

BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY)
OF NEW MEXICO'S APPLICATION FOR A)
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND)
NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT, OWN AND)
OPERATE THE RIO PUERCO TO PAJARITO TO)
PROSPERITY 345 KV TRANSMISSION PROJECT)
)
PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW MEXICO,)
)
Applicant)

Docket No. 25-00__-UT

**DIRECT TESTIMONY
OF
ADAM K. MCCLELLAN**

December 30, 2025

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ADAM K. MCCLELLAN

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I. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

2 Q. Please state your name, position, and business address.

3 A. My name is Adam K. McClellan. I am the Senior Manager of Land Services for PNMR
4 Services Company. My business address is 2401 Aztec Road NE, Albuquerque, New
5 Mexico 87107. I am testifying on behalf of Public Service Company of New Mexico
6 (“PNM” or “Company”).

7

8 Q. Please summarize your educational background and professional qualifications.

9 A. My educational background and professional experience are summarized in PNM Exhibit
10 AKM-1.

11

12 Q. Please describe your responsibilities as Senior Manager of Land Services.

13 A. I am responsible for all real estate activities for PNM. I oversee the real estate team that
14 procures all lands (fee and easement) for PNM. In coordination with engineering,
15 environmental, regulatory, senior management, stakeholder engagement, Tribal
16 Government Relations & Customer Engagement, and Government Affairs team members,
17 my team and I work to procure the required land rights to support the electric infrastructure
18 for the Rio Puerco to Pajarito to Prosperity 345 kV Transmission line project (the
19 “Project”).

20

21 Q. Please state the purpose of your Direct Testimony.

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1 A. The purpose of my testimony is to discuss the 150 foot right of way (“ROW”) width
2 necessary to construct the Project, present the required land permits, discuss the status of
3 PNM’s negotiations to obtain land, and stakeholder outreach.

4

II. PROJECT LOCATION

6 Q. Please present the location of the lines.

9 The 345 kV transmission line segments of the Project include the following:

- Construction of a new, up to approximately 34-mile, 345 kV transmission line between PNM’s Rio Puerco and Pajarito 345 kV stations.
- Construction of a new, approximately 0.47-mile, extension to connect an existing approximately six-mile 345 kV line from Pajarito to the Prosperity station with 345/115 kV transformation. The existing section of line and structures cross the Rio Grande and may require replacement of one or both static wires with Optical Ground Wire (“OPGW”).
- Construction of a new, approximately 0.38-mile, 345 kV transmission line extension to loop the existing Pajarito-Sandia 345 kV line into the Prosperity station.

20 The route lengths will not be solidified until after Commission review and detailed
21 engineering design plans are completed.

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1 In addition to the transmission line components, the Project also includes the expansion
2 of two existing 345 kV stations and the construction of a new 345 kV substation.

3 • Pajarito station will be expanded to the north to accommodate the Pajarito-Rio
4 Puerco connection and new renewable energy interconnections.

5 • Rio Puerco switching station will be expanded to the west within parcel owned by
6 PNM to accommodate the Pajarito-Rio Puerco connection.

7 • Prosperity station to be expanded within the existing site to install a new 345/115
8 kV transformer, two new 345 kV bays, and one 115 kV bay.

9

10 **Q. Please identify the type of ownership of the land that the transmission line will cross
11 and the number of feet the transmission line will cross over each owner's land.**

12 **A. Rio Puerco – Pajarito 345 kV Identification of Land Ownership and corresponding length
13 for each route is as follows:**

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Preferred Route-A

Ownership type	Approximate distance
Private	157,706 ft.
New Mexico State Land Office	5,333 ft.
CABQ/Airport/Water Utility Authority	18,797 ft.
New Mexico Department of Transportation	430 ft.

Alternative Route-B

Ownership type	Approximate distance
Private	142,751 ft.
CABQ/Airport/Water Utility Authority	18,797 ft.
New Mexico Department of Transportation	390 ft.

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2 The route lengths will not be solidified until after Commission review and detailed
3 engineering design plans are completed.
4

5 **Q. Please state the total length of the line for the Proposed Route (referred to as Preferred**
6 **Route A) and Alternative Route B.**

7 **A.** The total approximate length of each route is as follows:
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Transmission Line	Approximate distance
Rio Puerco – Pajarito 345 kV Line (Preferred Route-A)	182,266 ft. (34.5 mi)
Rio Puerco – Pajarito 345 kV Line (Alternative Route-B)	161,938 ft. (30.7 mi)

1 **Q.** **Please state the approximate length of the line for the other transmission line**
2 **components.**
3 **A.** The total approximate length of each additional component is as follows:

Transmission Line	Approximate distance
Existing Pajarito -- Prosperity 345 kV Line	2,500 ft.
Sandia -- Pajarito 345 kV Line Loop into Prosperity	2,000 ft.

4 Both components will cross private lands.
5

6 **Q.** **Does the Project require any local jurisdiction approvals?**

7 **A.** Yes, the Project will require the following local jurisdiction approvals:

8 • An amendment to the project list in the Bernalillo County 20-year Electric Facilities
9 Plan. This plan provides an addition of this project to the list of all electric projects
10 necessary to supply present and future electrical service to the Albuquerque metro area
11 within Bernalillo County. Bernalillo County has approved the amendment.
12 • An amendment to the existing Sandoval County site plan for the Rio Puerco Substation
13 to reflect its expansion to accommodate additional equipment. This process is ongoing.

