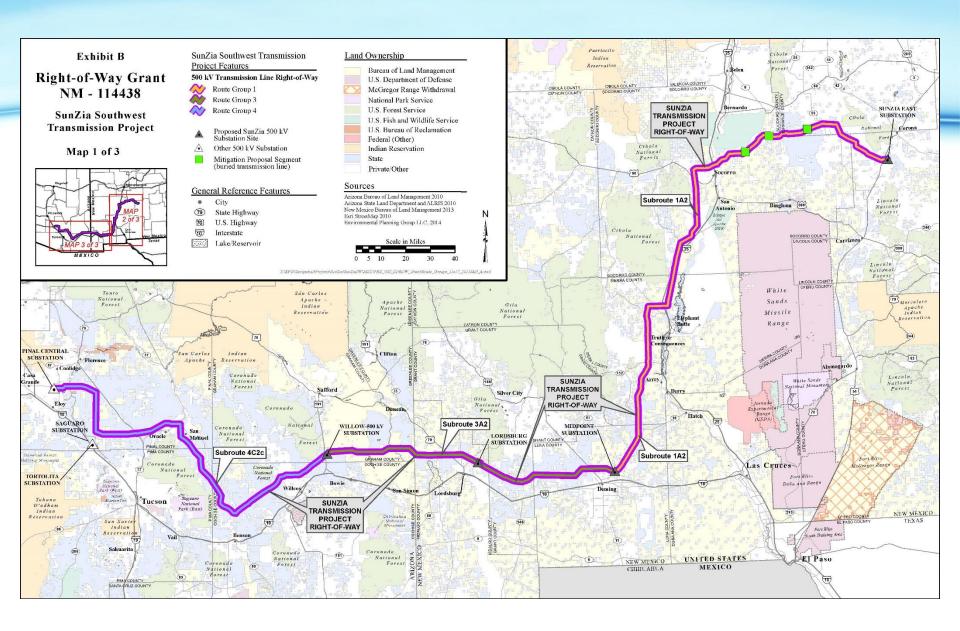


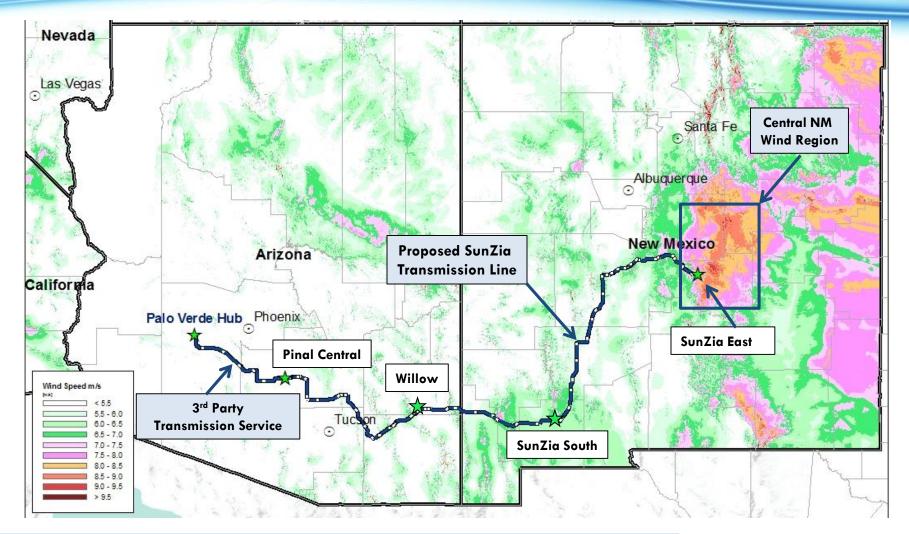
New Mexico Water & Natural Resources Committee Loralee Hunt, Project Development New Mexico July 27, 2018

## **Project Summary**

- ✓ 520 mile independent transmission project in New Mexico and Arizona
- ✓ Two 500kV AC lines providing 3,000 MW of transfer capacity from NM to AZ and CA
- Brings high-quality renewable energy to western utilities and power markets
- ✓ Pattern Energy was selected in August 2016 as the anchor customer for the first 500 kV transmission line
- ✓ Construction start in 2019; Commercial operation of the first 500kV line during 2020.



# SunZia: 500kV Project delivering NM Wind to the Palo Verde Hub



### **Economic Benefits in New Mexico**

During Construction	Jobs <sup>1</sup>	Labor Income	State Taxes <sup>1</sup>	County Taxes <sup>1</sup>
First 500 kV AC Line	2,900	\$214 M	\$22.5 M	\$10.9 M
Both 500 kV AC Lines	5,721	\$425 M	\$44.9 M	\$21.8 M

During Operation	Jobs	Labor Income	State Taxes <sup>2</sup>	County Taxes <sup>2</sup>
First 500 kV AC Line	33	\$1.9 M	\$.385 M	\$4.32 M
Both 500 kV AC Lines	64	\$3.7 M	\$.759 M	\$8.64 M

- 1. Over a construction period of 2 ½ years
- 2. During first year of operation

Source: New Mexico State University, Arrowhead Center

## **SunZia Timeline**

\$90 Million
Spent
To-Date

#### Over Ten Years of Project Development:

- · Joint Participation Agreement Executed
- Environmental Studies Completed (7 year process)
- Federal Permitting Completed and BLM Right-of-Way Acquired
- · Arizona State Siting Permit Issued
- Numerous Electrical Studies Completed with WECC
- Selected Pattern Energy as Anchor Customer for 1500 MW of capacity based on wind energy projects it will develop in New Mexico

#### **Current Activities:**

- Acquire ROW on State & Private Lands in AZ and NM
- Continue Marketing Efforts with Pattern Energy for Line 1
- Obtain Location Permit in New Mexico
- Complete Engineering Design of Line 1
- Negotiate Construction Contracts and Purchase Orders on Major Equipment: Cable, Towers, Concrete, Substation Equipment, etc.
- Arrange Construction Financing

#### Construction of First 500 kV line:

- Construction will likely be conducted on multiple segments of the project, simultaneously
- Expected to start during 2019

#### Commercial Operation by 2020:

• Line 1 enables delivery of up to 1500 MW of electric generation



## **New Mexico Land Rights Status Summary**

Tier 1 Parcels: Option Agreements	1	Total	Signed Option		In Negotiation/Legal Review/Pending Final Signatures	
			#	% of total	#	% of total
	Owners	85	73	85.88%	12	14.12%
	Miles	89.9	78.56	87.39%	11.34	12.61%

Options provide for acquisition of all easements needed from the owner, including Transmission, Access and Temporary Construction.

## **Customers and PPAs**

- ✓ SunZia selected Pattern Energy in August 2016 as the anchor tenant (pursuant to May 2011 FERC Order)
- ✓ SunZia awarded Pattern 1,500 MW of capacity and FERC issued its decision in Sept 2017 approving selection
- ✓ Pattern's Corona Wind Project is SunZia's first 500 kV line customer under long-term transmission service agreements with SunZia
- ✓ Pattern will sell Corona Wind's energy to utilities and others under long-term power purchase agreements (PPAs) and is discussing PPAs with utilities in NM, AZ and CA





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