



PG&E Potrero Cleanup Site
Questions and Answers
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What is the status of the PG&E Potrero Site cleanup?

PG&E and NRG are working together to conduct a cleanup that addresses impacts while also paving the way for reuse of the site. PG&E has been making progress on the investigation and cleanup of the property for several years, such that it is finished with its cleanup work for large portions of the Site, and has met industrial or commercial redevelopment conditions. PG&E's cleanup efforts can accommodate uses such as open space, parks and residential, if certain additional remedial measures are implemented.

To expedite the remediation process, seven separate work areas have been designated. PG&E is finished with three of the seven areas and significant progress has been made to prepare for cleanup activities in the Offshore Sediment Area and the Northeast Area. The areas with the former power plant and related structures require additional investigations, and PG&E, NRG and the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (Water Board) will work together to develop a remediation plan while some of the structures remain in place.

What impacts are being addressed?

Large areas of the Site have conditions that are similar to adjacent areas along San Francisco's industrial waterfront. Some areas also have soil impacts that are consistent with those typically found at sites that previously operated as Manufactured Gas Plants. MGP-related impacts were detected in the Northeast Area and a portion of the adjacent Pier 70 property.

Are PG&E's cleanup efforts accommodating the possibility of redevelopment of this area?

Can open space and parks or residences be created on this property?

Yes, PG&E's cleanup efforts can accommodate redevelopment and, if certain remedial measures are implemented, open space, parks and residential uses can be created. NRG and PG&E have worked together to replace the deed restriction that was put in place at the time PG&E sold the property with a new one that better facilitates the possibility of mixed property uses. While NRG and PG&E have agreed upon an approach to remediate the site to allow for uses like residential, remediation plans will still need Water Board review and approval, and new land uses will have to be approved by the City and County of San Francisco.

What is the status of the Switchyard and General Construction Yard? Will the switchyard continue to operate on the Site?

In 2012, the Water Board issued a completion (i.e., No Further Action) letter for environmental work at these two Site areas, indicating that PG&E had completed the required remediation work for their continued utility use. The PG&E Switchyard and General Construction Yard remain an integral part of San Francisco's electrical infrastructure and will continue to operate. PG&E is currently in the process of planning infrastructure improvements to the substation and we will share details as they become available.

What is the status of Hoe Down Yard transferring to the City and County of San Francisco?

PG&E plans to continue operating in the soil management yard. However, we are exploring the feasibility of relocating the yard which could allow for its redevelopment.

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