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1 • An amendment to the existing Bernalillo County site plans for the Pajarito Substation
2 and the Prosperity Substation to reflect expansions to accommodate additional
3 equipment. This process is ongoing.

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5 **III. PNM PUBLIC OUTREACH PROCESS**

6 **Q. Has PNM engaged in public outreach efforts with local communities and constituents**
7 **(OLE¹ Issue 1)?**

8 **A.** Yes. From the inception of Project planning, PNM has worked closely with interested
9 communities and constituents regarding the Project. At the beginning of Project planning,
10 PNM identified the critical audience listed below. Building support among these
11 stakeholder groups is intended to foster coordination and an understanding of the need for
12 the Project from individuals and organizations that may oppose a new transmission line. A
13 summary of the efforts to collaborate with stakeholders is presented below and in PNM
14 Exhibit AKM-3.

15 A. Tribal Nations (Sovereign Native American Nations) with Historical and Cultural
16 ties to the area.

17 • Virtual Tribal Open House on July 16, 2025; invitation sent to 22
18 New Mexico Tribes and seven tribes outside New Mexico.
19 Invitation list of tribes was identified by the Petroglyph National
20 Monument. All 29 tribes were invited to the Public Open House
21 event on July 17, 2025.

¹ All references to “OLE” throughout this testimony relate to requirements from Case No. 2382 (Ojo Line Extension), Final Order, p. 104 (November 20, 1995).

1 • Meetings with Isleta Pueblo on August 13, 2025, and December 15,
2 2025.

3 • Meeting with San Felipe Pueblo on August 1, 2025.

4 • Meetings with Santa Ana Pueblo on August 6, 2025, and December
5 3, 2025.

6 • Meetings with Cochiti Pueblo on August 6, 2025, and December 8,
7 2025.

8 • Meetings with Sandia Pueblo on August 11, 2025, and December 3,
9 2025.

10 • Meeting with Laguna Pueblo on August 20, 2025.

11 • Meeting with Tesuque Pueblo on August 27, 2025.

12 • Project presentation to the 20 Pueblo Governors of the All Pueblo
13 Council of Governors (“APCG”)² during their monthly meeting on
14 August 21, 2025.

15 • Project update presentation given to the APCG during December 4,
16 2025 monthly meeting. Additional project meeting updates are
17 available to any tribe upon request.

18 • Ongoing project update discussions occur when PNM Tribal
19 Government Relations staff meet with a Tribe/Pueblo.

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21 B. Residents, neighbors, homeowners’ associations and those impacted by zone use.

² See <https://apcg.org/>.

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1 PNM conducted outreach to ensure communities could stay informed and provide input on
2 the proposed transmission line project. Postcards, including Spanish translations for limited
3 English proficiency (“LEP”) populations, were mailed to 718 parcel owners along the
4 proposed routes, notifying them of planned surveying activities, the July 17, 2025, public
5 open house at the ADA-accessible Albuquerque Public Library, and ways to provide
6 feedback via phone hotline, email, website, and QR codes. PNM also presented project
7 information at the July 2, 2025, West Side Coalition of Neighborhoods Association
8 (“WSCONA”) meeting, inviting attendees to the open house and providing a station with
9 information on all feedback methods. During the July 2, 2025, WSCONA meeting,
10 members and neighborhood representatives raised concerns about electric and magnetic
11 field (“EMF”) safety, Project scope and routing, environmental and cultural resources, and
12 maintenance and risk. Below is the list of community meetings that were held:

- 13 • Presentation to West Side Coalition of Neighborhoods on July 2, 2025.
- 14 • Public Open House on July 17, 2025.
- 15 • Virtual Open House/Meeting with South Valley Neighborhoods Alliance on
16 October 8, 2025.
- 17 • Presentation to the Southwest Alliance of Neighborhoods (“SWAN”) has
18 been requested and is pending.
- 19 • Presentations to and interaction with identified Environmental Justice (EJ)
20 Neighborhoods are ongoing.

21 C. Local businesses and institutions such as hospitals, churches and schools.

- 22 • Meeting with City of Albuquerque Aviation Director on August 26, 2025,
23 related to easement requests on Double Eagle II Airport property.

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1 D. Elected officials representing project benefit areas.

2 • PNM's Government Affairs team has had conversations with the City of Rio

3 Rancho, Sandoval County, and the City of Albuquerque.

4 E. Municipal, County, State and Federal jurisdictions.

5 • Meeting with City of Albuquerque Parks & Recreation Director and Open

6 Space Superintendent on March 13, 2025. Follow up meeting with Open

7 Space Superintendent and her staff on October 22, 2025.

8 • Process information for Rio Puerco Substation site plan amendment

9 requested July 14, 2025, awaiting a response from Sandoval County.

10 • Process determination received from City of Rio Rancho on August 14,

11 2025; no additional review or permits required for transmission corridor

12 other than obtaining easements and/or property for the Project.

13 • Process information for Pajarito and Prosperity Substation site plan

14 amendments requested and received from Bernalillo County August 28,

15 2025.

16 • Meeting with Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority

17 ("ABCWUA") on September 8, 2025.

18

19 **Q. What was PNM's process for identifying stakeholders?**

20 **A.** Based on prior project experience, current best practices for public outreach, and reviews

21 of jurisdictional maps and maps of communities within one mile of the Project, PNM

22 created an outreach plan to identify and involve stakeholders that include Tribes/Pueblos

23 that have cultural ties to the Petroglyph National Monument area, nearby residents, and

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1 neighborhoods within one mile of the Project. As we meet with individuals and groups,
2 PNM asks them for their input into who else should be involved to get information from
3 PNM and to provide additional input and perspectives to inform the planning and design
4 of the Project.

