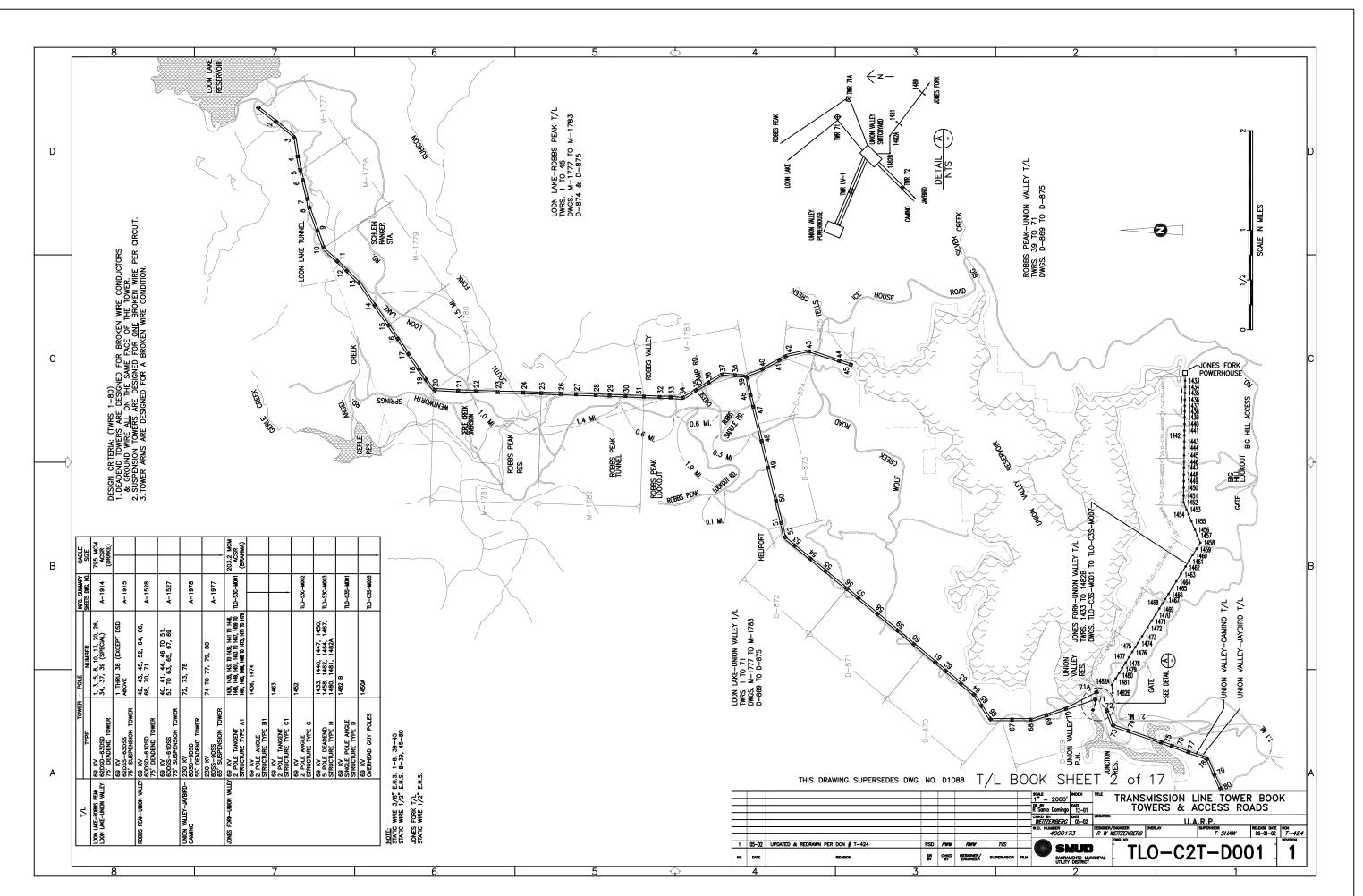
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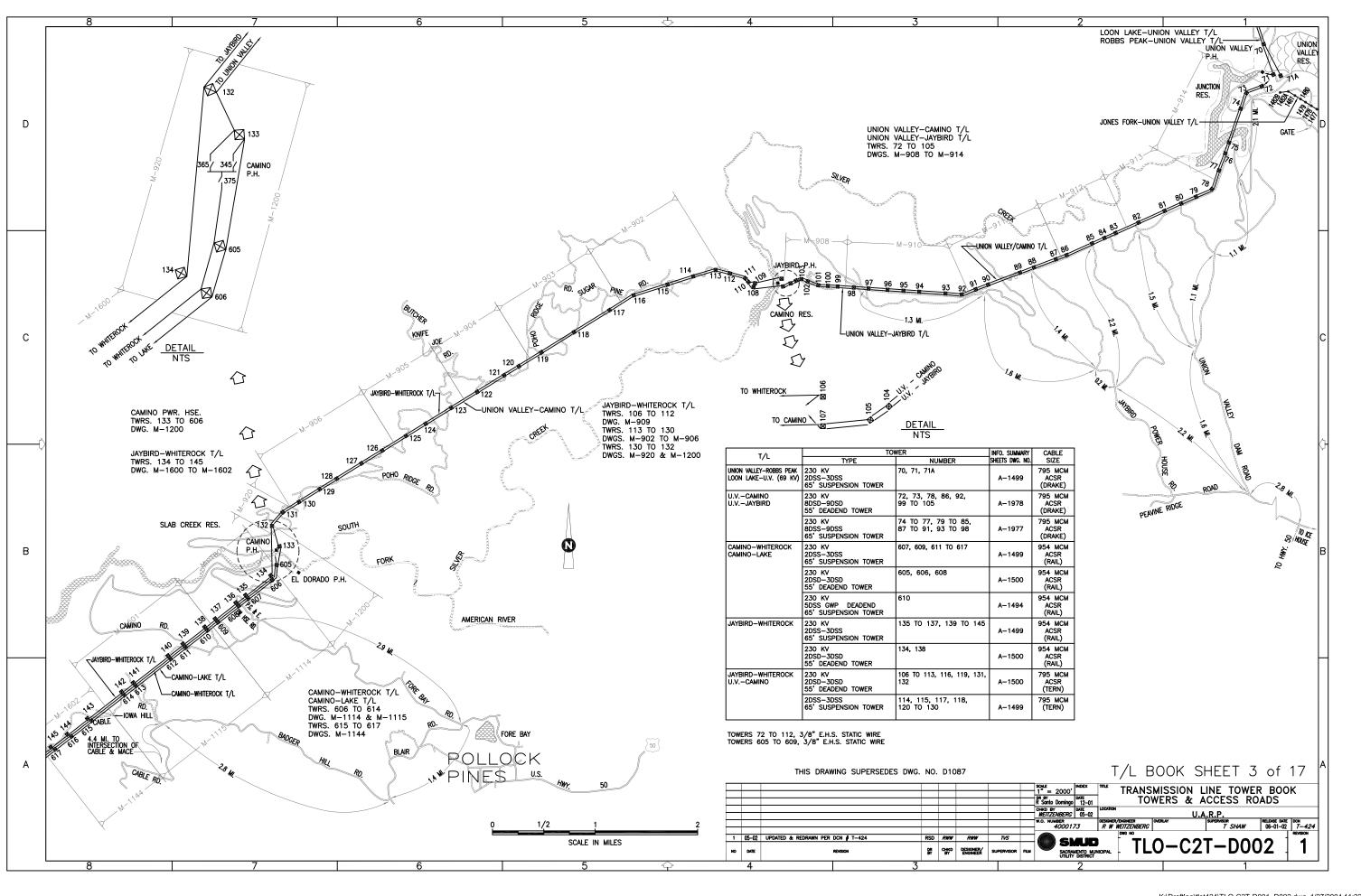
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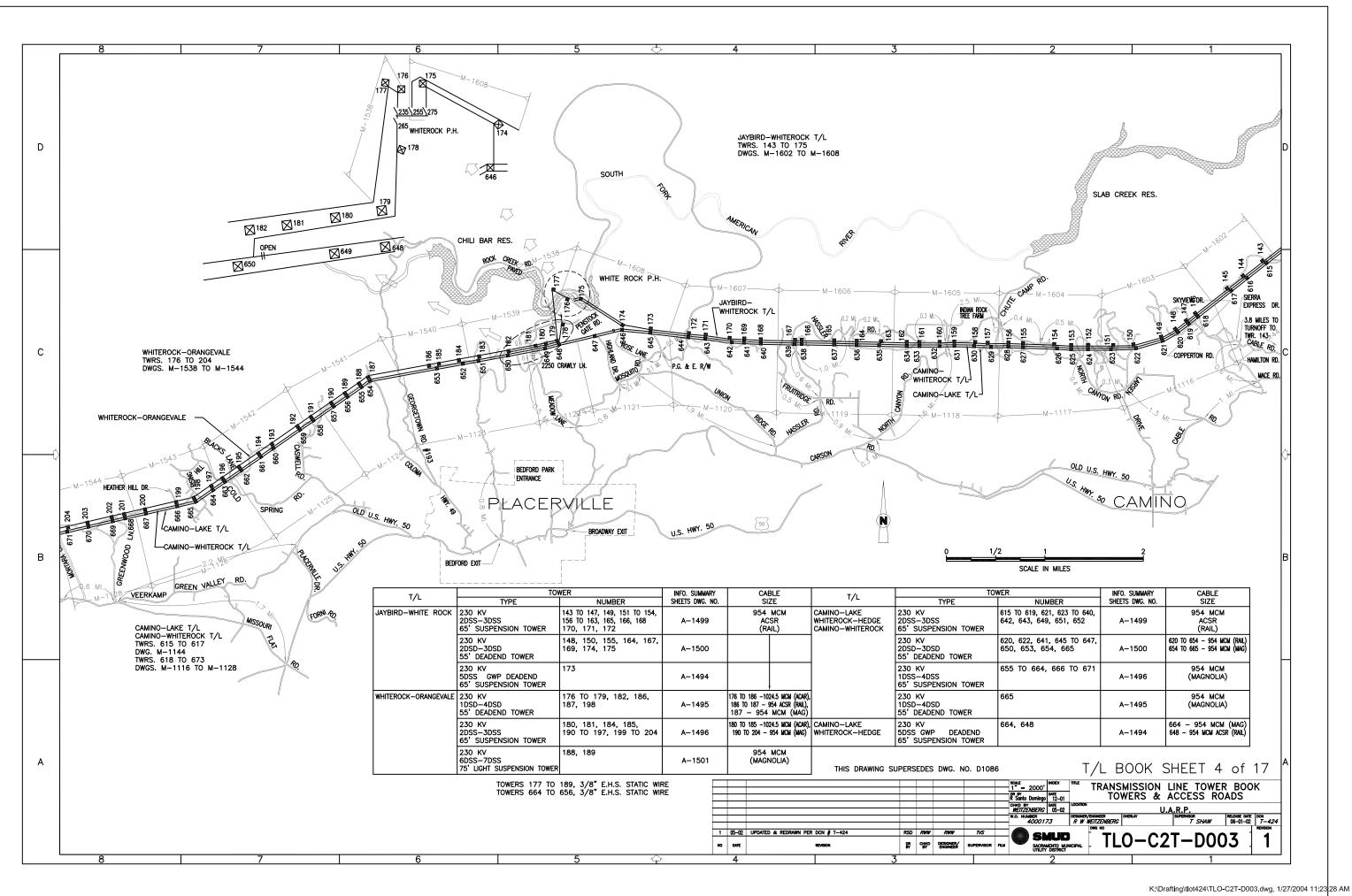
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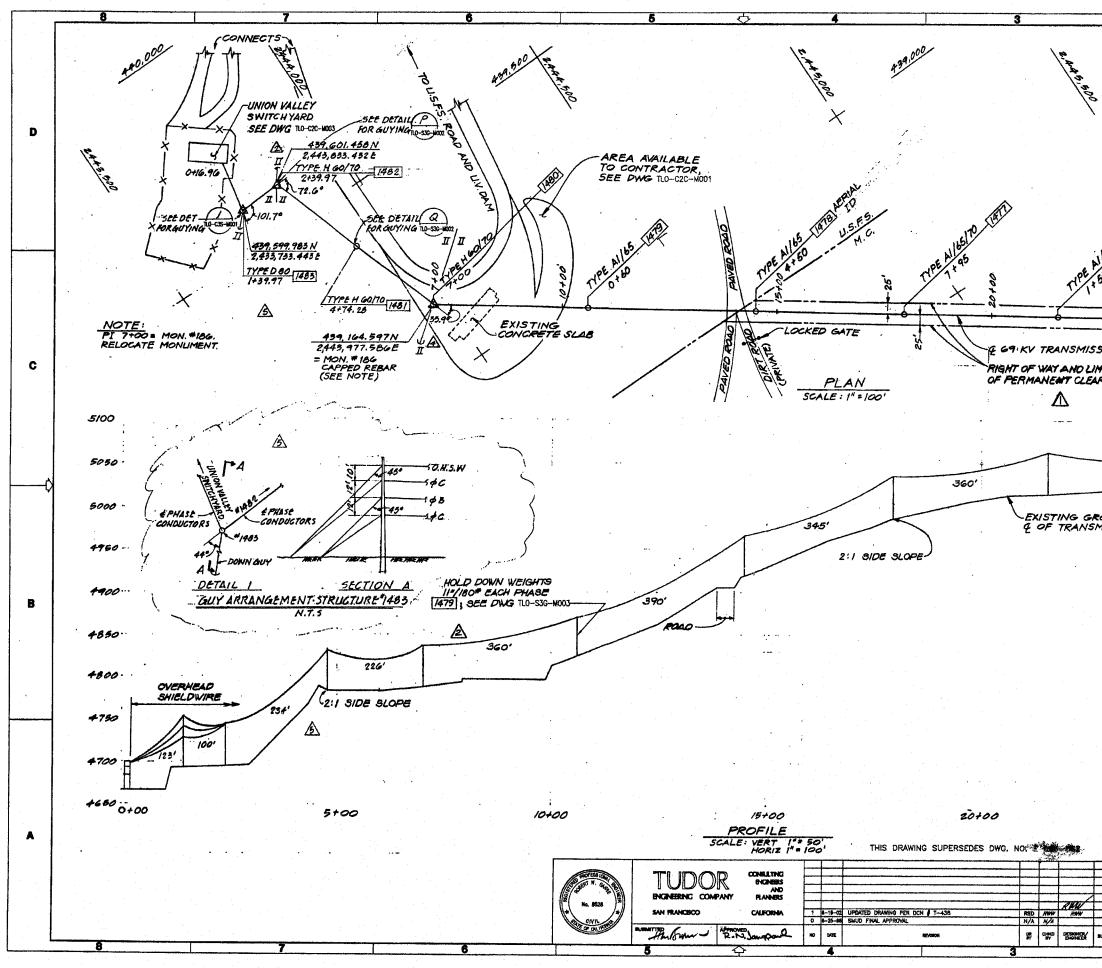












