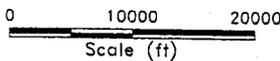


Legend

- Existing 230kV
- Existing 115kV
- ▬ Rebuild/Upgrade Existing 115kV to 115/230kV
- ▬ New 230kV Conductor on Existing Structures



PLATTE RIVER POWER AUTHORITY
 PRPA/Western 115/230kV Upgrade Project
 Figure 1
 Physical Locations of Project Components

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*For Wildlife-
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October 5, 2000

Tom Ryan, Steve Faulk, Patrick Golden
Greystone
5231 South Quebec Street
Greenwood Village, CO 80111

Re: Boyd-Lake Transmission Line

Dear Mr. Ryan, Mr. Faulk & Mr. Golden:

I have reviewed a summary of this project proposal and had phone conversations with a couple of you recently and made a field visit to the site on October 4, 2000. Due to the new route going under Boyd Lake and the lack of any critical habitat in this area, I believe that this project has no significant potential to negatively impact wildlife or wildlife habitat.

The proposed project site does fall within the overall range of both mule deer and white-tailed deer. I am concerned for the safety of the deer in at this site if any fence is erected as some types of fencing can be dangerous and even fatal to deer. Therefore, I recommend that if any fencing is to be used during this operation, then I prefer the use of ¾ strand fencing with a bottom strand height of 17 inches and a maximum top strand height of 36 inches.

Note that we do not have information on threatened/endangered plants or invertebrates. For plant or invertebrate information, you might wish to contact:

Colorado Natural Heritage Program
254 General Services Building
Colorado State University
Fort Collins, CO 80523
ph: (970)491-1309 FAX: (970)491-0279

The Division of Wildlife appreciates this opportunity to visit and comment on this project. If you have any questions, please contact me at (970)472-4435. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Scott Hoover, Acting NE Regional Manager
by Mike Sherman, Field Habitat Biologist

Cc: Rick Moss, NE Senior Habitat Biologist, CDOW
Katie Kinney, Area Wildlife Manager, CDOW
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