

# Chokecherry and Sierra Madre Wind Energy Project



## Phased Construction Sequence Mitigation

### **Mitigation Measure GEN-1:**

GEN-1 would apply to all action alternatives.

**GEN-1:** Phased Construction Sequencing. Limit surface disturbance to areas where turbines would be constructed within 12 months with a goal to mitigate impacts from surface disturbance to wildlife, soils, water, and vegetation (e.g., weeds). Four ROW grants would be issued for the project: 1) internal haul road and water extraction site in Phase I; 2) transmission line connecting the sites in Phase I; 3) Sierra Madre in Phase II; and 4) Chokecherry in Phase III.

### **Mitigation Objective:**

Limit surface disturbance to areas where wind turbine generators (WTGs) would be constructed within 12 months.

### **Mitigation Goal:**

To mitigate impacts from surface disturbance to wildlife, soils, water, and vegetation (e.g., weeds).

### **Mitigation Implementation:**

Restrict areas of construction through four right-of-way (ROW) grants issued for the project:

- Internal haul road and water extraction site in Phase I;
- Transmission line between the two sites in Phase I;
- Sierra Madre in Phase II; and
- Chokecherry in Phase III.

### **Change from Applicant Proposal:**

- Increase the construction length by six months.
- Internal access roads constructed in Years 1, 2, and 3 instead of all roads in the first year.
- Less surface disturbance in the first year of project construction.
- Interim reclamation occurring earlier in the project (Year 1).