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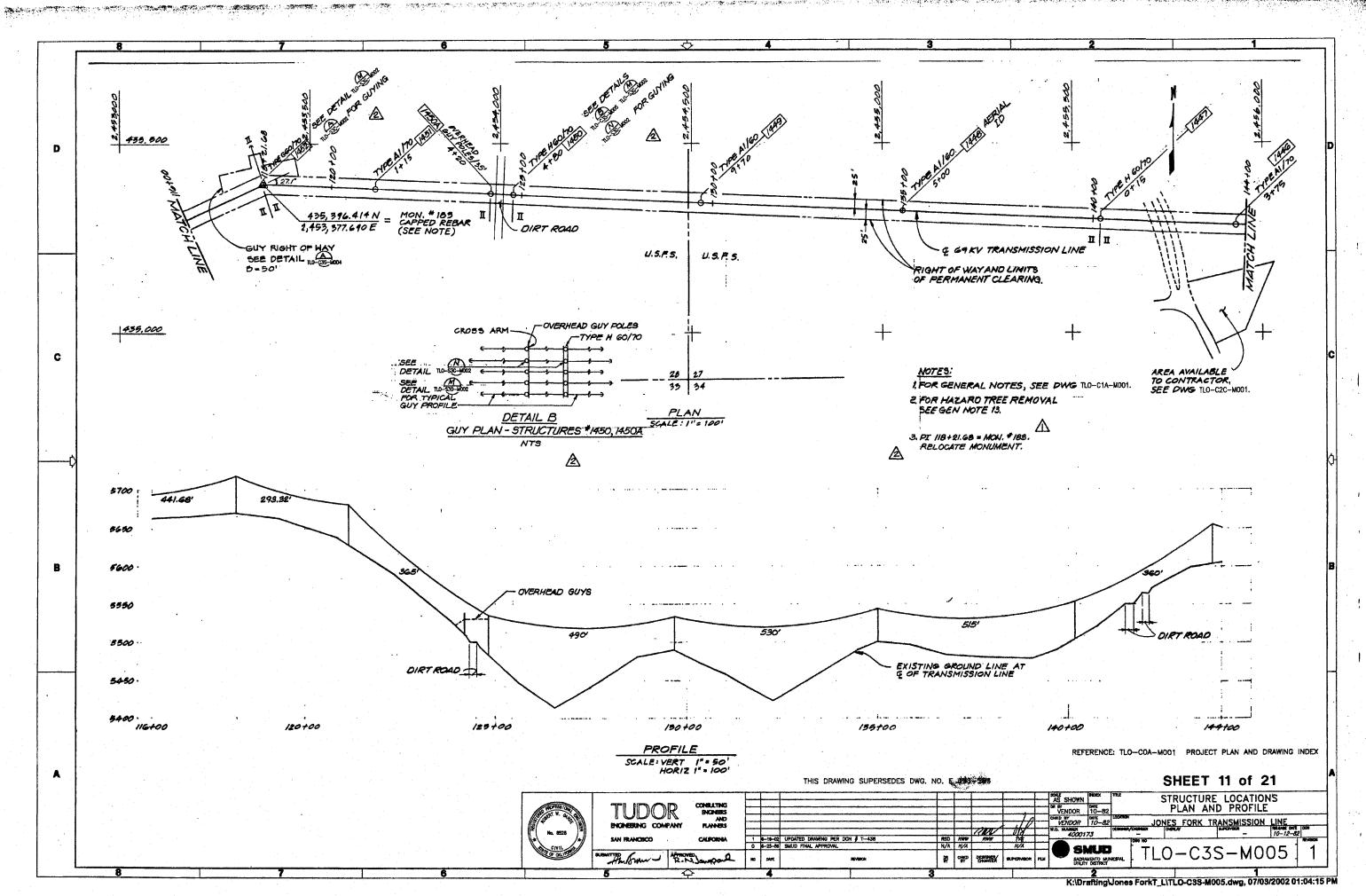
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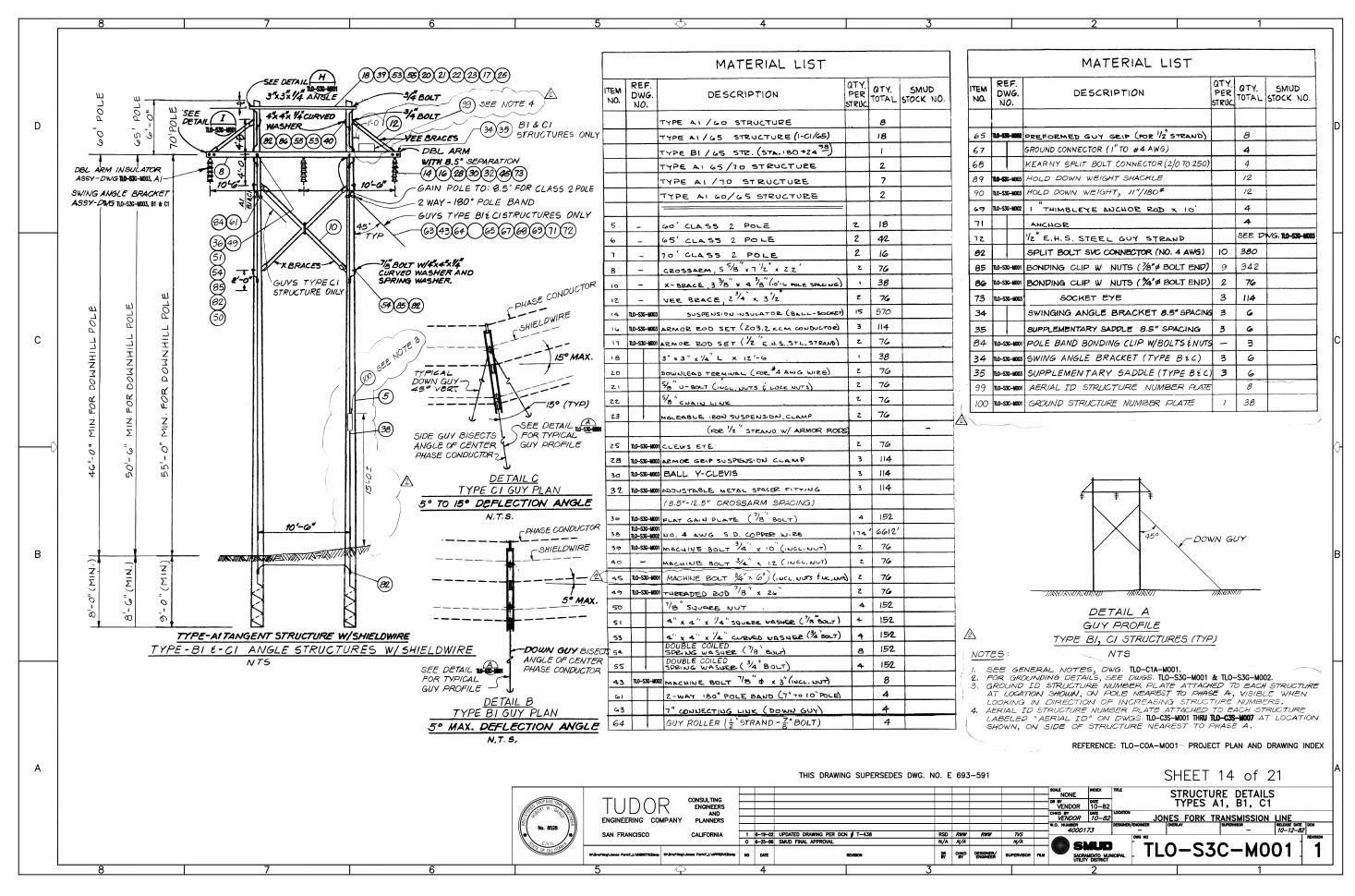
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