

TUCSON-APACHE 115KV TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT

WESTERN AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION

From Tucson to the Apache Power Plant, Arizona (80 miles)



Project Description

Transcon conducted cultural and biological investigations for the Tucson-Apache 115kV Transmission Line. The studies were conducted in preparation for future maintenance activities proposed for the line. Cultural resources activities included the completion of a Class I literature review and Class III intensive field inventory for an 80 mile long, 200 foot wide transmission line corridor. Results and recommended mitigation measures were documented in the Cultural Resources Survey Report prepared for the project. Transcon also conducted Tribal consultation including coordination with the Tohono O’odham Nation, San Xavier District. Additionally, Transcon conducted a habitat assessment for threatened and endangered species within the project alignment and prepared a Biological Resources Survey Report presenting field investigation findings.

Agency Coordination

Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, Coronado National Forest, US Fish and Wildlife Service, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Arizona State Historic Preservation Office, Tohono O’odham Nation-San Xavier District, Pima and Cochise counties, and City of Tucson.