

# Staff Report 59

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Southern California Edison Company

**PROPOSED ACTION:**

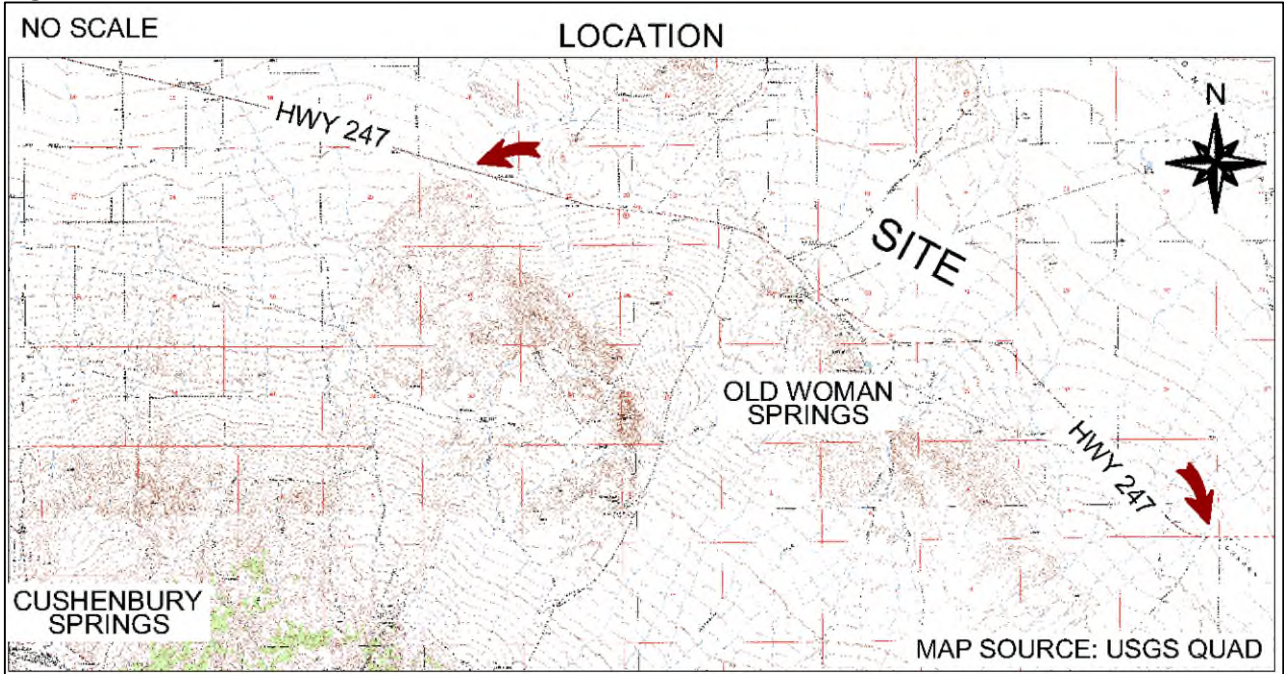
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Revision of Rent.

**AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:**

14.39 acres, more or less, of indemnity school land located in portions of Township 4 North, Range 2 East; Township 4 North, Range 3 East; and Township 3 North, Range 3 East, SBM, near Old Woman Springs, San Bernardino County (as shown in Figure 1).

