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Bear Valley Electric Service, Inc. (“BVES” or “Bear Valley”) hereby transmits for filing the following:

Subject: Bear Valley Electric Service, Inc.'s Quarterly Notification Pursuant to Public Utilities Code section 8389(e)(7)

Background: Public Utilities Code (“PUC”) section 8389(e) establishes the requirements for annual safety certifications, including quarterly notification of the Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety and an information-only submittal of the same notification to the California Public Utilities Commission regarding an electrical corporation's progress in implementing its approved wildfire mitigation plan and the recommendations from its most recent safety culture assessments (pursuant to both PUC section 8386.2 and section 8389[d][4]), a statement of the recommendations of the board of directors safety committee from meetings that occurred during the quarter, and a summary regarding the progress in implementing the safety committee recommendations from the electrical corporation's previous quarterly notification and information-only submittal.

Discussion

1. Quarterly Information-Only Submittal to the CPUC.

Bear Valley is simultaneously submitting this quarterly notification to the California Public Utilities Commission as an information-only submittal via email to Executive Director Rachel Peterson at Rachel.peterson@cpuc.ca.gov, Safety Policy Division at safetypolicycentralfiles@cpuc.ca.gov, and serving the following service lists: Order Instituting Rulemaking (R.) 21-10-001 (Order Instituting Rulemaking to Develop Safety Culture Assessments for Electric and Natural Gas Utilities), R.18-10-007 (Order Instituting Rulemaking to Implement Electric Utility Wildfire Mitigation Plans Pursuant to Senate Bill 901), or their successors, and the service lists for Bear Valley's most recent general rate case (GRC) application proceeding A.22-08-010. Additionally, this filing will be posted to the BVES website at <https://www.bvesinc.com/safety/wildfire-mitigation-plan>.

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2. Quarterly Progress Report on WMP Implementation.

Bear Valley tracks 77 initiatives established in its 2023-2025 Wildfire Mitigation Plan (“WMP”). Bear Valley’s WMP initiatives are designed to mitigate the risk of wildfire due to a fault on the electric system and reduce the risk of Public Safety Power Shut-offs (PSPS) to customers. These mitigations are categorized across six categories within the WMP, which are: Grid Design, Operations and Maintenance, Vegetation Management and Inspections, Situational Awareness and Forecasting, Emergency Preparedness, Community Outreach and Engagement, Overview of the Service Territory, and Risk Methodology and Assessment.

In Attachment A, Bear Valley provides an initiative summary of progress for individual mitigation measures during Q4 2025. Bear Valley’s quarterly initiative summary presentation includes information submitted to the OEIS under the Quarterly Data Report (“QDR”) filings for Q4 2025 prepared in accordance with Energy Safety Data Guidelines (Version 4.1) as of December 22, 2025.

2.1. Overview of Significant Achievements.

BVES made significant progress in achieving its WMP initiative targets for 2025. As of the end of Q4 2025, some of the more significant achievements were:

- **Covered Conductor Replacement Project (GD_1).** 2025 target is 5.1 circuit miles. As of the end of Q4, BVES had replaced 7.73 circuit miles of bare conductors with covered conductors; thereby exceeding the 2025 target.
- **Covered Conductor Replacement Project – Pole Replacements (GD_4).** 2025 target is 100 poles replaced. As of the end of Q4, BVES had replaced 123 poles; thereby exceeding the 2025 target.
- **Evacuation Route Hardening Project (GD_6).** 2025 target is to install fire-resistant wire mesh on 500 wood poles. As of the end of Q4, BVES installed the fire-resistant wire mesh on 851 wood poles along the evacuation routes; thereby exceeding the 2025 target.
- **Tree Attachment Removal Project (GD_19).** 2025 target is to remove 100 tree attachments. As of the end of Q4, BVES removed 110 tree attachments; thereby exceeding the 2025 target.
- **Substation Automation (GD_12).** 2025 target is to automate 3 substations. As of the end of Q4, BVES automated 3 substations (Fawnskin, Snow Summit, and Maltby Substations); thereby achieving the 2025 target.
- **Switch and Field Device Automation (GD_13).** 2025 target is to automate 11 switches. As of the end of Q4, BVES automated 11 field switches; thereby achieving the 2025 target.
- **Capacitor Bank Upgrade Project (GD_14).** 2025 target is to replace 6 capacitor banks. As of the end of Q4, BVES replaced 6 capacitor banks; thereby achieving the 2025 target.
- **Fuse TripSaver Automation (GD_15).** 2025 target is to automate 50 Fuse TripSavers. As of the end of Q4, BVES automated 50 Fuse TripSavers; thereby achieving the 2025 target.
- **Substation Inspections (GD_32 and VM_6).** 2025 target is to conduct 144 substation inspections. As of the end of Q4, BVES conducted 156 substations; thereby exceeding the 2025 target.

