



NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

Comment Period Extended: November 20, 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

The City of Glendale (City) in its role as Lead Agency, has completed a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for the Grayson Repowering Project described below and invites public comment on the Draft EIR.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The City is proposing to repower the existing Grayson Power Plant. The Project site is located at 800 Air Way, Glendale, California 91201, northeast of the Interstate 5 Freeway and Highway 134 interchange. A majority of the equipment and facilities at the Grayson Power Plant were completed between 1941 and 1977, and are proposed to be replaced with more reliable, efficient, flexible, and cleaner units. With the exception of the 2003 simple cycle peaking plant (Unit 9), the City is proposing to replace the existing generation equipment and related facilities with a combination of new combined cycle and simple cycle gas turbine generation units. The generating capacity would increase from 267 megawatts (MW) net to 310 MW net (an increase of 43 MW net).

The Project is designed to provide reliable generating capacity, avoid electrical capacity shortages, facilitate the use of more renewable energy by freeing up transmission line capacity to bring more renewable-based electricity to the City, and to provide flexibility to operate efficiently over the wide range of electrical loads placed on the City's electric system. The Project will allow the City to maintain reliable service, keep electrical rates affordable and facilitate compliance with state regulations regarding renewable energy supplies mandated through the Renewable Portfolio Standards without the need for new transmission lines. The Project will also allow the City to meet its existing and future electrical demands even if the City is separated from existing interconnections with the electric grid, it will minimize the City's reliance on importing power from remote generation locations across a congested transmission grid, and it will support water conservation efforts by eliminating the use of potable water for generation purposes.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW FINDINGS:

The Draft EIR has been prepared pursuant to the requirements of the State Guidelines for the implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Pursuant to the findings of the Initial Study, the Draft EIR examined impacts to Aesthetics, Air Quality, Geology and Soils, Greenhouse Gases, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Hydrology and Water Quality, Noise, Transportation and Traffic, and Tribal Cultural Resources.

The Draft EIR found that there would be less than significant impacts to Air Quality, Geology and Soils, Greenhouse Gases, Hydrology and Water Quality, and Tribal Cultural Resources. Impacts to Aesthetics, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Noise, and Transportation and Traffic would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated. The Project would not result in any significant and unavoidable environmental impacts.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:

The Draft EIR will be available for public review on the City of Glendale Community Development's website at:

<http://www.glendaleca.gov/environmental> and at the Glendale Central Library located at 222 E. Harvard Street, Glendale California 90215. Copies of the Draft EIR will also be available for public review at the Community Development Department of the City of Glendale, 633 East Broadway, Room 103, Glendale, California 91026-4386.

HOW TO COMMENT:

Please provide written comments to Erik Krause, Interim Deputy Director of Community Development, City of Glendale, Community Development Department, 633 East Broadway, Room 103, Glendale, California 91026-4386; fax (818) 240-0392 or email ekrause@glendaleca.gov. Comments must be received prior to the close of the day at 5:00 p.m. on November 20, 2017.

Notice of Availability:

Monday, September 18, 2017

Proposed DEIR Comment Period:

September 18, 2017 to November 3, 2017

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