

Southern California Edison's West of Devers Upgrade Project
 Draft Environmental Impact Report / Environmental Impact Statement Comment Table
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<p>D.18-52 and Figure D.18-25B</p>	<p>KOP 18 – Northbound Iowa Street in the City of Redlands. Figure D.18-25A presents a life-size scale view to the north along the Iowa Street, near the southwest corner of the Cottage Lane residential sub-division, south of Orange Avenue and North of Barton Road in the City of Redlands. The view encom-passes a portion of the Proposed Project SB-Redlands-Tennessee overhead 66 kV subtransmission line as it passes immediately west of the Cottage Lane residential subdivision. There are no other substantial overhead utility structures apparent in the suburban landscape along this portion of Iowa Street. Figure D.18-25B presents a simulation of a new 66 kV subtransmission line in this suburban neighborhood.</p> <p>As shown in the simulation, the Proposed Project would result in the introduction of a light-weight, steel-pole, 66 kV subtransmission line into a residential suburban landscape presently absent similar fea-tures. The light-weight steel poles would appear as visually prominent, vertical structures along the east side of Iowa Street adjacent to the Cottage Lane residential subdivision. The resulting visual contrast would be Moderate to High, and the light-weight steel poles would appear Co-dominant in scale with the more distant background mountains. View blockage of the mountains and sky would be Moderate to High</p>	<p>Figure D-18-25B improperly simulates the installation of double-circuit 220kV TSPs (with a typical as shown in Figure B-10), instead of the correct use of single-circuit 66kV wood poles (with typical as shown in Figure B-14b). If this simulation had incorporated the correct structure type, it would show that the Proposed Project creates a similar visual impact as the “single, wood-pole utility lines along Orange Avenue and a portion of Iowa Street” and the “...vertical street light poles and a more distant communication tower.” (Sec DEIR page D.18-24, KOP-18, Visual Quality.)</p> <p>The DEIR language should be revised as follows:</p> <p>KOP 18 – Northbound Iowa Street in the City of Redlands. Figure D.18-25A presents a life-size scale view to the north along the Iowa Street, near the southwest corner of the Cottage Lane residential sub-division, south of Orange Avenue and North of Barton Road in the City of Redlands. The view encom-passes a portion of the Proposed Project SB-Redlands-Tennessee overhead 66 kV subtransmission line as it passes immediately west of the Cottage Lane residential subdivision. There are no other substantial overhead utility structures apparent in the suburban landscape along this portion of Iowa Street, <u>though there are some single, wood-pole utility lines along Orange Avenue and a portion of Iowa Street, as well as some vertical street light poles and a more distant communication tower.</u> Figure D.18-25B presents a simulation of a new 66 kV subtransmission line in this suburban neighborhood.</p> <p>As shown in the simulation, the Proposed Project would result in the introduction of a <u>light-weight, steel wood-pole</u>, 66 kV subtransmission line into a residential suburban landscape <u>presently absent similar fea-tures</u>. The <u>light-weight steel wood poles</u> would appear as visually prominent, vertical structures along the east side of Iowa Street adjacent to the Cottage Lane residential subdivision. The resulting visual contrast would be <u>Low to Moderate to High</u>, and <u>the light-weight steel poles would could</u> appear Co-dominant in scale with the more distant background mountains. View blockage of the mountains and sky would be <u>Low to Moderate to High</u></p>
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