

RESOLUTION REGARDING ONCOR TRANSMISSION LINES

PUC Docket No. 59475

STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF BURNET §

WHEREAS, Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 7 (“District”) is a duly organized emergency services district providing fire protection, emergency medical response, rescue services, and hazardous materials response to residents and landowners within its boundaries in Burnet County, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 775 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, the Public Utility Commission of Texas (“PUC”) and the State Office of Administrative Hearings (“SOAH”) are presently considering PUC Docket No. 59475, the joint application of Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC and LCRA Transmission Service Corporation for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity for the Bell County East to Big Hill 765-kV Transmission Line Project (“Project”), which proposes to route a high-voltage transmission line of over 200 miles through Burnet County; and

WHEREAS, every route segment proposed for Burnet County would place 765-kilovolt transmission structures up to approximately 198 feet in height at approximately 1,000-to-1,300-foot intervals across Burnet County, through rural ranch land, river bottomland, and active agricultural properties; and

WHEREAS, the District serves a significant portion of Burnet County and the Project is proposing to run through a portion of the District; and

WHEREAS, Burnet County and the surrounding Texas Hill Country are subject to frequent and severe drought conditions, as recognized by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, the Texas Water Development Board, and the United States Drought Monitor; the District’s service area is subject to active burn bans on a recurrent and sustained basis; and

WHEREAS, transmission lines are a documented cause of wildfire ignition, including through conductor arcing, downed line contact with dry vegetation, equipment failure, and corona discharge, ignition mechanisms that are substantially more dangerous under drought conditions such as those that characterize the Texas Hill Country; and

WHEREAS, the rural character of the District’s service area means that emergency response times for fire, medical, and rescue events are necessarily longer than in urban and suburban settings, a geographic reality that reflects the landscape the District serves, and specific characteristics of the proposed Project corridor would compound those challenges, including: the presence of multiple properties with single road access points that become impassable during flash flood events documented as recurring in the North San Gabriel River corridor; the potential for heavy construction equipment and staging areas to obstruct access routes upon which emergency vehicles depend; and the potential for tower foundation activities and vegetation clearing to impede

access to the interior portions of large ranch properties that emergency personnel must be able to reach; and

WHEREAS, the Application filed by Oncor and LCRA does not include a construction-phase emergency access or wildfire safety plan developed in coordination with the affected emergency services districts in Burnet County; does not address specific wildfire ignition risks associated with multi-year high-voltage transmission line construction in a recurring drought and burn ban environment; does not commit to pre-construction notification protocols for affected emergency services districts; and does not identify how Oncor's vegetation management practices within the proposed easement will be implemented consistently with wildfire risk reduction standards in Burnet County; and

WHEREAS, the District's Board of Commissioners finds that the public safety risks associated with the construction and permanent operation of the proposed Project through the District's service area are real and inadequately addressed in the Application, and that those risks, standing alone, constitute sufficient grounds to oppose the approval of the Project through Burnet County in its current form.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BURNET COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 7 AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Findings Adopted. The Board of Commissioners ("Board") of Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 7 hereby adopts the findings set forth in the recitals above as true and correct and part of this resolution.

Section 2. Opposition to the Project. The Board formally and unanimously opposes the approval of any Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for the Bell County East to Big Hill 765-kV Transmission Line Project that would route the proposed line through Burnet County, and specifically, through the District's service area. The Board finds that the construction and permanent operation of this Project in the District's service area presents unacceptable public safety risks, including elevated wildfire ignition risk during drought and burn ban conditions, and compounded access challenges for emergency response during a multi-year construction period, that have not been adequately evaluated or mitigated in the Application as filed. The Board asks the PUC to decline to approve any route that traverses the District's service area.

Section 3. Mandatory Safety Conditions If the Project Is Ultimately Approved. The Board recognizes that the final decision on this Project rests with the PUC, not with the Board. In the event the PUC approves a route that traverses the District's service area, notwithstanding the District's opposition, the District asks the PUC to impose the following conditions as mandatory requirements of any Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CCN") granted, with non-compliance constituting grounds for suspension or revocation of the CCN:

(a) Construction-Phase Emergency Access Plan.

