

#### **Meeting Slides and Recording**

#### ADOPTION MEETING FOR WILDFIRE MITIGATION PLAN GUIDELINES

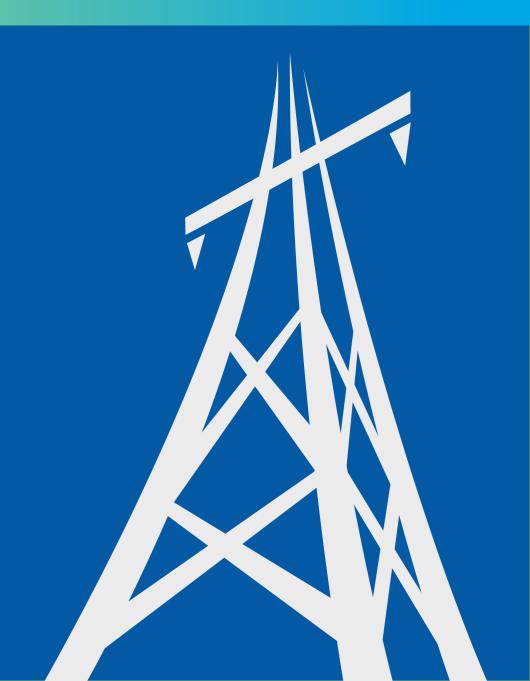
The Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety (Energy Safety) held a public adoption meeting for the Wildfire Mitigation Plan Guidelines documents on February 21, 2025. A recording of the meeting can be found on Energy Safety's YouTube channel at

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=063U6QROEQY. The slides shown during the meeting are attached to this document.

# WILDFIRE MITIGATION PLAN GUIDELINES – PACKAGE 1

Public Adoption Meeting
Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety
Friday February 21, 2025, 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.







### **AGENDA**

#### February 21, 2025 | 1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

1:00 p.m. – 1:10 p.m.	Introduction from Energy Safety
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1:10 p.m. –1:25 p.m. **Overview of the Document and Significant** 

**Changes from Draft to Final** 

1:25 p.m. – 2:25 p.m. **Public Comment** 

2:25 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Adoption of the WMP Guidelines and

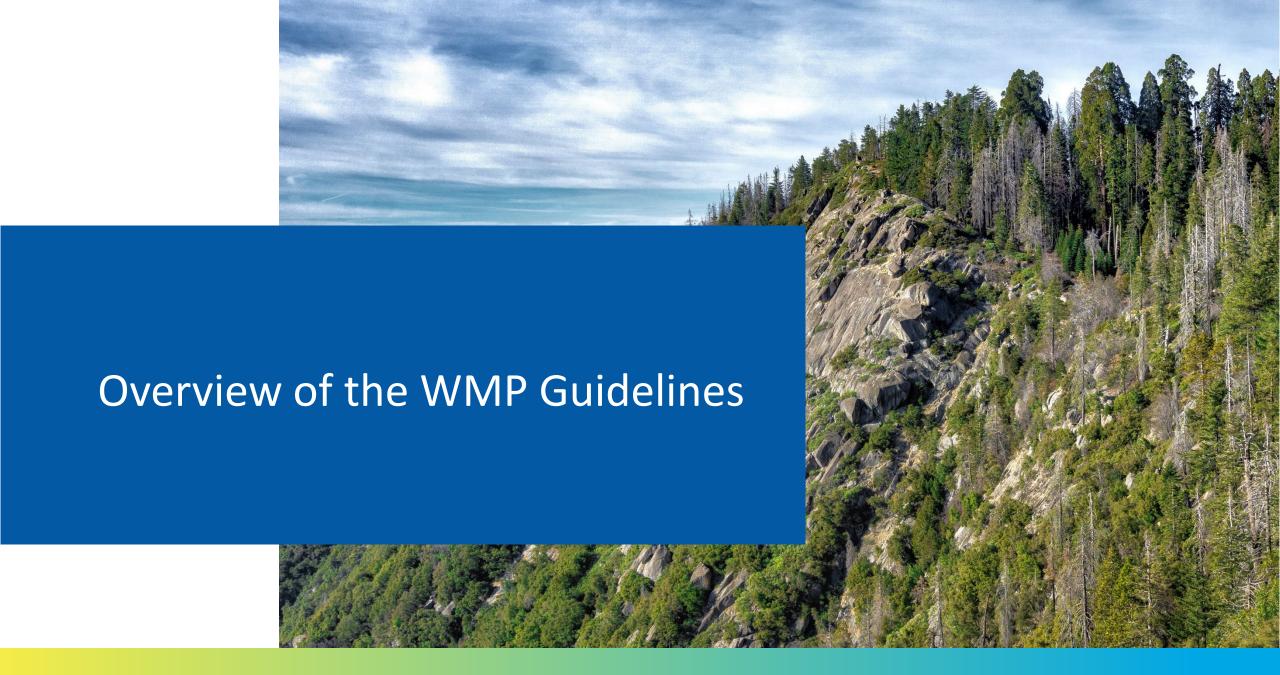
**Closing Statement** 



#### SAFETY MESSAGE



- Be aware of your surroundings
- Know your emergency exits and evacuation route(s)
- Feel something, say something
- Take regular breaks; get up and stretch
- Keep emergency contact information readily available



