



# Bouse Upgrade Project

## Draft Environmental Assessment

The Western Area Power Administration would like to hear from you regarding the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Bouse Upgrade Project, which would reconfigure the transmission system near Parker, Arizona requiring new rights-of-way on a combination of Federal, State Trust, Tribal, and private lands. The existing 161-kV system south of Parker would be reconfigured to a new 230-kV system providing for future load growth. In addition, the Project would allow for removal of the majority of the Parker-Headgate Rock and Parker-Bouse transmission lines, which were scheduled for replacement in 1999 and have exceeded normal service life. The purpose of this project is to address safety and reliability issues impacting the regional electric grid.

The Draft EA describes the proposed project, discusses potential environmental impacts associated with the project, and identifies mitigation measures that would lessen or eliminate those impacts. Public comments on the Draft EA will help us refine the environmental analysis and help inform our decisions concerning the proposed project.

To access the Draft EA and learn more about the project, visit the Bouse Upgrade EA website:  
<https://www.wapa.gov/regions/DSW/Environment/Pages/Bouse-Upgrade-Project.aspx>

The 30-day public comment period on the Draft EA begins January 10, 2022 and closes February 9, 2022.

Submit comment to the return address on this card, or by email to [montano@wapa.gov](mailto:montano@wapa.gov).  
*If you encounter issues accessing the Draft EA, please contact Andrew M. Montano at [montano@wapa.gov](mailto:montano@wapa.gov) or by phone at (720) 962-7253 and special accommodations can be made.*



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