

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
Wildfire Mitigation Plans Discovery 2023-2025
Data Response

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The following questions relate to your 2025 WMP Update submission.

QUESTION 006

PG&E states on page 3 of its 2025 WMP update that it is introducing a new evolution of its Wildfire Distribution Risk Model (WDRM), called WDRM v4. It states, “The outputs from the WDRM v4 are expected to inform some risk-prioritized, short-cycle work in 2025 and other risk-prioritized long-cycle work in 2026 and beyond.”

- a. WDRM v4 expected to inform scoping and execution of any undergrounding projects that will be performed in 2025 and 2026?
- b. If the answer to part (a) is yes, please explain how PG&E intends to report this risk reduction in its System Hardening Accountability Report (SHAR) required by D.23-11- 069.¹
- c. Is WDRM v4 expected to inform scoping and execution of any covered conductor projects that will be performed in 2025 and 2026?
- d. If the answer to part (c) is yes, please explain how PG&E intends to report this risk reduction in the SHAR.

ANSWER 006

- a. As noted in response to Request 5(c) of this data request, WDRM v4 may begin to inform scoping of undergrounding projects as early as the second half of 2024 for undergrounding projects planned for completion in 2027 and beyond.
- b. The scope of the SHAR includes System Hardening work completed in the GRC period (2023-2026). Projects in this time period are not currently anticipated to be informed by WDRM v4. In the event projects selected by WDRM v4 do end up being planned for completion during this time period, WDRM v4 information would be included in the SHAR in the existing risk-related fields (i.e., Applicable Risk Model, Risk Reduction %, etc.).

¹ 6 D.23-11-069, Ordering Paragraphs 20 through 28 at 904-907. Currently only WDRM version V2 and V3 are mentioned in these ordering paragraphs.

- c. As noted in response to Request 5(e) of this data request, WDRM v4 may begin to inform the scoping of overhead hardening (covered conductor) projects as early as the second half of 2024 for projects planned for completion in 2027 and beyond.
- d. Please see the response to subpart (b) above for how PG&E reports this risk reduction in the SHAR.