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- **Vegetation Clearance (VM_9).** 2025 target is to clear vegetation along 72 circuit miles of power lines. As of the end of Q4, BVES cleared vegetation along 91 circuit miles; thereby exceeding the 2025 target.
- **Fall-in mitigation (VM_10).** 2025 target is to remove or remediate 88 trees. As of the end of Q4, BVES removed or remediated 164 trees; thereby exceeding the 2025 target.
- **Public Outreach and Education Awareness Program (COE_1).** 2025 target is to conduct 360 public outreach and education events. As of the end of Q4, BVES conducted 1184 public outreach and education events; thereby exceeding the 2025 target.
- Asset inspection status:
 - **Detailed Inspection per GO-165 (GD_25).** 2025 target is 53 circuit miles. As of the end of Q4, BVES conducted 53 circuit miles of detailed inspection; thereby achieving the 2025 target.
 - **Patrol Inspection per GO-165 (GD_26).** 2025 target is 205 circuit miles. As of the end of Q4, BVES conducted 205 circuit miles of patrol inspection; thereby achieving the 2025 target.
 - **UAV Thermography (GD_27).** 2025 target is 205 circuit miles. As of the end of Q4, BVES conducted 205 circuit miles of thermography inspection; thereby achieving the 2025 target.
 - **UAV HD Photography/Videography (GD_28).** 2025 target is 205 circuit miles. As of the end of Q4, BVES conducted 205 circuit miles of photography/videography inspection; thereby achieving the 2025 target.
 - **LiDAR Inspection (GD_29).** 2025 target is 205 circuit miles. As of the end of Q4, BVES conducted 205 circuit miles of LiDAR inspection; thereby achieving the 2025 target.
 - **3rd Party Ground Patrol (GD_30).** 2025 target is 205 circuit miles. As of the end of Q4, BVES conducted 205 circuit miles of 3rd party ground patrol inspection; thereby achieving the 2025 target.
 - **Intrusive Pole Inspection (GD_31).** 2025 target is 850 poles. As of the end of Q4, BVES conducted 850 intrusive pole inspections; thereby achieving the 2025 target.
- Vegetation management inspection status:
 - **Detailed Inspection per GO-165 (VM_1).** 2025 target is 53 circuit miles. As of the end of Q4, BVES conducted 53 circuit miles of detailed inspection; thereby achieving the 2025 target.
 - **Patrol Inspection per GO-165 (VM_2).** 2025 target is 205 circuit miles. As of the end of Q4, BVES conducted 205 circuit miles of patrol inspection; thereby achieving the 2025 target.
 - **UAV HD Photography/Videography (VM_3).** 2025 target is 205 circuit miles. As of the end of Q4, BVES conducted 205 circuit miles of photography/videography inspection; thereby achieving the 2025 target.
 - **LiDAR Inspection (VM_4).** 2025 target is 205 circuit miles. As of the end of Q4, BVES conducted 205 circuit miles of LiDAR inspection; thereby achieving the 2025 target.
 - **3rd Party Ground Patrol (VM_5).** 2025 target is 205 circuit miles. As of the end of Q4, BVES conducted 205 circuit miles of 3rd party ground patrol inspection; thereby achieving the 2025 target.

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- **Satellite Imaging (VM_19).** 2025 target is to conduct one satellite survey of service area. As of the end of Q4, BVES completed one satellite survey of the service area; thereby achieving the 2025 target.

2.2. Overview of Delays or Problems That Arose.

In Bear Valley's 2025 WMP Update, BVES revised the target dates for BVES initiatives Bear Valley Solar Project (GD_10) and Energy Storage Project (GD_11) to 100% complete in 2025. These initiatives are designed to reduce the impact of PSPS due to a loss of Southern California Edison (SCE) power supply lines when SCE initiates a PSPS on these lines. The regulatory approval process for these projects took significantly longer than anticipated. BVES filed an application (A.24-05-020) for both projects with the CPUC on May 17, 2024. The application was initially assigned to ALJ Robert Haga. On October 16, 2024 it was reassigned to ALJ Trevor Pratt, who then conducted a pre-hearing conference on November 12, 2024. On July 18, 2025, BVES and Cal Advocates filed a Joint Settlement Motion for these projects. The CPUC issued a Decision on December 18, 2025 that adopted the settlement. Because Bear Valley assessed that these projects would not be completed in 2025, Bear Valley included them in its 2026-2028 Base WMP to be completed in 2027. Energy Safety approved BVES's 2026-2028 Base WMP on November 4, 2027; thereby revising the completion targets for the projects. Bear Valley has issued a notice to proceed on the Energy Storage Project since the permitting is minimal. The Bear Valley Solar Project still requires approval of its application with San Bernardino County for a Rezone/General Plan Amendment and Conditional Use Permit and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This approval is anticipated to be obtained in Q2 2026. It is Bear Valley's assessment, based on the CEQA approval process and supply chain lead times, that the projects will not be fully operational until Q4 2026 at the earliest. If BVES can shorten the schedule to complete the projects sooner, BVES will certainly do so since this is the best solution for Bear Valley's customers to mitigating PSPS impacts due to loss of SCE power supply lines.

3. Quarterly Progress Report on Implementing Safety Culture Assessment Recommendations.

On December 19, 2025, Energy Safety issued a Safety Culture Assessment ("2024 SCA") report to BVES. In a December 29, 2025 letter to Energy Safety, BVES agreed to implement all of the recommendations in its 2024 SCA. It is the most recent completed Safety Culture Assessment for BVES. The recommendations were as follows:

Address Safety Culture Opportunities for the Engineering and Planning Business Unit:

Energy Safety finds that BVES should continue to develop and implement a strategic improvement plan to address the workforce survey results indicating that Engineering and Planning employees have a less positive perception of safety culture than other employees. The survey also indicated that this unit may need specific support related to the overall culture category and in focusing and avoiding distractions. In 2023, a similar recommendation addressed the Engineering and Planning business unit's lower scores on the workforce survey, indicating a less positive perception of safety culture than other employees. BVES should investigate the root cause of the lower perception in safety and overall culture within this business unit, especially considering the perception gap continues to exist for two consecutive years. To this end, BVES should continue looking at how safety culture and overall culture perceptions might differ in the Engineering and Planning business unit and strategize how that unit might require additional

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support.

In response to this recommendation, BVES has implemented a strategy to address the 2024 SCA workforce survey result indicating that Engineering & Planning employees have a less positive perception of safety culture than other employees as follows:

The strategy is built upon actions taken to improve the Engineering & Planning business unit's relatively low scores on the 2022 and 2023 SCA workforce survey and includes the following actions:

- Conduct working session with Engineering & Planning supervisory element and Bear Valley's management team to identify the root cause(s) of this gap and develop a plan of action to implement improvements that will improve the safety culture and perception within the Engineering and Planning business unit. The strategy will be designed to provide specific support related to the overall culture category and in the focusing and avoiding distractions.
- Conduct listening sessions with the Engineering & Planning business unit to better understand the root cause(s) of, and respond to, Engineering & Planning perceptions.
- Conduct one-on-one meetings between the BVES President and Engineering & Planning employees to further gauge their safety culture views and refine the plan to improve their safety culture. These sessions are designed to be open two-way conversations and to solicit employee inputs and perceptions on safety culture at BVES, including the root cause(s) of their perceptions.
- Develop and conduct training with the Engineering & Planning business unit designed to improve, and address the root cause(s) of, the safety culture and perception within the Engineering and Planning business unit. The training will cover overall safety culture and address focusing and avoiding distractions.
- Implement additional actions based on supervisory element workshop results, listening sessions with the Engineering & Planning business unit, and one-on-one meetings between the BVES President and Engineering & Planning employees.

