



PG&E Soils Investigation Field Work Overview

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) is committed to addressing environmental issues resulting from our historical operations. As part of this commitment, PG&E has been working to investigate and clean up hexavalent chromium in groundwater and soil at the Topock Compressor Station and in the surrounding area.

From November 2015 to April 2016, PG&E will be conducting soil investigation work to identify the extent of impacts in soils at and around the Topock Compressor Station, and help determine if soil cleanup is needed. This work is taking place under the oversight of the California Department of Toxic Substances Control and the United States Department of the Interior.

Soils investigation work involves collecting soil samples at various depths below the ground surface both on the Compressor Station property and in the surrounding area (see site map for sampling locations). After the sampling program is complete, the results will be analyzed and PG&E will work with the oversight agencies if additional cleanup activities are appropriate.

Work Details

Work is taking place between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., with some work on Sundays and holidays as needed. The investigation involves the use of construction equipment, including pickup trucks, drill rigs, excavators and hydrovac.

Low-noise equipment is being used and it will be equipped with shrouds, silencers, and other noise suppression devices. Dust will be controlled at all times and air monitors will be used during activities that could generate dust to ensure that control measures are effective.

During investigation work, PG&E will work with the oversight agencies and Native American tribes to ensure and that work is conducted in a manner that is respectful of the area's cultural and biological importance. Tribal monitors will be at the site during field activities to oversee the work taking place.

For More Information

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Topock Soils Investigation Work Areas

