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## **CPUC TO HOLD WORKSHOPS ON UTILITY SAFETY**

SAN FRANCISCO, November 1, 2021 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), in ongoing efforts to hold utilities accountable for safely operating their systems, is holding two virtual (remote-only) public workshops to discuss utility safety, as follows:

### **PG&E Enhanced Oversight Enforcement Process, Corrective Action Plan, and Enhanced Vegetation Management Public Workshop**

**What:** A workshop to discuss and obtain public feedback on Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E) progress on the implementation of its Corrective Action Plan and Enhanced Vegetation Management (EVM) work completed to date, as well as the work targeted for 2022. The Corrective Action Plan was ordered by the CPUC on April 15, 2021, when it put PG&E into the first step of an [Enhanced Oversight and Enforcement Process](#) based on PG&E's failure to sufficiently prioritize clearing vegetation on its highest-risk power lines as part of its wildfire mitigation work in 2020. The CPUC's Executive Director, in a [letter](#) sent today, notified PG&E that the utility will remain in step one of the Enhanced Oversight and Enforcement Process because of outstanding distribution circuits that still require enhanced vegetation management to reduce the risk of utility-ignited wildfire. This workshop, which follows a June 2021 workshop on PG&E's Corrective Action Plan, will cover the 14 elements of PG&E's Corrective Action Plan, and will consist of presentations from PG&E on the status of its EVM work and provide a preview of its planned EVM work for 2022. Time will be allocated for public comment.

**When:** Monday, November 8, 2021, 9:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

**Where:** Remote access via webcast or phone, as follows:

- Live video broadcast with English or Spanish captions via webcast: [www.adminmonitor.com/ca/cpuc](http://www.adminmonitor.com/ca/cpuc)
  - Participants who choose to participate via webcast only will have audio and video, but will not be able to make verbal comment. If you would like to make comments during the meeting, refer to the phone-in information below.
  - For English or Spanish captions, after clicking on the name of the workshop, click the green button below the video for captions. Then select captions by clicking on the white icon next to the word “live” at the bottom of the video.
  - The workshop will also be recorded and archived for future viewing.
- Phone: 800-857-1917, passcode: 7218384#
  - Participants will have audio (in English) and will be able to make comments or ask questions.

For the agenda and more information, please see <https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/industries-and-topics/pge/pge-oversight-and-enforcement>.

### **Electric Utility Safety Update Public Briefing**

**What:** The CPUC and the Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety (Energy Safety), in a joint commitment to safety and transparency, will hold a public briefing to hear from Bear Valley Electric Service (BVE) and PG&E regarding updates on electric safety related efforts, pursuant to Public Utilities Code section 8389(e)(5). Members of the Board of Directors of BVE and PG&E will present and answer questions from the CPUC and Energy Safety. Time will be allocated for public comment.

**When:** Wednesday November 10, 2021; Session 1, BVE at 10 a.m.; Session 2, PG&E at 1 p.m.

**Where:** Access the meeting virtually via webcast or phone, as follows:

- Live webcast with English or Spanish captions: [www.adminmonitor.com/ca/cpuc](http://www.adminmonitor.com/ca/cpuc)
  - Participants who choose to participate via webcast only will have audio and video, but will not be able to make verbal comment. If you would like to make comments during the meeting, refer to the phone-in information below.

- For captions, after clicking on the name of the workshop, click the green button below the video for captions. Then select captions by clicking on the white icon next to the word “live” at the bottom of the video.
- It will be recorded and archived for future viewing
- Phone English: 1-800-857-1917, passcode 1767567#
- Phone Spanish: 1-800-857-1917, passcode: 3799627#
  - Participants will have audio and will be able to make comments or ask questions.
  - To make a public comment during the public comment period, press \*1 (star one) when you wish to speak to be placed in a queue by the operator.
  - Participants will be placed on mute in “listen-only” mode until the public comment portion of the meeting

For the agenda and more information, please see <https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/consumer-support/psps>.

In response to the Governor’s directive concerning restrictions on public gatherings to protect customers and community members during COVID-19, these events will not have in-person attendance. Members of the public can view the events via the Internet or listen and make comment by toll-free phone line. Those who would like to make public comment must participate by phone.

While a quorum of Commissioners and/or their staff may attend these events, no official actions will be taken.

If specialized accommodations are needed to attend, such as non-English or sign language interpreters, please contact the CPUC’s Public Advisor’s Office at [public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov) or toll-free at 866-849-8390 at least three business days in advance of the events.

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