

Trans Bay Cable LLC Wildfire Mitigation Plan Update 2022

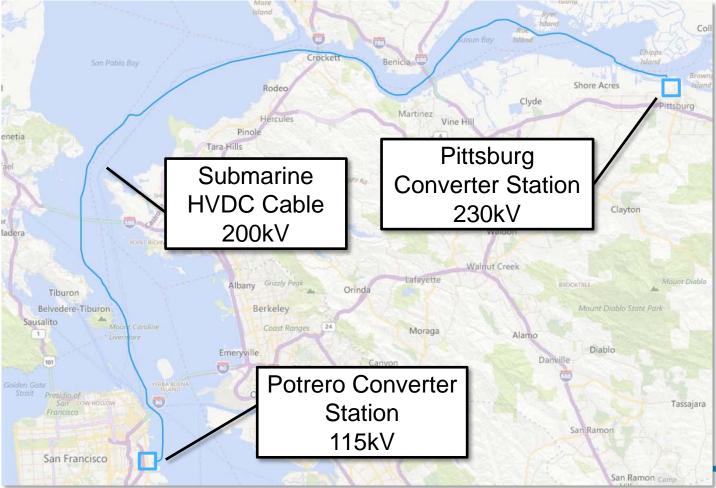
2022 WMP Workshop for SMJUs and ITOs Grid Design and System Hardening

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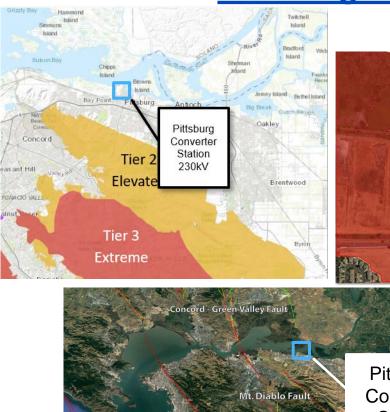
Operating territory is limited to three elements of critical infrastructure supporting the Greater Bay Area grid

Operating Territory





TBC observes fire risks near the Pittsburg Converter Station from active faults and proximate vegetative fuels



Pittsburg Converter Station





Proximate Fault Lines



Design of TBC system provides inherent system hardening against wildfire risk

As Constructed Grid Design

• Facility Design/Construction elements include:

- Undergrounding of all transmission cables
 - -- Placed in concrete vaults with thermolyzed backfill (land segments)
- Above ground infrastructure fully contained within converter station walls
- Site is hardscaped within 12-foot concrete wall perimeter with cameras
- Fire department approved fire lanes and Knox boxes
- Converter building equipped with monitoring, detection, alarms and fire suppression system
- Converter building designed to CA Building Code seismic specifications
- System employs controls which implement protective blocking within microseconds of a fault and will initiate trip offline within milliseconds
- Manual shutdown buttons in each of the system's three (3) control rooms
- Transformer blast walls and containment pits with 110% capacity



TBC has continued to enhance system hardening to reduce operational risk, include fire risk

After Construction System Hardening

- 2021 Transformer Seismic Base Isolators
 - Allows transformers to displace 36" during a seismic event
 - Relative motion the ground is moving but the transformer doesn't move
 - Calculations included uplift so the transformer will not tip over during a seismic event
 - Increased height of blast walls to accommodate height of base isolators