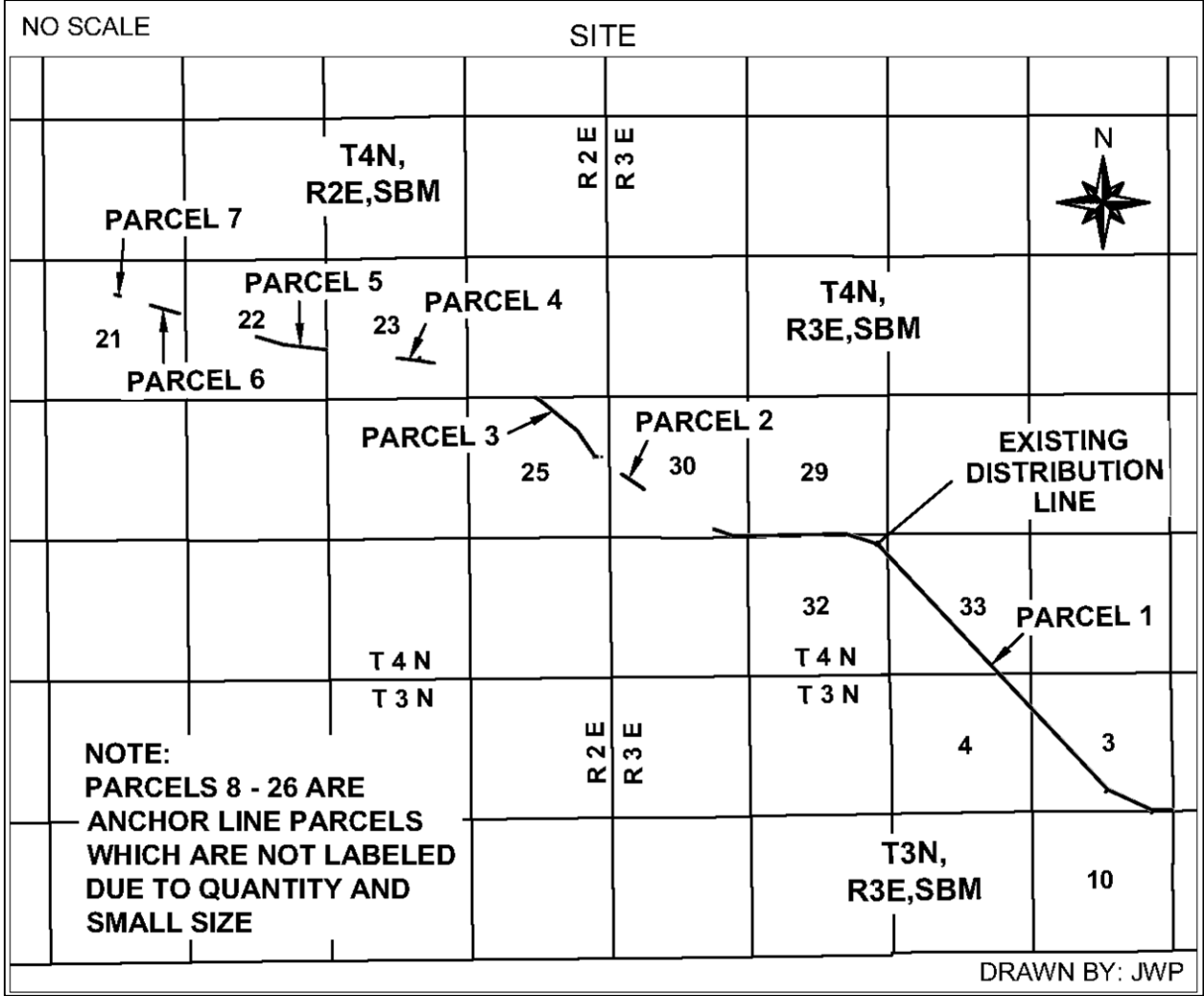
**Figure 1. Location**



**AUTHORIZED USE:**

Continued use and maintenance of an existing 33 kilovolt (kV) overhead electrical distribution line (as shown in Figure 2).

**Figure 2. Site Map**



NOTE: This depiction of the lease premises is based on unverified information provided by the Applicant or other parties and is not a waiver or limitation of any State interest in the subject or any other property.

**TERM:**

20 years, beginning December 22, 2009.

**CONSIDERATION:**

The lease provides that Lessor may modify the rent periodically during the lease term. Pursuant to this provision, the staff has conducted a review of the rent under this lease and recommends that the rent be revised from \$503 per year to \$821 per year, effective December 22, 2024.

**OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:**

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1. Approval or denial of the revision of rent is a discretionary action by the Commission. Each time the Commission approves or rejects a revision of rent, it exercises legislatively delegated authority and responsibility as trustee of the State's Public Lands as authorized by law. The Lessee has no right to a new lease or to renewal of any previous lease.
2. On February 1, 2010, the Commission authorized a 20-year General Lease – Right-of-Way Use ([Item 21, February 1, 2010](#)) to Southern California Edison Company, for an existing 12 kilovolt overhead electrical distribution line and approximately 20 wood poles on 1.76 acres. On April 26, 2013, the Commission authorized an Amendment of Lease ([Item 91, April 26, 2013](#)) to increase the lease area from 1.76 to 14.39 acres after it was discovered that the 12 kilovolt distribution line had been upgraded to 33 kilovolt and the line crossed a total of 26 indemnity school land parcels. On April 23, 2014, the Commission authorized an Amendment of Lease ([Item 64, April 23, 2014](#)) to include a performance guarantee in lieu of a surety bond for all of current Southern California Edison leases. On December 6, 2019, the Commission authorized a revision of rent ([Item 39, December 6, 2019](#)) from \$453 to \$503 per year, effective December 22, 2019. The lease will expire on December 21, 2029.
3. This action is consistent with addressing the challenges and opportunities described in the Commission's 2021-25 Strategic Plan to “Embrace and safeguard multi-benefit School Lands and resource management stewardship that equitably balances responsible local and regional economic development, supports living wages, environmental protection, and revenue generation.”
4. Approving the revision of rent is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act because it is an administrative action that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Authority: Public Resources Code section 21065 and California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections 15060, subdivision (c)(3), and 15378, subdivision (b)(5).

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

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It is recommended that the Commission:

**AUTHORIZATION:**

Approve the revision of rent for Lease PRC 2679 from \$503 per year to \$821 per year, effective December 22, 2024.