



Opportunities for Public Participation in SDG&E's Golden Pacific Powerlink Project

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San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) is preparing to file an application with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) for a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) to construct the Golden Pacific Powerlink Project (GPP). This fact sheet provides information on how to participate in the process.

Pre-Filing Process

- The project is currently in the pre-filing consultation process, which SDG&E must initiate with the CPUC at least six months prior to filing an application.
- This process, expanded in 2025 when the CPUC updated its transmission permitting rules, helps to create more early opportunities for engagement with communities.
- SDG&E's CPCN application may be filed as early as November 2026, but the date is subject to change.

Make Your Voice Heard During the Pre-Filing Process

SDG&E Community Meetings and Survey

- Prior to filing an application with the CPUC for the project, SDG&E is seeking input from federal, state, local, and Tribal government agencies on the proposed route and is engaging the public in a series of community meetings. More information on the project, public meetings, and a survey is available at:
<https://goldenpacificpowerlink.com/connecting-with-communities>

Maintain Awareness

- Visit the SDG&E project website: <https://goldenpacificpowerlink.com>
- Visit the CPUC's GPP project webpage:
<https://ia.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/ascent/gpp/index.html>
- Join the CPUC's mailing list for future project updates by sending an email to GPP@ascent.inc to be added to the CEQA mailing list for the project

Make Your Voice Heard After SDG&E Files an Application

The CPUC is required to review large applications for new transmission lines to ensure they are compliant with a variety of regulatory and statutory requirements. Upon receiving a complete application from SDG&E, the CPUC will begin two parallel processes: 1) an environmental review of the project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and 2) a formal proceeding let by an Administrative Law Judge and an assigned Commissioner to consider if the project is needed and in the public interest. The proceeding will result in a decision at a public Voting Meeting on whether or not to approve the proposed project route (or an alternative route). You can participate in both the formal proceeding and the CEQA review process:

CEQA Review Process

- Participate in the 30-day public scoping period for the CPUC's environmental impact report (EIR), which begins after the CPCN application is deemed complete, by attending scoping meetings and providing written or verbal comments.
- Attend public meetings and comment on the CPUC's draft EIR once it is released for public review, for a period of at least 45 days.

Formal Proceeding

- Subscribe to the proceeding docket using the CPUC Subscription Service:
<https://subscribecpuc.cpuc.ca.gov/>
- Add a comment (and read the comments of others) on the Docket Card for the proceeding, once established, at any point during the proceeding
- Become a party to the proceeding: <https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/proceedings-and-rulemaking/cpuc-public-participation-hearings/methods-for-becoming-a-party-to-a-proceeding>
- Monitor any hearings held by the assigned Administrative Law Judge(s) as part of the formal proceeding
- Comment on the CPUC's Proposed Decision when it is released.

More Information

SDG&E has not yet filed a CPCN application with the CPUC. Until an application is filed, the most current information on the project will be available on SDG&E's Golden Pacific Powerlink Project website: <https://goldenpacificpowerlink.com/>

CPUC Contact

Contact the CPUC Public Advisor's Office for procedural information about participating in proceedings:

- Telephone: 1-866-849-8390
- Email: public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov
- Address: CPUC Public Advisor's Office, 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA 94102