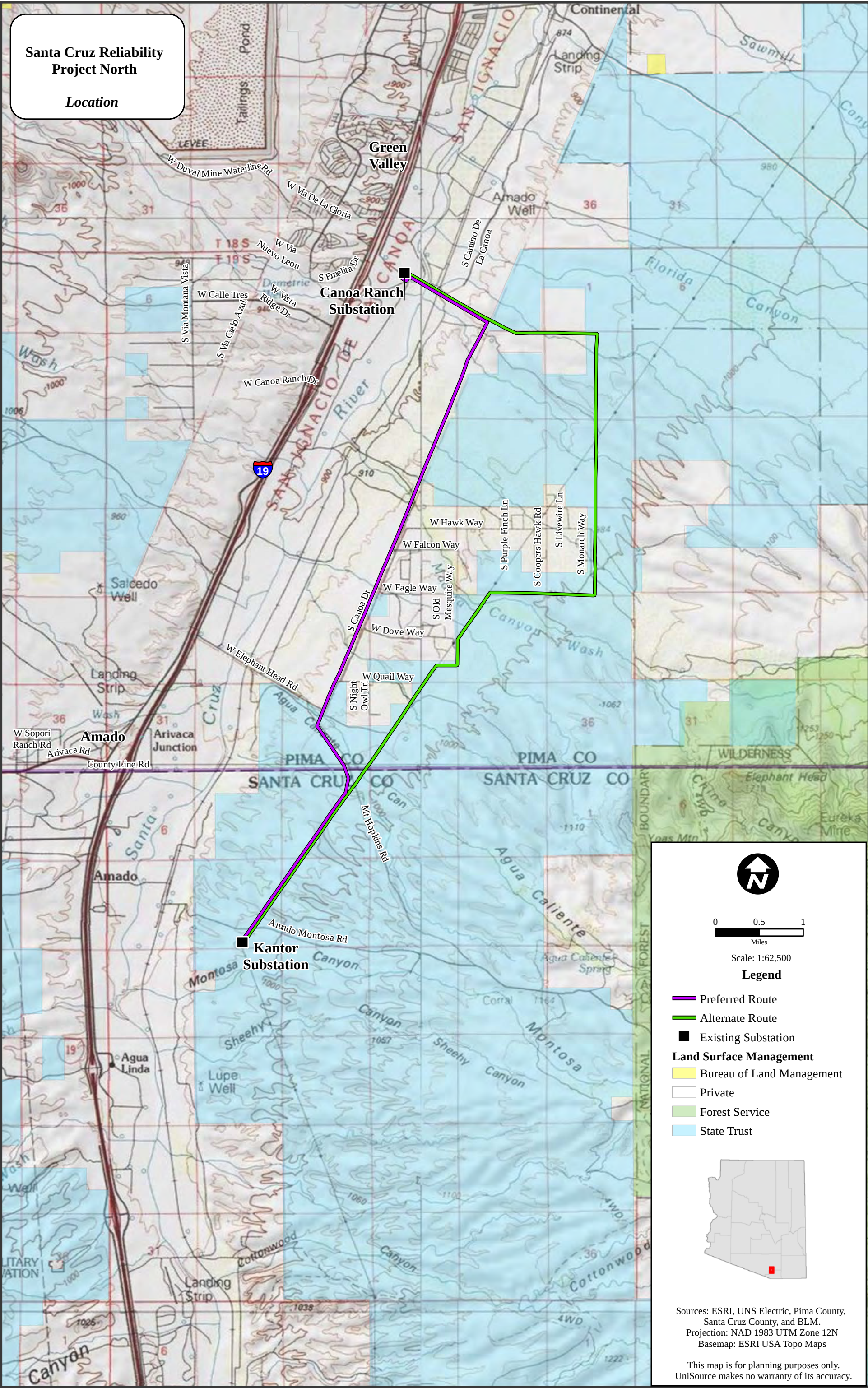




**Santa Cruz Reliability
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Sources: ESRI, UNS Electric, Pima County, Santa Cruz County, and BLM.
Projection: NAD 1983 UTM Zone 12N
Basemap: ESRI USA Topo Maps

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Re: **UNS Electric, Inc. - Santa Cruz Reliability Project North
Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility
Docket No. L-00000F-25-0209-00252
Notice of Hearing**

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Enclosure

1 **BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT**
2 **AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE**

3 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
4 OF UNS ELECTRIC, INC. IN
5 CONFORMANCE WITH THE
6 REQUIREMENTS OF A.R.S. § 40-360, ET.
7 SEQ., FOR A CERTIFICATE OF
8 ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY
9 AUTHORIZING THE SANTA CRUZ
10 RELIABILITY PROJECT NORTH, WHICH
11 INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION OF A
12 NEW 138 KV TRANSMISSION LINE
13 WITHIN UNINCORPORATED PIMA
14 COUNTY AND UNINCORPORATED
15 SANTA CRUZ COUNTY, ARIZONA.

Docket No. L-00000F-25-0209-00252

Case No. 252

NOTICE OF HEARING

12 **NOTICE OF HEARING**

13 **A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD** before the Arizona Power Plant and
14 Transmission Line Siting Committee ("Committee") regarding the Application of UNS
15 Electric, Inc. ("UNSE") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility ("CEC") to
16 authorize construction of a new 138 kilovolt ("kV") transmission line in unincorporated
17 Pima County and unincorporated Santa Cruz County, Arizona called the Santa Cruz
18 Reliability Project North ("Project").

19 The Project will involve the construction of a new, approximately 9-to-12-mile 138
20 kV transmission line to connect Tucson Electric Power Company's ("TEP") existing
21 Canoa Ranch Substation in Pima County to UNSE's existing Kantor Substation in Santa
22 Cruz County. A map of the Project is attached as **Exhibit A**.

23 The hearing will be held at the Desert Diamond Casino Conference Center, 7350
24 S. Nogales Hwy, Tucson, Arizona 85756. **The hearing will begin on Monday,**
25 **November 3, 2025, at 1:00 p.m., and will continue on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, at**
26 **9:00 a.m., and then will continue as necessary through Friday, November 7, 2025,**
27 **beginning at 9:00 a.m. each day through the completion of the hearing.** If any
28 revisions to the hearing schedule are required, they will be noticed on the Project webpage

1 at: <https://www.uesaz.com/santa-cruz-reliability-north/>, and on the Arizona Corporation
2 Commission (“Commission”) website at: [https://www.azcc.gov/arizona-power-
3 plant/hearings-and-meetings](https://www.azcc.gov/arizona-power-plant/hearings-and-meetings).

4 **PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE TAKEN IN A SPECIAL EVENING**
5 **SESSION ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2025, BEGINNING AT 5:30 P.M., VIA**
6 **TELEPHONE, ZOOM OR IN PERSON AT THE DESERT DIAMOND CASINO**
7 **CONFERENCE CENTER, 7350 S. NOGALES HWY, TUCSON, ARIZONA 85756.**
8 **PUBLIC COMMENT MAY BE TAKEN AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH**
9 **HEARING DAY, OR AT OTHER TIMES DURING THE HEARING, AT THE**
10 **DISCRETION OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN.**

11 **THE PUBLIC CAN WATCH THE HEARING ONLINE OR LISTEN TO**
12 **THE HEARING VIA TELEPHONE, OR ATTEND IN PERSON.** At least 24 hours
13 in advance of the hearing, information regarding online and telephone hearing access, as
14 well as any additional details regarding safety protocols or other revisions to the hearing
15 schedule will be noticed on the Project webpage at [https://www.uesaz.com/santa-cruz-
16 reliability-north/](https://www.uesaz.com/santa-cruz-reliability-north/).

17 The Chairman may, at his discretion, recess the hearing to a time and place to be
18 announced during the hearing, or to be determined after the recess. The date, time, and
19 place at which the hearing will be resumed will be posted on the above-noted Project
20 webpage and the Commission website. **NOTE: NOTICE OF ANY RESUMED**
21 **HEARING WILL BE GIVEN; HOWEVER, PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SUCH A**
22 **RESUMED HEARING IS NOT REQUIRED.**

23 If the Committee decides to conduct a tour, notice that includes a map and itinerary
24 of any such tour will be available at the hearing and posted on the Project and Commission
25 websites. Members of the public may follow the Committee on the tour. During the tour,
26 the Committee may hear testimony at stops on the tour concerning what is visible at stops
27 and the relevance of the location and view to the Project. No other discussion or
28 deliberation concerning the Application will occur during the tour. A court reporter or

1 recording device will record any testimony taken on the tour for transcription. Public
2 health and safety protocols specific for the tour will be included on the itinerary. If the
3 Committee decides not to take a tour, the hearing will continue as scheduled.

4 Maps of the Project site and detailed information about Project facilities are
5 contained in the Application, which is available for inspection at the following locations:

- 6 • Arizona Corporation Commission Docket Control Center, Phoenix Office,
7 1200 West Washington Street, Suite 108, Phoenix, AZ 85007
- 8 • Joyner-Green Valley Library, 601 N La Cañada Dr, Green Valley, AZ 85614
- 9 • Green Valley Chamber of Commerce, 275 W Continental Rd #123, Green Valley,
10 AZ 85622
- 11 • The Project webpage: <https://www.uesaz.com/santa-cruz-reliability-north/>

12 The Applicant will make available final copies of the pre-filing conference,
13 prehearing conference, and hearing transcripts at each of the above locations and webpage.

14 Each county, municipal government, and state agency interested in the Project that
15 desires to be a party to the proceedings shall, not less than ten (10) days before the date
16 set for the hearing, file a Notice of Intent to Become a Party with the Director of Utilities,
17 Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix AZ 85007.

18 Any domestic non-profit corporation or association formed in whole or in part to
19 promote conservation or natural beauty; to protect the environment, personal health or
20 other biological values; to preserve historical sites; to promote consumer interests; to
21 represent commercial and industrial groups; or to promote the orderly development of the
22 area in which the Project are located that desires to become a party to the proceedings
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24 to Become a Party with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200
25 West Washington Street, Phoenix AZ 85007.

26 The Committee or the Chairman, at any time deemed appropriate, may make other
27 persons parties to the proceedings. Any person may make a limited appearance at a hearing
28 by filing a statement in writing with the Director of the Utilities Division, Arizona

1 Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix AZ 85007, and the
2 Chairman of the Committee at 2005 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85004, not less
3 than five (5) days before the date set for the hearing. A person making a limited appearance
4 will not be a party or have the right to present testimony or cross-examine witnesses.

5 This proceeding is governed by Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S.") §§ 40-360 to
6 40-360.13 and Arizona Administrative Code ("A.A.C.") R14-3-201 to R14-3-220. No
7 substantive communication, not in the public record, may be made to any member of the
8 Committee. The written decision of the Committee will be submitted to the Commission
9 pursuant to A.R.S. § 40-360.07. Any person intending to be a party to the proceeding on
10 the matter before the Commission must be a party to the proceeding before the Committee.

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12 ORDERED this 19th day of September, 2025.

