

**PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY  
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Data Response**

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The following questions related to PG&E's 2021 Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP) Update.

**QUESTION 03**

- a. Please describe the pay structure for vegetation management (VM) pre-inspection contractors. For example, are these contractors paid by a fixed monthly retainer, by the hour, by the mile of work completed, etc.?
- b. Is the answer to part (a) different for contractors who perform routine VM pre-inspection work and contractors who perform EVM pre-inspection work?
- c. If the answer to part (b) is yes, please explain the differences.

**ANSWER 03**

- a. PG&E understands this request to be asking about Enhanced Vegetation Management (EVM) pre-inspection contractors. EVM pre-inspection contractors are paid by the hour, in alignment with PG&E's Time & Equipment (T&E) pay structure.
- b. Yes, contractors who perform routine VM pre-inspection work are part of PG&E's lump sum payment structure. The pay structure for EVM pre-inspection contractors is set forth above in response to part a.
- c. As stated above, contractors who perform routine VM pre-inspection work are part of PG&E's lump sum pay structure. This means that each week the vendor can submit an invoice for 1/52 of the bundle amount they bid. PG&E will provide payment for 75% of that weekly amount. Each month (every 4 weeks), the combined remaining 25% of invoices owed will be reviewed and additional funds will be released as certain conditions are met.