



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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January 22, 2018

Subject: Apache Avenue Underground Utility District (District)

Dear Property Owner:

The El Dorado County Community Development Services, Department of Transportation (County) is coordinating the conversion of existing overhead utility distribution lines to underground in the area of your property. The purpose of this notice is to notify the parcel owners of the planned creation of an underground utility district on a section of Apache Avenue.

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) established a program in 1967 which regulates utilities, such as Liberty Utilities, AT&T California, and Charter Communications, and requires them to budget funds annually for use by the communities they serve to convert existing overhead utility distribution lines to underground.

Apache Avenue, from Highway 50 to East San Bernardino Avenue, qualifies for this conversion as Apache Avenue is considered a major collector as defined in the Governor's Office of Planning and Research General Plan Guidelines. In addition the undergrounding of the wires in this area will improve the scenic quality of the area as well as your property.

When the undergrounding District is authorized by the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors, the poles on this section of Apache Avenue will be removed and the lines will be placed in underground conduit in the public right-of-way. All costs for installing the underground facilities and removal of those above ground wires will be borne by the utility companies.

Impacts to the Affected Property Owners

Liberty Utilities (Liberty) will use underground conversion allowance funds to provide each premise in the District a maximum of 100 feet of individual electric service trenching and conductor, as well as conduit, backfill, and paving, if required. All other utilities serving the District will provide service trenching and conductor in accordance with its rules and tariffs on file with the CPUC or as required by its Franchise Agreement with the County.

Liberty will use underground conversion allowance funds for the conversion of electric service panels in the District to accept underground service. Liberty will provide an electrical contractor to install the conduit and termination box located on, under, or within any structure

on the premises served within the District. Each property owner within the District will be responsible for the maintenance of the installed conduit and termination box.

Construction Schedule

Construction is proposed to begin in the summer of 2019. The underground substructure is scheduled to be installed in the summer of 2019 and the conversion is scheduled for the summer of 2020. All poles are scheduled for removal by the fall of 2021.

Public Meeting

We encourage you to attend a public meeting, scheduled as follows:

Date: **February 6, 2018**

Time: **6:00 PM**

Location: **California Conservation Corps
Upstairs Conference Room
1949 Apache Ave
South Lake Tahoe, CA**

If you have any questions regarding the County's role, do not hesitate to contact Daniel Kikkert (530-573-7900).

Sincerely,



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Attachment