5

6 **Q. What was the outcome of the stakeholder engagement process?**

7 **A.** In general, most stakeholders understand the need for the Project. Tribal/Pueblo
8 representatives have been consistent in their requests for PNM to share information about
9 cultural resource surveys and their resulting outcomes with engaged Tribal Historic
10 Preservation Officers, which PNM is doing. There have been concerns expressed related
11 to view preservation, especially views from the Petroglyph National Monument to the
12 west towards Mt. Taylor (Turquoise Mountain) and electric & magnetic fields (“EMFs”).
13 PNM has addressed and will continue to address any and all stakeholder concerns.

14

15 **Q. Has PNM continued to offer stakeholder engagement opportunities?**

16 **A.** Yes. PNM has and will continue to offer stakeholder engagement opportunities throughout
17 the planning, regulatory review, design, and construction processes. PNM has created a
18 project webpage for the Project where interested parties can get updates on the Project,
19 ask questions, and provide comments (pnm.com/pajarito-riopuerco). PNM will respond
20 to any request for a meeting from an identified stakeholder or stakeholder group. PNM
21 will continue to hold additional meetings with stakeholders as they are identified or as
22 requested by identified stakeholders.

1 **Q. How is PNM incorporating stakeholder input in the planning and design process?**

2 **A.** PNM created visual simulations from various points of view to address concerns expressed
3 about view preservation using both darker and lighter colored transmission structures.
4 PNM has solicited feedback from Tribes/Pueblos and key stakeholders to identify design
5 opportunities that would potentially reduce impacts to resources. Cultural resource surveys
6 and their results, plus input from Tribes/Pueblos, will also be incorporated into PNM's
7 design and construction activities along the transmission line corridor. Additional
8 information regarding visual simulations and cultural resources is discussed in PNM
9 witness Leslie Watson's Direct Testimony. In addition to the key stakeholders, PNM also
10 reached out to the Federal Aviation Administration, Double Eagle II Airport and the U.S.
11 Department of Defense to obtain input on potential airspace restrictions. As a result of the
12 preliminary review, PNM will be adding marker balls and tower lighting.

13

14 **Q. What steps did PNM take to consider Native American concerns?**

15 **A.** PNM notified 22 New Mexico Tribes and seven tribes outside New Mexico that have
16 cultural ties to the Petroglyph National Monument area with Project information and who
17 were identified by the Petroglyph National Monument. Project notification letters were sent
18 on May 2, 2025, and July 3, 2025, to the 29 tribes, certified USPS, return receipt requested.
19 PNM has met with numerous Pueblos (see answer to first question of this section),
20 presented twice at the APCG monthly meeting, and PNM's Tribal Government Relations
21 & Customer Engagement group will continue to interact with and keep Tribes/Pueblos
22 informed and up to date on the progress of the Project. PNM has committed to the
23 Pueblos/Tribes to share cultural resource information that results from the pedestrian

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1 surveys by licensed archaeologists, as discussed further in PNM witness Watson's Direct
2 Testimony. Multiple Pueblo Tribal Historic Preservation Officers have accepted PNM's
3 offer to review cultural resource information.

4

5 **Q. Will PNM receive input from the New Mexico State Land Office ("NMSLO")**
6 **regarding the route for the Project?**

7 **A.** Yes. PNM notified the NMSLO about the Project. The NMSLO stated that they would
8 review the Project when an application has been submitted to them. The NMSLO
9 application is expected to be submitted in 2026. To submit the application, PNM must
10 perform any required cadastral, biological and cultural surveys. In discussions with the
11 NMSLO, since the line voltage is proposed at 345 kV, the NMSLO states that a public
12 hearing will be required as part of their review process.

13

14 **IV. ACQUISITION OF ROW AND EASEMENTS**

15 **Q. Has PNM begun the process of obtaining easements and ROW from other property**
16 **owners?**

17 **A.** Yes. PNM has begun the process of obtaining easements and ROW from private
18 landowners (see PNM Exhibit AKM-2 for the Project Overview map). For parcels that are
19 not part of the Atrisco Solar fields, PNM is identifying landowners, developing property
20 valuations, validating ownership, developing landowner negotiation packages, and
21 reaching out to the landowner. For the parcels that are east and south of the Atrisco Solar
22 fields, PNM is negotiating easements with the landowners.

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V. ROW NOTIFICATION

2 **Q. What notice is PNM required to provide regarding the requested minimum 150-foot**
3 **ROW width for the Project?**

4 **A.** NMSA 1978, Section 62-9-3.2(D) requires that PNM provides notice of the time and place
5 of hearing on the application for ROW width determination to be given to any owner of
6 property proposed to be taken and, if applicable, to the occupant of the property. PNM will
7 promptly mail the notice issued by the Commission to all affected property owners.

VI. CONCLUSION

10 **Q. Please summarize your testimony.**

11 **A.** PNM is requesting ROW width approval in accordance with Section 62-9-3.2 of the Public
12 Utility Act. As I have described in my Direct Testimony and exhibits, and as further
13 supported by the direct testimonies and exhibits of PNM witnesses Hakimian, Alvarez and
14 Watson, PNM has provided the necessary information required by the Public Utility Act.
15 PNM has established that applicable safety standards, industry practices and construction
16 considerations require a ROW that is a minimum of 150 feet wide.