4. Board of Directors Safety and Operations Committee Recommendations.

During Q4 2025, the Safety and Operations Committee ("Safety Committee") met once on November 20, 2025.

4.1. Recommendations from the Most Recent Quarter.

At the November 20, 2025 Safety Committee meeting, the Safety Committee recommended that the BVES Board approve additional capital improvement budget for resourcing of WMP initiatives for 2026. The Board approved the additional capital improvement budget recommendation and it was fully implemented by BVES management.

At the November 20, 2025 Safety Committee meeting, the Safety Committee recommended that the BVES Board authorize management to negotiate and execute an agreement with a qualified contractor for the design and construction of the Safety and Technical Upgrades to Lake Substation Project, which the Board subsequently authorized. Management is in process of negotiating and executing the agreement with a qualified contractor via a competitive bidding process.

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At the November 20, 2025 Safety Committee meeting, the Safety Committee recommended that the BVES Board authorize management to negotiate and execute an agreement with a qualified contractor for the design and construction of the Safety and Technical Upgrades to Fawnskin Substation Project, which the Board subsequently authorized. Management is in process of negotiating and executing the agreement with a qualified contractor via a competitive bidding process.

At the November 20, 2025 Safety Committee meeting, the Safety Committee recommended that the BVES Board authorize management to negotiate and execute an agreement with a qualified contractor for the design and construction of the North Shore Support Project, which the Board subsequently authorized. Management is in process of negotiating and executing the agreement with a qualified contractor via a competitive bidding process.

At the November 20, 2025 Safety Committee meeting, the Safety Committee recommended that the BVES Board authorize management to negotiate and execute an agreement with a qualified contractor for the design and construction of the Ute Line Upgrade Project, which the Board subsequently authorized. Management is in process of negotiating and executing the agreement with a qualified contractor via a competitive bidding process.

4.2. Progress on Previous Recommendations.

On October 6, 2025, the Safety Committee recommended that the BVES Board authorize management to negotiate and execute an agreement with a qualified contractor for the design and construction of the Partial Safety and Technical Upgrades to Village Substation Project via unanimous written consent procedures, which the Board subsequently authorized. Management is in process of negotiating and executing the agreement with a qualified contractor via a competitive bidding process.

On October 9, 2025, the Safety Committee recommended that the BVES Board authorize management to negotiate and execute an agreement with a qualified contractor to provide vegetation management services via unanimous written consent procedures, which the Board subsequently authorized. Management negotiated and executed the agreement with a qualified contractor via a competitive bidding process.

4.3. Summary of Significant Topics Covered at Safety And Operations Committee Meetings.

At the November 20, 2025 Safety Committee meeting, the Safety Committee heard presentations and conducted discussions on the following topics of significance on current safety items at BVES including:

- Wildfire Mitigation Plan compliance;
- 2023-2025 WMP initiative targets, progress on achieving the targets, resourcing WMP initiatives, and challenges in executing WMP initiative targets;
- Safety culture initiatives;
- Safety certification and progress in achieving the requirements to obtain a safety certification; and
- Safety metrics and performance.

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Attachment A
Initiative Summary of Progress for Individual Mitigation Measures during Q4 2025



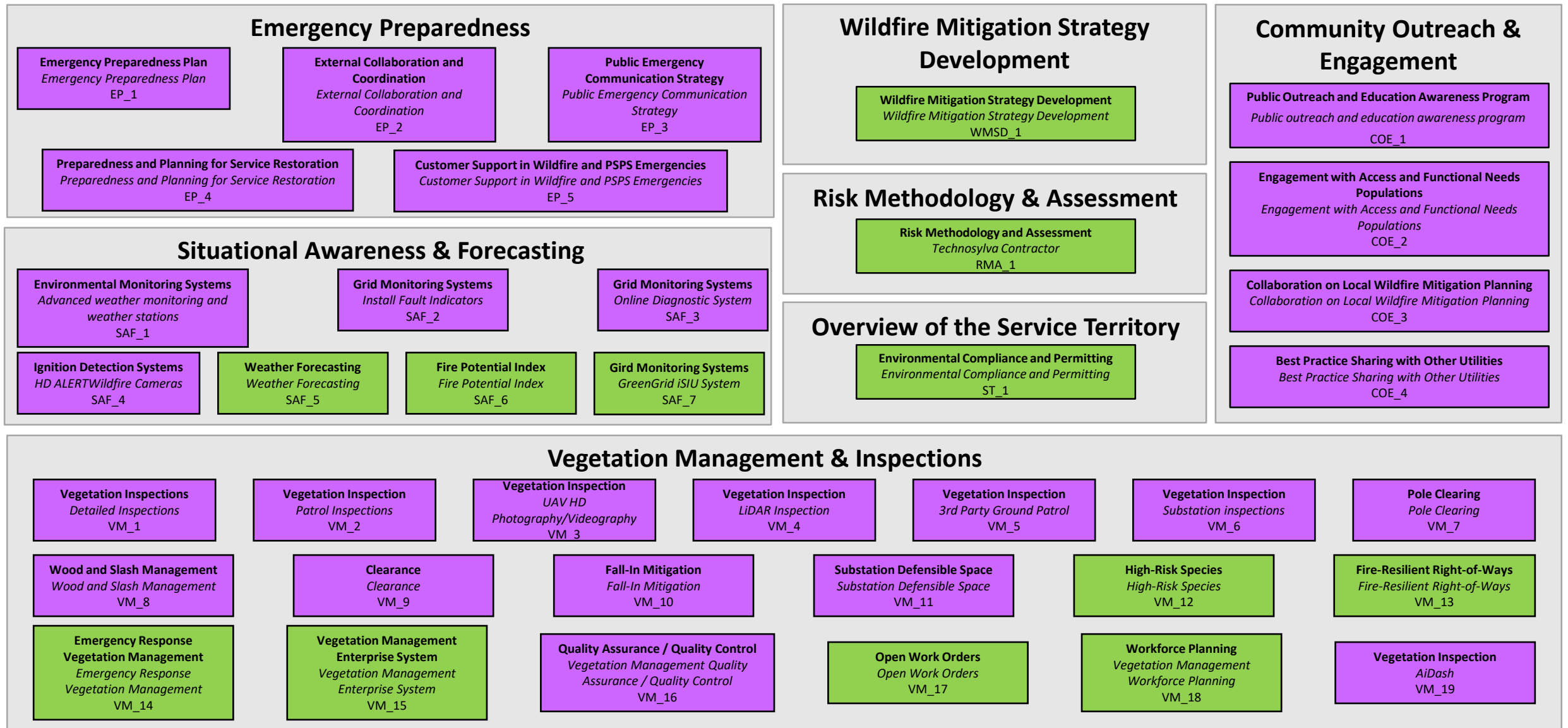
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WMP Activity Summary

