



Keeping Trees Away From Powerlines

Utility Defensible Space



To protect you and your community, PG&E is working to reduce wildfire risk by trimming trees and clearing bushes, grasses and other vegetation near distribution poles in areas with the highest risk of wildfire. This work will help create an additional layer of protection to slow the spread of potential fires and improve access for first responders in the event of an emergency.



What Customers Can Expect

Within a 50-foot radius of the distribution pole, crews will:

- **Clear brush and shrubs** where possible
- **Trim grasses** to 4 inches in height
- **Remove surface-level fuels** such as fallen leaves, needles, twigs, barks, cones and small branches
- **Prune tree branches** that are within 6 feet from the ground
- **Coordinate with landowners** on potential herbicide use to slow regrowth



Once the work is completed, crews will chip and spread small debris if accessible with chipping equipment. Otherwise, debris may be removed entirely, relocated outside of the work area or, if the wood is too large to move, remain on the ground.



If any safety work is planned for your property, you can expect to be **notified by phone calls, postcards and/or door hangers**.



PG&E and contractor trucks may make multiple visits to complete this work. Safety measures will be in place at all times throughout the course of our work.



Learn More

If you have any questions about this safety work, please contact **1-877-295-4949** or wildfiresafety@pge.com.



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