



Pole Work Status Report Types

The Pole Work Status Report is used to ensure every pole is accounted for during each respective work cycle. The following status types are defined therein.

Pending

Poles that need to be issued on a work request.

Issued

Poles that have been issued on a work request for work to be performed.

Inspect No Work

Locations where no clearing was performed during the IC cycle. These are reassessed during the Re-Clear cycle.

Deferred

Locations where clearing cannot be performed on schedule for reasons other than a customer refusal. This ensures the record will appear the system of record as a Pending record to be worked in the current work cycle. For example: If standing seasonal water is surrounding a pole, deferring the pole records it as pending and pushes it through to the next work cycle.

Deferring a subject pole requires VPM approval with up-to-date comments in the record explaining the situation in detail, as well as the LAN ID of the VPM who approved it.

Complete

Locations that have been issued on a work request and completed during a clear cycle. Complete will also be entered if the pole meets clearing requirements and no physical clearing is needed, such as in rare occasions where customers have chosen to clear the location themselves. Any pole that is entered as Complete will report as Pending on the next work cycle.

Recommended Modified Clear

New locations needing an environmental review or locations where the pole clearing contractor feels a Modified Clear needs to take place due to erosion issues. (See the Erosion Control section of Attachment 1, "Handling Pole Clearing Refusals and Exceptions").

Refusal

A situation where a customer refuses to allow PG&E to perform inspection work or complete 100% of the work required to bring the site into PRC 4292 compliance.

- In some cases (at owners' discretion) poles may be cleared to 1254(a) standards only and the record will remain in refusal status.



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BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICE (BMP) CLEAR TYPES

BMP clear types have been developed to address site specific situations. Clearing to bare ground to ensure flammable material is removed from the cylinder is the most common. However, clearing in this way can cause adverse effects. For this reason, alternative BMPs have been developed to ensure compliance with PRC 4292 while still addressing site specific conditions. The following BMPs have been established and should be used as conditions dictate.

BMP Clear Type	Handheld Entries		Shape Tag
	BMP Clear Type	BMP Sub Cat	
Clear Only	(P) Clr-NoChm	None	Circle
Clear and Chem	(F) Clr-ChmTrt	None	Square
Hardscape	(H) Hardscape	None	Triangle
Full Landscape	(J) Full Landscape	None	Octagon
Partial Landscape	(K) Part Landscape	None	Circle & Octagon
Modified Clear	(M) ModClr	Required	Pentagon
Full CCR 1255	(Y) Full 1255	Required	Octagon
	Exempt		
Partial CCR 1255	(Z) Part 1255	Required	Circle & Octagon
	Exempt		

Clear Only

This is a location where the use of herbicides is not permitted due to federal or state regulations, established environmental BMPs, or permission from the customer could not be secured. Herbicides will not be used on any part of the cylinder if one customer on a multiple-customer site refuses to allow their use. Clearing to bare ground is the normal expectation. A portion of the cylinder could be hardscape. Otherwise, the entire cylinder is cleared to bare ground..

Clear and Chem

This is a location where all customers affected by clearing have given permission to apply herbicide at the time of initial clearing. Clearing to bare ground is the normal expectation..

CAUTION

Herbicides are generally only to be applied once annually. All required PPE must be worn during application.

Hardscape

This is a location where the entire cylinder is comprised of material that cannot support vegetation, such as: concrete, asphalt, or base rock. No manual clearing is required to maintain compliance with PRC 4292 at these locations.



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Full Landscape

This is an outdated BMP clear type that was intended for locations where a Vegetation Maintenance Agreement (VMA) was signed by a property owner, or PG&E had a Vegetation Maintenance Notification (VMN) on file. Currently, both VMAs and VMNs have been phased out. This BMP is now only to be used for Risk Reduction locations when the pole is ranked as Low Risk on the Fire Risk Assessment and/or only having low risk equipment installed (see Job Ad # Fire Risk Assessments).

Modified Clear

This BMP is reserved for sensitive locations that require special treatment. These are locations where the method and, potentially, the time of clearing is strictly controlled. The Modified Clear type can be used at locations where access is difficult, erosion precautions are required, safety issues are present, or other environmental conditions exist.

This BMP clear type requires one of the BMP sub-categories listed below to be selected in the handheld device. Field Personnel can recommend this BMP, but only in PG&E approve a Modified Clear.

- *MC Erosion Watercourse (E)*: erosion could impact watercourse
- *MC Erosion Safety (Q)*: erosion could impact customer safety
- *MC Erosion Customer (R)*: erosion identified by property owners
- *MC Erosion PG&E Facility (X)*: erosion could impact PG&E facilities
- *MC Customer (S)*: customer has concerns requiring special attention
- *MC Safety (T)*: VC crew safety concerns requiring special attention
- *MC MBZ (U)*: locations covered by PG&Es HCP and located within a Map Book Zone (MBZ) that may require a biologist



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Full CCR 1255

Subject Pole is located where the entire cylinder meets one of the CCR-1255 exemptions listed below during declared fire season and the vegetation within the 10-foot radius of the pole cannot propagate a fire outside of the cylinder:

- Fields planted in row crops
- Plowed or cultivated fields
- Producing vineyards that are plowed or cultivated
- Field in non-flammable summer fallow
- Irrigated pastureland
- Orchards of fruit, nut or citrus trees that are plowed or cultivated
- Christmas tree farms that are plowed or cultivated
- Swamp, marsh, or bog land
- Where vegetation is maintained less than 12 inches in height, is fire resistant, and is planted and maintained for the specific purpose of preventing soil erosion and fire ignition.

Partial CCR 1255

Subject Pole is located where a portion of the cylinder meets the criteria for a CCR-1255 exemption during fire season AND there is still the need for a portion of the cylinder to be manually cleared to maintain compliance with PRC-4292.

Herbicides will not be used at any part of the cylinder.



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Erosion Control

IF erosion is causing an adverse effect to the site of a Subject Pole due to PG&E's pole clearing activities during the PI cycle, the following handheld entries will be made:

Field Name	Selection
Clear Type	Leave existing clear type, do not change
Work Status	Rec ModClr
Permission for Chemical Application	Check if clear type Clr-ChmTrt
Restriction/Alerts	EZ – Erosion
Restriction/Alerts	Enter "Riparian" if < 25' from a watercourse
Comments	Enter all that apply: "Erosion Safety", "Erosion Watercourse", "Erosion PG&E Facilities", "Erosion Customer Concern"

THEN a completed Field Assessment form together with documenting photos will be reviewed by the General Foreman (GF) and submitted to the Regional VPM. The VPM will then validate and notify the pole clearing contractor of the plan and coordinate action. The VPM may elect to have an erosion control solution implemented where crushed rock is to be spread throughout the entirety, or just a portion of the clearing radius to prevent and/or reduce further damage.

IF a crushed rock solution is implemented, the VC contractor will continue to work the Subject Pole normally in future work cycles.

IF a crushed rock solution is not able to be implemented, the Subject Pole record will be put into Modified Clear status and only cleared annually and generally not completely to code. This is done to mitigate as much of the fire risk as safely possible whilst taking care to leave enough plant life alive so the plant's roots can aid in controlling the erosion. These Modified Clear Erosion locations are cleared annually.

IF the location does not meet the criteria for the implementation of an Erosion BMP, the database record will be returned to its original status and reissued to the contractor to be worked accordingly.

NOTE

Shape Tags (Appendix D) will not be changed until after the validation has been performed.