Not Started
 Completed/Ongoing
 Ahead of Plan
 On Track
 Off Track
 Not Currently Scheduled*

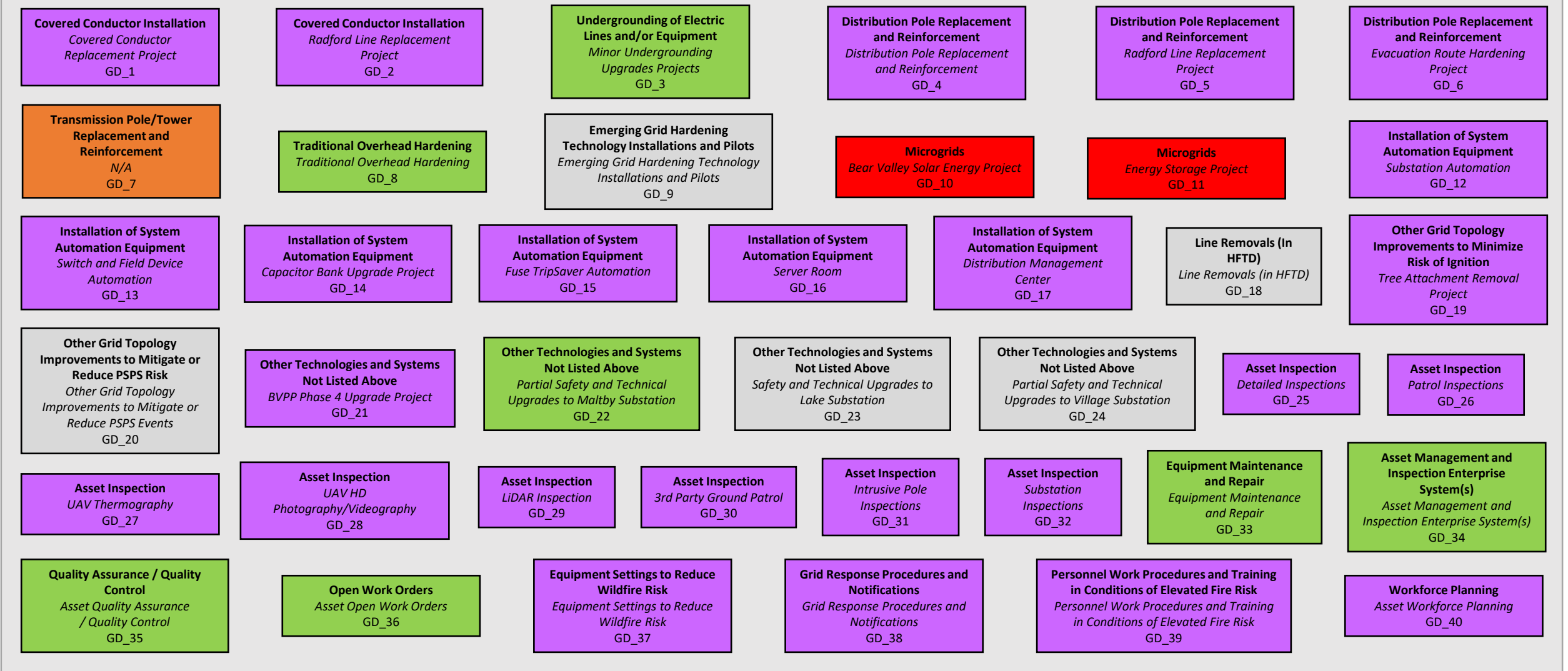


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 Completed/Ongoing
 Ahead of Plan
 On Track
 Off Track
 Not Currently Scheduled*

Grid Design, Operations & Maintenance



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WMP Activities Status vs. WMP Activity Goals

Emergency Preparedness

<p>Emergency Preparedness Plan EP_1</p> <p>Established / Ongoing</p>	<p>External Collaboration and Coordination EP_2</p> <p>Established / Ongoing</p>	<p>Public Emergency Communication Strategy EP_3</p> <p>Established / Ongoing</p>	<p>Preparedness and Planning for Service Restoration EP_4</p> <p>Established / Ongoing</p>	<p>Customer Support in Wildfire and PSPS Emergencies EP_5</p> <p>Established / Ongoing</p>	<p>Emergency Preparedness and Response Program and PSPS Plan: Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES did not record an emergencies in Q4 of 2025. This means that the use of the Emergency Preparedness & Response Program was not required. BVES continues to review the effectiveness of its PSPS Plans and its Emergency Response through internal review and desktop exercises.</p>
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Community Outreach & Engagement

