



General Rate Case 2020-2022

Quick Facts

- Proposal would fund important safety and additional wildfire safety investments
- Proposal does not request funding for potential wildfire claims for 2017/2018 fires, nor request recovery of PG&E Corporation or Utility officer compensation.
- CPUC has a thorough, open, transparent and public review process
- If approved, would result in 6.4 percent per month increase for typical residential customer
- Would go into effect following CPUC decision in 2020

General Rate Case

PG&E submitted its 2020 General Rate Case (GRC), which seeks approval of revenues for the period 2020-2022, to its regulator, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), on December 13, 2018. Faced with an extended wildfire season, the proposal outlines the company's plans to make important additional safety investments to help further reduce wildfire risk. It also includes investments to enhance gas and electric safety and reliability.

While the GRC proposal will help fund a series of important safety investments, this proposal does not request funding for potential claims resulting from the devastating 2017 and 2018 Northern California wildfires, the largest of which are still under investigation. The proposal also does not request recovery of PG&E Corporation or Utility officer compensation.

How It Works

To fulfill our responsibility to help keep our customers and communities safe, PG&E is required to submit a formal proposal to the CPUC every three years. The Commission will conduct an open and transparent review of PG&E's GRC proposal, including public participation hearings. PG&E encourages its customers to share their feedback on the proposed investments. The CPUC will determine which investments are approved, and this forms the basis for customer rate changes.

Addressing Our Changing Climate – The Energy Grid of Tomorrow

Today, our state faces an extended threat from catastrophic wildfires, extreme weather and higher temperatures. The science is clear, the climate is changing. PG&E's proposed grid hardening investments are driven by our priority to help continue to keep our customers and communities safe. Some of these proposed investments are additional precautionary measures implemented following the 2017 and 2018 wildfires intended to further reduce wildfire threats. These include:

Hardening Wires and Poles: Installing stronger and more resilient poles and covered power lines across 2,000 miles of high fire-risk areas.

Enhanced Vegetation Management: Increasing ongoing work to keep power lines clear of branches from an estimated 120 million trees with the potential to grow or fall into overhead power lines, including annual vegetation inspection of approximately 81,000 miles of high-voltage electric distribution lines.

Wire-down Technology: Expanding the use of SmartMeter™ technology in a new, innovative way to detect downed wires within minutes. The software is currently available on meters in high-risk fire areas and will be deployed throughout the service area over the next few years.

Weather Stations Network: Expanding network of weather stations to enhance weather forecasting and modeling by adding 1,300 new weather stations in high fire-risk areas by 2022.



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High-Definition Cameras: Deploying over 600 high-definition cameras over the next four years to increase coverage across highest fire-risk areas from 20 percent currently to over 90 percent by 2022.

The Bottom Line

PG&E is proposing a \$1.058 billion increase over currently authorized spending for 2019. More than half of PG&E's proposed increase would be directly related to wildfire prevention, risk reduction, and additional safety enhancements.

This proposal would increase a typical residential customer bill by 6.4 percent or \$10.57 per month (\$8.73 for electric service and \$1.84 for gas service).

An average CARE customer would see an increase of about \$7.01 a month (\$5.54 for electric service and \$1.47 gas service).

PG&E recognizes any increase to a customer's bill can be significant, and this is why we are committed to keeping customer rates and bills as low as possible.

Customer bills would change some time in 2020 following a decision by the CPUC.