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16 _____
17 Adam Stafford, Chairman
18 Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee
19 Assistant Attorney General
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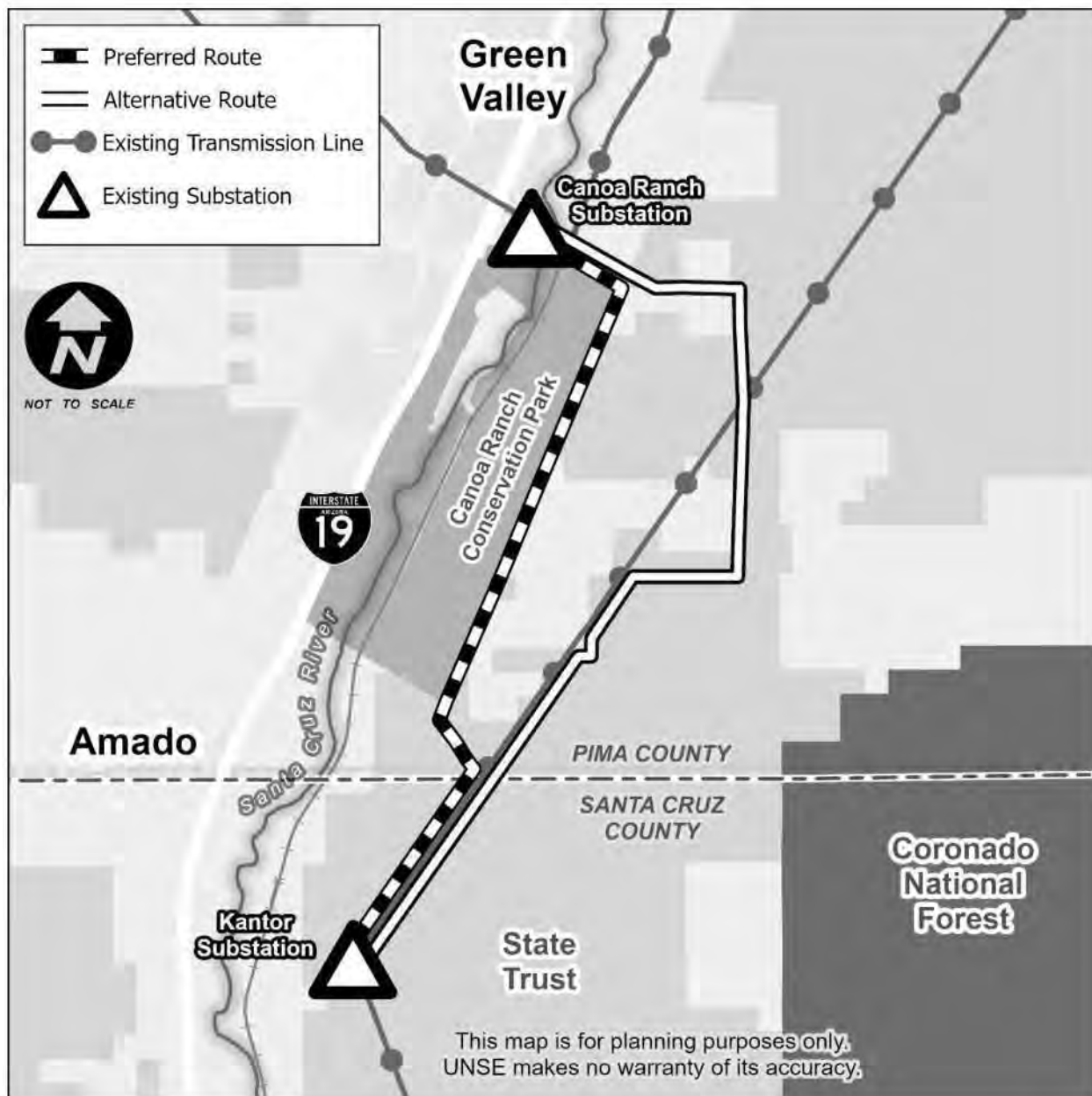
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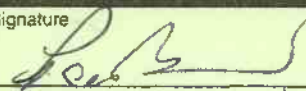
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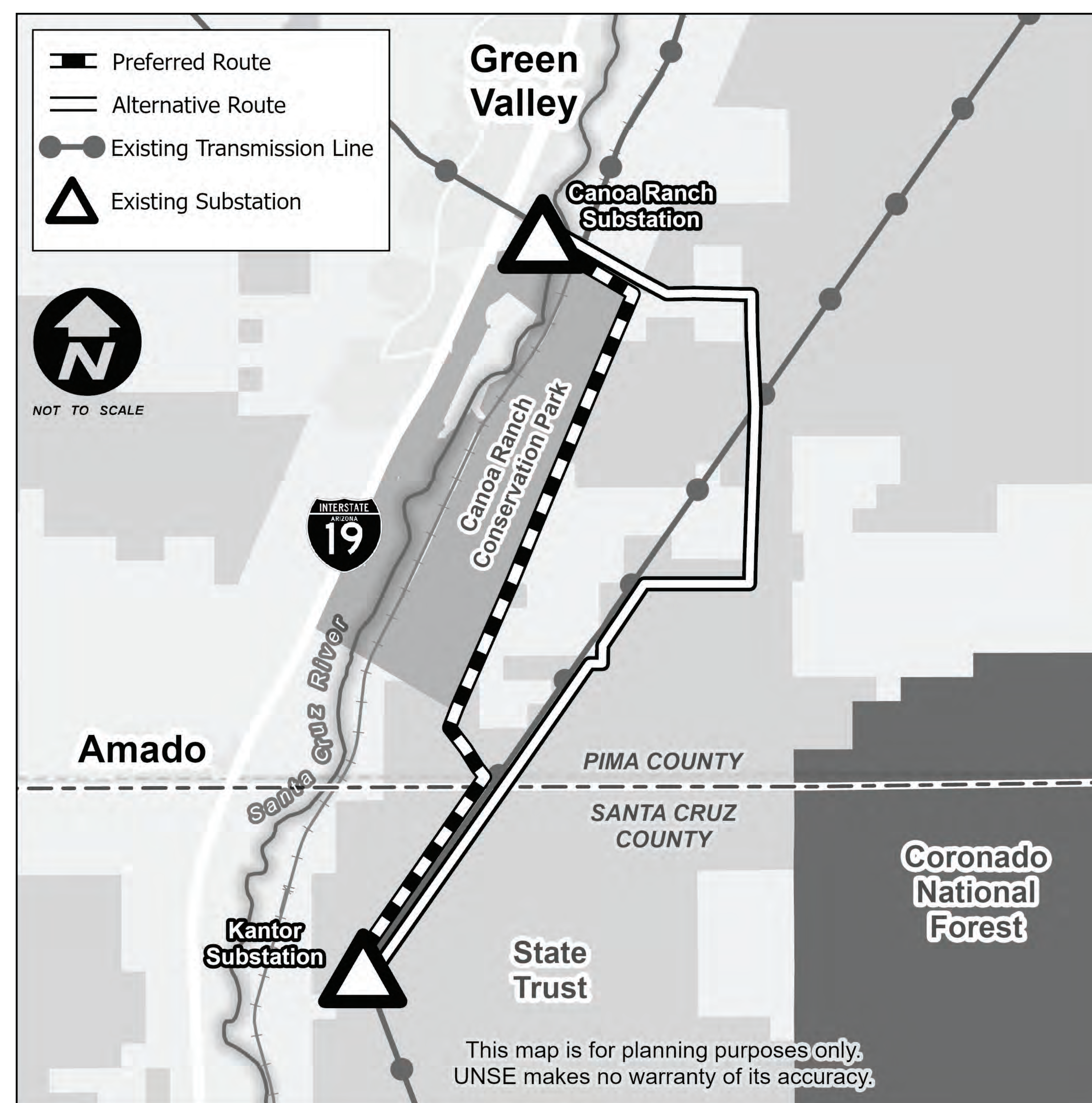
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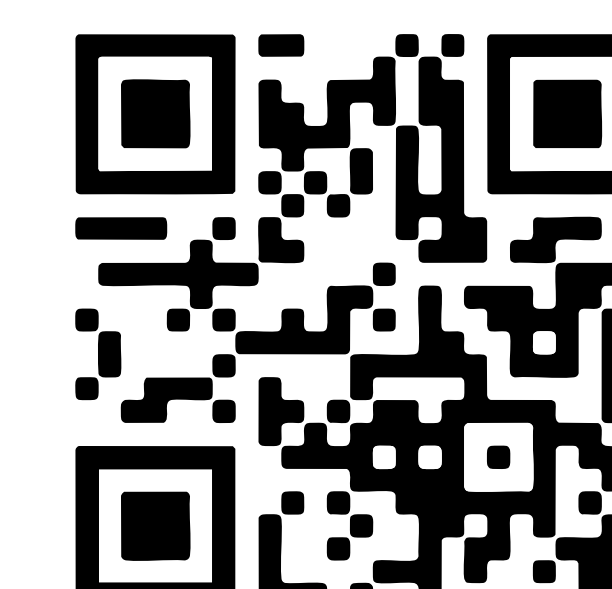
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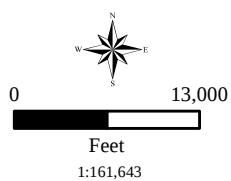
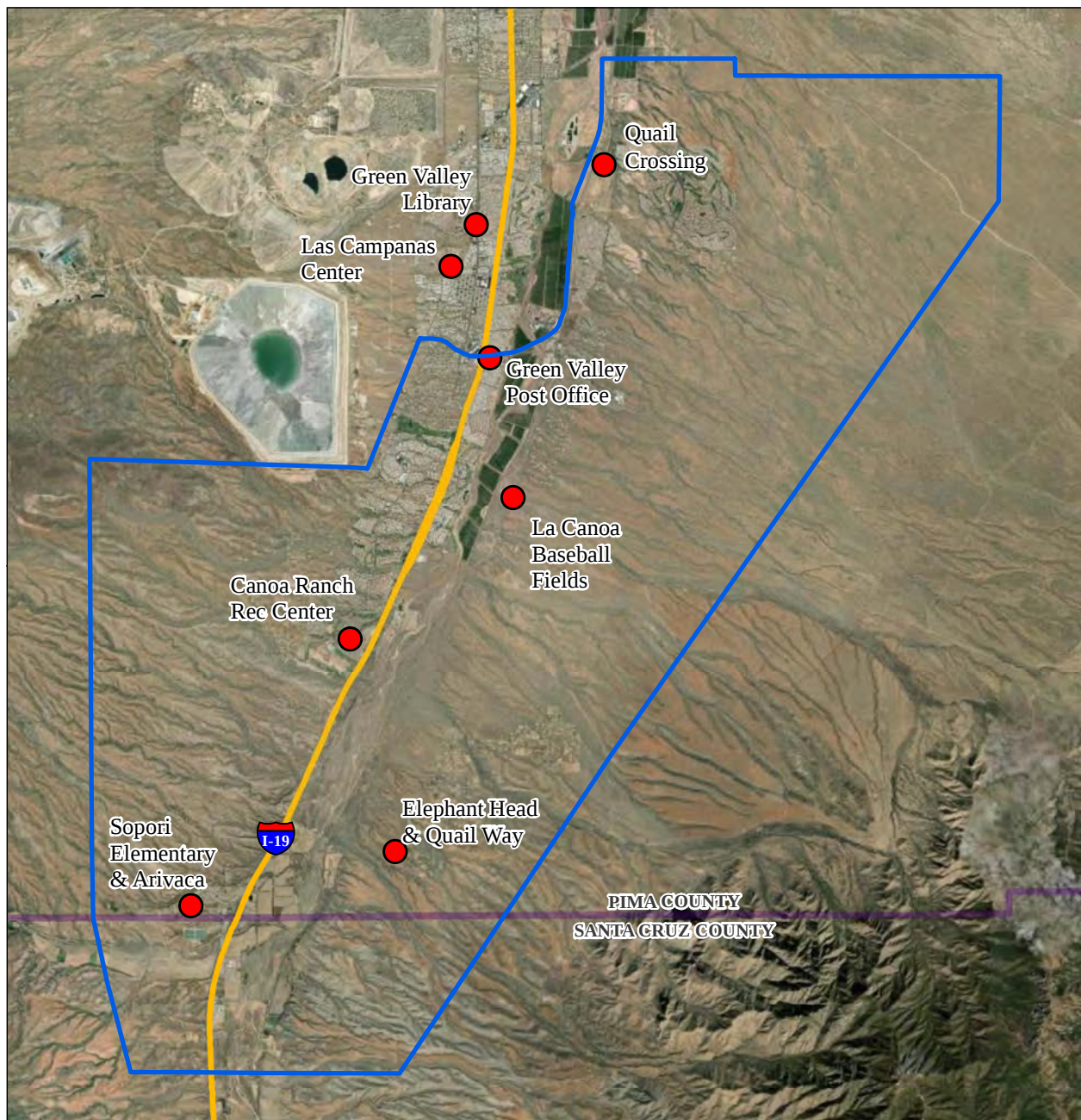
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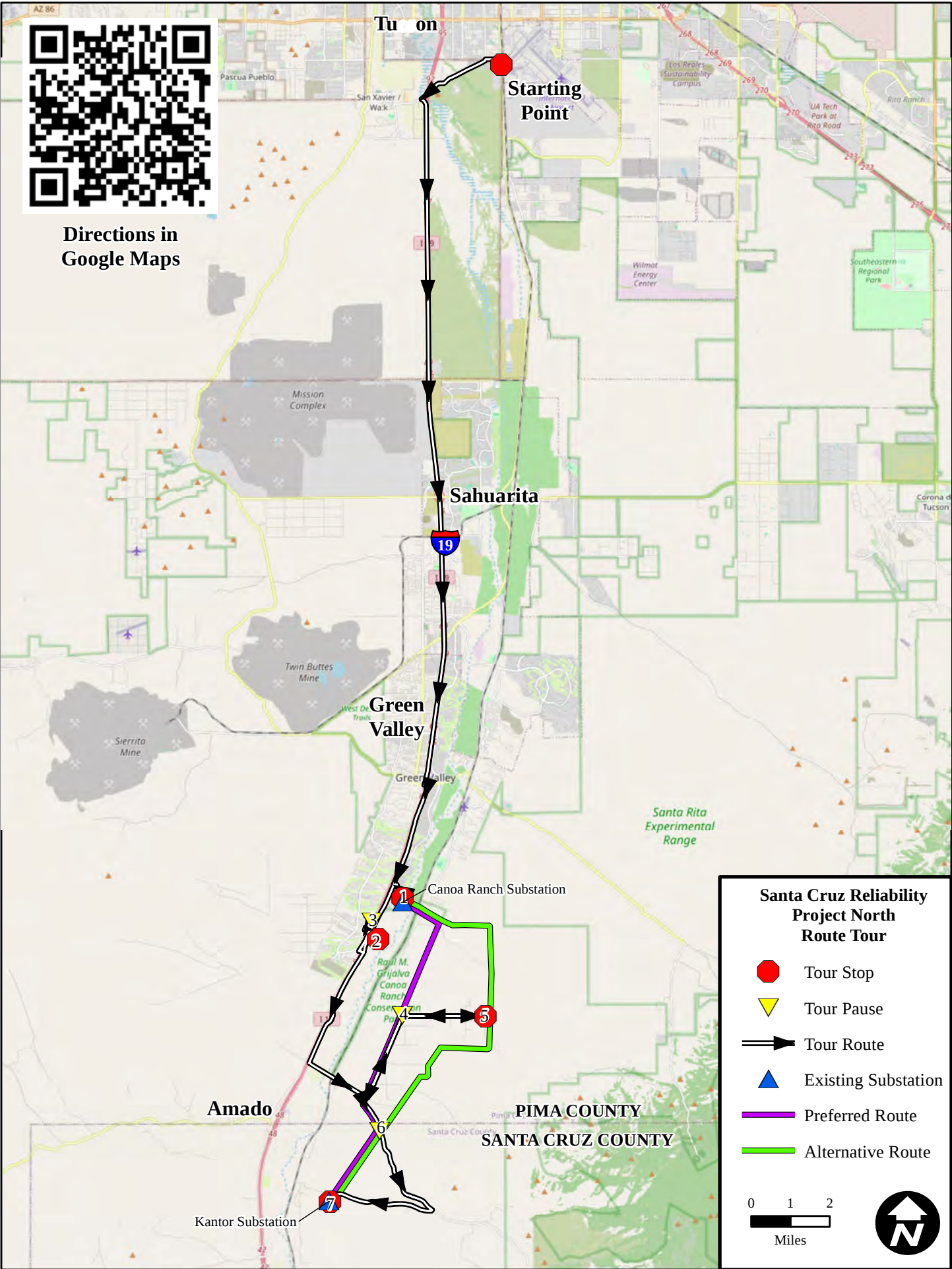
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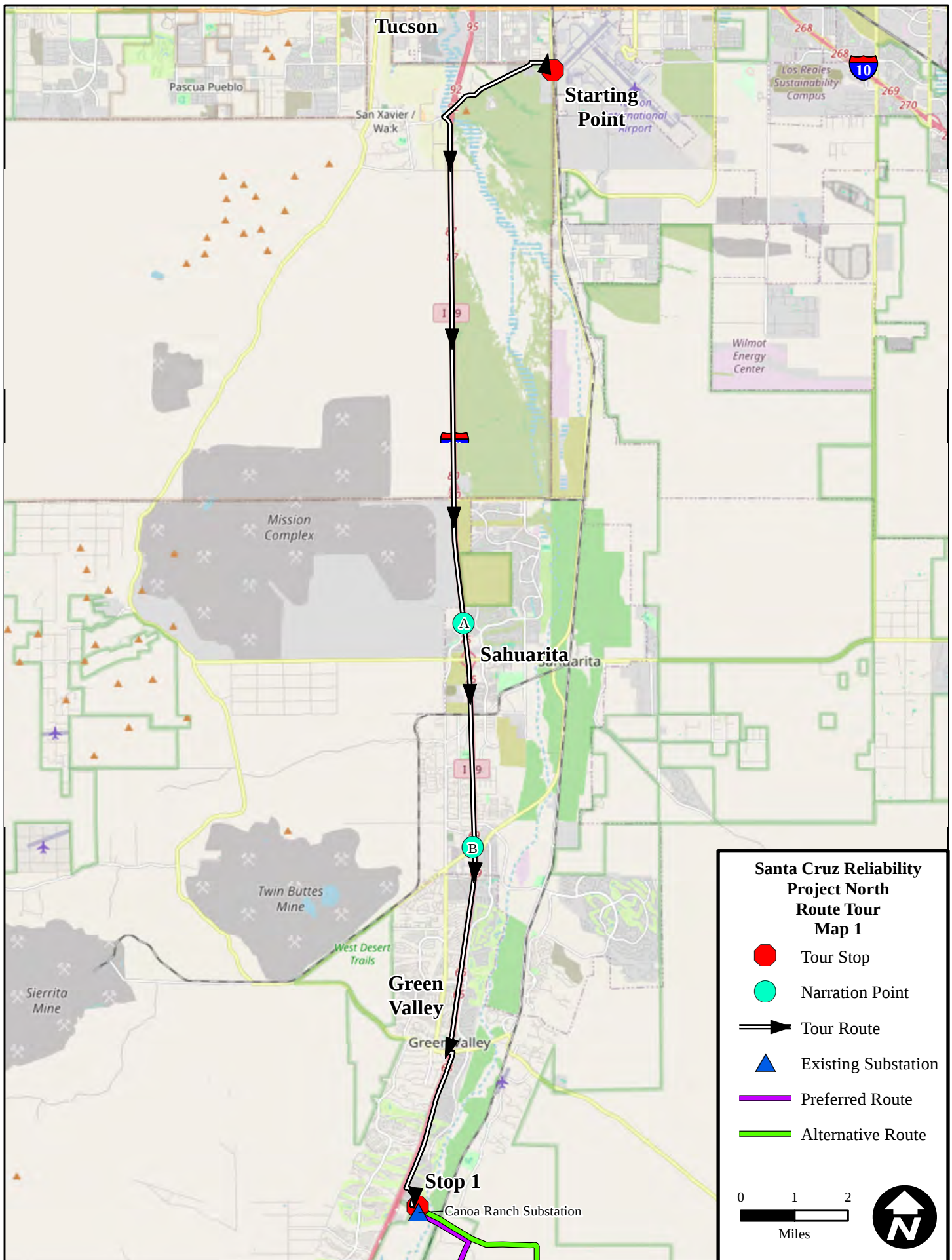
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Directions in Google Maps