<p>Public Outreach and Education Awareness Program COE_1</p> <p>Completed</p>	<p>Public Outreach and Education Awareness Program: Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES planned to conduct a minimum of 360 outreach activities in 2025. Key Actions: BVES conducted 333 outreach activities in Q4. As of the end of 2025, BVES has completed 1184 outreach activities surpassing the annual goal.</p>	<p>Collaboration on Local Wildfire Mitigation Planning COE_3</p> <p>Completed</p>	<p>Collaboration on Local Wildfire Mitigation Planning: Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to engage with Local Support (Fire Department & Forest Service) on a regular basis to discuss project statuses as well as general needs and gaps for the upcoming fire season. Key Actions: BVES met with the Big Bear Fire Chief and Battalion Chief to discuss PSPS events and our WMP initiative and project status in Q3.</p>
<p>Engagement with Access and Functional Needs Populations COE_2</p> <p>Completed</p>	<p>Engagement with Access and Function Needs (AFN) Populations: Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES has an established program in place to identify AFN customers and provide assistance during PSPS. Key Actions: BVES continues to evaluate the functionality of its AFN program as it relates to PSPS and wildfire events. As of Q4 BVES verified the AFN list, and associated needs 26 times. This initiative is completed for 2025.</p>	<p>Best Practice Sharing with Other Utilities COE_4</p> <p>Completed</p>	<p>Best Practice Sharing with Other Utilities: Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to evaluate the available working groups and conferences and make determinations on which groups/conferences add the most value to their wildfire program. Key Actions BVES attended 125 groups/conferences through Q4 and this initiative is completed for 2025.</p>

WMP Activities Status vs. WMP Activity Goals

Situational Awareness & Forecasting

Environmental Monitoring Systems
SAF_1
Advanced Weather Monitoring and Weather Stations Completed

Advanced Weather Monitoring and Weather Stations:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES completed the installation of all planned Weather Stations in 2022. This program has transitioned to maintaining normal operation of said equipment. As of late 2023 BVES has established a scheduled maintenance program for the weather stations.

Key Actions: BVES has completed all scheduled maintenance on all of the weather stations for 2025.

Grid Monitoring Systems
SAF_2
Fault Indicator Instillation Completed

Fault Indicator Instillation:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: No fault indicators were planned to be installed 2025.

Key Actions: This initiative is completed for 2025.

Grid Monitoring Systems
SAF_3
Online Diagnostic System Completed

Online Diagnostic System:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to install online diagnostic capabilities on 1 circuit in 2025, and that will occur in Q4.

Key Actions: BVES completed the installation of the online diagnostic system on one circuit in Q4 and this initiative is complete.

Ignition Detection Systems
SAF_4
HD ALERTWildfire Cameras Completed

HD ALERTWildfire Cameras:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES completed the installation of all planned HD ALERTWildfire Cameras in 2022. BVES provides O&M support as requested by USCD (HD ALERTWildfire Camera owner).

Key Actions: All cameras are in operation providing complete and overlapping coverage of the BVES service territory.

Weather Forecasting
SAF_5
On Track

Weather Forecasting:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES employs a weather consultant and uses Technoslyva's WFA-E application as its modeling software for wildfire spread potential based off current weather conditions.

Key Actions: This is an ongoing effort that continued throughout Q4.

Fire Potential Index
SAF_6
On Track

Fire Potential Index:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: As of late 2023 BVES has transitioned to using the FPI developed by Technosylva as part of its daily operations.

Key Actions: BVES operations monitors daily FPI data to make critical operations decisions as it relates to wildfire risk.

WMP Activities Status vs. WMP Activity Goals

Risk Methodology & Assessment

Risk Methodology and Assessment
RMA_1
Technosylva Contractor Program
On Going

Contracting with Risk Mapping Resource:

2025 Goal: For 2025 BVES plans to continue its work with Technosylva to maintain its real time risk mapping capabilities with accurate electrical system inputs.

Key Actions: Regular meetings to discuss program status with Technosylva have been conducted on a monthly basis.

Overview of the Service Territory

Environmental Compliance and
Permitting
ST_1
On Going

Environmental Compliance and Permitting:

2025 Goal: Environmental Compliance and Permitting is an as-needed program for BVES. When new projects are launched BVES relies on its environmental consultant to confirm all permitting requirements for the projects. The consultant also verifies that all current BVES facilities have their appropriate permits.

Key Actions: Ongoing review of permitting for BVES facilities and projects are being conducted as needed.

Wildfire Mitigation Strategy Development

Wildfire Mitigation Strategy
Development
WMSD_1
On Going

Wildfire Mitigation Strategy Development:

2025 Goal: For 2025 BVES plans to issue its 2026-2028 Base WMP for approval. Following approval, the WMP will be posted to its website for public viewing.

Key Actions: On November 4, 2025, BVES received an approval decision from OEIS approving BVES 2026-2028 Base WMP.

WMP Activities Status vs. WMP Activity Goals

Vegetation Management & Inspection

Vegetation Inspections
VM_1
**Detailed Inspection
Completed**

Detailed Inspection:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to complete 53.0 circuit miles of detailed inspection in 2025.

Key Actions: As of Q4, BVES completed 53 circuit miles of detailed inspection and is complete for 2025.

Vegetation Inspection
VM_2
**Patrol Inspection
Completed**

Patrol Inspection:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to complete 205.0 circuit miles of patrol inspection in 2025.

Key Actions: BVES completed 37 circuit miles of patrol inspection in Q4 of 2025. As of Q4, BVES completed all 205 circuit miles of patrol inspection and is complete for this initiative.

Vegetation Inspection
VM_3
**UAV HD Photography /
Videography
Completed**

UAV HD Photography / Videography:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to conduct 205.0 circuit miles of UAV HD Photography/Videography inspection in 2025.

