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PG&E Seeks Feedback on Proposed Stockton-Area Infrastructure Project

STOCKTON, Calif. — Delivering safe and reliable electric service is a top priority for Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E). And Northern San Joaquin Power Connect, a proposed new electric transmission project, will do just that. PG&E will hold several public open houses to introduce and encourage feedback on the project.

As energy demand in the area continues to grow, Northern San Joaquin Power Connect will provide increased reliability and efficiency for customers in Stockton, Lodi, Lockeford, Victor, Acampo and Thornton. The project 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 Industrial Substation, as well as upgrades for these substations. These critical investments will allow PG&E to continue to provide a highly reliable and stable electricity source for more than 50,000 households and businesses in the region.

"The proposed Northern San Joaquin Power Connect project is a key component of our efforts to meet the needs of residents and the growing economy. This investment will help promote a strong commercial environment that attracts and retains a diverse group of employers and industries, and supports the thriving local wine industry," said Nick Glero, senior manager for PG&E's Stockton Division.

PG&E invites the community to attend three open house meetings to learn more about the proposed project and its benefits and to provide feedback.

PG&E Northern San Joaquin Power Connect Open Houses

Tuesday, December 1; 5-8 p.m.

Lodi Public Library, Community Room
201 W. Locust St., Lodi

Wednesday, December 2; 4-7 p.m.

Tokay High School, Cafeteria
1111 W. Century Blvd., Lodi

Thursday, December 3; 4-7 p.m.

Elkhorn School, Multi-Purpose Room
10505 Davis Rd., Stockton

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.

PG&E is committed to continued engagement with the community throughout the development of the project. These open houses represent the first phase of PG&E's three-part outreach program. Community input and field research will help shape the decision making process during this first phase of outreach, helping PG&E refine the project study area and develop potential corridors and routes that will then be shared with the community through additional rounds of workshops and open houses, during which PG&E will continue to gather community input to design a project with the least overall impact. The project will be submitted to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) for additional environmental review and public comment. The CPUC has final approval over the project, including the location of the transmission line routes.

In addition to the open houses, the project team continues to hold stakeholder meetings and engage with the local community. Residents who are unable to attend the open houses can obtain more information on the project website at pge.com/northernsanjoaquinpc.

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