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Sent:	Thursday, October 24, 2019 1:56 PM
То:	Wallingford-Ingo, Gail
Cc:	Boutilier, Seth
Subject:	RE: 1041 Permit No. 2019-003 - Notice of Permit Hearing
Attachments:	BHE Land and Mineral Owner Notification Oct 2019.pdf; Pueblo County Mineral Owner
	Notification List 10_24_19.pdf

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Please let us know if you have any questions or comments on the attached letter and planned mailings.

Regards,

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Dear Land or Mineral Interest Owner:

This letter is to notify you that Black Hills Energy (BHE) has submitted to the Pueblo County Department of Planning and Development an application for the proposed Reliability Upgrade for Southern Colorado Project (Project) in Pueblo County, Colorado. You are being notified of this Project because our records show you are an owner of surface land or mineral rights in the area that would be crossed by the proposed electric transmission line, as shown in Figure 1. To learn more about this project, please visit the Reliability Upgrade for Southern Colorado Project web page at: http://reliabilityupgradesoutherncolorado.com/.

The current power system in parts of Pueblo and Fremont Counties experiences high demand during peak periods due to sustained population growth and economic development. This demand is outpacing our ability to deliver reliable electricity and leaving the system vulnerable to power outages. Therefore, BHE is planning a 39-mile 115 kV transmission line starting in Pueblo West and traversing west toward Cañon City. BHE's objectives for the Project include providing more reliability and additional electric delivery capacity for Pueblo West, Penrose, Cañon City and the surrounding areas.

To determine our proposed route within the Pueblo County portion of the Project, we considered several routes. BHE started by fully re-examining our 2018 proposal (1041 2018-002) and input from the County Commissioners and the public during the 1041 hearings. We also engaged with agencies and impacted communities and adjusted our proposed route based on their feedback, when feasible.

Our proposal is to use the existing Pueblo West Metro District utility corridor in the Wild Horse Creek easement and the West Station transmission corridor. Both the West Station transmission corridor and the Wild Horse Creek easements are existing utility easement corridors intended to be used for utility projects like this. By routing the Project through these utility corridors, we will minimize impacts by upgrading existing distribution infrastructure to transmission infrastructure, where possible. The proposed Project will consist of a combination of steel monopoles and horizontal configured wood H-frame structures and will generally occupy a 125-foot wide right-of-way.

BHE is requesting approval of a Permit pursuant to Pueblo County's Regulations for Areas and Activities of State and Local Interest (1041 Permit) for the portion of the electric transmission line in Pueblo County. BHE is requesting permit approval for approximately 16.9 miles of land in Pueblo County, of which 12.7 miles are private property and 4.2 miles are owned by Pueblo West Metropolitan District.

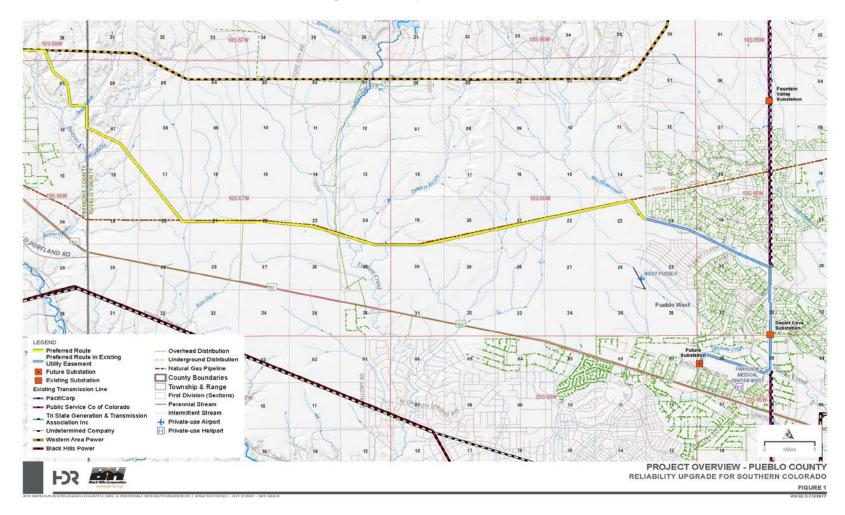
The Project is on properties in Pueblo West Metropolitan District and in Sections, Townships, Ranges in the 6th P.M. as described in the application submittal documents and as depicted on Figure 1. The Project area is currently zoned as a mixture of: "Agriculture I" (A-1) with a designation of rural ranch; "Public Use" (S-1) areas for public use; and "Industrial 2" (I-2) designated for light industrial development.