Key Actions: BVES completed 205.0 circuit miles of UAV HD Photography/Videography inspection in Q3. This initiative is completed for 2025.

Vegetation Inspection
VM_4
**LiDAR Inspection
Completed**

LiDAR Inspection:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to conduct 205.0 circuit miles of LiDAR inspection in 2025.

Key Actions: BVES completed 205.0 circuit miles of LiDAR inspection in Q3. This initiative is completed for 2025.

Vegetation Inspection
VM_5
**3rd Party Ground Patrol
Completed**

3rd Party Ground Patrol:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to conduct 205.0 circuit miles of 3rd party ground patrol inspection in 2025.

Key Actions: BVES completed 205.0 circuit miles of 3rd party ground patrol inspection in Q3. This initiative is completed for 2025.

Vegetation Inspection
VM_6
**Substation Inspections
Completed**

Substation Inspections:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to conduct 144 substation inspections in 2024.

Key Actions: BVES conducted 39 substation inspections in Q4. As of Q4, BVES has completed 156 substation inspections and is complete for this initiative.

Pole Clearing
VM_7
Completed

Pole Clearing:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES has an established pole clearing program. Throughout the year BVES reviews the procedure and updates it as needed.

Key Actions: BVES has created a new procedure for pole clearing and will deploy the new strategy in 2026.

Wood and Slash
Management
VM_8
Completed

Wood and Slash Management:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES's vegetation contractor is responsible for waste removal requirements by contract.

Key Actions: BVES verified that the contractor adhered to the waste removal requirements outlined in the contract.

Clearance
VM_9
Completed

Vegetation Clearance:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to complete 72 circuit miles of clearing in 2025.

Key Actions: BVES completed 32 circuit miles of clearing in Q4. As of Q4, BVES completed 91 circuit miles of vegetation clearance work and is complete for this initiative.

Fall-In Mitigation
VM_10
Completed

Fall-In Mitigation:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to remove 88 trees in 2025.

Key Actions: BVES completed 48 tree removals in Q4 of 2025. As of Q4, BVES completed 164 tree removals, completing this initiative for 2025.

WMP Activities Status vs. WMP Activity Goals

Vegetation Management & Inspection

Substation Defensible Space
VM_11
Completed

Substation Defensible Space:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES's plans to conduct 13 substation vegetation abatements in 2025.
Key Actions: BVES completed 13 substation abatements in Q3 of 2025. This initiative is completed for 2025.

High-Risk Species
VM_12
On Track

High-Risk Species:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES conducts as-needed remediation of high-risk species in its service territory. There are no specific program targets for 2025.
Key Actions: BVES will act as inspection findings and VM crews identify high-risk species throughout 2025.

Fire-Resilient Right-of-Ways
VM_13
On Track

Fire-Resilient Right-of-Ways:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES's contracted vegetation resource (forester) conducts regular inspections to verify compliance with requirements and to seek opportunities to make right of ways more resilient.
Key Actions: BVES will act on vegetation resource's recommendations in this area.

Emergency Response Vegetation Management
VM_14
On Track

Emergency Response Vegetation Management:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES's vegetation contractor's crews are contractually available on a short notice as needed basis for disaster or emergency event vegetation management.
Key Actions: BVES will mobilize and dispatch VM crews as needed in 2025.

Vegetation Management Enterprise System
VM_15
On Track

Vegetation Management Enterprise System:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: The Vegetation Management Enterprise System is an ongoing activity for BVES.
Key Actions: BVES continues to update its Vegetation Management Enterprise System. BVES has migrated all vegetation management enterprise systems into the AiDash IVMS program beginning in Q2 2025.

Quality Assurance / Quality Control
VM_16
Vegetation Management Quality Assurance / Quality Control Completed

Vegetation Management Quality Assurance / Quality Control:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to complete 72 vegetation management audits in 2025.
Key Actions: BVES completed 64 VM QC's in Q4 of 2025. As of Q4, BVES completed 187 VM QC's and has completed for this initiative for 2025.

Open Work Orders
VM_17
Vegetation Management Open Work Orders On Track

Vegetation Management Open Work Orders:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: For 2025 BVES has a goal to have no work orders exceeding the GO 95 Rule 18 corrective action timeframe.
Key Actions: BVES does not have any work orders that exceed the GO 95 timeframe in Q4 of 2025.

Workforce Planning
VM_18
Vegetation Management Workforce Planning On Track

Vegetation Management Workforce Planning:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: For 2025 BVES has a goal to verify that the wildfire related positions are appropriately staffed. This review is conducted quarterly.
Key Actions: BVES reviewed and verified that the appropriate staffing levels exist for wildfire related positions.

Vegetation Inspections
VM_19
AiDash Completed

AiDash:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES implemented AiDash satellite inspection program and plans to have one survey of its service area in 2025.
Key Actions: AiDash satellite was completed in Q3. This initiative is completed for 2025.

WMP Activities Status vs. WMP Activity Goals

Grid Design, Operations & Maintenance

Covered Conductor Installation
GD_1
Covered Conductor Replacement Program Completed

Covered Conductor Replacement Program:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans replace 5.1 circuit miles of bare conductors with covered conductors in 2025.
Key Actions: BVES replaced 4.7 circuit miles of bare conductors in Q3. BVES has completed 7.73 miles of covered conductor in 2025 and this initiative is completed for 2025.

Covered Conductor Installation
GD_2
Radford Line Replacement Project Completed

Radford Line Replacement Project:
Volume vs 2024 Goal: BVES plans to complete the Radford Line Replacement Project in 2024, which includes installing 2.7 circuit miles of covered conductor.
Key Actions: BVES completed 2.8 circuit miles of covered conductor and completed the Radford Line Replacement Project in 2024. This initiative was completed.

Undergrounding of Electric Lines and/or Equipment
GD_3
Minor Undergrounding Upgrades Projects On Track

Minor Undergrounding Upgrades Projects:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES conducts minor undergrounding projects on an as needed basis. There were no proposed or initiated undergrounding projects in Q4.
Key Actions: No undergrounding projects were proposed or initiated in Q4.