Map 1: Start (Desert Diamond Casino - Tucson) to Stop 1 (The Springs)

~ 20-minute drive time

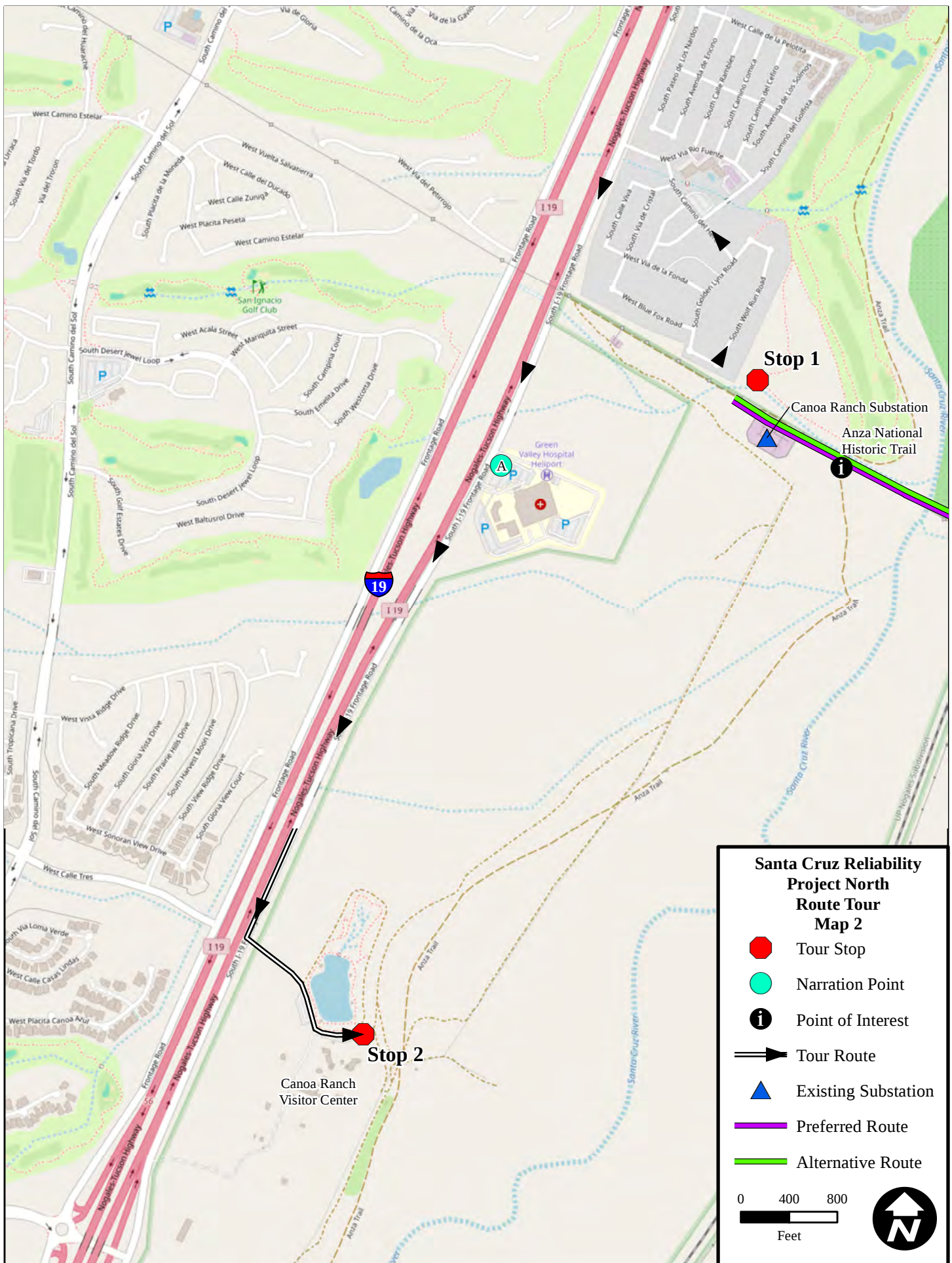
- Exit Desert Diamond Casino and turn left onto Crowhang St.
- Turn left (west) onto E Los Reales St.
- Turn left onto W San Xavier Rd and continue for 2 miles.
- Take Interstate 19 (I-19) South for about 17 miles.
- Take Exit 63 for Continental Rd.
- Turn left onto W Continental Rd.
- Turn right onto I-19 Frontage Rd. and continue for about 2.7 miles.
- Turn left onto W Via Rio Fuerte.
- Turn right onto S Camion del Heroe.
- Turn right onto S Golden Lynx Rd.
- Turn left onto W Ground Squirrel Rd.
- **You have reached Tour Stop 1 – The Springs.**

