

Red Dog Road – Rule 20A Underground Utilities District

BOS Meeting

September 10th, 2024



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Red Dog Utility District

Background

- On August 6th the Board of Supervisors Scheduled a public meeting for August 28th to discuss the Red Dog Road Underground Utility District
- On August 6, 2024 the Board of Supervisors also scheduled a Public Hearing on September 10, 2024 to consider establishing the Red Dog Road Underground Utility District.
- Establishing an underground district prior to December 2024 is critical to securing Rule 20A funds.



Project Goals

There are three major goals for this project:

1. Remove overhead electrical and communication lines along a major collector roadway
2. Support emergency ingress/egress and fire resiliency
3. Widen roadways and provide pedestrian, bike routes

Project Overview

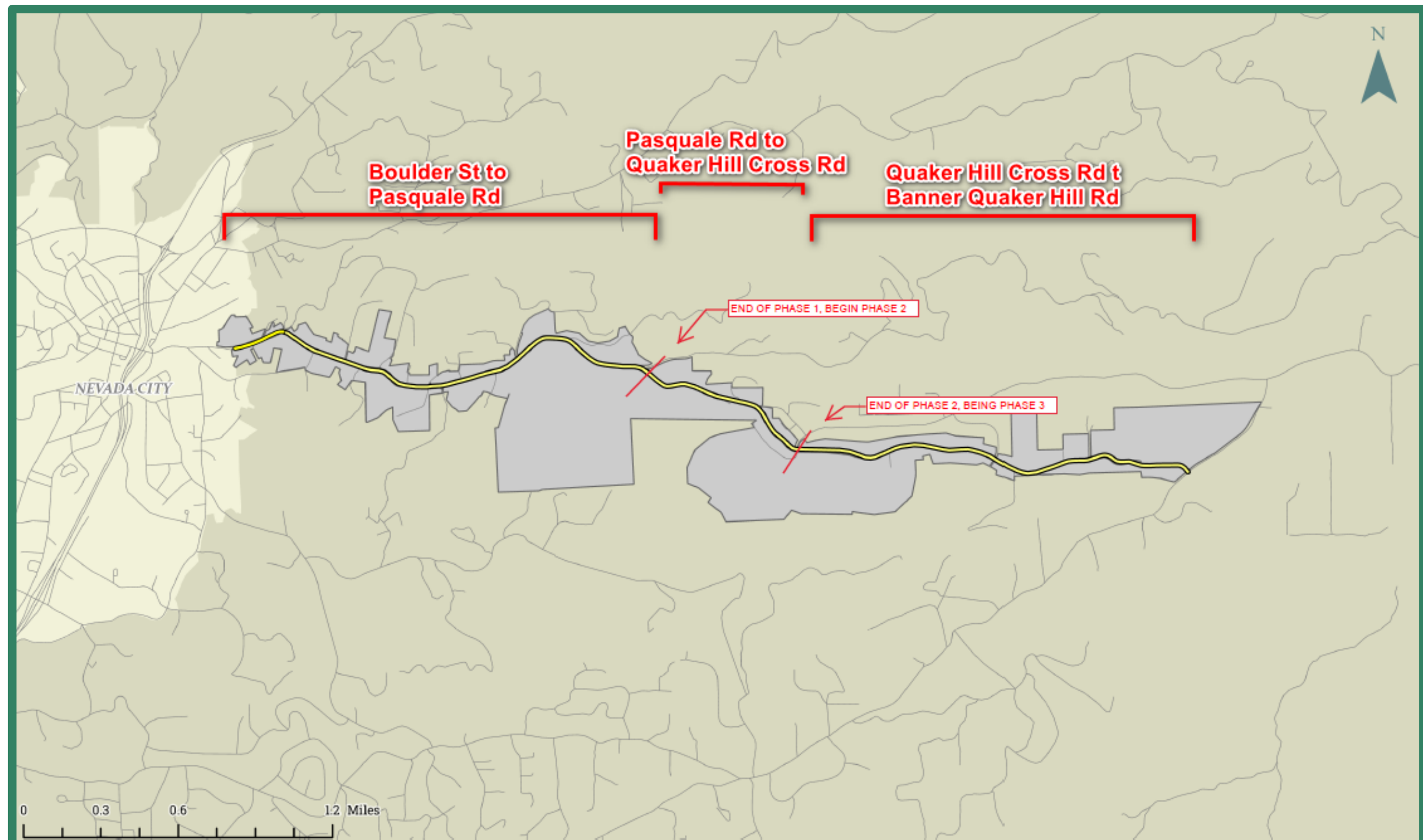
Project Location – Red Dog Road in Nevada City, CA

- Boulder Street to approx. Pasquale Road
- Future phase could include:
- Pasquale Road to Quaker Hill Cross Road
- Quaker Hill Cross Road to Banner Lava Cap

Establishing an Underground Utilities District as defined by the CPUC for the Red Dog Road Project.

Establish agreements with PG&E and landowners for undergrounding.

Proposed Project Location



Rule 20A - Red Dog Road Proposed Undergrounding District Boundary

- Red Dog Road & Boulder Street
- Roads
- Utility District Boundary
- City Boundaries

Impact on Utility Rates

- Undergrounding Districts are formed to initiate PG&Es commencement of a project.
- The formation of this district does not authorize the County to assess fees for this project, however, PG&E determines the project cost during design and Rule 20A work credits are deducted from the County balance.
- Rule 20A work credits are not monies, but are equivalent to one U.S. dollar to discount the upfront cost of the undergrounding project.
- There are no anticipated rate hikes from PG&E due to this project.

Staff Cost

- There is no matching requirement for Rule 20A work credits
- Staff time & resources anticipated to be 5% of the overall project cost.
 - \$400,000 from 2025 to 2030
 - Currently funding is unknown. Staff will continue to search for potential funding opportunities.
- PG&E will lead design & construction, saving the County's resources & efforts

Next Steps

- Form the Rule 20A Red Dog Road Underground Utilities District encompassing all potential project phases.
- Lobby PG&E and the CPUC to be listed as an “Active” Underground Utility District.
- Work with PG&E on design of project
- Complete construction of the undergrounding project by 2033.

Staff Recommendation

- Adopt the Resolution forming the Red Dog Road Underground Utilities District.
- Authorize the Director of Public Works or their designee to negotiate agreements, make any needed modifications to the district description, and act on behalf of the Board of Supervisors as necessary to complete the formation of the Red Dog Rd Underground Utilities District.

Q&A Session

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