

# TransWest Express Transmission Project

## *Draft Environmental Impact Statement*

### Socioeconomic Effects

Construction Impacts	Operation Impacts
<p><b>Population</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Small, temporary, population effects (many construction jobs filled by single, non-local contractors)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Little, if any, project-related population increase</li> </ul>
<p><b>Housing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased demand on existing motel rooms and RV spaces/pads</li> <li>• Demand would shift location over time</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimal housing impacts</li> </ul>
<p><b>Public Sector Revenues</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$45 million to \$60 million sales and use taxes on materials and equipment</li> <li>• Sales and lodging taxes generated on sales to construction workers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ad valorem/property taxes on transmission line and facilities</li> <li>• Right-of-way rental/lease income would accrue to the Federal and possibly state governments</li> </ul>
<p><b>Public Sector Expenditures</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Temporary demands on law enforcement, emergency medical response, health care, and county road maintenance</li> <li>• Some agencies may experience temporarily higher operating costs, including higher payroll</li> <li>• Few, if any, jurisdictions/agencies would increase staff</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Limited long-term demands on public facilities and services</li> <li>• Beneficial long-term fiscal effects on state, counties, and school districts due to long-term property tax revenue with little incremental service demand or costs</li> </ul>
<p><b>Real Estate Values:</b> very limited effects due to rural nature of most of the transmission line corridors</p> <p><b>Agriculture:</b> limited effects on farming and ranching on private lands and grazing on public lands</p> <p><b>Environmental Justice:</b> no disproportionate high and adverse effects to low income or minority populations were identified</p>	