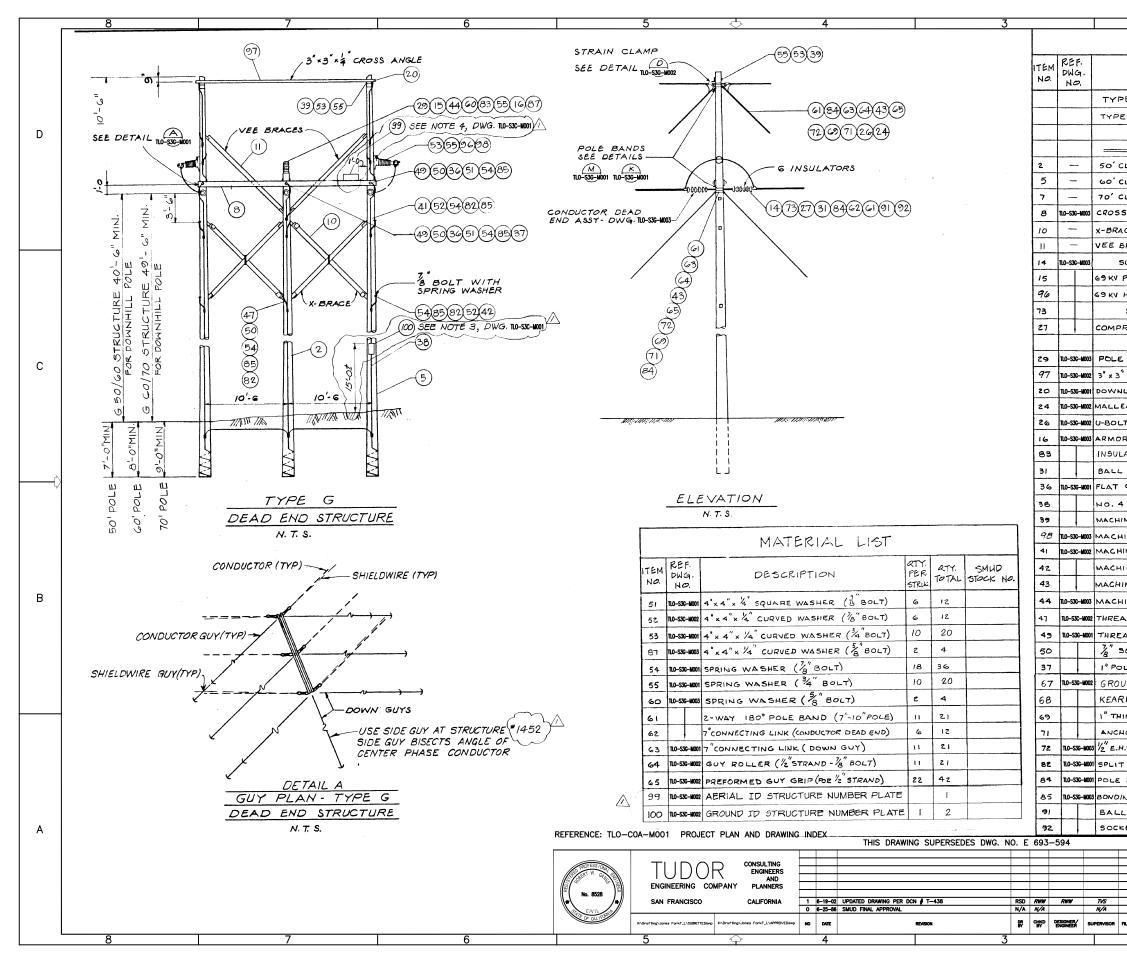
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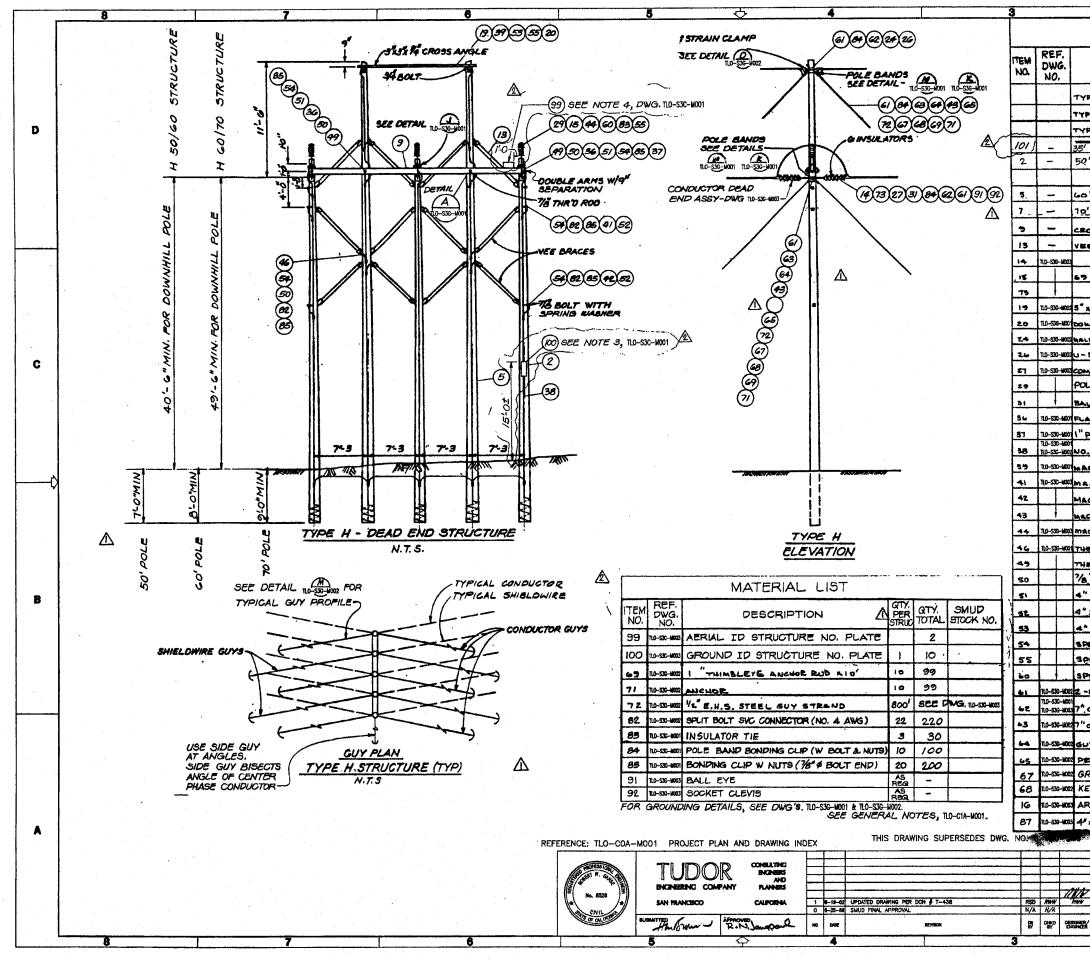
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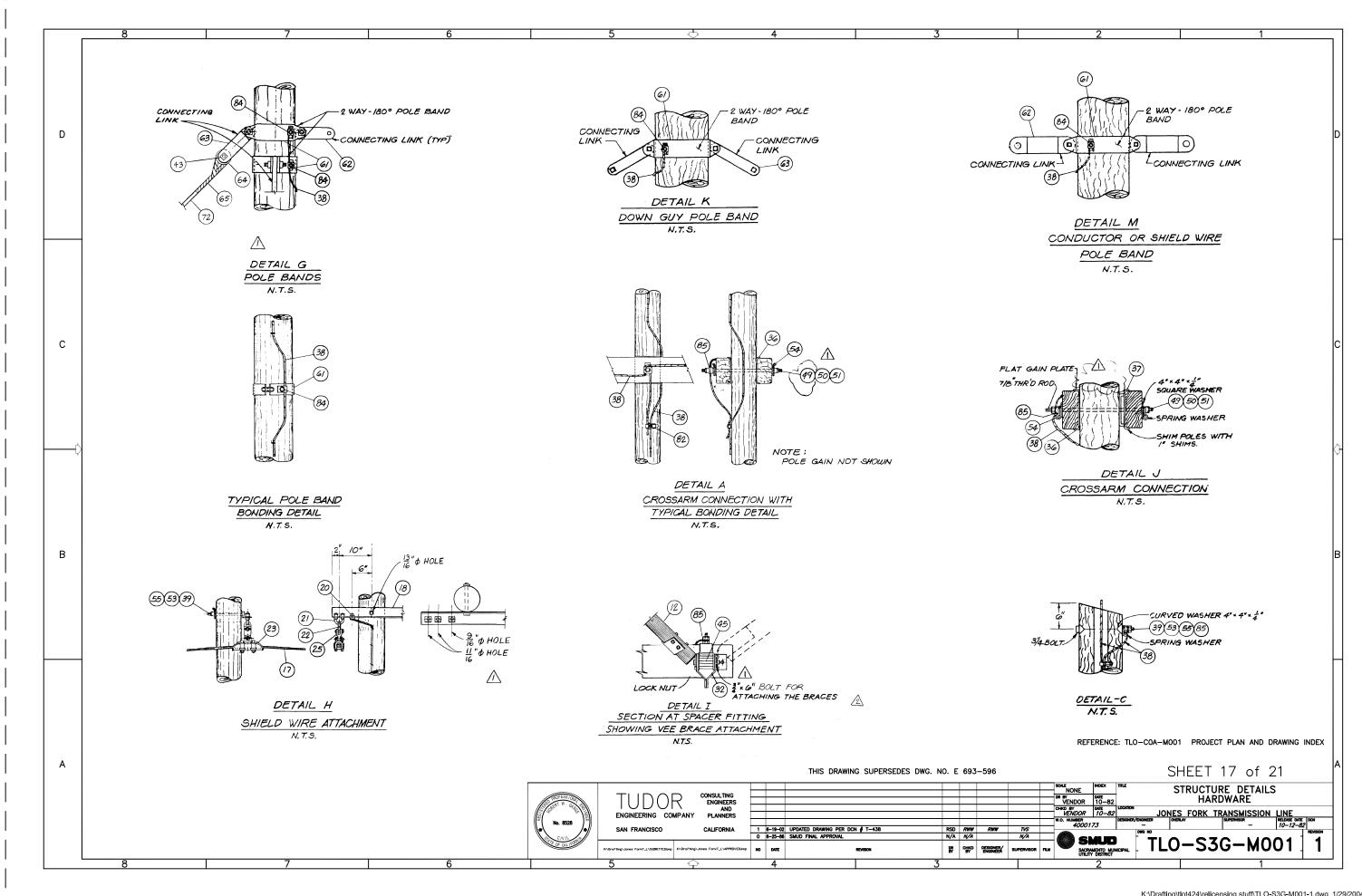