### **OVERVIEW OF WMP GUIDELINES (1 OF 4)**

- Electrical corporations (ECs) are required to prepare and submit WMPs to Energy Safety, as required by Pub. Util. Code § 8386(b)
- WMPs describe how the EC is constructing, maintaining, and operating its electrical lines and equipment in a manner that will minimize the risk of catastrophic wildfires
- Energy Safety has authority under Government Code section 15475.6 to "adopt guidelines setting forth the requirements, format, timing, and any other matters required to exercise its powers, perform its duties, and meet its responsibilities..."
- An approved WMP does not relieve an electrical corporation from complying with all applicable local, state or federal environmental requirements.

### **OVERVIEW OF WMP GUIDELINES (2 OF 4)**



#### **Previous Suite of Documents:**

- 1. 2023 2025 WMP Technical Guidelines
- 2023 2025 WMP Process and Evaluation Guidelines\*
- 3. 2023 2025 WMP Independent Transmission Owner (ITO) Supplement to the Technical Guidelines
- 4. 2023 2025 Electrical Corporation Wildfire Mitigation Maturity Model
- 5. 2023 Electrical Corporation Wildfire Mitigation Maturity Survey

#### \*Proposed Suite of Documents:

- 1. Draft WMP Guidelines
  - O Contains:
    - Process & Evaluation Chapter
    - Base WMP Requirements Chapter
    - Petition to Amend Chapter
    - ITO Modified Requirements Chapter
- 2. Draft Electrical Corporation Wildfire Mitigation Maturity Model and Survey Guidelines

\*"Ever-greening" of the proposed suite of Guideline documents to allow updates to occur as needed

<sup>\*</sup>Note that some Process and Evaluation content is now located in the Energy Safety Policy Division Process Guidelines

# OVERVIEW OF WMP GUIDELINES (3 OF 4)

#### Composition:

- Chapter 1 Introduction
- Chapter 2 Process and Evaluation
- Chapter 3 Base WMP Technical Requirements
- Chapter 4 Petition to Amend
- Chapter 5 Independent Transmission Owner (ITO)
   Modified Requirements
- Appendix A Definitions
- Appendix B Supporting Documentation for Risk Methodology and Assessment
- Appendix C Additional Maps
- Appendix D Areas for Continued Improvement
- Appendix E Referenced Regulations, Codes, and Standard
- Attachment 1 Data Request Log



### **OVERVIEW OF WMP GUIDELINES (4 OF 4)**



- Published first draft of WMP Guidelines on 11/12/24
  - Public workshop held on 11/26/24
  - Received written comments from PG&E, CalAdvocates,
     SDG&E, SCE, Green Power Institute (GPI) on 12/6/24
    - These entities also submitted reply comments on 12/12/24
- Published revised draft of WMP Guidelines on 1/17/25
  - Received written comments from PG&E and GPI on 2/6/25
  - Received no written reply comments (due 2/18)



### **OVERVIEW OF SIGNIFICANT CHANGES**

(1 of 8)



#### **Cross-Chapter/Global Edits**

- Clarification to "Base WMP", "WMP", and "WMP Update" terminology
- Updated the hierarchy of terms related to Category/Initiative/Activity
  - PG&E and GPI written comments
- Corrected typos and formatting errors throughout
- Clarified definitions

### OVERVIEW OF SIGNIFICANT CHANGES (2 of 8)



#### **Process and Evaluation Chapter II**

- Updated the pre-submission checklist to be an optional tool for electrical corporations
- Updated Evaluation Criteria language (Section 4.2)

# OVERVIEW OF SIGNIFICANT CHANGES (3 of 8)



#### **Base WMP Technical Requirements Chapter III**

- Clarified the focus of this chapter is on the Base WMP
  - There will be a separate future chapter for WMP Update requirements
- Added in requirements for both HFRA and HFTD in the relevant tables and sections throughout
- Updated references/footnotes from Safety Model and Assessment (S-MAP) to Risk-Based Decision-Making Framework

## OVERVIEW OF SIGNIFICANT CHANGES (4 of 8)



#### Section 3 – Overview of Base WMP

- Added requirement of prioritization within Table 3-1 and the description of the timeframe used in evaluating the risks and risk drivers
  - Cal Advocates written comments
- Added requirements on how EC determined these topographical and climatological risk factors via narrative in Section 3.4
  - PG&E written comments

#### <u>Section 4 – Service Territory</u>

- Further standardized and clarified requirements for frequently deenergized circuits in Section 4.3
  - GPI written comments

#### <u>Section 5 – Risk Methodology and Assessment</u>

- Adjusted the requirements on using scenarios in evaluation, clarified requirements of descriptions of additional scenarios and modified table language for scenarios as inputs for risk modeling in Section 5.3
  - SDG&E and GPI written comments