17
18 Furthermore, PNM has conducted extensive stakeholder outreach, as described above,
19 which has thus far resulted in no insurmountable issues. PNM has also taken into
20 consideration public input in designing the Project and engaged in extensive and continuing
21 public outreach efforts. PNM continues to engage stakeholders and remains committed to
22 addressing any issues that arise.

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1 PNM has initiated the process of obtaining necessary permits and authorizations from
2 federal, state and local governments, as well as acquiring necessary easements and ROWs.
3 These activities will be completed upon receipt of the necessary approvals from the
4 Commission and prior to construction and operation of the Project, as applicable.

5

6 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

7 **A.** Yes.

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Adam K. McClellan Resume

PNM Exhibit AKM-1

Is contained in the following 3 pages.

ADAM MCCLELLAN



Adam is a senior manager with over 31 years of extensive experience in electrical utilities. His last 20 years have been focused on the management and program/process development of complex multi-million-dollar, multi-state and leading multi-disciplinary teams for major engineering and construction projects at Southern California Edison, FirstEnergy Corp, Georgia Power Co, Puerto Rico Electric Power

Authority and Public Service New Mexico. Responsibilities included management of the following project aspects: Programmatic Stakeholder Engagement Initiatives, GO 131-D, California Public Utilities Commission, CEQA, NEPA, SHPO, ACOE, BLM, California Air Quality Districts, California, Regional Water Quality Districts, California State Water Board, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, National Forest, Ohio Power Siting Board, PA Public Utility Commission, State Transportation Departments (ODOT, PenDOT, CalTrans), FEMA support, siting and licensing, real estate, public involvement, vegetation management, GIS, project management, construction execution, development and implementation of regulatory strategies, program tools, policies and procedures, ad staff development and management.

EDUCATION

Bachelors, Psychology, 2003

1 YEAR WITH PNM

10 YEARS WITH BURNS & MCDONNELL

31 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

PNM Senior Manager Lands Support | PNM – Public Service Company of New Mexico

Oct 2024 - Present

Senior Manager, Lands Support Group. Currently managing PNM's Lands Support Department, managing all land fee and easement acquisitions and non-environmental permits.

PNM Environmental Program Management (BMcD Consultant) | PNM – Public Service Company of New Mexico

Jan 2022 – Oct 2024

Environmental Support Services Manager. Providing program management and process development support to their real estate, environmental, stakeholder engagement (communications), land-use and GIS teams. Guide program leadership throughout all program/project phases, ensuring initiatives are fully supported from the top down. Established the coordinated project process map, permit matrix database and other tools and reports to support achieving program goals. Stakeholder Engagement activities included managing a team to coordinate with landowners with respect to construction, of distribution and transmission lines, to support the New Service Delivery teams with addressing customer's concerns and needs.

Distribution Rehabilitation Program (BMcD Consultant) | PUERTO RICO ELECTRIC POWER AUTHORITY

Oct 2020 - Apr 2021

Environmental Support Services Manager. The Burns & McDonnell team worked as an extension of the utility to build up the foundation of what would become the Distribution Rehabilitation Program. Initial efforts comprised using a combination of available PREPA data and GIS technology to identify mainline or backbone segments of 95 of the feeders most heavily damaged by Maria. In conjunction with this effort came documenting and cataloging critical load facilities across the island with the intent of hardening the feeds to these facilities with redundancies and new technologies. Shepherd a skilled team of 12 persons supporting PREPA's comprehensive multi-project Electric Infrastructure Revitalization Program, which reaches across areas such as environmental permitting and compliance, real estate, public involvement, and geographic information systems (GIS). Advise client staff on a wide range of initiatives in addition to developing program processes to manage the FEMA Environment & Historical Plan (EHP) component of the program.

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- ▶ Guide program leadership throughout all program/project phases, ensuring initiatives are fully supported from the top down.
- ▶ Successfully aided PREPA in finalizing the Fish and Wildlife Services Revised Endangered Species Act Technical Report.
- ▶ Established the coordinated EHP process map, permit matrix database and Power BI reports for the Grant Management and EHP program components to support achieving program goals.

Georgia Power Company - Grid Investment Program (BMcD Consultant) | GEORGIA POWER CO

Atlanta, Georgia | Jan 2020 - Sep 2020

Environmental Service Manager. Georgia Power's Grid Investment Plan is a multi-year initiative to enhance service and reliability in communities across Georgia. Georgia Power is committed to making smart investments for Georgia's energy future to verify their customers are provided the clean, safe, reliable and affordable energy they expect and deserve. The company is investing \$1.3 billion over the next three years as the initial phase of their multi-year grid investment plan. The investment plan focuses on upgrading transmission and distribution infrastructure across the power grid to decrease the number and length of power outages experienced by customers. Instrumental in setting up the real estate and public engagement components for GPC's reliability enhancement program. Georgia Power's "Grid Investment Plan" covers distribution projects across the northeastern portion of Georgia and transmission infrastructure projects across the state of Georgia.

- ▶ Coordinated and advised client management on a wide range of initiatives in addition to engaging in direct oversight of all contracted real estate consultants involved in multiple program/project areas.
- ▶ Guide program leadership throughout all program/project phases, ensuring initiatives are fully supported from the top down.
- ▶ Established the business plans, processes, and cost control tools for a wide range of organizations to ensure unified approaches to achieving program goals.
- ▶ Managed staff for the environmental, real estate, public involvement, GIS and vegetation management groups
- ▶ Set up Public Engagement Inquiry Log Database
- ▶ Set up workflow processes for the program

Transmission Reliability Excellence Plan (TREP) (BMcD Consultant) | FirstEnergy Corp.

