

Department of Energy

Western Area Power Administration Desert Southwest Customer Service Region P.O. Box 6457 Phoenix, AZ 85005-6457

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SUBJECT: Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Assessment for the MPP-Q01 Interconnection Project (DOE/EA-2208)

Dear Interested Party:

Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) announces the availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the MPP-Q01 Interconnection Project located near Bagdad in Yavapai County, Arizona. Please see the enclosed map for reference. The document tracking number is DOE/EA-2208.

The Draft EA can be accessed online at WAPA's Desert Southwest Region website or at the Department of Energy's website:

- https://www.wapa.gov/about-wapa/regions/dsw/environment/mpp-q01-interconnection-project/
- <u>https://www.energy.gov/nepa/nepa-documents</u>

A review copy is also available at the Bagdad Public Library, 700 Palo Verde #C, Bagdad, AZ 86321. They are open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. Their phone number is (928) 622-2325.

Comments can be emailed to <u>rhopkins@wapa.gov</u> or submitted in writing to the following address:

Western Area Power Administration, Desert Southwest Region ATTN: Rebecca Hopkins (CD&E), NEPA Document Manager P.O. Box 6457 Phoenix, AZ 85005

Comments will be accepted from October 27, 2024 to December 1, 2024. WAPA will respond to substantive comments in the final EA.

If you need alternative accommodations to obtain copies of the document or have questions about the environmental review process, please contact me at (470) 922-1736.

Thank you for your interest in this project. We look forward to receiving your comments.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Hopkins Environmental Project Manager Civil Design & Engineering, Inc.

Enclosure: Project overview map