Map 1 Tour Narration

- A. We're just entering the Town of Sahuarita. We're approximately 13 miles north of the Canoa Ranch Substation and the proposed route alternatives.
- B. As we continue south along Interstate 19 towards our first stop, we're leaving the Town of Sahuarita and entering Green Valley. Green Valley is an unincorporated community in Pima County.

Please note the mine tailings to your right (or west). This is part of the Sierrita Mine operated by Freeport McMoRan.

To your left, or east, please note the large mountain range known as the Santa Rita Mountains. Protecting residential views of these mountains was a primary concern we heard throughout our public engagement and siting process.



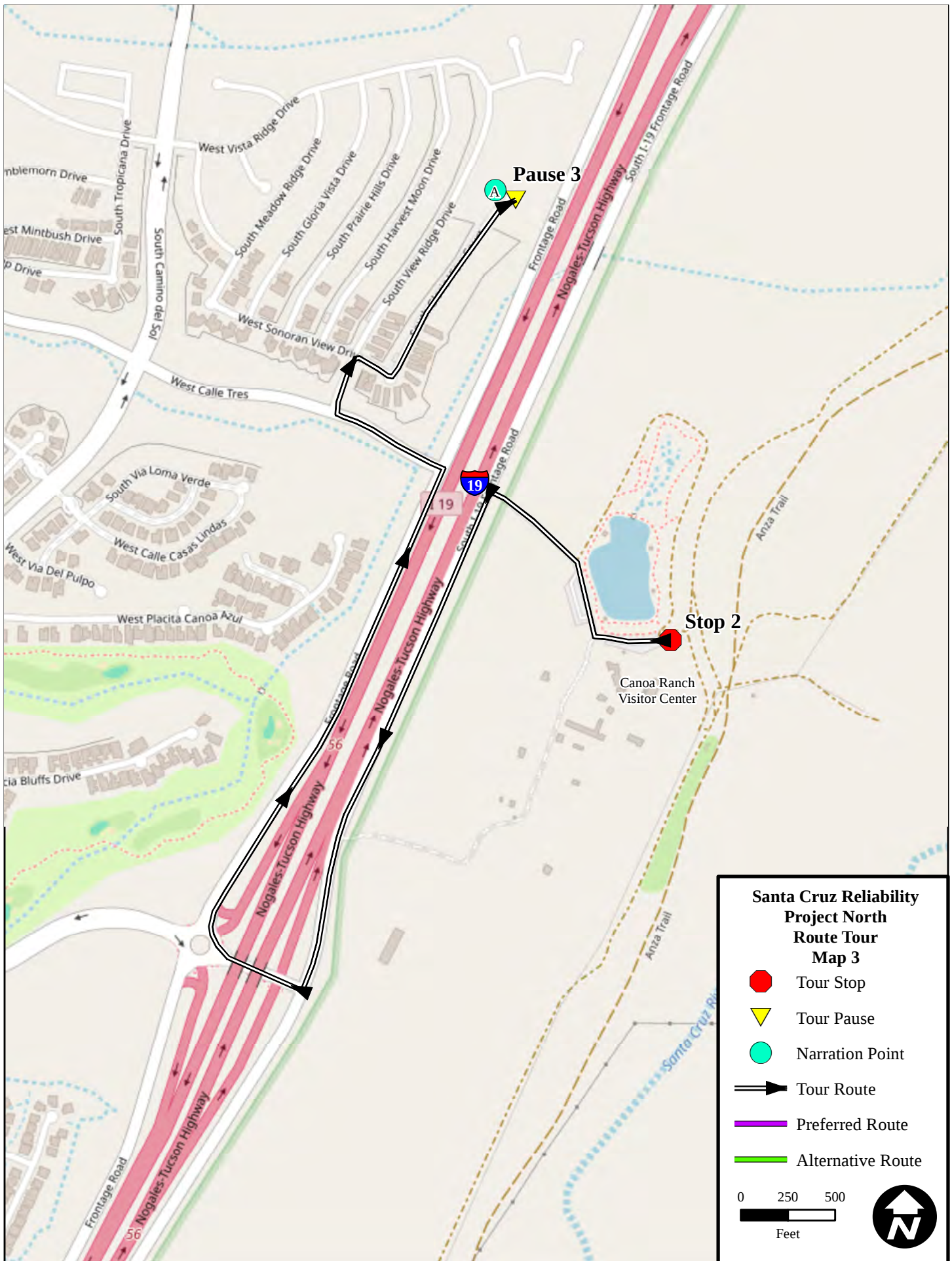
Map 2: Stop 1 (The Springs) to Stop 2 (Historic Canoa Ranch)

~ 5-minute drive time

- Head east on W Ground Squirrel Rd.
- Turn right on S Golden Lynx Rd.
- Turn left on S Camino del Heroe.
- Turn left on W Via Rio Fuerte.
- Turn left (south) onto I-19 Frontage Rd. and continue for approximately 1.4 miles.
- Turn left (west) at the sign toward the Historic Canoa Ranch.
- **You have reached Tour Stop 2 – Historic Canoa Ranch.**

Map 2 Tour Narration

- A. As we continue the tour, we're traveling south along the Interstate 19 frontage road. To your left, or east, please note the large building. This is the former Santa Cruz Valley Regional Hospital. It was permanently closed in 2022 and is currently vacant. Also, to your left is the Pima County Canoa Ranch Conservation Park.



Map 3: Stop 2 (Historic Canoa Ranch) to Pause 3 (San Ignacio Vistas)

~ 4-minute drive time

- Exit Canoa Ranch back to the I-19 Frontage Rd. (west).
- Turn left onto I-19 Frontage Rd. (south) and continue for approximately 0.5 miles.
- Turn right onto E Canoa Ranch Dr. to the west side of I-19.
- Follow the traffic circle to the 1st exit and head north on I-19 Frontage Rd.
- Turn left onto W Calle Tres.
- Turn right onto S View Ridge Dr.
- Turn right onto W Sonoran View Dr.
- Turn left onto S Gloria View Ct. and continue for 0.2 miles until it dead ends.
- **You have reached Tour Pause 3 – San Ignacio Vistas.**

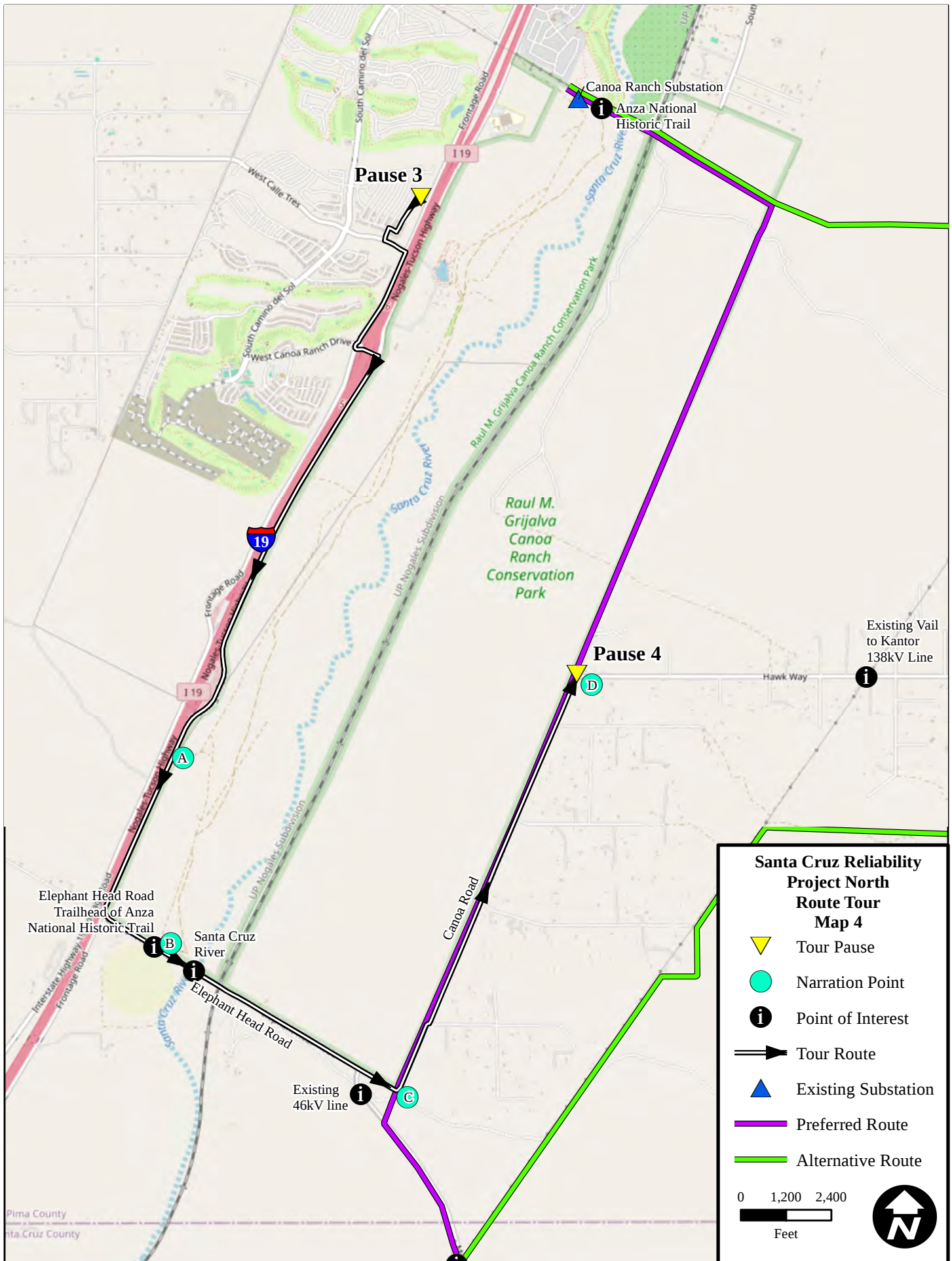
Map 3 Tour Narration

- A. We're not going to stop here, but we will have the bus pause for a moment. To your right, or east, is a view towards the Santa Rita Mountains. Throughout the siting process, we heard that views were important to the members of the community.

