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Date: March 21, 2014  
To: Affected Agencies, Organizations and Interested Parties  
Subject: Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Foothill Trunk Line Unit 3 Project

The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for consideration of the Foothill Trunk Line Unit 3 Project. The LADWP is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

### **Project Location**

The proposed project is located in the City of Los Angeles within the County of Los Angeles, specifically, in the Community Planning Areas of Sunland-Tujunga-Lakeview Terrace-Shadow Hills-East La Tuna Canyon, in the communities of Sylmar, Pacoima, Sunland, and Tujunga Service Areas. The proposed project would begin approximately 600 feet northwest of the intersection of Hubbard Street and Foothill Boulevard and would continue to the intersection of Terra Bella Street and Foothill Boulevard.

### **Project Description**

The Foothill Trunk Line Unit 3 Project (FTL U3 or proposed project) would replace approximately 16,600 linear feet of existing 24-inch, 26-inch, 36-inch diameter welded steel pipe and 30-inch diameter riveted steel pipe with a 54-inch diameter welded steel pipe within Foothill Boulevard. The FTL U3 would include pipe jacking at five locations, six connections, and ten valves. The distribution system connects at six locations. These locations are along Foothill Boulevard at Maclay Street, Arroyo Street, Vaughn Street, Filmore Street, Van Nuys Boulevard, and Terra Bella Street. Most of the FTL U3 would be located underground and would not be visible. The only segment that would perhaps be visible is where the FTL U3 crosses the Pacoima Wash. At this location, the pipeline would be supported by reinforced concrete piers on either side of the wash so as not to disturb the channel. Minor appurtenant facilities such as an air valve and a rectifier station cabinet would also be constructed aboveground within the public right-of-way (ROW) as part of the proposed project.

### **Impacts of the Project**

The Draft EIR found that implementation of the project may result in environmental impacts to: aesthetics; air quality; biological resources; cultural resources; geology, soils, and seismicity; greenhouse gas emissions; hazards and hazardous materials; hydrology and water quality; land use and land use planning; noise; transportation and traffic; and utilities and service systems. Where necessary, the Draft EIR identifies mitigation measures to minimize potentially significant impacts of the proposed Project. The Draft EIR finds that the proposed project would result in temporary significant and unavoidable impacts after mitigation from construction noise and traffic impacts (including significant cumulative traffic impacts). All other potentially significant impacts identified would be reduced to less than significant levels with proposed mitigation measures.

### **Public Review and Comments**

In accordance with time limits mandated by CEQA (Public Resources Code § 21091), a 45-day review period has been established that begins on March 21, 2014 and ends May 5, 2014. Please send your written comments, including a return address and contact name, via mail to this address:

Los Angeles Department of Water and Power  
Attn: Ms. Irene Paul  
111 North Hope Street, Room 1044  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Additionally, comments may be submitted via email at the following address:  
[Irene.Paul@ladwp.com](mailto:Irene.Paul@ladwp.com)

### **Document Availability**

A copy of the Draft EIR will be posted at [www.ladwp.com/envnotices](http://www.ladwp.com/envnotices). Copies of the Draft EIR are also available for review at LADWP or the following locations:

Sylmar Branch Library  
14561 Polk Street  
Sylmar, CA 91342

Pacoima Branch Library  
13605 Van Nuys Boulevard  
Pacoima, CA 91331

San Fernando Library  
217 North Maclay Avenue  
San Fernando, CA 91340

Lake View Terrace Library  
12002 Osborne Street  
Sylmar, CA 91342

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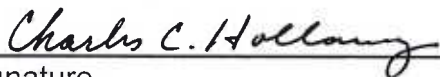
**Public Meetings**

A public meeting will be held to receive public comments regarding the scope, content, and analysis provided in the Draft EIR. The meeting will include a brief presentation providing an overview of the proposed Project and conclusions of the Draft EIR. After the presentation, oral comments will be accepted. Written comment forms will be supplied for those who wish to submit comments in writing at the public meeting; written comments may also be submitted anytime during the 45-day Draft EIR review period. The public meeting will be held as follows:

**Date:** April 22, 2014  
**Time:** 6:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Pacoima City Hall  
13520 Van Nuys Boulevard  
Pacoima, CA 91331

Please check the LADWP project website page, [www.ladwp.com/envnotices](http://www.ladwp.com/envnotices), to confirm the meeting time and date.

