



2025 WILDFIRE MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE GUIDELINES WORKSHOP

Public Meeting Notice

The Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety (Energy Safety) is developing the 2025 Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP) Update Guidelines and will host a public workshop on July 19, 2023.

Attached to this meeting notice is a high-level overview of Energy Safety's preliminary proposals for the 2025 WMP Update Guidelines. Energy Safety will present the proposals and solicit input during the workshop.

Members of the public, stakeholders, and local and regional agencies, boards, tribes, and commissions are invited to participate in the workshop. Energy Safety will also accept written comments after the workshop.

For more information about the **Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety**: www.energysafety.ca.gov.

Wednesday

July 19, 2023

9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Please join us to provide input into the development of the 2025 Wildfire Mitigation Plan Update Guidelines.

LOCATION:

Virtual meeting via Zoom
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85315785097?pwd=ZU8xcUk0dG5TbVZWaXAwRlJ0STZlQT09>





AGENDA:¹ Wednesday July 19, 2023, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Introduction

Background for 2025 WMP Update

Objectives for the 2025 WMP Update Guidelines

Energy Safety Presentation of Preliminary Proposals

1. Proposed Changes to Risk Models and Workplans
2. Other Proposed Strategic Changes
3. Areas for Continued Improvement
4. Proposed Changes to Targets, Objectives, Performance Metrics, and Expenditures

Discussion and Q&A

Next Steps

Public Comments

Energy Safety will take oral public comments during the workshop.

Energy Safety will also accept written public comments. Comments must focus on the 2025 WMP Update Guidelines but may include topics not directly covered in the preliminary proposals and workshop. Written comments must be no longer than 25 pages. Supporting documents may be included as appendices or attachments and are excluded from the 25-page limit. Written comments are due August 18, 2023, and must be filed in Docket 2023-2025-WMPs.²

¹ For participant planning purposes, Energy Safety has provided a planned agenda. The order of business is approximate and subject to change.

² <https://efiling.energysafety.ca.gov/EFiling/DocketInformation.aspx?docketnumber=2023-2025-WMPs>





Remote Attendance

Meeting link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85315785097>
Passcode: 169747
Dial-In Number (Toll): (404) 443-6397
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Conference Code: 167251

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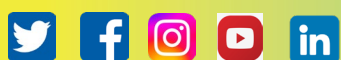
For dial-in users on a telephone connection, during the public comment portion of the meeting, press “#2” to raise your hand to be unmuted.

Availability of Documents

Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available in Docket 2023-2025-WMPs on Energy Safety’s e-filing system.³

This public meeting notice and information related to this workshop is also available in electric format on Energy Safety’s website at: <https://energysafety.ca.gov/events-and-meetings/>.

³ <https://efiling.energysafety.ca.gov/EFiling/DocketInformation.aspx?docketnumber=2023-2025-WMPs>



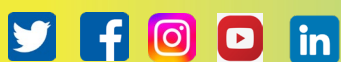


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Contact Information

Those requiring further information regarding this public meeting may contact Nathan Poon at nathan.poon@energysafety.ca.gov.





Pre-Workshop Material

Development of the 2025 Wildfire Mitigation Plan Update Guidelines

In 2024, the electrical corporations will be required to submit a 2025 Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP) Update. Energy Safety is developing the 2025 WMP Update Guidelines that will set out the requirements associated with the 2025 WMP Update submissions.

The purpose of this document is to provide a high-level overview of Energy Safety's 2025 WMP Update Guidelines (Guidelines) preliminary proposals in advance of the Workshop on July 19, 2023. Energy Safety will present further details on each of the proposals below during the workshop, and there will be opportunities for discussion. Energy Safety is looking forward to a productive and informative session.

Proposals for the 2025 WMP Update Guidelines

1) Structure of the 2025 WMP Updates

Energy Safety proposes that an electrical corporation's 2025 WMP Update include three separate documents:

- a. The 2025 WMP Update. This document would include the proposed updates to the base 2023-2025 WMP (2023-2025 WMP) in accordance with Energy Safety's 2025 Update Guidelines along with a justification for those updates.
- b. Redline 2023-2025 WMP. Proposed updates from the 2025 Update would be incorporated into each electrical corporation's 2023-2025 WMP in redline.
- c. Clean, updated 2023-2025 WMP. Proposed updates from the 2025 Update would be incorporated into each electrical corporation's 2023-2025 WMP in a clean document (i.e., without any updates marked in redline).



