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 Lincoln-Pleasant Grove 115kV Reconductoring Project  
 Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration  
 SCH# 2011022011

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Skyler Anderson  
 Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board  
 401 Certification Unit  
 11020 Sun Center Drive #200  
 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Dear Mr. Anderson:

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Lincoln-Pleasant Grove 115kV Reconductoring Project. This project will upgrade power wires and replace existing wooden poles between the Lincoln Substation and the Pleasant Grove Substation with more modern poles. This project route crosses two areas of state right-of-way: the existing SR 65 and the Lincoln Bypass currently under construction. We have the following comment:

- All work proposed and performed within the State Highway right-of-way must be in accordance with Caltrans' standards and will require a Caltrans Encroachment Permit prior to commencing construction. For more information on encroachment permits, requirements, and the application form, please visit our web page at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/traffops/developserv/permits/>, or contact Caltrans District 3 Office of Permits at (530) 741-4403.

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Please provide our office with copies of any further action(s) related to this project.

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If you have any questions regarding these comments, please contact the Placer County Intergovernmental Review Coordinator, Chad Riding, by email at [chad\\_riding@dot.ca.gov](mailto:chad_riding@dot.ca.gov) or by phone at (530) 741-4543.

Sincerely,

*Richard Helman*

RICHARD HELMAN, Chief  
 Office of Transportation Planning—East

c: State Clearinghouse

March 8, 2011

Mr. Skyler Anderson  
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 Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board  
 11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200  
 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

**Subject: PG&E Lincoln-Pleasant Grove 115 kV Reconductoring Project Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration SCH# 2011022011**

Dear Mr. Anderson:

The comment period for PG&E's Lincoln-Pleasant Grove 115 kV Reconductoring Project Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) closed on March 4, 2011. Below is a summary of the comments received as of that date and PG&E's responses to them. Copies of the comment letter(s) are attached.

Letter/ Comment #	From/ Summarized Comment	Response to Comment
1	Department of Transportation, District 3, Office of Transportation Planning--East, Richard Helman, Chief, March 4, 2011	
1A	Work within State Highway right-of-way must be in accordance with Caltrans' standards and will require a Caltrans Encroachment Permit prior to commencing construction.	PG&E will obtain a Caltrans Encroachment Permit prior to commencing construction, and its work within State Highway right-of-way will be in accordance with Caltrans' standards.
1B	Please provide our office with copies of any further action(s) related to this project.	The Central Valley RWQCB will provide the Caltrans District 3 Office of Transportation Planning—East with copies of any further action(s) related to this project.

**Requested Actions**

PG&E believes the comments received on the Lincoln-Pleasant Grove 115 kV Reconductoring Project IS/MND are adequately addressed above and respectfully requests that you complete action on the Section 401 Water Quality Certification Application submitted for this project. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding the above or need any additional information.

Sincerely,



Sam Danner  
 Senior Land Planner