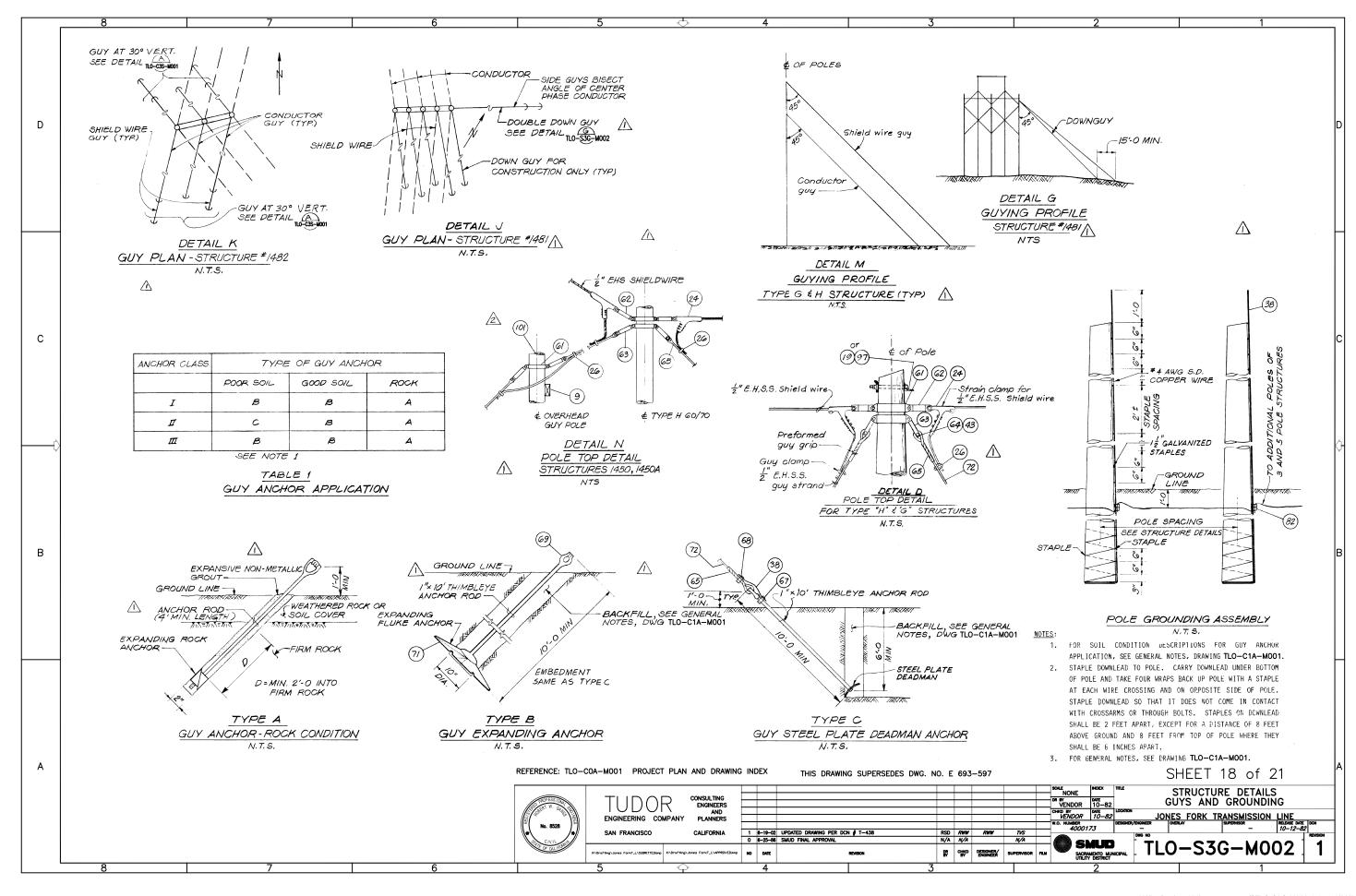
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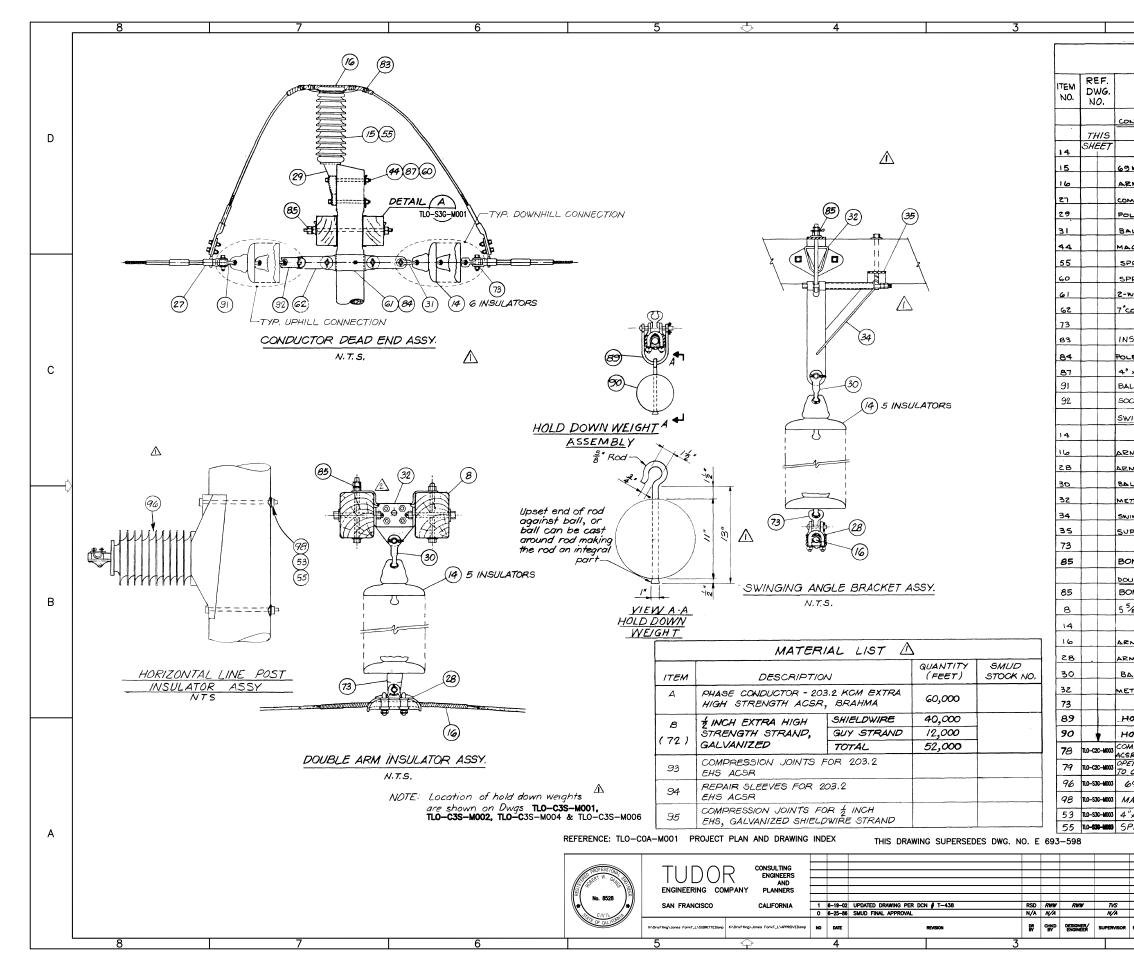


