

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
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Data Response

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QUESTION 01

PG&E's 2021 Wildfire Mitigation Plan Update describes a potential plan for PG&E to use fire retardant to pre-treat rights-of-way. (Section 7.3.5.5, Action PGE-8.) The WMP Update states that PG&E will evaluate the fire retardants for potential environmental impacts.

- a. Please provide a copy of the environmental impact evaluation(s) and any workpapers and supporting documents.
- b. Please provide a list of the federal, state, or local permits PG&E believes are necessary to obtain in connection with pre-treating rights-of-way with fire retardant.
- c. Please identify the type(s) of fire retardant PG&E is currently using to treat its rights-of-way, and any other type(s) of fire retardant PG&E is considering using.
- d. Is PG&E applying fire retardant outside of its rights-of-way, for example in its easements or access roads? If so, please identify the type(s) of fire retardant being used in those areas.

ANSWER 01

- a. Please see attachment WildfireMitigationPlans_DR_JointLocalGovernments_001-Q01Atch01.
- b. At this time, PG&E's retardant applications have only been performed on private property, with the approval of the property owner. With the exception of State and local government encroachment permits for work along city, county, and State right of ways, PG&E has not identified any additional federal, state, or local government permitting requirements.
- c. PG&E currently uses Phos-Chek, LC95W. In 2021 and 2022, PG&E intends to conduct outdoor efficacy and long-term durability testing of LC95W as well as Phos-Chek LCE20-Fx, Phos-Chek LCE20, Phos-Chek LC95-Fx, Phos-Chek Fortify, and Fortress FR-600.
- d. PG&E is applying fire retardant to targeted areas within 25' feet of either side of power lines and poles. However, as noted in response to (c), outdoor efficacy and long-term durability testing is planned at limited PG&E-owned properties. Please refer to response (c) for the type of retardant being used.