Confidential Location | Nov 2013 - Jan 2020

Environmental Group Project Manager. Driving force behind a skilled team of 20-30 and 3rd-party consultants supporting FirstEnergy's comprehensive multi-state, multi-project Energizing the Future Transmission Expansion Program, which reaches across areas such as environmental permitting and compliance, real estate, public involvement, geographic information systems (GIS), and forestry/vegetation management. Duties and Activities Performed:

- ▶ Advise client staff on a wide range of initiatives in addition to developing program processes to manage the FEMA Environment & Historical Plan (EHP) and Hazard Mitigation component of the program (PREPA Specific).
- ▶ Successfully aided Client in the development and management of various permits and licenses
- ▶ Established the coordinated EHP process map, permit matrix database and Power BI reports for the Grant Management and EHP program components to support achieving program goals.
- ▶ Guide program leadership throughout all program/project phases, ensuring initiatives are fully supported from the top down.
- ▶ Established the business plans, processes, and cost control tools for a wide range of organizations to ensure unified approaches to achieving program goals.
- ▶ Coordinated and advised client management on a wide range of initiatives in addition to engaging in direct oversight of all contracted services involved in multiple program/project areas.
- ▶ Managed staff for the environmental, real estate, public involvement, GIS and vegetation management

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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON, Southern California 2009 – 2013

Environmental Group Senior Project Manager

Spearheaded the Environmental Group's contributions to two of the company's largest renewable transmission projects, the **Tehachapi Renewable Transmission Project (TRTP)** and **Eldorado Ivanpah Transmission Project (EITP)**. TRTP involved gaining approval for and building a 150 mile, 500kV transmission line that crossed federal, state, and private lands. EITP was a multijurisdictional, multi-state project that crossed 36 miles of Bureau of Land Management property.

- Continually liaised with senior management while directing the Environmental Support Service team and 150+ consultants over the course of both projects.
- Forged strategic partnerships with multiple state and federal agencies to successfully negotiate all necessary permits and project parameters.
- Optimized allocation of a \$280M budget, holding expenditures to within 5% of approved budgetary parameters.
- Architected and spearheaded the development of a highly effective field compliance management database tool.
- Set up the processes and cost control tools utilized across the organization.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON, Southern California 2006 – 2008

Environmental Power Delivery Projects Manager

Rose through the ranks with Southern California Edison, culminating in assuming leadership of the Environment, Health, and Safety (EH&S) Power Delivery Projects Coordinator group with oversight of a \$5M to \$10M annual consultant budget.

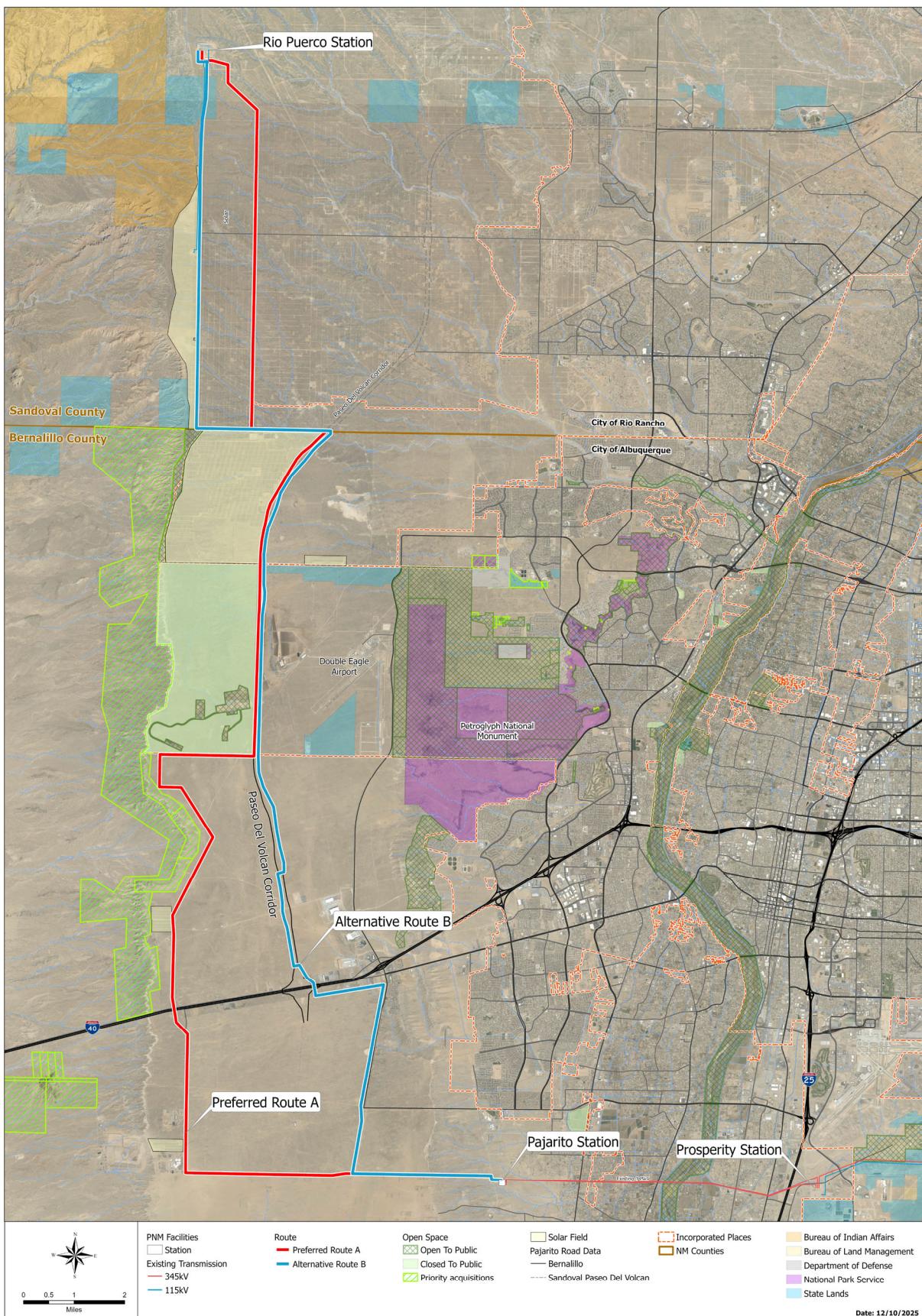
- Spearheaded the coordination and submission of the California Public Utilities Commission's Transmission Licensing Process documents to enable Transmission Distribution Business Unit (TDBU) projects to move forward in accordance with CPUC and CEQA regulations.
- Played a key role in the development of all public involvement processes and the company's CPUS, GO 131 D project environmental licensing process.
- Developed multiple cross-organizational processes that took operations to new levels of performance.
- In prior roles, led the development of the Primavera scheduling and Document management tools that significantly improved the Project Management group's capabilities.