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## **APPENDIX C**

## REPRESENTATIVE PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE SUPPORT STRUCTURES AND RIGHTS-OF WAY CONDTIONS FOR THE UPPER AMERICAN RIVER PROJECT TRANSMISSION SYSTEM

- C-1. Aerial view of White Rock Folsom Junction
- C-2. Brush Creek tap above intake January 24, 2003
- C-3. Brush Creek tap at Brush Creek Reservoir January 24, 2003
- C-4. Brush Creek tap line looking north January 24, 2003
- C-5. Brush Creek tap line looking south January 24, 2003
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- C-10. Jones Fork/Union Valley type H structure
- C-11. Loon Lake/Union Valley 65 kV
- C-12. Representative photo of the Union Valley/Camino segment of the UARP transmission line
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- C-15. White Rock/Folsom Junction near Blue Ravine Road



C-1. Aerial view of White Rock – Folsom Junction

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C-2. Brush Creek tap above intake – January 24, 2003

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C-3. Brush Creek tap at Brush Creek Reservoir – January 24, 2003

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C-4. Brush Creek tap line looking north – January 24, 2003

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C-5. Brush Creek tap line looking south – January 24, 2003

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C-6. Brush Creek transformer pole.

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C-7. Representative photo of the Camino, Lake and Camino and White Rock segment of the UARP transmission line (1)

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C-8. Representative photo of the Camino, Lake and Camino and White Rock segment of the UARP transmission line (2)

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C-9. Jones Fork/Union Valley type H jumper wire.

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C-10. Jones Fork/Union Valley type H structure.

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C-11. Loon Lake/Union Valley 65 kV.

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C-12. Representative photo of the Union Valley/Camino segment of the UARP transmission line.

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C-13. Representative photo of the White Rock/Folsom Junction segment of the UARP transmission line (1).

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C-14.. Representative photo of the White Rock/Folsom Junction segment of the UARP transmission line (2)

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C-15. White Rock/Folsom Junction near Blue Ravine Road.

