




RESOLUTION NO. 026 003

**BOARD LETTER APPROVAL**

  
David Hanson (Jun 23, 2025 11:15 PDT)

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**DATE:** June 16, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Wireline Crossing Agreement with Union Pacific Railroad Company for the Installation of a 34.5-kiloVolt Underground Electric Wireline Crossing at 3400 East I Street, Wilmington, CA 90744 (Union Pacific Railroad Company Mile Post 21.46)

**SUMMARY**

The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) is requesting approval of a Wireline Crossing Agreement (Agreement) with Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) for the purposes of constructing, operating, and maintaining an underground electric wireline crossing only, including any appurtenances required for the operation of said wireline, for LADWP's 34.5-kiloVolt (kV) service conduit to Clean Energy Fuels (Customer) located at 3400 East I Street, Wilmington, CA 90744 (UP Railroad Company Mile Post 21.46)

The proposed Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until terminated by either party upon a 30-day written notice.

Los Angeles City Council (City Council) approval is required pursuant to Los Angeles City Charter Section 373 and Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 10.5.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is requested that the Board of Water and Power Commissioners adopt the attached Resolution recommending City Council's approval of the execution of the Agreement with UP as required in Charter Section 373 and Administrative Code Section 10.5.

## **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The following alternative was considered:

- Not moving forward with the 34.5kV line extension. Without this project, LADWP would not be able to provide reliable power to service the Customer. Crossing UP's property is the only way to provide power to the Customer.

## **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

There is no license fee due upon execution of this Agreement.

## **BACKGROUND**

This proposed Agreement is required for constructing, operating, and maintaining a 34.5kV underground electric wireline crossing only, including any appurtenances required for the operation of said wireline, on UP's railroad property to service the Customer.

The project will consist of installing a utility vault and approximately 480 linear feet of conduit underground in the public right-of-way. A portion of this work will require a jack-and-bore method of installing 110 linear feet of conduit crossing UP's railroad property located at the intersection of East Opp Street and UP Mile Post 21.46 located in Wilmington, CA.

The work will be performed by LADWP's Contract Operations – Underground Construction team. The project is currently scheduled to be placed into service in December 2025.

In accordance with the Mayor's Executive Directive No. 4, the City Administrative Officer's Report was approved on June 10, 2025.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION**

Determine item is exempt pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) and Section 15303. Entering a wireline crossing agreement with Union Pacific Railroad is exempt pursuant to the General Exemption described in CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) which apply in situations where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. Additionally, the actual construction and operation of a 480-foot, 34.5kV line extension (which the wireline agreement will accommodate) and new utility vault to service a customer is categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15303 as described in CEQA Guidelines Section 15303 Class 3. Section 15303 applies to the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures including, but not limited to, electrical utility extension, including street improvements of reasonable length.

## **CITY ATTORNEY**

The Office of the City Attorney reviewed and approved the Resolution and Agreement as to form and legality.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

- Resolution
- Agreement
- CAO Report