



Ten West Link is a proposed electrical transmission line that would transmit reliable, economic and environmentally friendly electric energy between Southeast California and Southwest Arizona, bringing electric system benefits to the Desert Southwest – one of America’s fastest growing regions.

- **Enhance system efficiency and improve system economics** – The Project would increase the capability of the system to deliver energy, thereby increasing the efficiency of the transmission network. By allowing a cost-effective transfer of energy in the southwestern United States, the increase in supply enhances competition among energy suppliers, which reduces energy costs to customers.
- **Respond to the national policy preference for resource utilization to enhance access to diverse resources** – Ten West Link would expand regional access to low-cost, environmentally friendly energy generation sources, enabling load serving entities to use a more diverse, cost-effective set of energy resources to serve electrical demand.
- **Facilitate development of new renewable energy** – Ten West Link will create new transmission infrastructure needed to interconnect future renewable energy resources in both Arizona and California to the bulk transmission grid.
- **Improve regional collaboration** – This interstate transmission line will facilitate efficient and increased sharing of generation resources between the two states thereby enhancing operational flexibility. This will enable both Arizona and California to effectively integrate renewable resources, share reliability services and increase supply diversity under normal and emergency conditions.
- **Enhance operational flexibility** – By strengthening the bulk transmission network between Arizona and California, Ten West Link would create a diverse transmission network serving the two states. This would afford the transmission system operators in the two states the operational flexibility to redirect the power flows under normal and emergency conditions, to improve system reliability, and to defer transmission upgrades.
- **Strengthen regional reliability** – Ten West Link will strengthen the regional transmission system in Arizona and California by adding additional capacity and alleviating grid congestion. A larger, more robust transmission grid will improve energy reliability for the region’s consumers.
- **Promote regional economic development** – Ten West Link will provide regional economic benefits by adding new jobs, indirect economic benefits such as secondary spending by those employed by the project, and property tax revenues.
- **Conserve resources** – Ten West Link will use already developed transmission or utility corridors wherever possible, thereby minimizing visual, environmental, cultural, and other impacts, while maximizing the use of existing access roads and infrastructure.



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