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## **APPENDIX D**

# INCIDENTAL OBSERVATIONS OF BIRDS AND MAMMALS DURING THE UPPER AMERICAN RIVER PROJECT RELICENSING STUDIES, 2002-2003

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Date			Number	
(YR-MO-DY)	General Location	Species	Seen	Comments
Various	Lower Transmission Line	Acorn woodpecker		
Various	Lower Transmission Line	American crow		
N/A	Silver Creek	American dipper		
N/A	Lower Transmission Line	American goldfinch		
Various	Lower Transmission Line	American kestrel		
04/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	American pipit	1	Near Wolf Creek CG
05/14/02	Robbs Powerhouse	American robin		
05/15/02	Jaybird Springs Road	American robin		
06/10/02	Various	American robin		
06/11/02	Various	American robin		Partially albino with all white tail feathers at Wolf Ck CG
06/12/02	Various	American robin		
06/13/02	Various	American robin		
06/14/02	Jaybird Springs Road	American robin		
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	American robin		
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	American robin		
04/08/03	Ice House Road	American robin		
04/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	American robin		
05/06/03	Peavine Ridge Road	American robin		
05/13/03	Iowa Hill	American robin		
05/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	American white pelican	8	
05/13/03	Iowa Hill	Anna's hummingbird		
06/12/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	2	Adults perched on tree across from Fashoda Beach
06/12/02	Various	Bald eagle		
06/17/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	1	
06/26/02	Loon Lake	Bald eagle	1	Perched on pine east of boat ramp
08/28/02	Loon Lake	Bald eagle	1	Perched between Main and Auxillary dams
10/01/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	1	On south shore across from Sunset Boat ramp
10/01/02	Ice House Reservoir	Bald eagle	1	Soaring above Strawberry CG
10/28/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	2	Pair in Granlee's Point nest stand
11/14/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	2	
11/27/02	Ice House Reservoir	Bald eagle	3	2 adults and 1 juvenile at SFSC inlet
01/07/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	6	Adults and subadults

Date			Number	
(YR-MO-DY)	General Location	Species	Seen	Comments
01/08/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	2	
01/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	1	Caught "muk-luk", Adult non-resident bird
02/04/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	Several	
02/06/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	2	
02/14/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	1	
03/27/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	Several	Copulation and territory defense
04/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	2	Adults incubating
04/22/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	1	Incubating
05/06/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	1	
05/07/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	1	On nest
05/07/03	Loon Lake	Bald eagle	3	1 ad., 2 juv. Near boat ramp
05/19/03	Ice House Reservoir	Bald eagle	1	Foraging
05/20/03	Loon Lake	Bald eagle	3	Ad. On possible nest tree, subadult in Pleasant area
06/17/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bald eagle	1	
06/24/03	Slab Creek Reservoir	Bald eagle	1	
05/24/01	South Fork Silver Creek	Band-tailed pigeon	50-70	Observed during helicopter reconnaisance
06/26/02	Trail to Rubicon Reservoir	Band-tailed pigeon	20-30	
05/14/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Barn swallow	1	
05/14/02	Gerle Canal	Barn swallow		Nesting under bridge
05/14/02	Robbs Powerhouse	Barn swallow		
N/A	Buck Island Reservoir	Beaver		
10/21/02	Chili Bar Reach	Belted kingfisher	Several	
06/19/03	Loon Lake	Belted kingfisher	1	
07/28/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Belted kingfisher	4	
07/10/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Black bear	1	Approximately 1 year old near Jaybird Tunnel Adit
04/08/03	Gerle Creek Canal	Black bear		Tracks in snow appear to enter and exit canal
04/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Black bear		Tracks on shoreline near Camino Cove
N/A	Lower Transmission Line	Black phoebe		
05/15/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Black-headed grosbeak		
05/13/03	Iowa Hill	Black-headed grosbeak		
04/09/03	Peavine Ridge Road	Black-tailed hare	1	
05/15/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Black-throated gray warbler		

Date			Number	
(YR-MO-DY)	General Location	Species	Seen	Comments
05/13/03	Iowa Hill	Black-throated gray warbler		
05/15/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Blue grouse	1	
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Blue grouse		
06/17/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Blue-winged teal	2	Male-female pair
05/06/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Blue-winged teal	2	Probable pair
07/17/03	Ice House Road	Bobcat	1	Crossing road near Robbs Resort
04/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bonaparte's gull	3	1 in adult plumage
Various	Various	Brazilian free-tailed bat		See Technical Report on Bats
06/10/02	Various	Brewer's blackbird		
06/19/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Brewer's blackbird		
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Brewer's blackbird		
07/28/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Brewer's blackbird		
06/13/02	Various	Brown creeper		
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Brown creeper		
07/08/02	Various	Brown creeper		
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Brown creeper		
06/12/02	Various	Brown-headed cowbird	1	Wench Creek Campground
06/19/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Brown-headed cowbird	1	
06/03/03	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Brown-headed cowbird	2	
05/14/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Bufflehead	2	
05/29/02	Bufflehead Pond	Bufflehead	2	2 males
06/11/02	Bufflehead Pond	Bufflehead	1	1 male
06/13/02	Ice House Reservoir	Bufflehead	3	1 male, 2 females
06/18/02	Bufflehead Pond	Bufflehead	2	2 females
07/16/02	Bufflehead Pond	Bufflehead	2	Females
10/28/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Bufflehead	6	1 male, 5 females
11/04/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Bufflehead	4	2 males, 2 females
11/18/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Bufflehead	3	Females
02/04/03	Ice House Reservoir	Bufflehead	6	
02/04/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bufflehead	10	5 in Jones Fk; 4 m. & 1 f. in Cam. Cove. In courtship flight
02/06/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bufflehead	Several	
03/26/03	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Bufflehead	4	Courtship flight with 3 males

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Date			Number	
(YR-MO-DY)	General Location	Species	Seen	Comments
03/26/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bufflehead	2	Male-female pair at Fashoda Beach
03/27/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bufflehead	2	Male-female pair
04/08/03	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Bufflehead	20+	About equal numbers of both sexes and some pairs
04/08/03	Loon Lake	Bufflehead	Several	
04/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bufflehead	13	
04/22/03	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Bufflehead	7	3 males, 4 females
05/06/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bufflehead	6	4 males, 2 females
05/07/03	Wood Duck Pond	Bufflehead	1	Male
05/07/03	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Bufflehead	4	Pairs
05/20/03	Loon Lake	Bufflehead	9	4 males, 5 females
05/21/03	Loon Lake	Bufflehead	4	
05/21/03	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Bufflehead	4	2 pairs with males in post-breeding plumage
06/03/03	Bufflehead Pond	Bufflehead	2	Males
06/03/03	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Bufflehead	1	Male
10/07/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Bufflehead	2	
05/14/02	Robbs Powerhouse	California ground squirrel		
10/28/02	Ice House Road	California ground squirrel	1	Road kills
11/18/02	Ice House Road	California ground squirrel		
02/04/03	Ice House Reservoir	California gull	1	
Various	Various	California myotis		See Technical Report on Bats
Various	Lower Transmission Line	California quail		
Various	Various	California spotted owl		See Report on California spotted owl
05/14/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Canada goose	3	Including 1 gosling
05/14/02	Gerle Canal	Canada goose	1	Swimmin in canal. Tracks on levee.
05/29/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Canada goose	Approx. 60	) Camino cove
06/11/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Canada goose	110-120	Grazing in shallow water at Camino Cove
06/11/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Canada goose		Scat along Gerle Canal
06/12/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Canada goose	65	Granlee's Point Cove
06/17/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Canada goose	320	Including 1 gosling
06/19/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Canada goose	3	2 adults with 1 gosling
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Canada goose	60-70	Adults feeding in meadow east of Camino Cove CG
03/26/03	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Canada goose	5	

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03/27/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Canada goose	5	2 pairs and a single
04/08/03	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Canada goose	8	
04/08/03	Ice House Reservoir	Canada goose	1	
04/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Canada goose	22+/-	Scattered around north shore coves
04/22/03	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Canada goose	Several	Heard only
05/06/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Canada goose	62	Mostly pairs around Camino Cove
05/07/03	Gerle Canal	Canada goose	2	Pair
05/07/03	Loon Lake	Canada goose	2	
05/07/03	Ice House Reservoir	Canada goose	2	
05/20/03	Loon Lake	Canada goose	10	8 in Pleasant arm
05/21/03	Loon Lake	Canada goose	2	
05/21/03	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Canada goose	4	2 pair
06/17/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Canada goose	303	
06/17/03	Ice House Reservoir	Canada goose	36	Including 5 goslings
06/19/03	Loon Lake	Canada goose	53	Including 1 gosling
06/19/03	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Canada goose	4	Adults being fed by campers
07/28/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Canada goose	80	
07/28/03	Ice House Reservoir	Canada goose	24	Including 4 YOY
07/29/03	Loon Lake	Canada goose	26	
10/07/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Canada goose	40	One with black on white neck collar #2/38
05/15/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Canyon wren	1	
05/14/02	Robbs Powerhouse	Cassins finch	4	Non-breeding plumage
09/23/02	Ice House Road	Chipmunk sp		Road kills
11/18/02	Ice House Road	Chipmunk sp		
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Chipping sparrow		
07/08/02	Various	Chipping sparrow		
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Chipping sparrow		
05/06/03	Peavine Ridge Road	Chipping sparrow		
07/28/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Chipping sparrow		
06/17/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Cinnamon teal	2	Pair in cove east of Camino Cove
05/15/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Cliff swallow		
05/15/02	White Rock Powerhouse	Cliff swallow		Nesting beneath crane facility

