

# NMSLO to host April 24 public input meeting regarding proposed SPS transmission line

The New Mexico State Land Office will host a public meeting on Wednesday, April 24 in Carlsbad to gather input regarding Southwestern Public Service Company's (SPS) plans to construct and operate a 345kV single-circuit transmission line and associated facilities in Eddy and Lea counties.

The meeting, which runs from 5:30-6:30 p.m., will be held at the Pecos River Village Conference Center, 711 Muscatel Ave., Carlsbad, NM 88220.

Construction on the 345kV transmission line project is expected to last approximately 12 months and would result in the establishment of the following permanent facilities: a single-circuit 345 kV overhead electric transmission line between the China Draw Substation, Phantom Substation and Roadrunner Substation; access roads to the transmission line structures and a new 23-acre Phantom Substation with associated equipment.

The project would traverse approximately 18 miles of State Trust Land, approximately 23 miles of federal land and an estimated one mile of privately-owned land. A 150-foot wide Right of Way would be required throughout the majority of the project's footprint. The overhead transmission line would be supported by 100-150 foot tall structures placed between 800-1,200 feet apart (for a total of four-to-six structures per mile)

An Environmental Assessment is currently being prepared to identify potential environmental effects of the proposed project.

Contact SLO Rights-of-Way Director, Clyde Ward for additional information: (505) 827-3809 or via email at [cward@slo.state.nm.us](mailto:cward@slo.state.nm.us).

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