The Canoa Ranch Substation is located to the northeast approximately 1 mile, just north of the closed hospital. Several of the poles supporting the existing 138kV line serving that substation are visible from this viewpoint.

The Preferred Route would be located on the far east side of the Canoa Ranch Conservation Park, about 1.7 miles from this location. The visual simulation that was created for Key Observation Point 3 is representative of this view. With distance and the desert backdrop, the proposed weathering steel poles would blend in, much like the existing poles, that you may or may not see, in between where we are and the Santa Rita Mountains.

The Alternative Route would be located adjacent to the existing Vail to Kantor 138kV line that runs north to south about 3 miles from this point. This existing line also blends into the desert background and does not disrupt views of the Santa Rita Mountains from this viewpoint.



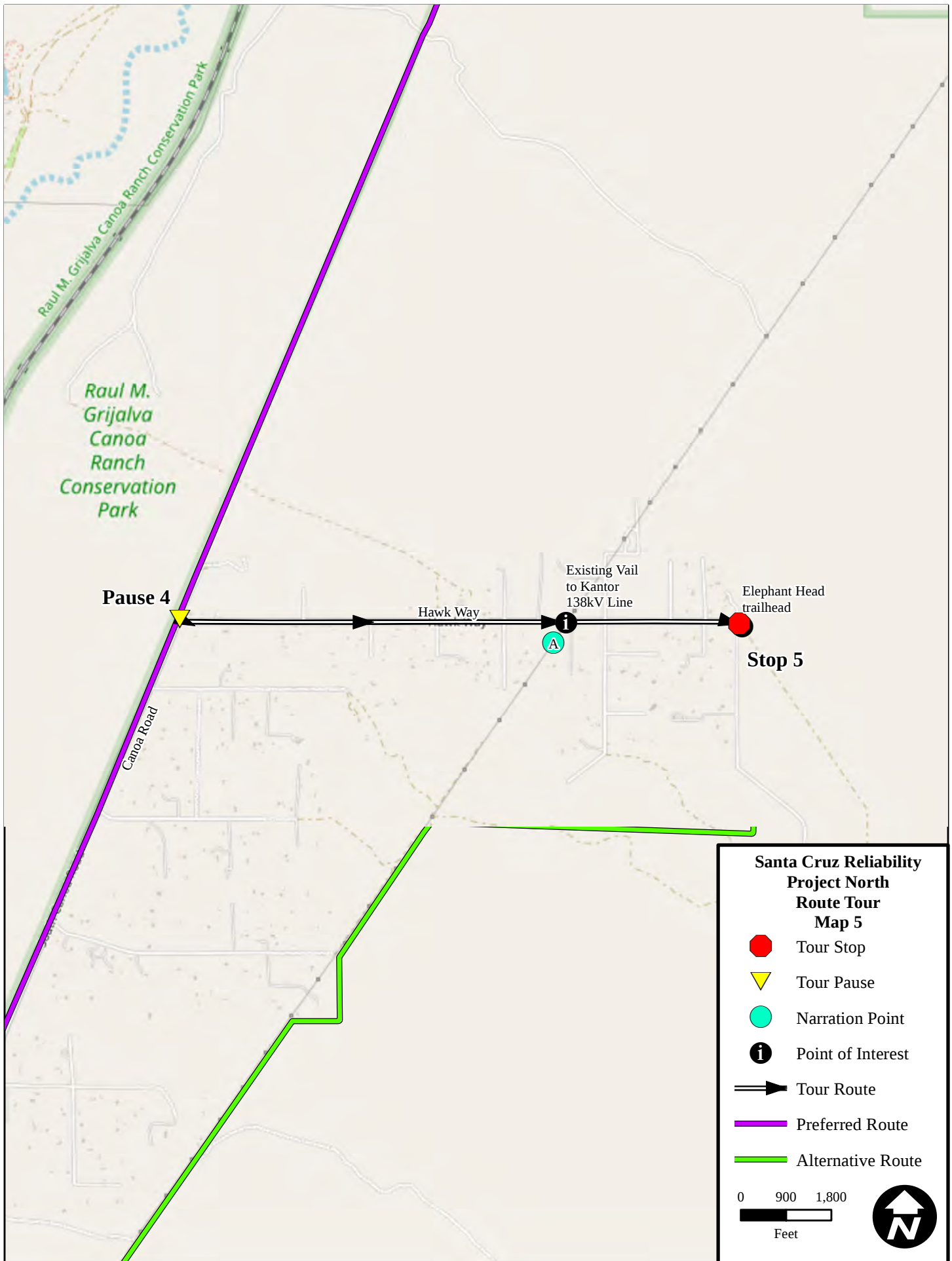
Map 4: Pause 3 (San Ignacio Vistas) to Pause 4 (Canoa Road)

~ 13-minute drive

- Turn around at dead-end and go south on S Gloria View Ct. for 0.2 miles.
- Turn right onto W Sonoran View Ct.
- Turn left onto S View Ridge Dr.
- Turn left onto W Calle Tres and continue to I-19 Frontage Rd.
- Turn right onto I-19 Frontage Rd. and continue to the S Canoa Rd. traffic circle.
- Take the 4th traffic circle exit (east) onto E Canoa Rd. and continue to I-19 Frontage Rd. on the east side of I-19.
- Turn right (south) onto I-19 Frontage Rd. and continue for 3.2 miles.
- Turn left onto Elephant Head Rd.
- Turn left onto S Canoa Rd and continue for approximately 1.9 miles to Hawk Way.
- **You have reached Tour Pause 4 – Canoa Road.**

Map 4 Tour Narration

- A. To your left, or east, is the Canoa Substation, not to be confused with the Canoa Ranch Substation that this project ties into. This is a 46kV substation and is the source for the 46kV line that connects to the Kantor Substation that currently serves as a partial backup for the Santa Cruz County electrical system today.
- B. To your left, on the north side of the road, you can see a gravel parking area. This is the Elephant Head Road trailhead for the Anza Trail. Just past the trailhead we'll be crossing the Santa Cruz River. The overhead line on the north side of the road, to your left, is the 46kV line to Kantor Substation, with distribution underbuild. I mentioned before that this line is partial backup to the Santa Cruz County electrical system. In the event the current 138kV line is out of service, this line can provide service to the Tubac area through the Kantor Substation, however it does not provide any backup service to the remainder of Santa Cruz County. Once the first phase of the Santa Cruz Reliability Project is in-service, this line can be removed, since the second 138kV line will provide full backup to not just the Tubac area, but to all UNS Electric customers in the County.
- C. We're now turning north onto Canoa Road. This is the alignment of the **Preferred Route**. To your right, or east, you'll notice scattered residences that are part of the Elephant Head community with views of the Santa Rita Mountains. To your left, or west, is the Canoa Ranch Conservation Park with views of mining operations west of Interstate 19.
- D. We are now at the northern extent of the Elephant Head community. The **Preferred Route** continues north from here skirting the eastern edge of the Canoa Ranch Conservation Park through State Trust land along the unbuilt Canoa Road county road easement. As we've driven along Canoa Road, we passed approximately 12 homes. Important views from these homes are to the east toward the Santa Rita Mountains. The **Preferred Route** would not impede views of the Santa Rita Mountains from these existing homes.



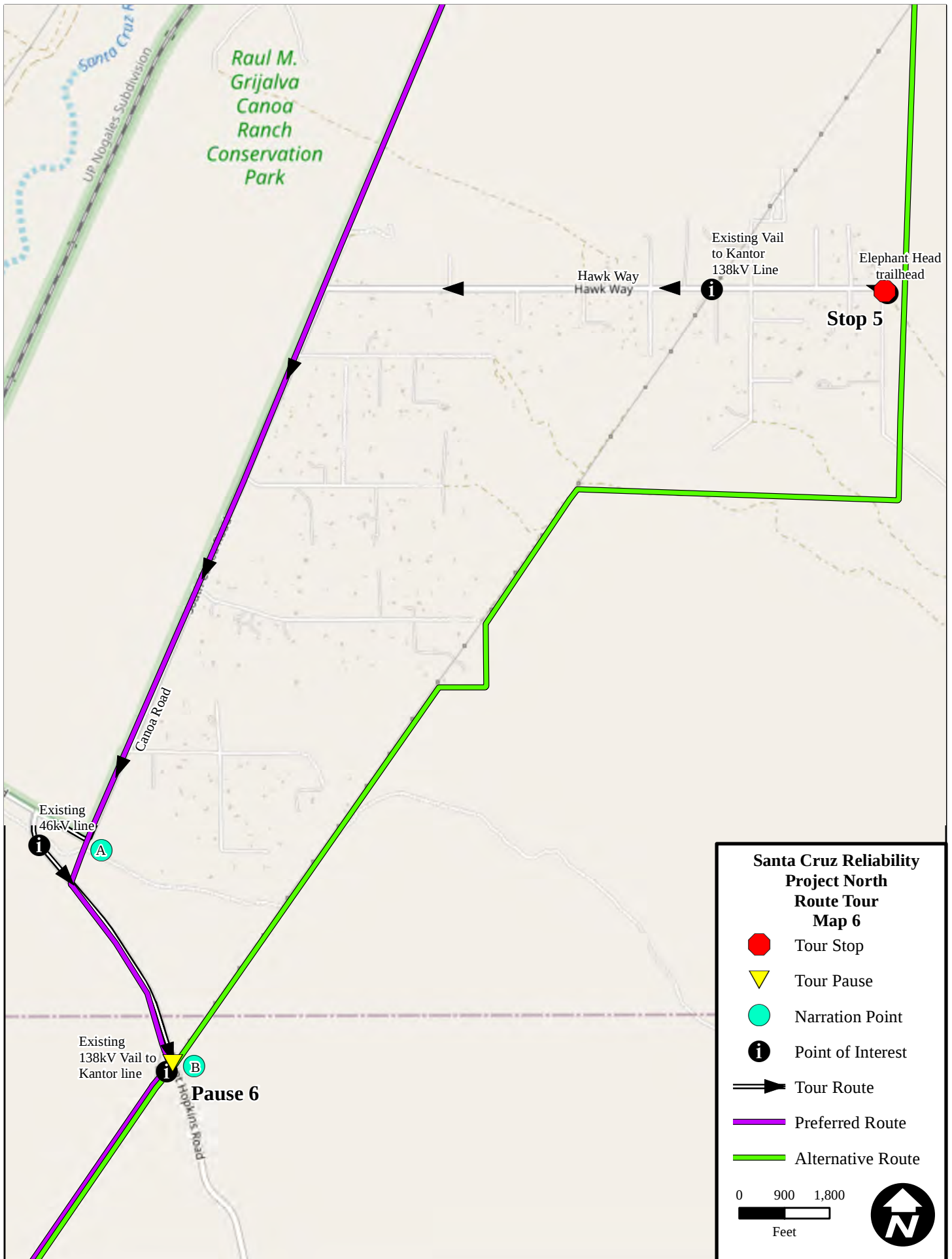
Map 5: Pause 4 (Canoa Road) to Stop 5 (Elephant Head Trailhead)

~ 4-minute drive

- Turn right from S Canoa Rd. onto Hawk Way (east).
- Continue for approximately 2.1 miles on Hawk Way to the intersection at S Monarch way.
- **You have reached Tour Stop 5 – Elephant Head Trailhead.**

Map 5 Tour Narration

- A. We're crossing under the existing Vail to Kantor 138kV transmission line. This is a portion of the radial 138 kV line that serves Santa Cruz County today. Neither the Preferred nor Alternative Route follows this existing line through this area. This is because there is not sufficient room within the existing right-of-way to accommodate a second line, nor is there space to acquire additional right-of-way without the need to purchase and remove homes.



