

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

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The following questions relate to your 2023-2025 WMP submission and your response to data request CalAdvocates-PGE-2023WMP-08.

QUESTION 012

PG&E states in its response to Question 4 (h)(i) of CalAdvocates-PGE-2023WMP-08 that

“While inspection tools and data collection are expected to be standardized it is anticipated that more regional guidance will utilize historical outage data to help us identify problematic tree species and failure modes and site conditions to support focused inspection decisions and prescriptions.”

- a) Does “more regional guidance” mean guidance specific to each Area of Concern that will be developed after the pilots are complete? Please specify if not.
- b) If yes, please explain and provide relevant examples of how guidance would differ between AOCs.

ANSWER 012

- a) The following clarifications are to provide more detail on what “more regional guidance” is intended to accomplish. Guidance associated with tools utilized and data collected are expected to be standardized for the FTI program in all AOCs during the initial pilots. The outage, species and tree failure details available for each AOC will vary and are expected to be reviewed prior to starting patrols. The data is for situational awareness, some of which may be unique within an AOC but this does not alter the guidance to have each span inspected by a TRAQ certified Arborist. Learnings from the pilot will better inform if unique regional guidelines can improve the program and standardize its execution. Examples of regional factors that could impact regional guidance include Coastal Zone Areas and Timberlands where California Forest Practice Rules apply. In areas such as these, there may be limitations or restrictions to what trees or portions of trees can be mitigated based on the regional factors, environmental restrictions, Limited Operating Periods, etc.
- b) For the AOC polygons, regional guidance is a data-informed review prior to inspections. Each AOC is subject to deep-dive analysis of historical outages and overlap with other past or future WMP mitigations and treatments. This data

informed approach is localized and will help the TRAQ certified inspectors better understand the types of tree failures and species profiles that can provide insights and inform their site and tree specific evaluations and prescriptions. This approach is intended to foster greater overall situational awareness.