If you require additional information regarding this notice, please contact Ms. Irene Paul at (213) 367-3509 or e-mail at [Irene.Paul@ladwp.com](mailto:Irene.Paul@ladwp.com)



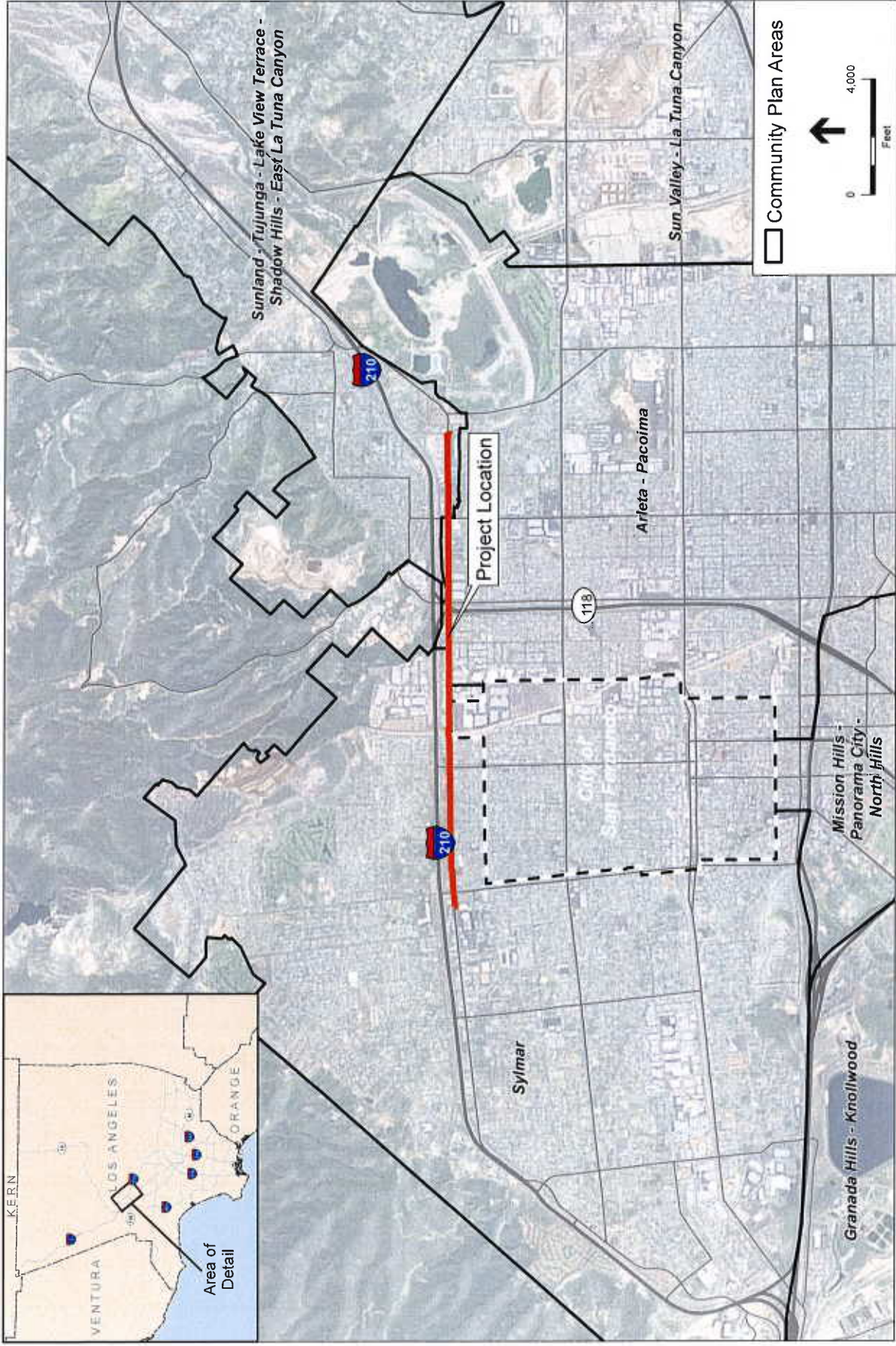
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