



ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS

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electrical transmission services

SME has extensive experience in the electric transmission/generation industry, dating back to the 1990s when the firm won an on-call services contract with Pacific Gas and Electric to provide comprehensive environmental services across the State of California.



SME understands the needs of its electric power generation clients. Whether it be site feasibility for a power substation, biological assessment along a transmission corridor, or a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, SME clients are assured of fast, efficient, highly professional service.

Dating back to 2008, SME has assisted La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) and its partners, British Petroleum (BP) and Reliable Power Consultants (RPC), with LPEA's San Juan Major Project. The purpose of the project is to electrify hundreds of new and existing natural gas wells in the San Juan Basin. Power line upgrades associated with this project are part of LPEA's plans for which future loans will be made through the USDA Rural Development Utility Program. SME has consistently conducted field analysis and compliance documentation for environmental resources to meet tight construction timeframes as the San Juan Major Project moves into its tenth year. To date, SME has completed clearance work on approximately 225 miles of corridor in the San Juan Basin, with approximately 25 miles of these corridor projects located on Southern Ute Indian Tribe land.



"Under my supervision, LPEA has utilized the services of SME for various environmental related tasks on numerous projects over the last several years. The projects have involved both overhead and underground installations from several hundred feet to multiple miles in length. SME has performed all tasks for LPEA in a diligent and professional manner, and has assisted LPEA greatly in completing our projects on time and in compliance with applicable environmental laws."

-Randy Ferris SR/WA, Land Rights Administrator
La Plata Electric Association

"It is only appropriate for a company specializing in water to be able to walk on it... SME is friendly, professional, attentive to client needs and budgets with quality and successful results."

-Karl Myers, Transmission Environmental Manager
Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association

Representative Clients

- Atmos Energy
- BP America
- Empire Gas and Electric
- La Plata Electric Association
- Pacific Gas and Electric Company
- Reliable Power Consultants
- Southern Ute Indian Tribe GF Development Group
- Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association



Services

- Phase I Environmental Site Assessments (Individual Parcel and Corridor Study)
- Wetland Delineations
- Wetland Mitigation Design/Installation and Monitoring
- Clean Water Act Permitting
- General Wildlife Studies
- Threatened/Endangered Species Surveys
- Biological Assessment/Evaluation
- Cultural Resources Inventory
- NEPA (Environmental Assessments)
- USDA Rural Development Compliance
- Migratory Bird Compliance Surveys
- Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act Compliance
- Stormwater Permits
- Construction Monitoring of BMPs

Industries Served

- Energy and Transmission
- Oil and Gas
- Aggregate Mining
- Municipalities
- Real Estate Development
- Ski Areas/Resorts



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