

**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 013

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

“Pass or Fail criteria is not anticipated for the FTI program. FTI will use TRAQ Certified Arborists to perform inspections and prescribe work based on site and tree specific conditions. Some trees will be trimmed and other will be removed to address associated risk between inspection cycles.”

Please provide all criteria that PG&E will employ to determine tree trimming and removal, including the abovementioned “site and tree specific conditions.”

ANSWER 013

Level 1 inspections are to be performed during patrols . Site specific and tree specific conditions will help inspectors determine when Level 2 inspections are needed to determine if a tree needs to be completely removed or trimmed to mitigate risks between inspection cycles in the AOC. Guidance provided in the California Power Line Fire Prevention Field Guide, “HAZARD TREES/VEGETATION CLEARANCE” section, provides criteria that can aid in the appropriate level of inspection decision. Please see https://osfm.fire.ca.gov/media/3vqj2sft/2021-power-line-fire-prevention-field-guide-ada-final_jf_20210125.pdf.

The TRAQ Certified Arborists will utilize the Basic Tree Risk Assessment Form when performing a level 2 inspection to document the site and tree specific conditions that are relevant to the inspection. See attachment WMP-Discovery2023_DR_CalAdvocates_015-Q013Atch01 to review the Basic Tree Risk Assessment Form.