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WILDFIRE SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD TO HOLD VIRTUAL MEETING ON THE DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE 2021 WILDFIRE MITIGATION PLAN UPDATES FOR LARGE **INVESTOR-OWNED UTILITIES**

SAN FRANCISCO, April 2, 2021 - The Wildfire Safety Advisory Board (WSAB) will host a remote access (virtual) meeting and is accepting comments on draft recommendations as follows:

WHEN: Wednesday, April 14, 2021, 1 - 4:30 p.m.

WHERE: Online via webcast; also available via conference line. Participation information is below.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the meeting and provide their input on the Board's Draft Recommendations on the 2021 Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP) Updates for Large Investor-Owned Utilities (IOU). Based on the volume of participants, input may be limited to three minutes. In addition to discussing the Board's Draft Recommendations, the Wildfire Safety Division will present an update. The complete agenda is available under meeting materials for the April 14, 2021 meeting at www.cpuc.ca.gov/WSAB.

The Board's Draft Recommendations on the 2021 WMP Updates for Large IOUs is available at www.cpuc.ca.gov/WSAB. Interested participants may submit comments on the draft report by April 9, 2021 by emailing WildfireSafetyAdvisoryBoard@cpuc.ca.gov.

Assembly Bill 1054, signed into law in July 2019, created the California Wildfire Safety Advisory Board, a board of independent expert advisors, to advise the Wildfire Safety Division within the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) on wildfire safety measures, including plans written by utilities, so the CPUC can more effectively regulate the safety of investor-owned utilities.

Additionally, the Board must review the Wildfire Mitigation Plans submitted by Publicly Owned Electric Utilities and Electrical Cooperatives and provide comments and an Advisory Opinion. The Wildfire Safety Advisory Board also serves as an additional forum for the public to provide input on the important topic of wildfire safety.

PARTICIPATION INFORMATION:

- Live broadcast with English and Spanish captions via webcast:
 www.adminmonitor.com/ca/cpuc
 - Participants will have audio and video but will not be able to make comments or ask questions. To make comments or ask questions, please join via the phone line.
 - o For captions, after clicking on the name of the meeting, click the green button below the video for captions. Then select captions by clicking on the white icon next to the word "live" at the bottom of the video.
 - o It will also be recorded and archived for future viewing.
- Conference call-in number: 1-800-857-1917, passcode: 1767567
 - Participants will be placed on mute in "listen-only" mode until the public comment portion of the meeting. Once the public comment portions of the meeting begin, participants may dial * 1 (star one) when they wish to speak to be placed in a queue by the operator.
- Remote participants may email questions during the meeting to: wildfiresafetyadvisoryboard@cpuc.ca.gov

Because of the changes related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the most updated information related to Wildfire Safety Advisory Board meeting will be available prior to the commencement of the meeting at www.cpuc.ca.gov/WSAB.

Additional information including an agenda is available at www.cpuc.ca.gov/wsab or by emailing WildfireSafetyAdvisoryBoard@cpuc.ca.gov.

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