Distribution Pole Replacement and Reinforcement
GD_4
Distribution Pole Replacement and Reinforcement Completed

Distribution Pole Replacement and Reinforcement:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to complete 100 pole replacements in 2025.
Key Actions: BVES completed 8 poles replacements in Q4. BVES has completed 123 poles in 2025. This initiative has been completed for 2025.

Distribution Pole Replacement and Reinforcement
GD_5
Radford Line Replacement Project Completed

Distribution Pole Replacement and Reinforcement (Radford Line Replacement Project):
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to complete the Radford Line Pole Replacement project in 2024, which includes replacing 70 poles.
Key Actions: BVES received clearance from the USFS for the project. BVES began construction in May 2024 and replaced 83 poles in 2024. This initiative is completed for 2024.

Distribution Pole Replacement and Reinforcement
GD_6
Evacuation Route Hardening Project Completed

Distribution Pole Replacement and Reinforcement:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to install wire mesh on 500 poles in 2025.
Key Actions: BVES installed wire mess wrap on 851 poles as of the end of Q4, meeting its 2025 target. This initiative is completed for 2025.

Transmission Pole/Tower Replacement and Reinforcement
GD_7
Not Applicable

Transmission Pole/Tower Replacement and Reinforcement:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES does not own or operate any transmission assets.
Key Actions: N/A.

Traditional Overhead Hardening
GD_8
On Track

Traditional Overhead Hardening:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: This is an as-needed program for BVES. There is budget allocation for the year based on history but no specifically tracked metrics. Overhead hardening work is performed as needed in response to inspection findings and emergent conditions.
Key Actions: BVES conducted as-needed maintenance throughout Q4.

WMP Activities Status vs. WMP Activity Goals

Grid Design, Operations & Maintenance

Emerging Grid Hardening
Technology Installations
and Pilots
GD_9
Not Started

Emerging Grid Hardening Technology Installations and Pilots:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: Currently no projects in the initiative. BVES will discuss opportunities with partner utilities on the effectiveness of such technologies.
Key Actions: No project activity is planned for 2025 in this area.

Microgrids
GD_10
**Bear Valley Solar
Energy Project
Off Track**

Bear Valley Solar Energy Project:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: Complete construction in 2025.
Key Actions: BVES submitted application to CPUC in May 2024. CPUC issued a decision on December 18, 2025 approving the project. Construction anticipated from 2026 to 2027.

Microgrids
GD_11
**Energy Storage Project
Off Track**

Bear Valley Energy Storage Project:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: Complete construction in 2025.
Key Actions: BVES submitted application to CPUC in May 2024. CPUC issued a decision on December 18, 2025 approving the project. Construction anticipated from 2026 to 2027.

Installation of System
Automation Equipment
GD_12
**Substation Automation
Completed**

Substation Automation:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to connect and automate 3 substations to SCADA in 2025.
Key Actions: BVES automated 1 substation in Q4. As of Q4, BVES completed 3 substation automation and is complete for this initiative for 2025.

Installation of System
Automation Equipment
GD_13
**Switch and Field Device
Automation
Completed**

Switch and Field Device Automation:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to connect and automate 11 field switches to SCADA in 2025.
Key Actions: BVES connected 1 field switch to SCADA in Q4. As of Q4, BVES completed 11 field switches and is complete for 2025.

Installation of System
Automation Equipment
GD_14
**Capacitor Bank Upgrade
Project
Completed**

Capacitor Bank Upgrade Project:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to install and automate 6 Capacitor Banks by the end of 2025.
Key Actions: BVES has installed 6 capacitor banks as of Q4. This initiative is complete for 2025

Installation of System
Automation Equipment
GD_15
**Fuse TripSaver
Automation
Completed**

Fuse TripSaver Automation:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to connect and automate 50 Fuse TripSavers to SCADA in 2025.
Key Actions: BVES completed all 50 Fuse TripSavers automation and this initiative is complete for 2025.

Installation of System
Automation Equipment
GD_16
**Server Room
Completed**

Server Room:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to upgrade the Server Room at its main office in 2024.
Key Actions: Project is completed.

Installation of System
Automation Equipment
GD_17
**Distribution
Management Center
Completed**

Distribution Management Center:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: The Distribution Management Center Project is schedule for completion in 2025. BVES plans to finish the remaining 50% by the end of 2025.
Key Actions: BVES has completed this project.

WMP Activities Status vs. WMP Activity Goals

Grid Design, Operations & Maintenance

Line Removals (In HFTD)
GD_18
No Planned Projects

Line Removals (In HFTD):
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES does not have any planned line removals in HFTD in 2025.
Key Actions: N/A.

Other Grid Topology Improvements to Minimize Risk of Ignition
GD_19
Tree Attachment Removal Program Completed

Tree Attachment Removal Program:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to complete 100 tree attachment removals in 2025.
Key Actions: BVES completed 110 tree attachment removals as of Q4 and this initiative is completed for 2025.

Other Grid Topology Improvements to Mitigate or Reduce PSPS Risk
GD_20
Captured Through Other Programs

Other Grid Topology Improvements to Mitigate or Reduce PSPS Risk:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: The objectives of this initiative are achieved through BVES's installation of system automation equipment initiatives.
Key Actions: N/A.

Other Technologies and Systems Not Listed Above
GD_21
BVPP Phase 4 Upgrade Project Completed

BVPP Phase 4 Upgrade Project:
Volume vs 2024 Goal: The BVPP Phase 4 Upgrade Project is schedule for completion in 2024.
Key Actions: BVES completed the project in 2024.

Other Technologies and Systems Not Listed Above
GD_22
Safety and Technical Upgrades to Maltby Substation Completed

Safety and Technical Upgrades to Maltby Substation:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: The Safety and Technical Upgrades to Maltby Substation is scheduled to be completed in 2025.
Key Actions: BVES completed the upgrades to Maltby Substation in Q4.

