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SLO accepting public input on Oso Grande HV, LLC's proposed 345-kV transmission line at May 23 meeting

The New Mexico State Land Office (SLO) will conduct a public input meeting regarding Oso Grande HV, LLC's proposal to construct a 345kV transmission line in Eddy and Chaves counties on Thursday, May 23.

The meeting will be held at the Chaves County Building, #1 Saint Mary's Place, Suite 180 in Roswell (88203); it runs from 2-3 p.m.

Anticipated to last 12 months, the project will consist of the following permanent facilities: a single-circuit 345kV overhead electric transmission line between the Eddy County Switch Yard (22 miles south of Hagerman) and the newly proposed substation (26 miles south of Cap Rock); upgraded roads and new access roads within the Right-of-Way and off-ROW access roads to the transmission line structures and two new five- to seven-acre substations/interconnection yards with new equipment at each of these substations.

The project proposal reveals that the line would cross approximately 18.4 miles of state trust lands, approximately 17.6 miles of federal land, and approximately 4.7 miles of privately-owned land. A 150-foot wide Right-of-Way would be required throughout the most of the project area. The transmission line will be supported by either H-Frame, three-pole or monopole structures (90-155 feet tall) spaced approximately 910-1,100 feet apart, resulting in approximately five to six structures per mile.

An Environmental Assessment – analyzing potential effects of the proposed Right-of-Way on surrounding lands and identifying necessary mitigation efforts – is being prepared.

Contact SLO Rights-of-Way Director Clyde A. Ward for information: (505) 827-3809 or via e-mail at cward@slo.state.nm.us.

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