## OVERVIEW OF SIGNIFICANT CHANGES (5 of 8)



#### <u>Section 6 – Wildfire Mitigation Strategy</u>

- Updated references from Safety Model and Assessment (S-MAP) to Risk-Based Decision-Making Framework (RDF) and associated footnotes
- Added bullet to Section 6.1.3.1 related to impact of future proofing on CBA
  - GPI written comments
- Added requirement for EC to describe how grid needs influence activity prioritization
  - GPI and Cal Advocates written comments
- Improve clarification on interim activity in Section 6.1.3.3
  - PG&E written comments
- Added clarification to Section 6.2.1.2 requiring discussion on how to determine the total risk after implementation
  - Cal Advocates written comments

# OVERVIEW OF SIGNIFICANT CHANGES (6 of 8)



#### <u>Section 8 – Grid Design, Operations, & Maintenance</u>

- Added context in 8.2 related to future proofing
  - GPI written comments
- Added requirements in Section 8.2 to be consistent with Section 6.1.3.1 to ensure the consistency in evaluating risk reduction effectiveness
  - Cal Advocates written comments
- Added "circuit name" and "circuit length" columns to Table 8-7
  - Cal Advocates written comments

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#### <u>Section 9 – Vegetation Management</u>

Added a new section (9.8) – "Partnerships"

#### <u>Section 11 – Emergency Preparedness, Collaboration, & Outreach</u>

Added focus to collaboration/outreach with regional entities

#### Section 12 – Enterprise Systems

- Enterprise Systems now only requires qualitative targets
  - o PG&E, SCE, & SDG&E written comments

#### Section 13 – Lessons Learned

- Added PSPS as a source of lessons learned in Section 13
  - Cal Advocates written comments

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#### **ITO Modified Requirement Chapter V**

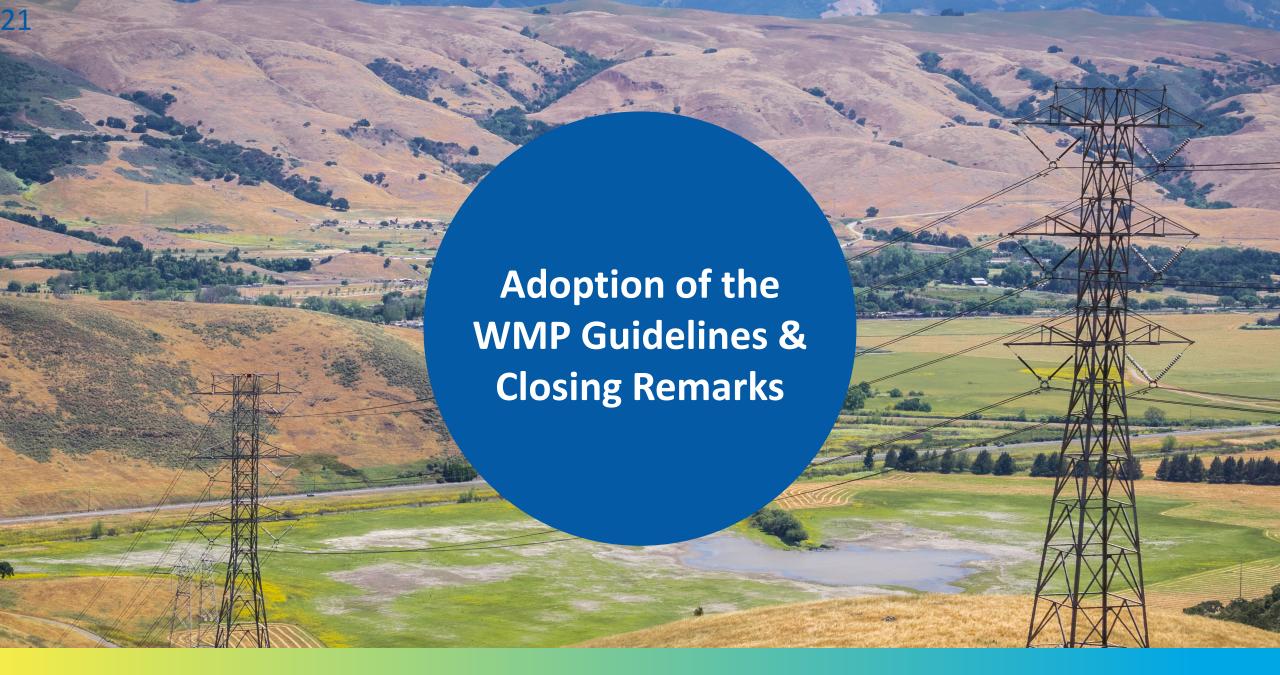
- Added to the revised Draft WMP Guidelines
  - This chapter modifies the reporting requirements presented in Chapter III "Base WMP Technical Requirements" for ITOs.



#### If you wish to comment:

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  - Participants will be unmuted in order of hands raised
- Dial-in participants need to press \*5 to raise hand

### 5-MINUTE BREAK



#### **NEXT STEPS**



 By close of business on Monday, February 24, 2025, Energy Safety will publish the final version of the WMP Guidelines

 Reminder to subscribe to the WMP-Guidelines and evaluation dockets to stay current on Energy Safety's WMP evaluation process. Instructions can be found on our website



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