Other Technologies and Systems Not Listed Above
GD_23
Safety and Technical Upgrades to Lake Substation Not Started

Safety and Technical Upgrades to Lake Substation:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: The Safety and Technical Upgrades to Lake Substation is scheduled to be completed in 2026.
Key Actions: No construction action will be taken on this program in 2025. BVES is performing project planning in 2025 and ordered equipment in Q1 2026.

Other Technologies and Systems Not Listed Above
GD_24
Safety and Technical Upgrades to Village Substation Not Started

Safety and Technical Upgrades to Village Substation:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: The Safety and Technical Upgrades to Village Substation is scheduled to be completed in 2027.
Key Actions: No construction action will be taken on this program in 2025. BVES will perform project planning in 2027.

Asset Inspection
GD_25
Detailed Inspection Completed

Detailed Inspection:
Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to complete 53.0 circuit miles of detailed inspection in 2025.
Key Actions: As of Q4, BVES completed 53 circuit miles of detailed inspection and is complete for 2025..

WMP Activities Status vs. WMP Activity Goals

Grid Design, Operations & Maintenance

Asset Inspection
GD_26
**Patrol Inspection
Completed**

Patrol Inspection:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to complete 205.0 circuit miles of patrol inspection in 2025.

Key Actions: BVES completed 37 circuit miles of patrol inspection in Q4 of 2025. As of Q4, BVES completed all 205 circuit miles of patrol inspection and is complete for this initiative.

UAV Thermography:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to conduct 205.0 circuit miles of UAV HD Thermography inspection in 2025.

Key Actions: BVES completed 205.0 circuit miles of UAV HD Thermography inspection in Q3. This initiative is completed for 2025.

Asset Inspection
GD_27
**UAV Thermography
Completed**

Asset Inspection
GD_28
**UAV HD Photography /
Videography
Completed**

UAV HD Photography/Videography:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to conduct 205.0 circuit miles of UAV HD Photography/Videography inspection in 2025.

Key Actions: BVES completed 205.0 circuit miles of UAV HD Photography/Videography inspection in Q3. This initiative is completed for 2025.

Asset Inspection
GD_29
**LiDAR Inspection
Completed**

LiDAR Inspection:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to conduct 205.0 circuit miles of LiDAR inspection in 2025.

Key Actions: BVES completed 205.0 circuit miles of LiDAR inspection in Q3. This initiative is completed for 2025.

Asset Inspection
GD_30
**3rd Party Ground Patrol
Completed**

3rd Party Ground Patrol:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to conduct 205.0 circuit miles of 3rd party ground patrol inspection in 2024.

Key Actions: BVES completed 205.0 circuit miles of 3rd party ground patrol inspection in Q3. This initiative is completed for 2025.

Asset Inspection
GD_31
**Intrusive Pole
Inspection
Completed**

Intrusive Pole Inspection:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to conduct 850 intrusive pole inspections in 2025.

Key Actions: BVES completed 850 intrusive pole inspection in Q3. This initiative is completed for 2025.

Asset Inspection
GD_32
**Substation Inspections
Completed**

Substation Inspections:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to conduct 144 substation inspections in 2024.

Key Actions: BVES conducted 39 substation inspections in Q4. As of Q4, BVES has completed 156 substation inspections and is complete for this initiative.

Equipment Maintenance
and Repair
GD_33
On Track

Equipment Maintenance and Repair:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: Equipment maintenance is conducted as needed.

Key Actions: BVES conducted maintenance as needed.

Asset Management and
Inspection Enterprise
System(s)
GD_34
On Track

Asset Management and Inspection Enterprise System(s):

Volume vs 2025 Goal: The Asset Management and Inspection Enterprise System is an ongoing activity for BVES.

Key Actions: BVES continues to update its Asset Management and Inspection Enterprise System.

WMP Activities Status vs. WMP Activity Goals

Grid Design, Operations & Maintenance

Quality Assurance /
Quality Control
GD_35
**Asset Quality
Assurance / Quality
Control
Completed**

Asset Quality Assurance / Quality Control:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: BVES plans to complete 20 asset QCs on WMP work in 2025.

Key Actions: BVES completed 5 asset QCs on WMP work in Q4 of 2025. As of Q4, BVES completed 20 QA/QC inspections and is complete for this initiative for 2025.

Open Work Orders
GD_36
**Asset Open Work
Orders
On Track**

Asset Open Work Orders:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: For 2025 BVES has a goal to have no work orders exceeding the GO 95 timeframe.

Key Actions: BVES did not have any work orders that exceeded the GO 95 timeframe in Q4.

Equipment Settings to
Reduce Wildfire Risk
GD_37
Completed

Equipment Settings to Reduce Wildfire Risk:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: For 2025 BVES plans to review its equipment settings on a regular basis and evaluate the need for modified settings.

Key Actions: BVES implemented EPSS on 4 devices in Q3 and established a plan for 2026.

Grid Response
Procedures and
Notifications
GD_38
Completed

Grid Response Procedures and Notifications:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: For 2025 BVES plans to review and, if necessary, update its procedures. This will be an annual process.

Key Actions: BVES completed its annual process for 2025.

Personnel Work
Procedures and Training in
Conditions of Elevated Fire
Risk
GD_39
Completed

Personnel Work Procedures and Training in Conditions of Elevated Fire Risk:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: For 2025 BVES plans to review and, if necessary, update its procedures. This will be an annual process. BVES will also verify the training of all responsible staff members.

Key Actions: BVES completed its annual process for 2025.

Workforce Planning
GD_40
**Asset Workforce
Planning
Completed**

Asset Workforce Planning:

Volume vs 2025 Goal: For 2025 BVES has a goal to verify that wildfire related positions are appropriately staffed. This review is conducted quarterly.

Key Actions: BVES reviewed and verified that appropriate staffing levels existed for wildfire related positions.