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## NOTICE OF NON-PERFORMANCE

Mr. Brandon Tolentino:

Pursuant to Government Code section 15472, et seq, the Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety (Energy Safety) conducted inspections of work completed by Southern California Edison Company (SCE) in accordance with its 2025 Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP). During the inspections, Energy Safety determined the existence of non-performance requiring correction. Energy Safety therefore issues SCE a Notice of Non-Performance (NON).

On March 24, 2026, Energy Safety conducted an inspection of SCE's WMP initiatives in the vicinity of Calabasas, California in High Fire Threat District (HFTD) Tier 3 and State Responsibility Area (SRA). The inspection report is enclosed herewith. Energy Safety found the following deficiency:

Deficiency 1. Energy Safety observed that SCE failed to implement its 2025 WMP initiative 8.2.3.3.1 Distribution Expanded Clearing by not maintaining a four-foot clearance distance around the primary conductors near coordinates 34.079224, -118.6878. Energy Safety considers this non-performance to be in the Moderate risk category. SCE must complete a corrective action for this non-performance by two months from the date of this notice.<sup>1</sup>

Within 30 days from the issuance date of this NON, SCE must provide a response advising Energy Safety of corrective actions taken or planned to remedy the identified deficiency.

This response shall be filed in the Energy Safety e-Filing system under the 2025 NON Docket<sup>2</sup> and the associated file name(s) must begin with the NON identification number.

Prior to its response, SCE may request an informal conference with Energy Safety for the purpose of disputing any issues raised in this NON no later than 10 business days before the response deadline.<sup>3</sup> Requests for

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<sup>1</sup> Gov. Code section 15475.2(a)(2)

<sup>2</sup> <https://efiling.energysafety.ca.gov/EFiling/DocketInformation.aspx?docketnumber=2025%20NON>

<sup>3</sup> Energy Safety Performance Guidelines, p. 4

informal conference with Energy Safety must be e-mailed to [environmentalscience@energysafety.ca.gov](mailto:environmentalscience@energysafety.ca.gov), with a copy sent to me and Elizabeth McAlpine, [Elizabeth.McAlpine@energysafety.ca.gov](mailto:Elizabeth.McAlpine@energysafety.ca.gov).

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# INSPECTION REPORT

## Overview

The Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety (Energy Safety) conducts field inspections to verify the work performed by an electrical corporation as reported in an approved Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP), and to assess general conditions of electrical infrastructure that may adversely impact an electrical corporation’s wildfire risk. A Notice of Non-Performance (NON) is issued for any instances of non-performance identified during an inspection of its WMP initiatives.

Energy Safety has designated this finding of a deficiency as a “Moderate” risk. SCE must correct the deficiency pursuant to the timeline provided in Table 1.<sup>4</sup>

**Table 1. Risk Category and Correction Timelines**

<b>Risk Category</b>	<b>Deficiency correction timeline</b>
Severe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Immediate resolution</li></ul>
Moderate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2 months (in High Fire Threat District (HFTD) Tier 3)</li><li>• 6 months (in HFTD Tier 2)</li><li>• 6 months (if relevant to worker safety; not in HFTD Tiers 2 or 3)</li></ul>
Minor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 12 months</li></ul>

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<sup>4</sup> Energy Safety Performance Guidelines, p. 4



# Inspection Summary

Energy Safety found a “Moderate” deficiency near pole ID 1169162E in HFTD Tier 3 and SRA. SCE failed to maintain vegetation at least four feet away from the primary conductors.<sup>5</sup>

The inspection location and WMP initiative summary are included in Table 2.

***Table 2: Inspection Location and Initiative Summary***

Electrical Corporation:	SCE
Report Number:	NON_ESD_SCE_RGA_20260324_1443
Inspector:	Ricardo Garcia
WMP Year Inspected:	2025
Quarterly Data Report (QDR) Referenced:	Quarter 4 (Q4) 2025
Inspection Selection:	Energy Safety inspected the locations based on SCE’s Q4 QDR.
Relevant WMP Initiative(s):	8.2.3.3.1 Distribution Expanded Clearing
Date of inspection:	March 24, 2026
City and/or County of Inspection:	Calabasas, California

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<sup>5</sup> SCE “2023-2025 Base WMP”, published November 14, 2024. p. 412-413  
(<https://efiling.energysafety.ca.gov/eFiling/Getfile.aspx?fileid=57620&shareable=true> accessed April 13, 2026).