2) Reportable Updates for the 2025 WMP Update

The 2025 WMP Update would limit the scope of updates to four categories, which are described in further detail below:

a. Proposed changes to risk models that would significantly alter the top 20% risk profile, and subsequent workplans

Objective: Permits continued refinement of planning and operational risk models in the electrical corporations' 2025 WMP Update, but requires the electrical corporation to report changes and justify those changes.

The collective refinements and updates to risk models will either be categorized as “non-significant” or “significant” (not both).

- i. Energy Safety defines a “**non-significant**” update as any change or combination of changes to the risk model that moves less than 10% of the Ignition Risk and/or PSPS Risk in or out of the top 20% of highest risk circuits/segments/spans when all circuits/segments/spans are ranked individually from highest to lowest, or any changes that moves risk order within the top 20%. If updates are “non-significant” the electrical corporation must provide a summary of the changes and refinements to its risk model since the last WMP. This summary will be limited to three pages.
- ii. Energy Safety defines a “**significant**” update as any change or combination of changes to the risk model that moves 10% or more of the Ignition Risk and/or PSPS Risk in or out of the top 20% of highest risk circuits/segments/spans when all circuits/segments/spans are ranked individually from highest to lowest risk. This definition excludes shifts in risk resulting from the implementation of mitigation measures since the filing of the Base WMP, allowing for “apples to apples” comparison. If updates are “significant,” the electrical corporation must discuss its updated methodology, provide justification for the updates, and show how risk has shifted as a result of the updates. It must also report any resulting changes to prioritization of mitigation initiatives and scheduling/workplans for the implementation of mitigation initiatives. This entire discussion would be limited to 15 pages.



b. Shifts in Strategic Direction from Lessons Learned

Objective: Allows the electrical corporations to provide Energy Safety with updates on key strategic changes mid-cycle that are not directly related to changes in risk modeling.

Each update must be tied to a key Lesson Learned. The electrical corporation must detail Lessons Learned (in the same or similar way it did in its 2023-2025 WMP, Section 10)¹ and the associated updates tied to each lesson. These updates must represent a “significant” shift in strategic direction for 2025.

Energy Safety defines “**significant**” shifts to include:

- i. Change to a 2025 target of greater than or equal to 10% from target included in the Base WMP.
- ii. Change to the forecasted completion of an initiative objective or target to a future compliance year (e.g., if the completion date for an objective in the Base WMP was in 2025 but must be pushed to 2026, this would be “significant”).
- iii. Change in expenditure for an initiative activity of greater than or equal to 10%.
- iv. Creation of a new initiative/deletion of an existing initiative.

c. Progress on Areas for Continued Improvement

Objective: Allows the electrical corporations to provide required updates on progress to address Areas for Continued Improvement identified in the 2023 WMP evaluation.

Electrical corporations must report progress associated with Areas for Continued Improvement, where requested by Energy Safety in a previous WMP decision. This would be in the same or similar format to Appendix D of the 2023-2025 WMP Technical Guidelines.²

¹ [2023-2025 Wildfire Mitigation Plan Technical Guidelines](https://efiling.energysafety.ca.gov/eFiling/Getfile.aspx?fileid=53286&shareable=true), Section 10, "Lessons Learned," page 207 (https://efiling.energysafety.ca.gov/eFiling/Getfile.aspx?fileid=53286&shareable=true, accessed June 13, 2023).

² [2023-2025 Wildfire Mitigation Plan Technical Guidelines](https://efiling.energysafety.ca.gov/eFiling/Getfile.aspx?fileid=53286&shareable=true), Appendix D, "Areas for Continued Improvement," (https://efiling.energysafety.ca.gov/eFiling/Getfile.aspx?fileid=53286&shareable=true, accessed June 13, 2023).



d. Forecasted Targets, Performance Metrics, and Expenditure

Objective: Allow electrical corporations to report any proposed “significant” changes to forecasted targets, performance metrics, and expenditure.

In this case, Energy Safety defines “**significant**” changes to mean a change greater than or equal to 10%. Each significant change requires justification.

Non-significant changes would be reflected in the data submission, where the Data Guidelines already require brief explanations as to why any previously reported numbers have changed.

3) 2025 WMP Update Submission Schedule

Energy Safety proposes that the electrical corporations that intend on requesting a safety certification would submit their 2025 WMP Updates in April 2024, with the remaining electrical corporations to follow in June 2024. Energy Safety additionally proposes a pre-submission process to ensure completeness of 2025 WMP Updates.