

**PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY  
Wildfire Mitigation Plans Discovery 2023  
Data Response**

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**SUBJECT: REGARDING PG&E'S TREE REMOVAL INVENTORY**

**QUESTION 004**

On page, 528, PG&E states that is will "remove, or re-inspect trees identified in the EVM program."

- a) How does PG&E decide whether a tree should be 1) simply abated based on the existing risk assessment or 2) re-inspected/assessed prior to abatement?
- b) What standards, processes, procedures, and tools are vegetation management personnel using/will use to perform tree risk assessments for this program?

**ANSWER 004**

- a)
  - 1) Trees in the inventory with a TAT result of 'Abate' will abated based on the existing risk assessment.
  - 2) All trees in the inventory with either no TAT result or a TAT result other than 'ABATE' are to be re-assessed by a Tree Risk Assessment Qualification (TRAQ) inspector to determine if abatement is appropriate. The inspection will determine our action based on tree condition and strike potential.
- b) The approach to tree inspections intends to follow the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) A-300 tree risk assessment standard per field conditions and individual tree mitigation needs. Inspectors re-assessing these trees will be required to possess a Tree Risk Assessment Qualification (TRAQ) through the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA), which is the same organization that certifies arborists. The result of the TRAQ assessment will be documented in the Vegetation Point record for the tree.