

Pacific Gas and Electric Work on St. Mary's Road

Lafayette City Council Meeting

April 2020



Planned Electric Work





Additional PG&E Work on St. Mary's Road

PG&E has identified additional work planned for 2020 that will increase capacity, safety and reliability of the electric system. **To minimize impacts on the community, we are working on a comprehensive traffic control plan to present to City staff and have the ability to complete these additional projects while the gas project is in construction if approved by the City of Lafayette.**

System Hardening

- PG&E is upgrading and strengthening the electric system to help reduce wildfire threat.
- PG&E identified a reinforcement and capacity project between the Moraga Substation and the Rossmoor Substation that has a hardening component on St. Mary's Road. The scope includes:
 - **Replacing 80 electric poles** (workspace locations on next slide)
 - **Installing 11,000 feet of larger, covered power lines**
 - **Performing Vegetation Management**
 - **Installing down-guys and anchors**
 - **Installing/Updating equipment**

System Hardening Community Outreach

- We are reaching out to customers in advance of the system hardening work with letters, emails and door hangers.
- Customers with impactful work on or near their property may receive additional outreach with more information.
- Customers will be informed if intermittent road or lane closures, traffic delays and/or construction noise and activity will occur.
- For more information customers can email electricreliability@pge.com



System Hardening Project Work Area

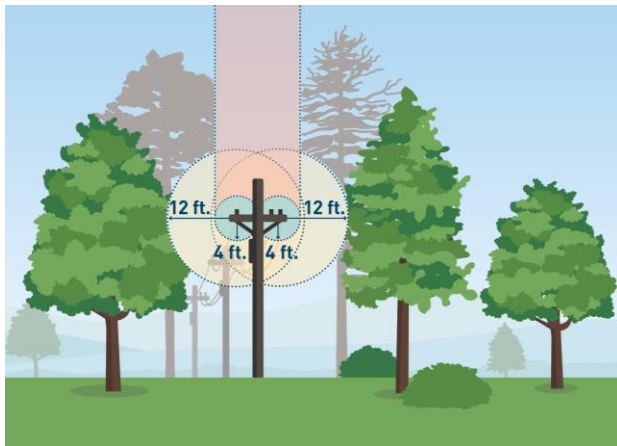




Enhanced Vegetation Management Work

Enhanced Vegetation Management

- In response to the growing wildfire threat, we have expanded and enhanced our vegetation safety work. This includes addressing vegetation that poses a higher potential for wildfire risk in high-fire threat areas.
- **This wildfire safety work is planned around electric lines along Saint Mary's Road in 2020.**



Enhanced Vegetation Management work includes:

- Meeting state standards for minimum clearances around the power line.
- Addressing overhanging limbs or branches 4 feet out from the lines and up to the sky
- Removing hazardous vegetation such as dead or dying trees that pose a potential risk to the lines.
- Evaluating the condition of trees that may need to be addressed if they are tall enough to strike the lines.

Enhanced Vegetation Management Community Outreach

- We are reaching out to customers in advance of the tree work with automated call, postcards and door hangers.
- We will work together with our customers to review any additional vegetation safety work identified through our inspection and answer questions.
- We have also set up a dedicated phone number, email address and website for anyone wanting to learn more about his important safety work. **Hotline:** 1-877-295-4949, or email wildfiresafety@pge.com, website link [Enhanced Vegetation Management](#)

Enhanced Vegetation Management Work Area



Proposed Schedule





Proposed Road Closure Schedule Options

- **This work is planned for summer 2020.**
- The below schedule options represent the **overall duration of the gas transmission project from mobilization to final restoration and are dependent on PG&E having a full occupation of the workspace and the detour in place** that was shown on slide 4-5.
- The system hardening and enhanced vegetation management work will be completed within the approved time frame option.

Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
7 AM – 6 PM	7 AM – 6 PM	8:30 AM – 4:30 PM
Monday – Saturday	Monday – Friday	Monday – Friday
9.5 weeks June 1 st -August 5 th	11 weeks June 1 st –August 14 th	13 weeks June 1 st – August 28 th

Questions?