# Inspection Findings

## Deficiency 1

### **Relevant Requirement:**

SCE's WMP initiative 8.2.3.3.1-Distribution Expanded Clearing states, "At a minimum, SCE's Routine Line Clearing work within [High Fire Risk Area] HFRA maintains at least the required four feet clearance for Distribution lines and the required 10 feet clearance for Transmission lines for a full annual inspection cycle."<sup>6</sup>

### **Findings:**

Energy Safety considers this deficiency as "Moderate" because SCE failed to maintain the required minimum clearance distance between vegetation and its conductors, consistent with the requirements of Public Resources Code section 4293. An oak tree was growing within the four-foot clearance distance, and the continued encroachment presents a wildfire risk.

On March 24, 2026, Energy Safety conducted an inspection of SCE's WMP initiatives in the vicinity of Calabasas, California. During the inspection, Energy Safety identified a three-stemmed oak tree growing within the four-foot minimum clearance distance near pole ID 1169162E and near coordinates 34.079224, -118.6878 along Wildwood Drive. The oak tree is located within SCE's defined HFRA and HFTD Tier 3, and SRA. The inspector measured the distance between the primary conductors and the closest branches of the oak tree using a Nikon Forestry Pro II laser range finder. The measured distance was two feet, which is less than the required four-foot clearance. The three-stemmed oak tree has a combined diameter at breast height of 38 inches, is approximately 40 feet tall, and is located 65 feet west of pole ID 1169162E. The inspector's observations are documented in Exhibit A photographs, which are attached to this report. Photo 1 depicts pole ID 1169162E. Photo 2 depicts the oak tree growing under the conductors and encroaching within the four-foot minimum clearance distance. Photo 3 depicts the three-stemmed trunk of the oak tree.

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# Exhibits

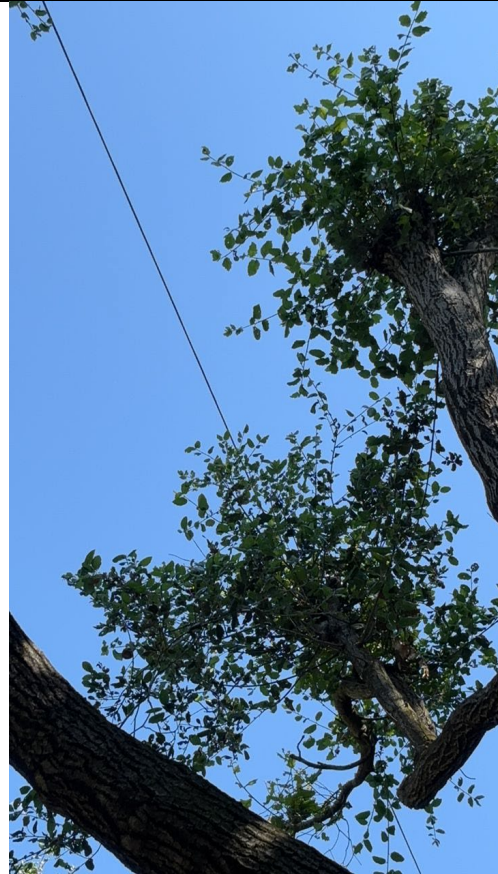
Exhibit A: Photo Log

Structure ID: 1169162E

Deficiency 1



**Photo 1:** Photo of pole ID 1169162E located approximately 65 feet east of the subject tree.



**Photo 2:** Photo of the oak tree encroaching within the four-foot minimum clearance distance from the primary conductor. The oak tree is growing under the conductors in the grow-in zone.



**Photo 3:** Photo of the three-stemmed trunk of oak tree. Photo taken west of the tree and pole, looking east.