Prior to any ground-disturbing activity within Burnet County, the Applicants shall develop and submit to the District a comprehensive construction-phase emergency access plan, prepared in direct coordination with the District. That plan shall, at minimum: identify each access route to be used during construction, including any that may be temporarily

obstructed by construction equipment or staging; identify each property within the Project corridor that has a single access point or limited wet-weather access and establish alternative emergency access protocols for those properties during the construction period; establish a real-time communication protocol between the construction project manager and the District so that the District is promptly notified of any road closures, access restrictions, or conditions affecting emergency response; and identify on-site fire suppression equipment and personnel requirements for each active construction location during periods when a county burn ban is in effect or when a Red Flag Warning has been issued for Burnet County.

(b) Wildfire Safety and Ignition Prevention Plan.

Prior to any ground-disturbing activity within Burnet County, the Applicants shall develop and submit to the District a wildfire safety and ignition prevention plan for the Burnet County corridor, prepared in coordination with the District and the Texas A&M Forest Service. That plan shall address: the suspension or modification of construction operations during active burn bans and Red Flag Warning conditions; vegetation clearing, mulching, and disposal practices within and adjacent to the proposed 200-foot easement, consistent with the District's adopted fire code and with wildfire fuel management standards applicable to the Texas Hill Country; equipment spark arrestor and fire-watch requirements; worker fire response training; and post-construction permanent easement vegetation management standards consistent with wildfire risk reduction in a recurring drought environment.

Section 4. Transmittal. The Secretary of the Board is directed to transmit a certified copy of this Resolution to the PUC and any other persons or entities the District deems necessary or advisable.

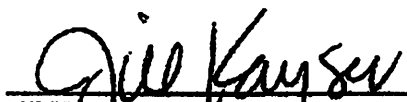
ADOPTED this 8th day of June 2026.

BURNET COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES
DISTRICT NO. 7

 PRES.

John Smallwood, President
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:



Jill Kayser, Secretary
Board of Commissioners

CERTIFICATE FOR RESOLUTION

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The undersigned officer of the Board of Commissioners of Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 7 hereby certifies as follows:

1. The Board of Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 7 ("District") convened in special session on the 8th day of June 2026, at 401 E. Jackson Street, Burnet, Texas, and the following officers and members of the Board:

John Smallwood	-	President
Clayton Smith	-	Vice President
Jill Kayser	-	Secretary
Brenda Goble	-	Treasurer
Barbara Postel	-	Assistant Treasurer/Secretary

were present, except Commissioner(s) All Present, thus constituting a quorum. Among other business, a:

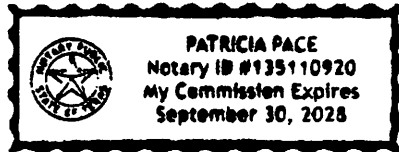
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was introduced for the consideration of the Board. It was then moved and seconded that the Resolution be adopted, and, after discussion, the motion prevailed and carried by majority vote.

2. A true, full and correct copy of the Resolution adopted at the meeting described above is attached to this certificate. The Resolution has been recorded in the District's minutes of the meeting. The persons named in the paragraph above are the duly chosen, qualified and acting officers and members of the Board as indicated in paragraph 1. Each of the officers and members of the Board was notified officially and personally, in advance, of the time, place and purpose of the Board meeting and that the Resolution would be introduced and considered for adoption at the meeting. Each of the officers and members consented, in advance, to holding the meeting for such purpose. The meeting was open to the public as required by law, and public notice of the time, place and subject of the meeting was given as required by Chapter 551 of the Government Code.

SIGNED AND SEALED the 18 day of June 2026.

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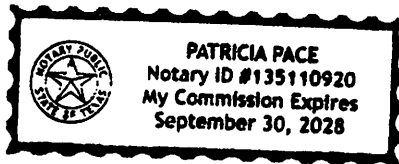
Jill Kayser
Jill Kayser, Secretary
Board of Commissioners

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This instrument was acknowledged before me on the 18 day of June 2026, by Jill Kayser, Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 7, on behalf of the District.



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Patricia Pace
Notary Public Signature