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## City of Lodi Endorses PG&E's Proposed Infrastructure Project

**LODI, Calif.** — Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) today applauded the Lodi City Council's unanimous passage of a resolution in favor of the Northern San Joaquin Power Connect project. PG&E has worked closely with residents, community leaders and local elected officials during the initial development of the proposed new electric transmission project, which will increase electric reliability, support continued economic growth, and help ensure efficient and safe delivery of electricity to homes and businesses in the county.

"Northern San Joaquin Power Connect will ensure we're able to meet the energy demands of the region's thriving residential, agricultural and industrial sectors. We are continuing to work closely with the community to determine the scope of the project, and we're grateful for the support of Lodi's elected leaders," said Dave Meier, senior manager of PG&E's Stockton Division.

Northern San Joaquin Power Connect includes the construction of new 230 kV high-capacity transmission lines to connect PG&E's existing Lockeford and 8 Mile substations with Lodi Electric Utility's existing Fred M. Reid Substation, commonly known as Industrial Substation, as well as upgrades to these substations. These critical investments will help provide a highly reliable and stable electricity source for more than 50,000 households and businesses in the region.

The resolution stressed the project's ability to ensure reliable transmission for local growers and strengthen the grid to meet increasing demands from Lodi's wine industry.

"We have a responsibility as elected leaders of our City to advance projects and initiatives that will benefit our residents and further economic prosperity. Lodi's wine region has seen tremendous growth in recent years, increasing tourism and revenues for our City. Projects such as Northern San Joaquin Power Connect will ensure our local industries have the energy they need to sustain their businesses and grow," said Lodi Mayor Mark Chandler.

Northern San Joaquin Power Connect will provide increased electric reliability and efficiency for Stockton, Lodi, Lockeford, Victor, Acampo and Thornton.

In 2012, the California Independent System Operator (CAISO), which manages the State's electrical grid, identified a need for new transmission capacity in the area. Northern San Joaquin Power Connect will strengthen the power grid by increasing system efficiency and expanding the electric system's capacity, which helps provide the flexibility needed to accommodate the region's growing energy demand. More information can be found by visiting the project website at [pge.com/northersanjoaquinpc](http://pge.com/northersanjoaquinpc).

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