



Santan Facts

- ◆ SRP's expansion of the Santan Generating Station will bring 825 megawatts of new electricity to the Southeast Valley, where energy demand has increased and continues to with the residential and business growth. The existing power facility is located near the southeast corner of Val Vista and Warner roads in Gilbert.
- ◆ By locating new generation resources close to the areas of demand, SRP can continue to provide the low-cost, reliable electricity its customers expect and deserve.
- ◆ The Santan Expansion Project includes state-of-the-art combined-cycle, natural gas generators, with three stacks, up to 150 feet tall, located on 20 acres of the existing 120-acre site. An additional 20 acres will be devoted to providing a recreational trail and earthen berms on the perimeter of the site for landscaping purposes.
- ◆ When completed it will be available to operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Construction will create up to 650 jobs and is expected to be completed by the summer of 2005.
- ◆ All of the power from the expansion will be available to serve the growing demand in the thriving Southeast Valley.

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SRP Implements Plan To Address Off-Site Visual Mitigation

In its Certificate of Environmental Compatibility conditions, the Santan Expansion Project (SEP) has agreed to address mitigating the visual impact of the project on the surrounding community. This relates to views from locations throughout the neighboring developments, as well as landscaping on the SEP site. The project was approved by the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) in April 2001.

SRP worked with the Landscaping and Mitigation Community Working Group (CWG), which was composed of Gilbert residents. The CWG met 24 times in open public meetings.

In its last meeting, the CWG delegated responsibility for the development of the *off-site* mitigation plan to SRP. Working with the extensive input from the CWG, SRP and Ten-Eyck Landscape Architects developed a plan which features distribution of \$1.5 million to homeowner associations (HOA) and in certain locations homeowners located within a 1.25-mile radius from the center of the Santan site.

Taking into consideration the varied conditions in the surrounding area, SRP has developed an equitable fund distribution based on these four factors:

- ◆ Proximity to the plant site
- ◆ Subdivision area
- ◆ Number of lots within the subdivision
- ◆ Special condition areas.

Under SRP's plan, 19 different homeowners associations and residents of three county communities are eligible for participation. SRP has met with all of

the HOAs to explain the off-site mitigation plan, review the guidelines for spending the allocation and answer questions. Individual homeowners not represented by an HOA will receive allocations consisting of plant nursery vouchers and funds for associated services.

The HOAs will receive the allocation and will be responsible for using it to achieve appropriate visual mitigation of the generating equipment on the site. These efforts must be consistent with the town of Gilbert's current planning and permitting criteria. Each HOA is required to notify its residents of its plans for spending the allocation.

Residents within the eligible HOAs are encouraged to participate in the planning of how best to use the mitigation allocation. Once the individual HOA plans are submitted and reviewed, SRP will forward the allocated funds to the town of Gilbert for distribution.

The mitigation allocation is intended to address visual concerns for residences and common areas in neighborhoods surrounding the plant site.

Individuals with questions about how the off-site mitigation plan will be implemented in their community should contact their HOA. For additional general information about the program, contact SRP's Michelle Colores at 602-236-5442, or Randy Dietrich at 602-236-4311.



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CEC Conditions Being Met

When the Arizona Corporation Commission approved the Santan Expansion Project Certificate of Environmental Compatibility (CEC) it established several conditions to be met in the development of the project. SRP is committed to abiding by those conditions. Some of that progress is discussed below. To learn more about the conditions and SRP's progress in achieving them, visit the SEP Web site www.santanfacts.org.

SRP has commissioned a study, in partnership with the Town of Gilbert and other East Valley cities, to define the scope of work for the Gilbert/East Valley Transit Systems Plan (GEVTS). The last major element in the regional network of community transit plans, the GEVTS will be closely linked to

the transit plans of adjacent cities, yet maintain the flexibility to meet Gilbert's unique needs.

SRP President Bill Schrader presented officials from the town of Gilbert with the keys to two new, environmentally friendly street sweepers in a ceremony earlier this year at the Gilbert Town Hall Municipal Building.

The purchase of the street sweepers is part of an agreement between SRP and the town related to the expansion of the Santan Generation Facility. These sweepers and other measures such as the paving of approximately 10 miles of roads in the East Valley were agreed to by SRP to help reduce localized particulate air emissions.

E-mail, Internet Provide Updates

The Santan Expansion Project (SEP) Web site www.santanfacts.org offers interested individuals two ways to stay abreast of the project's progress: e-mails and frequent postings. As part of its effort to manage funds wisely, SRP will reduce the number of standard mailings associated with the SEP and instead use e-mail to deliver news and information, similar to this newsletter. To sign up for future mailings, just visit the Web site.

While you are there, take a few minutes to look around and discover the wealth of information. If you have questions, contact us at webmaster@santanfacts.org.