

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

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QUESTION 09

- a) What is the average trench depth PG&E employs in undergrounding projects?
- b) Has PG&E examined the potential benefits or drawbacks of shallower trenches?
- c) Please explain your response to part (b).

ANSWER 09

- a) The PG&E standard for undergrounding projects is 42 inches of trench depth and 36 inches of cover
- b) Yes, PG&E is in the process of evaluating the benefits or drawbacks of shallower trenches and reduced minimum cover requirements.
- c) PG&E is evaluating a new standard that would call for 30 inches of cover f. We have not yet completed the evaluation.