

PIOCHE LINE TO BECOME ALIVE WHEN FINISHED

Delivery of Power to Be
Made As Soon As Wire
Ready For It, Revealed

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The vast development program planned in southern Nevada by the Pioche mining interest was set five months ahead today upon receipt of word from Congressman J. G. Scrugham that an agreement had been reached whereby Boulder dam power would be available for transmission into Lincoln county as soon as the line itself is ready to receive it.

Transformers and sub-station equipment ordered by the power district to complete the system, are not scheduled to be delivered until January 1938, and the mining companies have been attempting for some time to arrange for an interim service of some kind in order that they can get under way with their program.

ACCORDING TO Scrugham, arrangements have been made through the reclamation service, city of Los Angeles and the Southern California Edison company whereby three 2,000 kilowatt transformers are to be loaned the Lincoln County power district until their own are delivered.

This means that Boulder Dam power will be available for Pioche five months before anticipated and that the long-planned five year program will be speeded up that much.

THE INTERESTED concerns plan the construction of a mill in Pioche to handle the ores from the mines and a smelter and refinery in Las Vegas valley to take care of the remaining processes in the production of commercial lead and zinc.

Congressman Scrugham, in advising of the successful power negotiations, declared it was "the biggest news southern Nevada has heard in months."