Prior experience with Southern California Edison includes T&D Process Administration Project Manager, Assistant Project Manager, and more.

Project Map

PNM Exhibit AKM-2

Is contained in the following 1 page.



Pajarito - Rio Puerco 345kV Transmission Line Project Overview

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Is contained in the following 7 pages.

Event/Meeting/ Correspondence	Date	Location	Entities Attending	Number of Attendees/Contacts	Summary of Discussion
City - Planning Meeting	3/13/2025	CABQ - Parks & Recreation Conference Room; 1801 4th St NW, Albuquerque NM	CABQ Open Space; CABQ Planning; CABQ Parks and Recreation; PNM	(1) CABQ Planning Division; (2) CABQ Open Space; (2) CABQ Parks & Recreation; (4) PNM Project Team Members	The discussion focused on PNM's proposed transmission line to support Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Los Lunas, highlighting its purpose to add capacity and reduce outage risk. Key topics included the 28-mile 345 kV line from Rio Puerco Substation to Prosperity Substation and the 8-mile 115 kV extension to Sandia Substation.
Cultural- Planning Meeting	4/30/2025	Virtual	NPS- Petroglyphs National Monument; PNM	(6) Petroglyphs National Monument; (3) PNM Project Team Members	PNM representatives provided an overview of the Pajarito–Rio Puerco 345kV transmission line routing study, including the preferred route and alternatives, and noted recent land-use changes that informed updates to the study. The team outlined the early design process and upcoming environmental surveys.
Correspondence - Notice of Project Open House for Tribal Entities	5/2/2025	USPS Certified Mail/Return Receipt	See Tribal Engagement Summary for list of (29) Tribal Entities	(29) Tribal Entities	Letters were sent to 29 tribal entities on May 2, 2025, to notify them of the proposed project and request early project interaction as part of the CCN process. The White Mountain Apache Tribe responded with a no effects letter and was removed from further notifications.
Correspondence - Landowner Notice of Project Surveying	5/29/2025	Postcard Mailing	Land Parcel Owners	(420) Land Parcel Owner	Postcards, including Spanish translations for LEP populations, notified recipients of planned surveying activities,
Correspondence - Action to Change the Electric Facilities Plan Project List (Special Project Review) Bernalillo County Neighborhood Association Contact Notification Mailing Status	6/20/2025	Letter-USPS Certified Mail/Return Receipt	(90) Bernalillo County Registered Neighborhood Associations	(180) Neighborhood Association Representatives (Officers)	Notice of Action to Change the Electric Facilities Plan Project List (Special Project Review); project map and information
Correspondence - Introduction to project	6/30/2025	Email	Matt B. Geisel - Rio Rancho City Mgr; Amy Rincon and David Serrano from DSD	3	Introduced project to the Rio Rancho City manager

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Neighborhood Association Open House - Meeting	7/2/2025	Virtual	Westside Coalition of Neighborhood Associations (WSCONA); PNM	(29) WSCONA Members; (15) PNM Project Team Members. and Consultants	PNM representatives and project consultants met with WSCONA members in a virtual open house to discuss PNM's proposed West Mesa transmission line supporting Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Los Lunas. Discussion focused on project planning, routing, environmental considerations, and community concerns. Attendees asked questions regarding environmental impacts, viewsheds, fire safety, EMF health effects, insurance liability, and renewable energy integration.
Correspondence - Landowner Notice of Project Public Open House	7/3/2025	Postcard Mailing	Bernalillo and Sandoval County Parcel Owners	(718) Residents/Parcel Owners	Invitations to the in-person public open house on July 17, 2025, at the ADA-accessible Albuquerque Public Library were mailed to 718 Bernalillo and Sandoval County parcel owners. The invitations also provided multiple ways to submit feedback, including via phone hotline, email, website, and QR codes.
Correspondence- Follow Up Notice of Project Open House for Tribal Entities	7/3/2025	Letter - USPS Certified Mail/Return Receipt	See Tribal Engagement Summary for list of (29) Tribal Entities	29	A second letter was sent on July 3, 2025, to the remaining potentially interested parties to request notification of the extent the tribe would like to participate and to notify them of two project overview sessions, a virtual tribal only meeting on July 16, 2025, and an in-person public open house July 17, 2025.
Correspondence - Project Introduction	7/3/2025	Email	Daniel J. Beaman Director of Planning & Zoning Sandoval County Mark Hatzenbuhler PW Director Dora Dominquez, Dir of Cnty Business & ED	1	Email to inform the director of the project.

