

**PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY**  
**Wildfire Mitigation Plans**  
**Rulemaking 18-10-007**  
**Data Response**

PG&E Data Request No.:	MGRA_010-Q04		
PG&E File Name:	WildfireMitigationPlans_DR_MGRA_010-Q04		
Request Date:	February 25, 2021	Requester DR No.:	WMP-2021 MGRA PGE DataRequest 4
Date Sent:	March 2, 2021	Requesting Party:	Mussey Grade Road Alliance
PG&E Witness:		Requester:	Joseph Mitchell

***The following data requests are being issued to PG&E.***

**QUESTION 04 (19)**

On page 116 of its WMP, PG&E presents data from a research report that “found that PG&E’s fire risk ranking per species uses a sound methodology. The engaged researchers agreed that we should focus on tree species that have been observed to have a higher branch failure rate as part of our continuous improvement efforts.” Please provide a copy of this research report.

**ANSWER 04 (19)**

PG&E’s engagement with researchers at University of California Cooperative Extension and the University of California Berkeley to evaluate our EVM procedural requirements for work execution did not result in a formal research report. It was an initial discussion regarding the methodology of PG&E’s fire risk rankings per species and possible adjustments to minimum radial clearance requirements for trees with trunks within the defined minimum clearance zone. As indicated on page 116 of the 2021 WMP, “results of this research may not result in any changes in 2021 but are part of long-term analysis for performing EVM in the most effective way possible.”