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07/10/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Common bushtit		
02/04/03	Ice House Reservoir	Common goldeneye	1	
03/26/03	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Common goldeneye	3	Females
12/30/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Common loon	1	
05/07/03	Loon Lake	Common loon	1	
05/07/03	Ice House Reservoir	Common loon	1	
05/14/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Common merganser	30-50	
06/11/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Common merganser	10	1 female with 9 YOY
06/13/02	Ice House Reservoir	Common merganser	2	2 females near dam
06/17/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Common merganser	9	Including 8 YOY
06/19/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Common merganser	10	1 female with 9 YOY
06/26/02	Rubicon Reservoir	Common merganser		
09/16/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Common merganser	6	
09/23/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Common merganser	2	
10/01/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Common merganser	4	
10/01/02	Loon Lake	Common merganser	4	
10/28/02	Loon Lake	Common merganser	2	Male-female pair
11/04/02	Loon Lake	Common merganser	2	Male-female pair
11/11/02	Loon Lake	Common merganser	2	Males
11/11/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Common merganser	2	Males
11/18/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Common merganser	1	Female perched on log boom then flew to north end
11/18/02	Ice House Reservoir	Common merganser	4	Males
12/30/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Common merganser	1	Male
12/30/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Common merganser	1	Female
02/04/03	Ice House Reservoir	Common merganser	1	Male
02/04/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Common merganser	5	Females
02/06/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Common merganser	Several	
03/26/03	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Common merganser	2	Females
04/08/03	Loon Lake	Common merganser	2	
04/08/03	Ice House Reservoir	Common merganser	2	
04/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Common merganser	8	Scattered around north shore coves
05/06/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Common merganser	4	

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05/07/03	Loon Lake	Common merganser	3	
05/20/03	Loon Lake	Common merganser	10	5 males, 5 females
05/21/03	Loon Lake	Common merganser	2	
06/03/03	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Common merganser	1	Female
06/17/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Common merganser	2	Females
06/17/03	Ice House Reservoir	Common merganser	11	
06/19/03	Loon Lake	Common merganser	11	
07/17/03	Gerle Creek Canal	Common merganser	7	1 female with 6 YOY about 300 yards n. of Forebay
07/28/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Common merganser	16	Including 10 YOY
07/28/03	Ice House Reservoir	Common merganser	19	Including 15 YOY
07/29/03	Loon Lake	Common merganser	52	Including 31-32 YOY
10/07/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Common merganser	8	
11/25/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Common merganser	3	
N/A	Rubicon Reservoir	Common nighthawk		
06/03/03	Loon Lake	Common poorwill	1	
05/14/02	Ice House Road	Common raven		
06/10/02	Various	Common raven		
06/11/02	Various	Common raven		
	Various	Common raven		
06/13/02	Various	Common raven		
07/08/02	Various	Common raven		
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Common raven		
04/08/03	Ice House Road	Common raven		
04/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Common raven		
05/06/03	Peavine Ridge Road	Common raven		
05/13/03	lowa Hill	Common raven		
07/28/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Common raven		
10/22/03	Iowa Hill	Common raven	20	
09/23/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Cooper's hawk	1	
09/30/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Cooper's hawk	1	
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Coyote		
07/10/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Coyote	1	

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10/07/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Coyote	1	
11/11/02	Ice House Road	Coyote		Tracks
05/15/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Dark-eyed junco		
06/10/02	Various	Dark-eyed junco		
06/12/02	Various	Dark-eyed junco		
06/13/02	Various	Dark-eyed junco		
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Dark-eyed junco		
07/08/02	Various	Dark-eyed junco		
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Dark-eyed junco		Nest with young in meadow east of Camino Cove CG
07/10/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Dark-eyed junco		
05/06/03	Peavine Ridge Road	Dark-eyed junco		
05/13/03	Iowa Hill	Dark-eyed junco		
07/28/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Dark-eyed junco		
10/22/03	lowa Hill	Dark-eyed junco		
10/01/02	Loon Lake	Double-crested cormorant	1	
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Douglas squirrel		
07/08/02	Various	Douglas squirrel		
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Douglas squirrel		
09/03/02	Ice House Road	Douglas squirrel		Road kills
09/09/02	Ice House Road	Douglas squirrel		Road kills
10/14/02	Ice House Road	Douglas squirrel	2	Road kills
10/28/02	Ice House Road	Douglas squirrel	2	Road kills
11/18/02	Ice House Road	Douglas squirrel		
04/08/03	Ice House Road	Douglas squirrel	1	
11/25/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Douglas squirrel		
11/18/02	Loon Lake	Duck sp.	12	Too distant to identify but probably Common mergansers
02/06/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Eared grebe	1	
04/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Eared grebe	3	Non-breeding plumage
10/07/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Eared grebe	1	
Various	Lower Transmission Line	European starling		
Various	Union Valley Reservoir	Flammulated owl		
06/10/02	Various	Fox sparrow		

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07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Fox sparrow		
Various	Various	Fringed myotis		See Technical Report on Bats
N/A	Ice House Road	Golden eagle		
06/12/02	Various	Golden-crowned kinglet		
06/13/02	Various	Golden-crowned kinglet		
06/14/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Golden-crowned kinglet		
Various	Ice House Road	Golden-mantled ground squirrel		
06/14/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Gray fox		
05/24/01	South Fork Silver Creek	Great blue heron	1	Observed during helicopter reconnaisance
06/17/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Great blue heron	1	Camino cove
10/01/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Great blue heron	1	
10/21/02	Chili Bar Reach	Great blue heron	Several	
06/17/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Great blue heron	1	
07/28/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Great blue heron	4	
07/28/03	Ice House Reservoir	Great blue heron	3	On south shore
07/29/03	Loon Lake	Great blue heron	1	Pleasant area
11/25/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Great blue heron	1	
Various	Jaybird Springs Road	Great horned owl		
09/30/02	Loon Lake	Grebe sp.	1	Probably eared grebe
10/01/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Green heron	1	
06/12/02	Road 12N0XA	Hairy woodpecker		
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Hairy woodpecker		
06/10/02	Various	Hammond's flycatcher		
N/A	Lower Transmission Line	Hermit thrush		
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Hermit warbler		
Various	Lower Transmission Line	House finch		
05/06/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Killdeer		
06/19/03	Loon Lake	Killdeer	1	
05/14/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Kinglet sp.		
06/11/02	Various	Kinglet sp.		
06/12/02	Various	Kinglet sp.		
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Kinglet sp.		

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07/08/02	Various	Kinglet sp.		
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Kinglet sp.		
04/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Lesser scaup	1	Jones Fork arm
06/12/02	Various	Lewis' woodpecker		
06/19/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	MacGillvray's warbler		
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	MacGillvray's warbler		
06/11/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Mallard		Several in eclipse plumage
06/17/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Mallard	25	Including 18 YOY
06/18/02	Bufflehead Pond	Mallard	1	female
09/09/02	Bufflehead Pond	Mallard	2	1 male - 1 female
10/07/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Mallard	1	Camino cove
03/27/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Mallard	13	Flying low over water
04/08/03	Ice House Reservoir	Mallard	1	Male
04/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Mallard	36	Many pairs and at least one flock of 27 flying
04/22/03	Wood Duck Pond	Mallard	6	3 pairs
05/06/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Mallard	23	
05/20/03	Loon Lake	Mallard	2	Pair
05/21/03	Loon Lake	Mallard	2	
06/17/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Mallard	46	Including 25 YOY
06/17/03	Ice House Reservoir	Mallard	3	
07/28/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Mallard	39	Including 15 YOY
10/07/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Mallard	7	
06/13/02	Various	Mountain bluebird		
05/14/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Mountain chickadee		
06/11/02	Various	Mountain chickadee		
06/12/02	Various	Mountain chickadee		
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Mountain chickadee		
07/08/02	Various	Mountain chickadee		
N/A	Union Valley Reservoir	Mountain lion		Tracks
06/10/02	Various	Mountain quail		
06/11/02	Various	Mountain quail		
06/12/02	Road 12N0XA	Mountain quail		

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06/13/02	Various	Mountain quail		
10/22/03	Iowa Hill	Mountain quail		
06/13/02	Various	Mourning dove		
06/14/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Mourning dove		
05/06/03	Peavine Ridge Road	Mourning dove		
09/09/02	Ice House Road	Mule deer		Adult crossed road 0.2 mi east of Loon Lake dump station
11/25/02	Highway 50	Mule deer	6	Road kills at lower elevations including many bucks
03/26/03	Peavine Ridge Road	Mule deer	2	Young deer
04/09/03	Ice House Road	Mule deer	4	Cleveland Corral
05/06/03	Peavine Ridge Road	Mule deer	5	At least 1 small buck
07/17/03	Ice House Road	Mule deer	1	Road kill. Small buck with 2-in antlers in velvet
10/22/03	Iowa Hill	Mule deer	1	3-point buck near edge of clear-cut on NE side of area
06/13/02	Various	Nashville warbler		
06/14/02	Various	Nashville warbler		
05/13/03	Iowa Hill	Nashville warbler		
06/10/02	Various	Northern flicker		
06/12/02	Road 12N0XA	Northern flicker		
06/13/02	Various	Northern flicker		
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Northern flicker		
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Northern flicker		
05/06/03	Peavine Ridge Road	Northern flicker		
05/13/03	Iowa Hill	Northern flicker		
10/22/03	Iowa Hill	Northern flicker		
07/15/03	Jaybird Springs Road	Northern goshawk	1	Responded to broadcast call
N/A	Lower Transmission Line	Northern harrier		
N/A	Lower Transmission Line	Northern mockingbird		
N/A	Lower Transmission Line	Northern pocket gopher		
N/A	Lower Transmission Line	Oak titmouse		
05/14/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Olive-sided flycatcher	1	
06/11/02	Various	Orange-crowned warbler		
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Orange-crowned warbler		
05/14/02	Jones Fork Powerhouse	Osprey		Active nest about 150-200 m east of powerhouse