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Tribal Entities Open House - Meeting	7/16/2025	Virtual	Laguna Development Corporation; PNM	(1) Tribal Participant; (15) PNM Project Team Members and Consultants	Virtual presentation by PNM, including a question-and-answer session about the project. Discussion with PNM representatives and project consultants focused on project planning, routing, environmental considerations, and economic development.
Public & Landowner Open House - Meeting	7/17/2025	Central & Unser Public Library, 8081 Central Ave NW, Albuquerque NM	WSCONA Members; general public; landowners; PNM	(2) WSCONA Board Members; (1) general public attendee; (13) PNM Project Team Members and Consultants	(9) Display boards were exhibited providing information about the project, and PNM representatives were available to answer questions and provide information on the proposed West Mesa transmission line, supporting Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Los Lunas. They available to discussed transmission line route options, as well as engineering, tribal, environmental, and cultural considerations.
Tribal Entity Meeting	8/1/2025	Santa Ana Pueblo	San Felipe Pueblo	San Felipe Pueblo Tribal Council Members & PNM Project Team Members	PNM representatives presented an overview of the proposed West Mesa transmission line project, supporting Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Los Lunas.
Tribal Entity Meeting	8/6/2025	Cochiti Pueblo	Cochiti Pueblo	Cochiti Pueblo Tribal Council Members & PNM Project Team Members	PNM representatives presented an overview of the proposed West Mesa transmission line project, supporting Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Los Lunas.
Tribal Entity Meeting	8/6/2025	Santa Ana Pueblo	Santa Ana Pueblo	Santa Ana Pueblo Tribal Council Members & PNM Project Team Members	PNM representatives presented an overview of the proposed West Mesa transmission line project, supporting Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Los Lunas.
Tribal Entity Meeting	8/11/2025	Sandia Pueblo	Sandia Pueblo	Sandia Pueblo Tribal Council Members and PNM Project Team Members.	PNM representatives presented an overview of the proposed West Mesa transmission line project, supporting Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Los Lunas.
Tribal Entity Meeting	8/13/2025	Isleta Pueblo	Isleta Pueblo	Isleta Tribal Council Members and PNM Project Team Members.	PNM representatives presented an overview of the proposed West Mesa transmission line project, supporting Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Los Lunas.

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Tribal Entity Meeting	8/20/2025	Rt 66 Casino	Laguna Pueblo	Laguna Tribal Council Members and PNM Project Team Members.	PNM representatives presented an overview of the proposed West Mesa transmission line project, supporting Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Los Lunas.
Tribal Council Meeting	8/21/2025	Jemez Pueblo	All Pueblo Council of Governors; PNM	(20) Tribal Governors & PNM Project Team Members	At the August All Pueblo Council of Governor (APCG) Monthly Council Meeting, PNM representatives presented an overview of the proposed West Mesa transmission line project, supporting Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Los Lunas.
Tribal Entity Meeting	8/27/2025	Tesuque Pueblo	Tesuque Pueblo	Tesuque Tribal Council Members and PNM Project Team Members.	PNM representatives presented an overview of the proposed West Mesa transmission line project, supporting Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Los Lunas.
City Facility & Aviation - Project Planning Meeting	9/4/2025	Virtual	Abeyta, Lisa R. ; Briggs, Hartwell Sandoval, Christina M. Boyd, Brian; Urioste, David A. ; Gilliard, Gary ;	Double Eagle Aviation, Sun Port and DOD	meet with the Aviation Team to talk about the proposed transmission line project across the west mesa and Double Eagle II Airport
Correspondence - Invitation to Participate: Pajarito-Rio Puerco 345kV Transmission Line Project Open House	9/17/2025	Letters sent to address of record via USPS	Pajarito Mesa Stakeholders Association; South Valley Alliance; South Valley Coalition of Neighborhood Associations; South West Alliance of Neighbors	8	PNM informed the South West Alliance of Neighbors about the early planning of a new 345kV transmission line project on Albuquerque's west side, including proposed routes and substation upgrades. The letter explained the project's purpose to strengthen the regional grid and invited community participation. It announced an online project overview session scheduled for Wednesday, October 8, 2025, from 5:30 to 7:30 PM via MS Teams, with instructions to request the meeting link. The letter also directed readers to the project website for ongoing updates and emphasized PNM's commitment to community engagement and incorporating public feedback into the planning process.