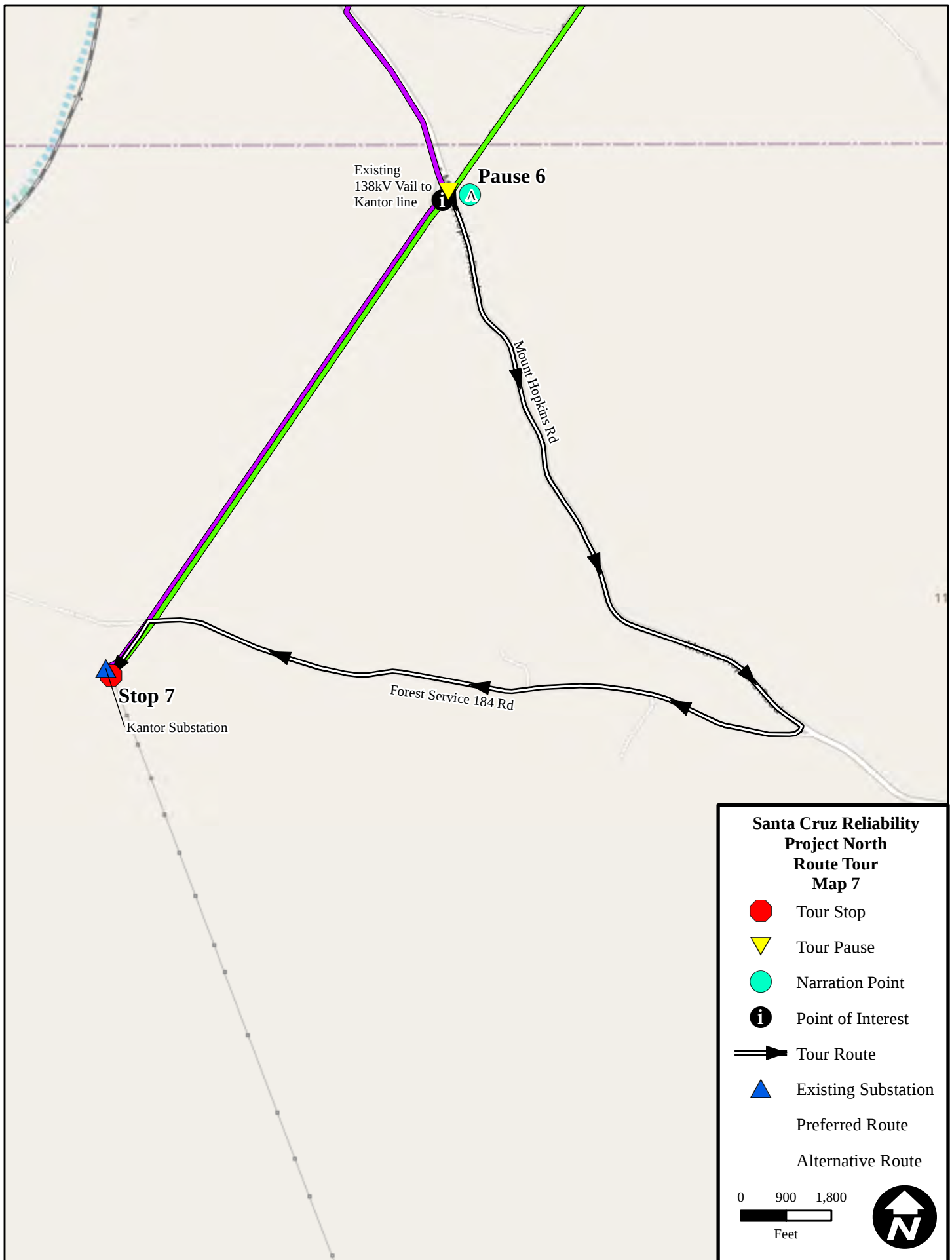
Map 6: Stop 5 (Elephant Head Trailhead) to Pause 6 (46kV/138kV Lines)

~ 9-minute drive

- Turn around and head west on Hawk Way to S Canoa Rd.
- Turn left on S Canoa Rd.
- Turn right on Elephant Head Rd.
- Turn left on S Mt. Hopkins Rd. and continue for approximately 2.6 miles.
- **You have reached Tour Pause 6 – 46kV/138kV Lines.**

Map 6 Tour Narration

- A. As we turn to the right onto Elephant Head Rd, the **Preferred Route** continues straight in a southeasterly direction to the intersection with the existing 46kV line along Mt. Hopkins Road. We'll soon be turning onto Mt. Hopkins Road and travelling parallel to that existing 46kV line. As I mentioned earlier, this 46kV line is the partial backup to Santa Cruz County today. If the Preferred Route were approved, the new 138kV line would replace this 46kV line in the same alignment. The new poles would be roughly the same in height, width, and color as the existing line.
- B. Note the two lines that converge here. The existing line on the east side, or to the left, is the 138kV Vail to Kantor line, and the line on the west, or to the right, is the 46kV backup line. The **Alternative Route** would come into this point from the north, running parallel to the existing 138kV line. From this point south, both the **Preferred** and **Alternative** routes would run in the same alignment as the existing 46kV line, replacing it with poles that resemble the existing line.



Map 7: Pause 6 (46kV/138kV Lines) to Stop 7 (Kantor Substation)

~ 9-minute drive

- From S Mt. Hopkins Rd. turn right towards Forest Service 184 Rd.
- Take a slight right onto Forest Service 184 Rd. and continue for approximately 2.5 miles to the existing Kantor Substation.
- **You have reached Tour Stop 7 – Kantor Substation.**

Map 7 Tour Narration

- A. Up until this point our tour has been in Pima County. We just crossed the county line and are now in Santa Cruz County. Both the Preferred and Alternative routes would continue to parallel the existing line to our route, or west, until they reach the Kantor Substation. We're now travelling toward the Kantor Substation, which will be our final stop and the end of the tour.

**BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT
AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF UNS ELECTRIC, INC. IN
CONFORMANCE WITH THE
REQUIREMENTS OF A.R.S. § 40-360, ET.
SEQ., FOR A CERTIFICATE OF
ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY
AUTHORIZING THE SANTA CRUZ
RELIABILITY PROJECT NORTH, WHICH
INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION OF A
NEW 138 KV TRANSMISSION LINE
WITHIN UNINCORPORATED PIMA
COUNTY AND UNINCORPORATED
SANTA CRUZ COUNTY, ARIZONA.

Docket No. L-00000F-25-0209-00252

Case No. 252

**CERTIFICATE OF
ENVIRONMENTAL
COMPATIBILITY**

A. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to notice given as provided by law, the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee (“Committee”) held public hearings in Tucson, Arizona, on November 3, 2025 through November X, 2025, in conformance with the requirements of the Arizona Revised Statutes (“A.R.S.”) § 40-360 *et seq.* for the purpose of receiving evidence and deliberating on the September 19, 2025 Application of UNS Electric, Inc. (“Applicant” or “UNSE”) for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility (“Certificate”) in the above-captioned case.

The following members and designees of members of the Committee were present at one or more of the hearing days for the evidentiary presentations, public comment, and/or the deliberations:

Adam Stafford	Chairman, Designee for Arizona Attorney General Kris Mayes
Nicole Hill	Designee for Director, Governor’s Energy Office
Michael Comstock	Designee of the Chairman, Arizona Corporation Commission (“Commission”)
Leonard Drago	Designee for Director, Arizona Department of

1		Environmental Quality (“ADEQ”)
2	David French	Designee for Director, Arizona Department of Water Resources (“ADWR”)
3	Roman Fontes	Appointed Member, representing counties
4	Sal DiCiccio	Appointed Member, representing cities and towns
5	David Kryder	Appointed Member, representing agricultural interests
6	Margaret “Toby” Little	Appointed Member, representing the general public
7	Gabby Saucedo Mercer	Appointed Member, representing the general public
8	Douglas Fant	Appointed Member, representing the general public

9 The Applicant was represented by Meghan H. Grabel and Elias Ancharski of
10 Osborn Maledon, P.A. and in-house counsel for UNSE, Megan C. Hill. No parties
11 requested intervention pursuant to A.R.S. § 40-360.05.

12 At the conclusion of the hearing, the Committee, after considering the
13 (i) Application, (ii) evidence, testimony, and exhibits presented by the Applicant, and
14 (iii) comments of the public, and being advised of the legal requirements of A.R.S. §§
15 40-360 through 40-360.13, upon motion duly made and seconded, voted **X** to
16 **X** to grant Applicant, its successors and assigns, this Certificate for the construction of
17 the Santa Cruz Reliability Project North (“Project”) as described below.

18 **B. PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

19 The Project will involve the construction of a new, approximately 9-to-12-mile
20 138 kV transmission line to connect Tucson Electric Power Company’s (“TEP”)
21 existing Canoa Ranch Substation in Pima County to UNSE’s existing Kantor
22 Substation in Santa Cruz County. A map of the final approved Project, including the
23 Project corridor, is included as **Exhibit A**. The proposed width of the corridor for the
24 Project is 500 feet wide to allow for routing flexibility. In areas outside of existing
25 rights-of-way (“ROW”), the final ROW for the for Project will be no greater than 100
26 feet wide.

27 **Route and Corridor**

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1 *Preferred Route*

2 The Preferred Route originates on the north end of the Project at TEP's existing
3 Canoa Ranch substation located along the alignment of Duval Mine Waterline Road,
4 just east of I-19, in Pima County, Arizona. The Canoa Ranch substation is situated at
5 the northern boundary of the Raul M. Grijalva Canoa Ranch Conservation Park (Canoa
6 Ranch Conservation Park). From the substation, the Preferred Route traverses Pima
7 County conservation lands eastward, following the alignment of Duval Mine Waterline
8 Road and West Camino de Rondo for approximately 1.1 miles until it reaches the
9 northeastern edge of the Conservation Park boundary. It then turns south and runs
10 parallel to the Conservation Park's eastern boundary for approximately 4.85 miles,
11 following along portions of South Canoa Drive. Where West Elephant Head Road
12 intersects South Canoa Drive, the Preferred Route continues south cross country for
13 approximately 0.2 miles, then turns southeast parallel to South Mount Hopkins Road,
14 in the same corridor as an existing TEP 46-kV line, for approximately 0.8 miles until it
15 intersects with the existing UNSE Vail to Kantor 138-kV transmission line. From this
16 junction, the Preferred Route turns southwest and parallels the existing 138-kv
17 transmission line corridor, in the same alignment as an existing TEP 46-kV line, for
18 approximately 2.25 miles, ultimately terminating at UNSE's existing Kantor
19 Substation, situated just south of Amado Montosa Road and approximately 1.75 miles
20 east of I-19, in Santa Cruz County, Arizona.

