



Parker-Davis Transmission System Programmatic Operation and Maintenance, and Integrated Vegetation Management Program

Western proposes Operations and Maintenance (O&M) activities and the implementation of an integrated vegetation management program on the Parker-Davis Transmission System. The transmission system currently consists of 53 substations, 9,993 structures, and 1,534 miles of transmission line.



What is the Proposed Action?

O&M activities would occur on existing transmission lines and access road rights-of-ways (ROW) as well as at substations and maintenance facilities associated with the transmission system. O&M activities would consist of aerial and ground patrols to locate and correct problems, regular and preventive maintenance, inspections and repairs to protect against operational hazards, and road repair to provide access for maintenance and emergencies. The vegetation management program would remove vegetation to protect facilities from fire, control the spread of noxious weeds to protect environmental quality, establish and maintain stable, low-growing plant communities in the ROW, and activities to protect public and worker safety around transmission lines and other facilities.

What is the purpose of the project?

The Parker-Davis O&M project will provide for ongoing maintenance of existing transmission lines and access road ROWs. Consistent and ongoing maintenance will ensure system reliability and safe access to all components of the transmission system.



Davis Dam near Bullhead City, Arizona.

The need for O&M activities include:

- Eliminating the threat of vegetation interfering with transmission lines and towers.
- Controlling vegetation in a cost-effective manner to benefit the public and natural ecosystems.
- Maintaining transmission lines and legal access road ROWs to facilitate safe and year-round access to transmission line structures and appurtenant facilities.

How can I get involved?

Public Scoping comments will be accepted through April 4, 2014.

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