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Correspondence - Notice of Proposed Transmission Line Project and Invitation for Community Input	9/18/2025	Letters sent to address of record via USPS	Residents and landowners	674	Residents within 1 mile of the proposed PNM project were provided information about its planned 345kV transmission line project on Albuquerque's west side, explaining the project's purpose, proposed route options, and substation upgrades. The correspondence invited community engagement, noted outreach to neighborhood associations, and directed recipients to the project website for updates, materials, and opportunities to submit questions or feedback.
City Facility & Aviation - Project Planning Meeting	9/25/2025	Virtual	CABQ Soil Amendment Facility; Double Eagle Aviation, Sun Port and DOD	CABQ Aviation (3); KAFB (6); FAA (1)	PNM representatives met with CABQ, CABQ Soil Amendment Facility, and Double Eagle Aviation to discuss the project and uses in the area.
Correspondence -Notice of Public Hearing	9/26/2025	Planning & Development Services Department - 415 Silver Ave SW, 2nd Floor	Bernalillo County Commissioners; Bernalillo County Elected Officials; Bernalillo County Manager; PNM; public participants	(5) Bernalillo County Commissioners; (5) Elected Officials; (1) County Manager	Hearing Notification received from the Department of Planning & Development Services of the Tuesday, October 14, 2025 of The County Planning Commission file number SPR2025-0005 - a proposed amendment to the Facility Plan- Electric System Transmission and Generation (2010-2020) which proposes to a) add a 345kV transmission line from Pajarito Substation to Rio Puerco Substation to the Project List and the corresponding Figures 4 and 6; and b) update the description of Project Number 22, Pajarito Substation to Prosperity Substation, from a 115kV transmission line to a 345kV transmission line.
Environmental Planning - Meeting	10/6/2025	ABCWUA (2)	PNM; ABCWUA	5	PNM and ABCWUA discussed siting the transmission line to avoid soil remediation areas. PNM will survey ABCWUA land to identify available space and coordinate with ABQ Open Space if needed.

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Neighborhood Association Open House - Meeting	10/8/2025	Virtual	South Valley Coalition of Neighborhood Associations (SVCNA); PNM	(1) SVCNA Board Member; (11) PNM Project Team Members. and Consultants	PNM representatives and project consultants met with the South Valley Coalition of Neighborhood Associations to present the proposed 345 kV transmission line from the Prosperity Substation and the 8-mile 115 kV extension to Sandia Substation, review route options, and discuss environmental and cultural considerations. Peter Eschman asked questions about undergrounding, use of existing rights-of-way, alternative technologies, energy sources, wind development, residential setbacks, PV capacity, and route selection.
Correspondence - Notice of Decision	10/14/2025	Planning & Development Services Department - 415 Silver Ave SW, 2nd Floor	Bernalillo County Commissioners; Bernalillo County Elected Officials; Bernalillo County Manager; PNM; public participants	(5) Bernalillo County Commissioners; (5) Elected Officials; (1) County Manager	Notification of Decision was received from Elvira Lopez, Planning Manager, on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners, affirming the approval issued at the Tuesday, October 14, 2025 County Planning Commission meeting for the proposed amendment to the Facility Plan – Electric System Transmission and Generation (2010–2020). which proposes to a) add a 345kV transmission line from Pajarito Substation to Rio Puerco Substation to the Project List and the corresponding Figures 4 and 6; and b) update the description of Project Number 22, Pajarito Substation to Prosperity Substation, from a 115kV transmission line to a 345kV transmission line.
Open Space Planning - Meeting	10/22/2025	Virtual	CABQ Open Space Division; PNM	7	PNM representatives met with CABQ Open Space to discuss routing options and project needs for the proposed transmission line. The conversation covered site constraints, potential use of nearby public lands, and initial environmental considerations. Open Space staff raised concerns about impacts to preserved areas and viewsheds and asked PNM to evaluate possible mitigation measures.

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Tribal Entity Meeting (Follow Up)	12/3/2025	Sandia Pueblo	Sandia Pueblo	Sandia Pueblo Tribal Council Members and PNM Project Team Members.	At a follow up meeting with the council, PNM representatives presented project updates for the proposed West Mesa transmission line project, supporting Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Los Lunas.
Tribal Entity Meeting (Follow Up)	12/3/2025	Santa Ana Pueblo	Santa Ana Pueblo	Santa Ana Pueblo Tribal Council Members & PNM Project Team Members	At a follow up meeting with the council, PNM representatives presented project updates for the proposed West Mesa transmission line project, supporting Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Los Lunas.
Tribal Council Meeting	12/4/2025	Albuquerque, Indian Pueblo Cultural Center	All Pueblo Council of Governors; PNM	(20) Tribal Governors & PNM Project Team Members	At the December All Pueblo Council of Governor (APCG) Monthly Council Meeting, PNM representative presented project updates for the West Mesa transmission line project, supporting Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Los Lunas.
Tribal Entity Meeting (Follow Up)	12/8/2025	Cochiti Pueblo	Cochiti Pueblo	Cochiti Pueblo Tribal Council Members & PNM Project Team Members	At a follow up meeting with the council, PNM representatives presented project updates for the proposed West Mesa transmission line project, supporting Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Los Lunas.
Tribal Entity Meeting (Follow Up)	12/15/2025		Isleta Pueblo	Isleta Tribal Council Members and PNM Project Team Members.	At a follow up meeting with the council, PNM representatives presented project updates for the proposed West Mesa transmission line project, supporting Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Los Lunas.

BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY)
OF NEW MEXICO'S APPLICATION FOR A)
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND)
NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT, OWN AND OPERATE)
THE RIO PUERCO TO PAJARITO TO PROSPERITY)
345 KV TRANSMISSION PROJECT)
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PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW MEXICO,)
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
) ss
COUNTY OF BERNALILLO)

ADAM K. MCCLELLAN, Senior Manager of Land Services, for PNMR Services Company, upon being duly sworn according to law, under oath, deposes and states: I have read the foregoing **Direct Testimony of Adam K. McClellan**, and it is true and accurate based on my own personal knowledge and belief.

Dated this 30th day of December, 2025.

/s/ Adam K. McClellan
ADAM K. McClellan

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