The Board of County Commissioners is scheduled to hold a public hearing on **November 26**, **2019 at 9:00 a.m.** Submitted project documents can be found at the Pueblo County Online Planning Case Search under docket 1041 2019-003 and can be accessed at: http://www.co.pueblo.co.us/cgi-bin/webformbroker.wsc/cases3.p?CaseNum=1041%202019-003

Sincerely,

Seth Boutilier Reliability Upgrade for Southern Colorado Project Manager Black Hills Energy

Figure 1 – Project Overview



Black Hills Energy Reliability Upgrade for Southern Colorado Project

HDR, on behalf of Black Hills Energy (BHE), certifies that we have examined the publically available records of the Pueblo County Clerk and Recorder for the existence of severed mineral estate owners (or lessees that own less than full fee title in the property) for the Reliability Upgrade for Southern Colorado Project. The list of severed mineral estate owners in the properties crossed by the Project are listed in Table 1 below.

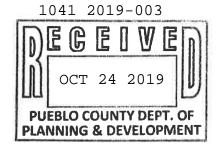
Table 1: Pueblo County Severed Mineral Estate Owners in the Reliability Upgrade for Southern Colorado Project

Assessor's Tax Parcel Number	Severed Mineral Estate Owner Name	Severed Mineral Estate Owner Address
505015002	MCO Properties, Inc.	1330 Post Oak Blvd St. #2000, Houston, TX 77056
505015007	MCO Properties, Inc.	1330 Post Oak Blvd St. #2000, Houston, TX 77056
508099254	MCO Properties, Inc.	1330 Post Oak Blvd St. #2000, Houston, TX 77056
601016008	MCO Properties, Inc.	1330 Post Oak Blvd St. #2000, Houston, TX 77056
960000133	State of Colorado General Land Office	2850 Youngfield St., Lakewood, Co 80215
960000133 970000147 (Multiple mineral estate owners in this parcel)	State of Colorado General Land Office Range 67 West: S1/2 Sec7/T19S/R67W W1/2 Sec 17/19S/67W NE4 Sec 18/19S/67W NE4 and S1/2 of Sec 21/19S/67W S1/2 Sec 22/19S/67W W1/2 of SE1/4 and the entire SW1/4 of Sec 23/19S/67W RANGE 66 West: E1/2 of SW1/4 and the SE1/4 Sec 19/19S/66W S1/2 Sec 20/19S/66W NE1/4 and the S1/2 of Sec 21/19S/66W W1/2 Sec 36/19S/66W State Land Board	2850 Youngfield St., Lakewood, Co 80215
	NE4 Sec 20/19S/67W State Land Board (Colorado State Univ.) SE1/4 Sec 24/19S/67W State Land Board School	1127 Sherman St., Denver, Co 80203
	W1/2 of SW1/4 of Sec 19/19S/66W Dorothy Elizabeth Fisher Estate (C/O Marjory Dredge) S1/2 Sec 22/19S/67W	2845 Lavender Dr., Walnut Creek, Ca 94596

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	Mava Dell Brixey N1/2 Sec 22/19S/67W	HC 3, Box 78, Hooker, Ok 73945
	Red Creek Ranch of Colorado, Inc. (Registered Agent Joseph R. Obrien) N1/2 and the SE1/4 Of Sec 23/19S/67W	511 W. 26th St, Pueblo, Co 81003
	John R. Harbour (dec'd) and Sharon Drake W1/2 Sec 25/19S/67W	26528 South Road, Pueblo, Co 81006
508099251	Pueblo West Metro District	PO Box 7005, Pueblo West, Co 81007
9529099238	Pueblo West Metro District	PO Box 7005, Pueblo West, Co 81007
9529000001	Pueblo West Metro District	PO Box 7005, Pueblo West, Co 81007
506010002	Pueblo West Metro District	PO Box 7005, Pueblo West, Co 81007

HDR has conducted a thorough search of the forty-year history of publically available records retained at the Pueblo County Clerk and Recorder office for the above parcels to determine the affected severed mineral estate owners. BHE will provide notice by certified letter to severed mineral estate owners at least 30 days prior to the County convening its initial public hearing and submit copies of those certified letters prior to the public hearing.



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Attachments:	BHE_Certified Mailing of Notifications Oct 25 2019.pdf

Greetings Gail,

As a follow up to my email below, please find attached the certified mail receipts sent to the severed mineral interest and surface owners for the Reliability Upgrade for Southern Colorado Project on October 25, 2019.

Regards, **Pam McWharter** *Sr. Environmental Project Manager*

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