



Background

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) is committed to addressing environmental impacts from our historical operations. As part of this commitment, we are voluntarily addressing environmental impacts at the Potrero Power Plant Site (Site), including any impacts in the San Francisco Bay.

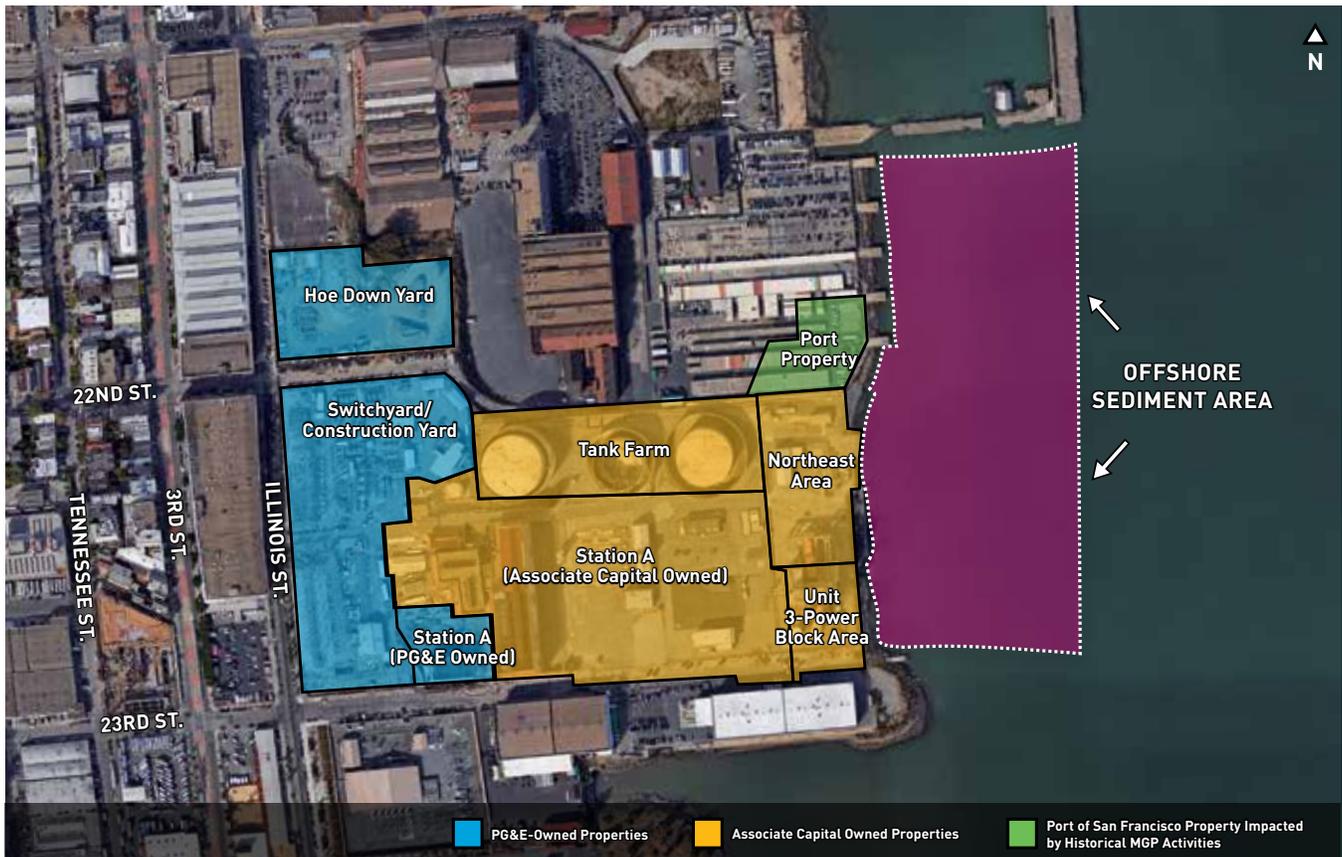
The Site, located at 1201 Illinois Street in San Francisco, has had industrial uses since the mid-1800s. Our work includes assessing impacts from a Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP) that operated on the property from the 1870s to the 1930s. The MGP produced gas for lighting, heating and cooking using coal and oil. With the arrival of natural gas in the 1930s, it was closed.

PG&E operated the Potrero Power Plant from 1910 to 1999, when it was sold. PG&E kept portions of the property primarily along Illinois Street, which serves as critical energy infrastructure for San Francisco. The power plant was shut down in March 2011 and in 2016, Associate Capital purchased the property for redevelopment.

Work is overseen by the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (Water Board).

Offshore Sediment Area

This area includes sediments in the San Francisco Bay near the former power plant property and the Port of San Francisco's Pier 70 (see Site Map below). The Water Board has approved a final cleanup plan called a Remedial Action Plan (RAP), for the Offshore Sediment Area.



Approximate boundaries shown. Map not to scale.



The cleanup plan, which was made available for public review and comment in fall 2017, includes two methods to address Offshore Sediment Area impacts: in-place treatment coupled with sediment removal, and capping.

We are now working to complete the engineering designs and permitting requirements. After all necessary permitting is complete, active cleanup is expected to begin in 2019.

Cleanup Preparations

This fall (2018), to prepare the Offshore Sediment Area for cleanup activities next year, we plan to remove approximately 40 large underwater, wooden pilings along the shoreline. The pilings were part of the former pier structures, and extend approximately 60 feet beneath the surface of the water.

Removal will be completed using barge-mounted cranes with vibratory hammers and chains. Once they are removed, the piles will be placed on an adjacent barge. The removed piles will be off-loaded from the barge onto trucks, for final disposal at an approved off-Site landfill.

Absorbent booms and bales will be used to minimize any runoff from the barge into the Bay. Water quality monitoring will be conducted daily to confirm the effectiveness of the runoff mitigation measures.

Absorbent booms will also be used to contain any potential floating debris within the work area. Any floating debris will be removed immediately, contained, and disposed of at an appropriate facility.

We expect pile removal work to start in late-September or early-October and take about 4 to 6 weeks to complete. Work hours will be 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, with limited weekend and evening work, if needed.

Health and Safety Measures

Nothing is more important to PG&E than the safety of our customers and the community. All work will be performed according to the Water Board-approved Cleanup Plan, a Health and Safety Plan developed specifically for the site, and permits issued by other agencies and the City and County of San Francisco.

While we anticipate a minimal amount of dust and odors during the pile removal project, a comprehensive air monitoring and odor control program will be in-place throughout the course of the work.

Air monitoring is designed to protect the safety of the community and site workers, and to confirm the effectiveness of soil management and dust control efforts. The program is set-up to provide us timely alerts if modifications are needed to our operations. In such cases, we will make changes immediately to maintain safe air quality.

Four air perimeter monitors will be in-place (upwind and downwind) on the Potrero Power Plant property and the adjacent Pier 70 property. The monitors will continuously monitor the air when work is being performed onsite and are equipped with alarms if set limits are exceeded. Should air monitoring results indicate elevated levels of dust or airborne contaminants we will adjust our dust management efforts as needed.

Odor control measures will also be in place and will include the use of odor-suppressing foam, covered storage containers and localized water spray, as needed.

For More Information

If you have any questions for the PG&E project team about our cleanup activities, please contact the PG&E Environmental Remediation Response Line at 1-866-247-0581 and leave a message. Calls are returned the same day or next business day. You can also email us at remediation@pge.com.