

**PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
Wildfire Mitigation Plans Discovery 2022
Data Response**

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The following questions relate to your 2022 WMP Update submission. If a full response to a given question will be included in your WMP submission, your response to that question of this data request may consist of a citation to the specific page(s) or table(s) of the WMP where the information may be found, a written response to the question, or both.

QUESTION 05

During the field visit to PG&E facilities on November 2, 2021, Cal Advocates visited an undergrounding project in El Dorado County, which was referred to as “Undergrounding Project El Dorado 2101 Phase 4.”

During the visit PG&E representatives represented that, after the powerline was moved underground, the poles would be “topped,” which would remove a portion of the pole but leave the remainder of the pole intact to support telecommunications utility infrastructure.

- a) Is the above representation accurate with respect to the Undergrounding Project El Dorado 2101 Phase 4?
- b) If the answer to part (a) is no, please correct any misrepresentations.

ANSWER 05

- a) Yes, that statement is correct. In alignment with the Joint Pole Agreement that PG&E participates in with other utilities, PG&E sent the appropriate notifications to the other utilities on the poles of the El Dorado 2101 Phase 4 project in October 2019. The other utilities did not choose to join in the undergrounding project as part of a joint trench with the result that PG&E is relinquishing our interest in the joint pole after the completion of our undergrounding project (which is anticipated for April 2022). PG&E relinquishing our interest in the poles involves, in part, removing our existing assets and removing the top portion of the pole (called “topping”) above the location of the other utility assets on the poles.
- b) N/A