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06/12/02	Jones Fork Powerhouse	Osprey		Incubating
06/12/02	Road 12N0XA	Osprey	2	Nests near Ice House Road and near end of road
06/13/02	Ice House Reservoir	Osprey	4	Active nest at southeast arm of reservoir
06/17/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Osprey	2	Nest located between Jones Fk and Lone Rock CG
06/17/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Osprey	2	Nest in Dam Grove
06/26/02	Loon Lake	Osprey	1	
07/06/02	Loon Lake	Osprey	2	Near Pleasant CG
07/15/02	Loon Lake	Osprey	1	Foraging near PH and flying westward with fish
03/26/03	Big Hill	Osprey	1	Flying over big hill to the northeast
04/08/03	Ice House Reservoir	Osprey	2	
04/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Osprey	3	Pair in Jones Fork arm and 1 on Ice House Rd. nest
05/06/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Osprey	4	Nests at various locations
05/07/03	Ice House Reservoir	Osprey	1	Foraging
05/07/03	Ice House Road	Osprey	2	Adding sticks to nest near road
05/20/03	Loon Lake	Osprey	1	Foraging
05/21/03	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Osprey	1	Flying high overhead
06/03/03	Loon Lake	Osprey	1	Carrying fish westward near aux. Boat ramp
06/05/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Osprey	1	Incubating on nest along south shore in burn area
06/17/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Osprey	2	
06/17/03	Ice House Reservoir	Osprey	2	Incubating
06/19/03	Loon Lake	Osprey	1	
06/24/03	Slab Creek Reservoir	Osprey	1	
07/14/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Osprey	Several	Nests active
07/17/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Osprey	3	Ad. Feeding 2 young on south side of reservoir
07/28/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Osprey	Several	Nestlings in at least 2 nests
07/28/03	Ice House Reservoir	Osprey	2	On nest
07/29/03	Loon Lake	Osprey		
06/14/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Pacific-slope flycatcher		
07/10/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Pacific-slope flycatcher		
04/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Pied-billed grebe	2	South shore near burn area and Sunset beach
10/07/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Pied-billed grebe	1	
06/11/02	Gerle Dam Access Road	Pileated woodpecker	1	Responded in agitated manner to goshawk call

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07/10/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Pileated woodpecker		
10/28/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Pileated woodpecker	1	
12/30/02	Ice House Road	Pileated woodpecker	1	Near Big Creek CG
06/04/03	Jaybird Springs Road	Pileated woodpecker	1	
06/18/02	Wentworth Springs	Pine grosbeak	Several	
05/15/02	White Rock Powerhouse	Pygmy owl		Heard only
07/28/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Raccoon		Tracks
N/A	Union Valley Reservoir	Red crossbill		
05/14/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Red-breasted nuthatch		
06/11/02	Various	Red-breasted nuthatch		
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Red-breasted nuthatch		
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Red-breasted nuthatch		
04/08/03	Ice House Road	Red-breasted nuthatch		
04/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Red-breasted nuthatch	1	
11/25/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Red-breasted nuthatch		
N/A	Ice House Road	Red-breasted sapsucker		
N/A	Lower Transmission Line	Red-shouldered hawk		
06/11/02	Gerle Canal	Red-tailed hawk	2	Soaring above canal
06/17/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Red-tailed hawk	1	
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Red-tailed hawk		
12/30/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Red-tailed hawk	1	Perched on dam
02/14/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Red-tailed hawk	1	
04/09/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Red-tailed hawk	1	Near Robbs Peak PH
05/06/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Red-tailed hawk	4	Juvenile near osprey nest in Dam Grove; 1 ad. In Camino
07/28/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Red-tailed hawk		
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Red-winged blackbird		
10/28/02	Loon Lake	Ringed-bill gull	1	
05/14/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Ring-necked duck	2	
11/11/02	Highway 50	Ringtail	1	Road kill on Hwy 50 1.7 miles west of Fresh Pond
N/A	South Fork American River	River otter		
05/15/02	Camino Powerhouse	Rough-winged swallow		
N/A	Union Valley Reservoir	Ruby-crowned kinglet		

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06/11/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Ruddy duck	2	Male-female pair
10/14/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Ruddy duck	1	female
06/12/02	Various	Scrub jay		Ice House Road near Hwy 50
06/11/02	Gerle Canal	Sharp-shinned hawk	2	Soaring above canal
02/04/03	Ice House Road	Snowshoe hare	1	Near cleveland corral
03/27/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Snowshoe hare	1	On road between Camino Cove and Wolf Creek CG
06/05/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Snowshoe hare	1	In transitional pelage - brown w/white feet and tail
06/13/02	Silver Creek	Song sparrow	Several	Sparrows in streamside meadow below Ice House Dam
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Song sparrow		
06/19/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Spotted sandpiper	1	
06/17/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Spotted sandpiper		
07/28/03	Ice House Reservoir	Spotted sandpiper	2	In southeast arm
07/29/03	Loon Lake	Spotted sandpiper	4	
05/15/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Spotted towhee		
05/14/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Steller's jay		
06/10/02	Various	Steller's jay		
06/11/02	Various	Steller's jay		
06/12/02	Various	Steller's jay		
06/13/02	Various	Steller's jay		
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Steller's jay		
07/08/02	Various	Steller's jay		
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Steller's jay		
04/08/03	Ice House Road	Steller's jay		
05/06/03	Peavine Ridge Road	Steller's jay		
05/13/03	Iowa Hill	Steller's jay		
07/28/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Steller's jay		
N/A	Lower Transmission Line	Striped skunk		
06/12/02	Road 12N0XA	Townsend's solitaire		
11/18/02	Ice House Road	Townsend's solitaire	1	On Loon Lake Road
02/04/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Tundra swans	3	Flying over reservoir
06/10/02	Various	Turkey vulture		
06/11/02	Various	Turkey vulture		

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06/12/02	Various	Turkey vulture		
05/06/03	Peavine Ridge Road	Turkey vulture		
N/A	White Rock Powerhouse	Violet-green swallow		
11/18/02	Ice House Road	Western bluebird	10	On Loon Lake Road
07/08/02	Various	Western gray squirrel		
09/03/02	Ice House Road	Western gray squirrel		Road kills
09/23/02	Ice House Road	Western gray squirrel		Road kills
10/28/02	Ice House Road	Western gray squirrel	1	Road kills
05/13/03	Iowa Hill	Western gray squirrel		
11/25/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Western gray squirrel		
03/06/03	Union Valley Reservoir	Western grebe	2	
05/15/02	White Rock Powerhouse	Western kingbird		
Various	Lower Transmission Line	Western meadowlark		
Various	Various	Western screech owl		
05/15/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Western tanager		
06/11/02	Various	Western tanager		
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Western tanager		
07/08/02	Various	Western tanager		
05/13/03	Iowa Hill	Western tanager		
06/19/03	Bufflehead Pond	Western tanager	1	
05/13/03	Iowa Hill	White-breasted nuthatch		
06/19/03	Bufflehead Pond	White-breasted nuthatch	1	
Various	Loon Lake	White-crowned sparrow		
06/11/02	Various	White-headed woodpecker		
06/12/02	Wench Creek Campground	White-headed woodpecker		Nesting in Campground sign
07/08/02	Various	White-headed woodpecker		
Various	Lower Transmission Line	White-tailed kite		
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Wild turkey		
06/13/02	Various	Williamson's sapsucker		
06/13/02	Various	Wilson's warbler		
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Wilson's warbler		
11/25/02	Union Valley Tunnel Adit	Winter wren	1	

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04/22/03	Wood Duck Pond	Wood duck
05/07/03	Wood Duck Pond	Wood duck
05/21/03	Wood Duck Pond	Wood duck
06/05/03	Junction Reservoir	Wood duck
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Yellow-headed blackbird
05/14/02	Gerle Creek Reservoir	Yellow-rumped warbler
05/15/02	Jaybird Springs Road	Yellow-rumped warbler
06/12/02	Various	Yellow-rumped warbler
06/13/02	Various	Yellow-rumped warbler
06/20/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Yellow-rumped warbler
07/09/02	Union Valley Reservoir	Yellow-rumped warbler
05/06/03	Peavine Ridge Road	Yellow-rumped warbler
Various	Various	Yuma myotis

Number	
Seen	

#### Comments

- 2 Male-female pair
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- 1 Male in non-breeding plumage