



# Voluntary Manufactured Gas Plant Program

## Former Vallejo MGP - Project Update

### Spring-Summer 2015

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#### Background

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) has an access agreement with the City of Vallejo to perform investigation and remediation on a 26-acre site (the “Property”), part of which was formerly occupied by a manufactured gas plant (MGP). The Property is in the vicinity of Curtola Parkway and Sonoma Boulevard in Vallejo, adjacent to Mare Island Strait. This work is being done voluntarily by PG&E with regulatory oversight from the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC).

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#### What is a Manufactured Gas Plant?

In the mid-1800s and early 1900s, before natural gas was available as an energy source, more than 1,500 MGPs were located in cities and towns throughout the United States. MGPs used coal and oil to produce gas for lighting, heating and cooking. With the arrival of natural gas, most of the MGP sites in PG&E’s service area were not needed and closed down more than 75 years ago.

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#### Project Status

PG&E completed an extensive environmental investigation from March 2013 to January 2014, which resulted in DTSC approval of the *Vallejo MGP Site Characterization Report* in early 2015. Thousands of samples of soil, soil gas (air in between soil particles) and groundwater were collected to determine the extent of contamination from historic operations. Groundwater monitoring will continue throughout the project.

In summer 2015, PG&E will conduct on-site studies to evaluate effective methods to treat impacted soils. Data from the investigation and studies will be used to prepare a cleanup plan, which will be subject to public review prior to DTSC approval. The remediation is anticipated to begin in 2017. Investigation and remediation of the site is an important first step in the redevelopment process.

Three MGP gas holders and a warehouse were historically located to the north of Curtola Parkway across the street from the 26-acre Property. These properties are privately owned and PG&E is working separately with the owners to perform investigation and remediation work.



All site investigation work was completed in one year and remediation options are now being studied. Work has included extensive community outreach.



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#### For More Information

Throughout this process, the City of Vallejo, PG&E and DTSC will communicate with key stakeholders and the community about the work planned. For more information, please contact:

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Green outline denotes perimeter of 26-acre City of Vallejo owned property. Off-site properties are not shown.