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22 *Alternative Route*

23 The Alternative Route originates on the north end of the Project at TEP's
24 existing Canoa Ranch Substation located along the alignment of Duval Mine Waterline
25 Road, just east of I-19, in Pima County, Arizona. The Canoa Ranch Substation is
26 situated at the northern boundary of the Canoa Ranch Conservation Park. From the
27 substation, the Alternative Route extends eastward, following the alignment of Duval
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1 Mine Waterline Road and West Camino de Rondo for approximately 1.1 miles.
2 However, the Alternative Route deviates from the Preferred Route at the northeastern
3 corner of the Canoa Ranch Conservation Park where it continues in a southeasterly
4 direction for an additional 0.3 miles, crossing over a small corner of Arizona State Land
5 Department (“ASLD”) land, then turns east for approximately 0.9 miles along the
6 section line between sections 2 and 11, and 1 and 12 of Township 19 South, Range 13
7 East and continues in a generally easterly direction for approximately 1.2 miles until
8 reaching the ½ section line of Section 12. At this point, the Alternative Route turns
9 south for approximately 3 miles through ASLD land and crosses the existing UNSE
10 Vail to Kantor 138-kV transmission line along the eastern boundary of the rural
11 Elephant Head residential community. The line then turns directly west, along the
12 section line between Sections 24 and 25, and 23 and 26 of Township 19 South, Range
13 13 East in the alignment of West Eagle Way before it again intersects with the existing
14 138-kV transmission line. From here, the Alternative Route turns southwest and
15 parallels the existing transmission line corridor for approximately 0.65 miles at which
16 point it deviates to the south to circumnavigate a small outcrop of residences at the end
17 of West Dove Way for approximately 0.25 miles. The route then turns to the west for
18 approximately 0.2 miles, again joining a common corridor with the existing 138-kV
19 transmission line, and follows it for approximately 4 miles until reaching its terminus
20 at the Kantor Substation in Santa Cruz County, Arizona.

21 The Committee approves the Preferred Route, subject to the Findings of Fact
22 and Conclusions of Law contained herein. Maps of the final approved route, including
23 corridor width, are attached as **Exhibit A**.

24 CONDITIONS

25 This Certificate is granted upon the following conditions:

- 26 1. This authorization to construct the Project on the Preferred Route shall
27 expire ten (10) years from the date this Certificate is approved by the Commission, with
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1 or without modification. Construction of the Project shall be completed, and the Project
2 shall be in service, upon the expiration of this ten-year timeframe. However, prior to
3 the expiration of the time period, the Applicant may request that the Commission extend
4 the time limitation. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

5 2. In the event that the Project requires an extension of the term(s) of this
6 Certificate prior to completion of construction, the Applicant shall file such time
7 extension request at least one hundred and eighty (180) days prior to the expiration of
8 the Certificate. The Applicant shall use reasonable means to promptly notify Pima
9 County, Santa Cruz County, ASLD, and all landowners and residents within a one (1)
10 mile radius of the centerline of the Project, all persons who made public comment at
11 this proceeding who provided a mailing or email address, and all parties to this
12 proceeding. The notification provided will include the request and the date, time, and
13 place of the hearing or open meetings during which the Commission will consider the
14 request for extension. Notification shall be no more than three (3) business days after
15 the Applicant is made aware of the hearing date or the open meeting date. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

16 3. During the development, construction, operation, maintenance, and
17 reclamation of the Project, the Applicant shall comply with all existing applicable air
18 and water pollution control standards and regulations, and with all existing applicable
19 statutes, ordinances, master plans, and regulations of any governmental entity having
20 jurisdiction including, but not limited to, the United States of America, the State of
21 Arizona, Pima County, Santa Cruz County, and their agencies and subdivisions,
22 including but not limited to the following:

23 (a) All applicable land use regulations;

24 (b) All applicable zoning stipulations and conditions including, but not
25 limited to, landscaping and dust control requirements;

26 (c) All applicable water use, discharge and/or disposal requirements of
27 ADWR and ADEQ;
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1 (d) All applicable noise control standards; and

2 (e) All applicable regulations governing storage and handling of
3 hazardous chemicals and petroleum products.

4 4. The Applicant shall obtain all approvals and permits necessary to
5 construct, operate, and maintain the Project required by any governmental entity having
6 jurisdiction including, but not limited to, the United States of America, the State of
7 Arizona, Pima County, Santa Cruz County, and their agencies and subdivisions.

8 5. The Applicant shall comply with the Arizona Game and Fish Department
9 (“AGFD”) guidelines and recommendations for handling protected animal species,
10 should any be encountered during construction and operation of the Project, and shall
11 consult with AGFD or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, as appropriate, on other issues
12 concerning wildlife. ~~The Applicant shall, to the extent feasible, follow AGFD’s~~
13 ~~recommendations found in the Letter from AGFD dated, May 9, 2025, marked as~~
14 ~~Exhibit H-2a.~~ The Applicant commits to follow the mitigation measures on pages 122-
15 125 and 205 of the Application, as applicable and feasible. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

16 6. The Applicant shall design the Project’s facilities to incorporate
17 reasonable measures to minimize electrocution of and impacts to avian species in
18 accordance with the Applicant’s avian protection program. Such measures will be
19 accomplished through incorporation of Avian Power Line Interaction Committee
20 guidelines set forth in the current versions of *Suggested Practices for Avian Protection*
21 *on Power Lines* and *Reducing Avian Collisions with Power Lines* manuals. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

22 7. The issuance of a Certificate by the Commission is a state action pursuant
23 to A.R.S. §§ 41-861 through 41-864, also known as the State Historic Preservation Act
24 (“State Act”). The Applicant shall consult with the Arizona State Historic Preservation
25 Office (“SHPO”) regarding the Project and its impacts on historic properties.
26 Construction shall not commence until SHPO has had an opportunity to review and
27 comment in accordance with the State Act. The Applicant shall, in cooperation with the
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landowner, complete a Class III cultural inventory of the portions of the final ROWs that have not been previously surveyed to modern standards. If any historic property will be substantially altered or demolished as a result of the construction or operation of the Project, the Applicant shall take timely steps to make appropriate documentary recordation in accordance with the standards established by SHPO. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

8. If any archaeological, paleontological, or historical site or a significant cultural object is discovered on state, county, or municipal land during the construction or operation of the Project, the Applicant or its authorized representative shall promptly report the discovery to the Director of the Arizona State Museum (“ASM”), and in consultation with the Director, shall immediately take all reasonable steps to secure and maintain the preservation of the discovery as required by A.R.S. § 41-844. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

9. If human remains and/or funerary objects are encountered during the course of any ground-disturbing activities related to the construction or operation of the Project, the Applicant shall cease work on the affected area of the Project and notify the Director of the ASM as required by A.R.S. § 41-865 for private land, or as required by A.R.S. § 41-844 for state, county, or municipal lands. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

10. The Applicant shall comply with the notice and salvage requirements of the Arizona Native Plant Law (A.R.S §§ 3-901 *et seq.*) and shall, to the extent feasible, minimize the destruction of native plants during the construction and operation of the Project. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

11. The Applicant shall make every reasonable effort to promptly investigate, identify, and correct, on a case-specific basis, all complaints of interference with radio or television signals from operation of the Project addressed in this Certificate and where such interference is caused by the Project take reasonable measures to mitigate such interference. The Applicant shall maintain written records for a period of five (5) years of all complaints of radio or television interference attributable to operations, together with the corrective action taken in response to each complaint. All complaints

1 shall be recorded and shall include notation on the corrective action taken. Complaints
2 not leading to a specific action or for which there was no resolution shall be noted and
3 explained. Upon request, the written records shall be provided to the Staff of the
4 Commission. The Applicant shall respond to complaints and implement appropriate
5 mitigation measures. In addition, the Project shall be evaluated on a regular basis so
6 that damaged insulators or other line materials that could cause interference are repaired
7 or replaced in a timely manner. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

8 12. Within one hundred twenty (120) days of the Commission's decision
9 approving this Certificate, the Applicant shall post signs in or near public ROWs, to the
10 extent authorized by law, reasonably adjacent to the Project giving notice of the Project.
11 Such signage shall be no smaller than a roadway sign. The signs shall advise:

12 (a) The future site of the Project;

13 (b) A phone number and website for public information regarding the
14 Project; and

15 (c) Refer the Public to the Docket.

16 Such signs shall be inspected at least once annually and, if necessary, be repaired or
17 replaced, and removed at the completion of construction.

18 The Applicant shall make every reasonable effort to communicate the decision
19 either approving or disapproving the Certificate in digital media. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

20 13. Upon approval of this Certificate by the Commission, the Applicant shall
21 provide Pima County, Santa Cruz County, ASLD, and known builders and developers
22 who are building upon or developing land within one (1) mile of the centerline of the
23 Project with a written description, including the approximate height and width
24 measurements of all structure types, of the Project. The written description shall
25 identify the location of the Project and contain a pictorial depiction of the facilities
26 being constructed. The Applicant shall also encourage the developers and builders to
27 include this information in their disclosure statements. Upon approval of this Certificate
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by the Commission, the Applicant may commence construction of the Project. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

14. The Applicant shall use non-specular conductor and non-reflective surfaces for the transmission line structures on the Project. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

15. The Applicant shall be responsible for arranging that all field personnel involved in the Project receive training as to proper ingress, egress, and on-site working protocol for environmentally sensitive areas and activities. Contractors employing such field personnel shall maintain records documenting that the personnel have received such training. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

16. The Applicant shall follow the most current Western Electricity Coordinating Council (“WECC”) and North American Electric Reliability Corporation (“NERC”) planning standards, as approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”), National Electrical Safety Code (“NESC”) standards, and Federal Aviation Administration (“FAA”) regulations.

~~17. The Applicant shall provide Commission Staff with a copy of all completed final relevant studies that show the reliability impact of the Project within thirty (30) days of completion of such studies. [\[CEC 247\]](#)~~

~~18.~~17. The Applicant shall participate in good faith in state and regional transmission study forums to coordinate transmission expansion plans related to the Project and to resolve transmission constraints in a timely manner. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

~~19.~~18. When Project facilities are located parallel to and within one hundred (100) feet of any existing natural gas or hazardous pipeline, the Applicant shall:

- A. Ensure grounding and cathodic protection studies are performed to show that the Project’s location parallel to and within one hundred (100) feet of such pipeline results in no material adverse impacts to the pipeline or to public safety when both the pipeline and the Project are in operation. The Applicant shall take appropriate steps to ensure that any material

adverse impacts are mitigated. The Applicant shall provide to Staff of the Commission, and file with Docket Control, a copy of the studies performed and additional mitigation, if any, that was implemented as part of its annual compliance-certification letter; and

- B. Ensure that studies are performed simulating an outage of the Project that may be caused by the collocation of the Project parallel to and within one hundred (100) feet of the existing natural gas or hazardous liquid pipeline. The studies should either: (i) show that such simulated outage does not result in customer outages, or (ii) include operating plans to minimize any resulting customer outages. The Applicant shall provide a copy of the study results to Staff of the Commission and file them with Docket Control as part of the Applicant's annual compliance certification letter.

[\[CEC 247\]](#)

~~20.19.~~ The designation of the corridor in this Certificate, as shown in **Exhibit A**, does not authorize ROWs greater than 100 feet wide for the Project nor does it grant the Applicant exclusive rights within the corridor outside of the final designated transmission ROWs. The maximum height of the structures shall not exceed 115 feet.

