

Exhibit to Agenda Item #1

Discuss certification of the **California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Station J Bulk Transmission Substation Project (Project) Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR)**, including adoption of the **Findings**; adopt the **Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program** for the Project; and approve the **Project**.

Board Energy Resources & Customer Services Committee and Special SMUD Board of Directors Meeting

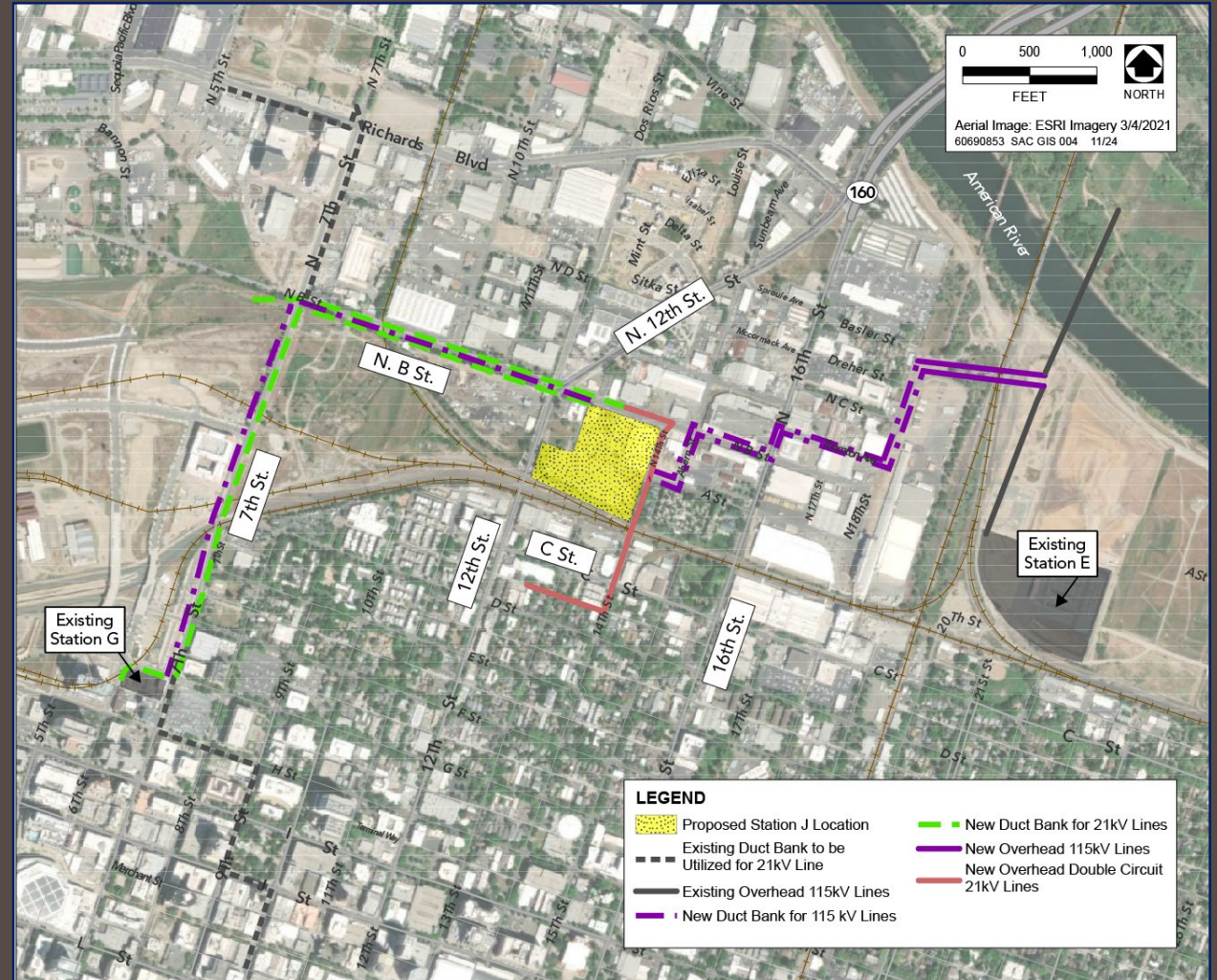
Tuesday, March 18, 2025, immediately following the Finance & Audit Committee and Special SMUD Board of Directors Meeting scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m.

SMUD Headquarters Building, Auditorium

Project Overview

SMUD proposes to:

- Develop the Station J Bulk Transmission Substation Project
- Located on a 10.3-acre site at 1220 North B Street
- Line connections include 21kV and 115kV connections to Station G and 115kV connections to Station E
- Provide safe and reliable electrical service to existing and proposed development in the downtown area of Sacramento



Environmental Analysis

- Prepared an Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- Potentially significant impacts reduced to less-than-significant levels with mitigation measures related to:
 - Air Quality
 - Biological Resources
 - Cultural Resources
 - Geology, Soils, and Paleontological Resources
 - Hazards & Hazardous Materials
 - Noise
 - Tribal Cultural Resources
 - Transportation

Public Review Process

- Notice of Preparation released February 22, 2023, for 30-day public comment period. Public meeting held March 9, 2023
- Notice of Availability and Draft EIR released October 4, 2023, for 45-day public comment period . Public meeting held October 24, 2023
- Prior to completing the Final EIR additional project details were added to the project description
- An updated Notice of Availability and Recirculated Draft EIR was released on November 18, 2024, for a 45-day public comment period. Public meeting held on December 11, 2024
- Published at SMUD.org, Sacramento Bee, and State Clearinghouse
- Documents available at SMUD Customer Service Center and East Campus Operations Center and at smud.org/stationJ
- Notices mailed to property owners and customers within 500 feet of the project
- State and Federal Agencies, Tribes, School Districts, County Departments
- Final EIR posted on March 10 and provided to all EIR commentors

Notice of Preparation Comments

- Alkali & Mansion Flats Historic Neighborhood Assoc.
- Sacramento Air Quality Management District
- Blue Diamond Almond Growers
- CA Dept. of Fish & Wildlife
- City of Sacramento Public Works
- Central Valley Regional Water Quality
- Dept. of Toxic Substance Control
- Native American Heritage Commission

Draft and Recirculated Draft EIR Comments

- Three comment letters received during public review of the Draft EIR between October 4, 2023, and November 17, 2023
 - Department of Toxic Substance Control
 - Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (AQMD)
 - The Salvation Army
- One comment letter received during public review of the Recirculated Draft EIR between November 18, 2024, and January 6, 2025
 - Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (AQMD)

Tribal Consultation under CEQA

- Initial outreach on September 22, 2022
- Tribes Contacted:
 - United Auburn Indian Community (UAIC)
 - Wilton Rancheria
 - Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians
 - Lone Band of Miwok Indians
- UAIC, Wilton Rancheria, and Shingle Springs requested consultation
- Site visit with Wilton on April 12, 2023
- Site visit with Shingle Springs on October 3, 2023
- Project updates during regular reoccurring Tribal consultation meetings
- Input on Tribal Cultural Resources section and Mitigation Measures

Requested SMUD Board Action

- Certify the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Final Environmental Impact Report;
- Adopt the Findings;
- Adopt the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program; and
- Approve the Project