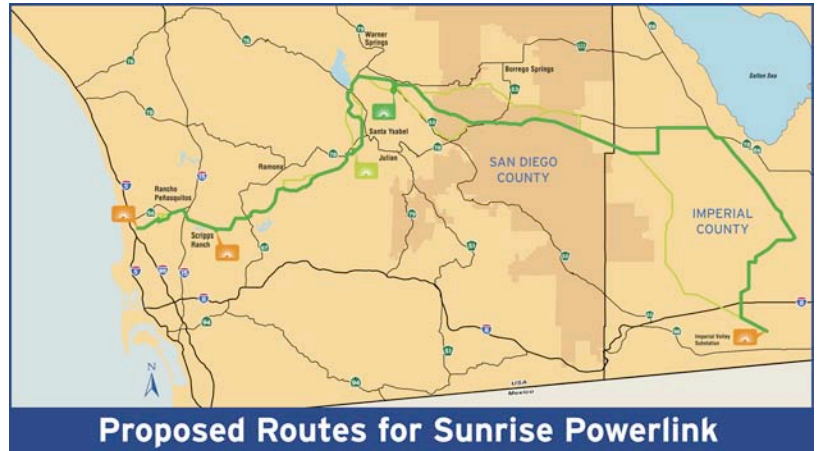


The Sunrise Powerlink is a new “energy superhighway” designed to improve energy reliability and meet the growing energy demands of the San Diego region. The 150-mile transmission line will deliver clean, renewable power from the Imperial Valley to San Diego, while helping to reduce energy costs.

BENEFITS

■ Improved Reliability

- Adds a critical new connection to import new electricity supplies that will help fill and energy reliability shortfall forecasted to begin in the year 2010.
- The line will import 1,000 megawatts of energy or enough power for about 650,000 homes.
- Improves overall reliability of the region’s transmission system and adds protection against future transmission emergencies that can lead to blackouts.



■ Access to Clean, Renewable Energy

- Provides access to clean, renewable energy sources such as wind, solar and geothermal located in the Imperial Valley and eastern San Diego County and will be connected to what could become the largest solar energy facility in the world.
- The line is needed to cost-effectively meet new state mandates that require utilities to have 20 percent of delivered energy come from renewable energy sources by the year 2010. Only about 6% of the electricity delivered by SDG&E currently is renewable or green energy.

■ Reduced Energy Costs

The Sunrise Powerlink will help save SDG&E ratepayers approximately \$100 million per year by:

- Reducing expensive transmission system congestion costs.
- Expanding access to lower-priced power generated outside the region.
- Reducing subsidies paid to local, aging power plants that are more expensive to operate.

TIMELINE

- Since 2005, SDG&E has hosted more than 20 public meetings on the Sunrise Powerlink to gather input on routes and other key project issues. The California Public Utilities Commission will begin hearings on the project in 2006 and issue a decision in mid-2007. If approved, the Sunrise Powerlink is expected to be in service by the year 2010.