[\[CEC 247\]](#)

~~21.20.~~ The Applicant shall submit a compliance certification letter annually, identifying progress made with respect to and current status of each condition contained in this Certificate. The letter shall be submitted to Commission's Docket Control commencing on June 1, 2027. Attached to each certification letter shall be documentation explaining how compliance with each condition was achieved. Copies of each letter, along with the corresponding documentation, shall be submitted to the Arizona Attorney General's Office. With respect to the Project, the requirement for the compliance letter shall expire on the date the Project is placed into operation. Notification of such filing with Docket Control shall be made to Pima County, Santa

1 Cruz County, ASLD, all parties to this Docket, and all parties who made a limited
2 appearance in this Docket. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

3 ~~22.21.~~ The Applicant shall provide a copy of this Certificate to Pima County,
4 Santa Cruz County, and ASLD. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

5 ~~23.22.~~ Any transfer or assignment of this Certificate shall require the assignee
6 or successor to assume, in writing, all responsibilities of the Applicant listed in this
7 Certificate and its conditions as required by A.R.S. § 40-360.08(A) and R14-3-213(F)
8 of the Arizona Administrative Code. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

9 ~~24.23.~~ In the event the Applicant, its assignee, or successor, seeks to modify the
10 Certificate terms at the Commission, it shall provide copies of such request to Pima
11 County, Santa Cruz County, ASLD, all parties to this Docket, and all parties who made
12 a limited appearance in this Docket. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

13 ~~25.24.~~ The Certificate Conditions shall be binding on the Applicant, its
14 successors, assignee(s) and transferees, and any affiliates, agents, or lessees of the
15 Applicant who have a contractual relationship with the Applicant concerning the
16 construction, operation, maintenance or reclamation of the Project. The Applicant shall
17 provide in any agreement(s) or lease(s) pertaining to the Project that the contracting
18 parties and/or lessee(s) shall be responsible for compliance with the Conditions set forth
19 herein, and the Applicant's responsibilities with respect to compliance with such
20 Conditions shall not cease or be abated by reason of the fact that the Applicant is not in
21 control of or responsible for operation and maintenance of the Project facilities. [\[CEC](#)
22 [247\]](#)

23 **FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

24 This Certificate incorporates the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of
25 Law:

26 1. The Project aids the State and the Southwest Region of the United States
27 in meeting the need for an adequate, economical, and reliable supply of electric power.
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1 2. When constructed in compliance with the conditions imposed in this
2 Certificate, the Project aids the State, preserving a safe and reliable electric transmission
3 system.

4 3. During the course of the hearing, the Committee considered evidence on
5 the environmental compatibility of the Project as required by A.R.S. § 40-360 *et seq.*

6 4. The Project and the conditions placed on the Project in this Certificate
7 effectively minimize the impact of the Project on the environment and ecology of the
8 State.

9 5. The conditions placed on the Project of this Certificate resolve matters
10 concerning balancing the need for the Project with its impact on the environment and
11 ecology of the state arising during the course of the proceedings, and, as such, serve as
12 finding and conclusions on such matters.

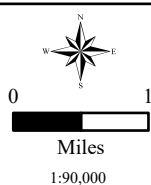
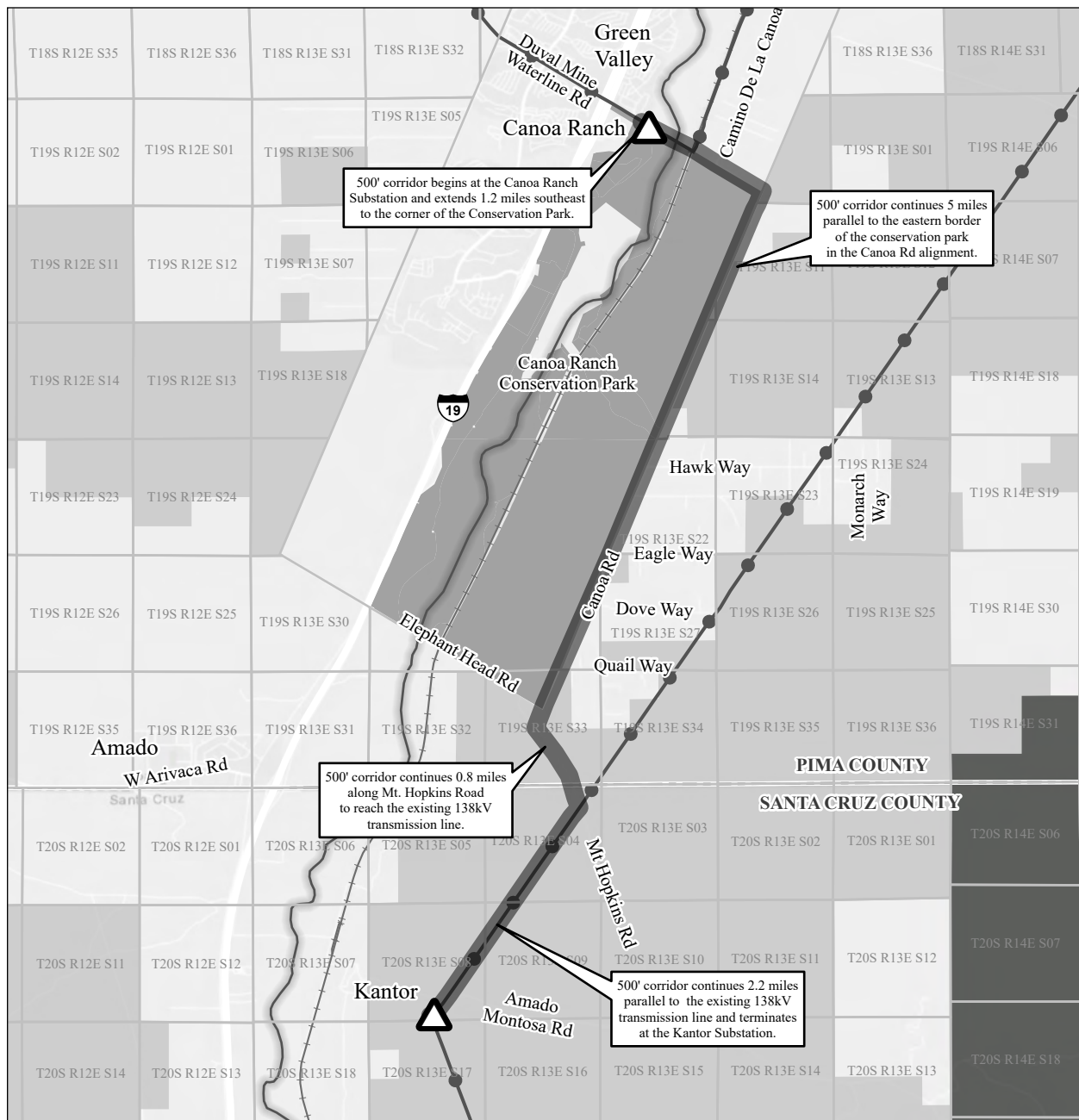
13 6. The Project is in the public interest because the Project's contribution to
14 meeting the need for an adequate, economical, and reliable supply of electric power
15 outweighs the minimized impact of the Project on the environment and ecology of the
16 State. [\[CEC 247\]](#)

17 DATED this _____ day of November, 2025.

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20 THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND
21 TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

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23 By: _____
24 Adam Stafford, Chairman

EXHIBIT A



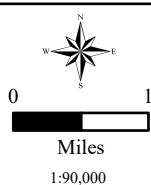
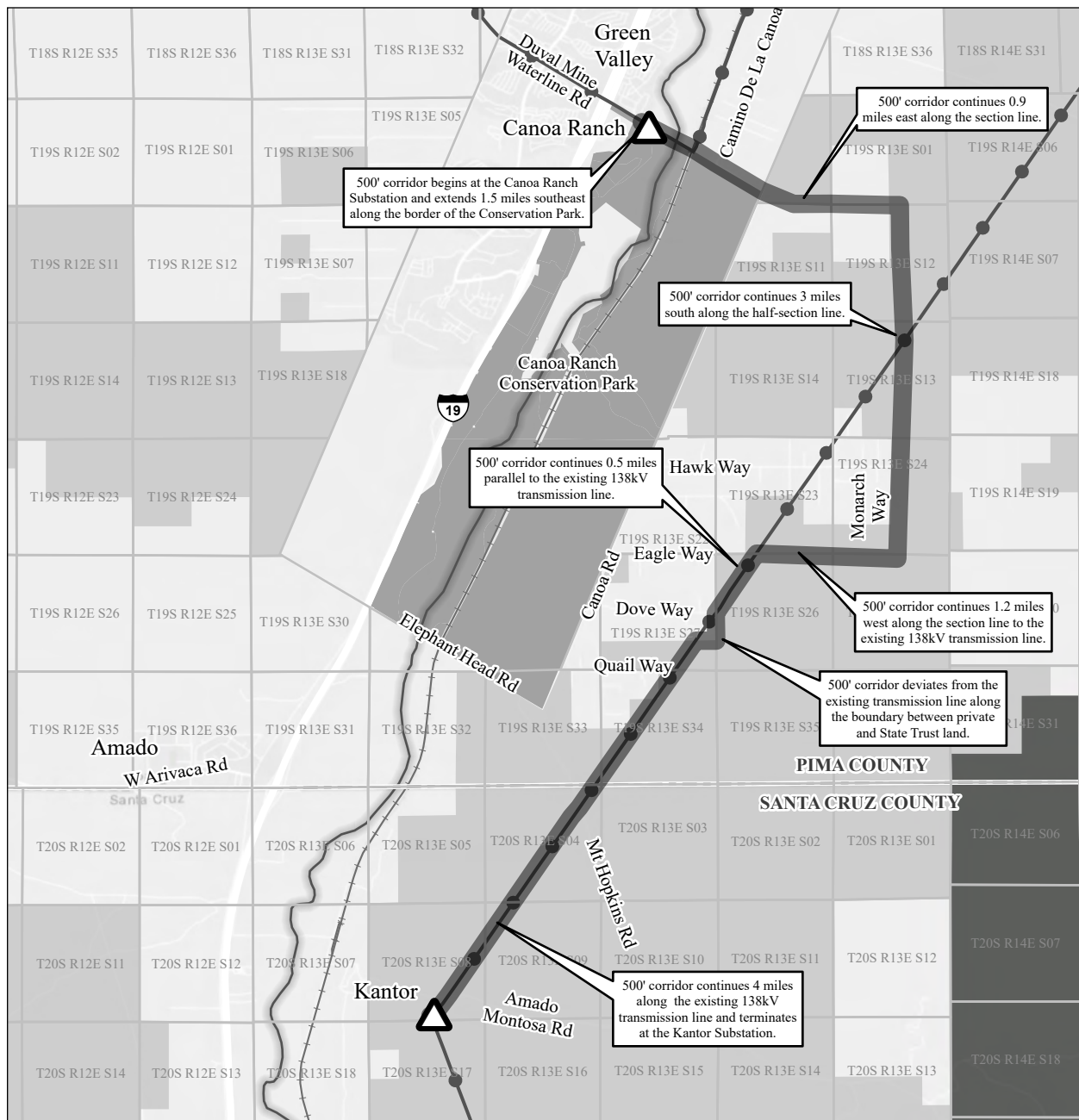
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