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1 **PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY**
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5 **A. Introduction**

6 Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E or the Company) respectfully
7 submits its 2020 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase (RAMP) Report to the
8 California Public Utilities Commission (Commission or CPUC) pursuant to the
9 Commission’s direction in Decision (D.) 20-01-002.¹ This RAMP Report
10 constitutes the initial phase of PG&E’s 2023 General Rate Case (GRC), which
11 will incorporate matters formerly considered in the Gas Transmission and
12 Storage rate case. PG&E will file our 2023 test year GRC application in
13 June 2021.²

14 The 2020 RAMP Report represents progress on the joint efforts of the
15 Commission and its Safety and Enforcement Division (SED), Safety Policy
16 Division (SPD),³ PG&E, California’s other large investor-owned utilities (IOU),
17 and other stakeholders over the past several years to enhance risk-informed
18 decision-making through the Safety Model Assessment Proceeding (S-MAP)
19 and RAMP Reports. These joint efforts recently culminated in the CPUC’s
20 Decision accepting, with modifications, the S-MAP Settlement Agreement
21 (S-MAP Settlement Decision).⁴ This Report reflects PG&E’s first
22 implementation of the methodologies adopted in that decision.

23 This Report reflects the continued evolution of PG&E’s Enterprise and
24 Operational Risk Management (EORM) Program. The EORM Program enables
25 PG&E to: (1) identify those risks that could lead to catastrophic safety
26 consequences, (2) implement the actions that have the highest and most
27 cost-effective potential to reduce risk, and (3) transparently monitor and report
28 results. Consistent with Commission direction and stakeholder feedback, we

1 D.20-01-002, p. 3.

2 D.20-01-002, p. 3.

3 The SPD assumed the role of developing and recommending safety policy concerning risk assessment and risk mitigation from the SED.

4 D.18-12-014.

1 have made important changes to the EORM Program from the Risk
2 Management Program described in 2017 RAMP Report and PG&E’s 2020 GRC.
3 The most significant of these improvements are:

- 4 • Moving from a subject matter expert (SME) informed 7x7 risk selection tool
5 to an event-based risk register grounded in repeatable risk events;
- 6 • Using PG&E-specific and relevant industry data in risk analysis, whereas the
7 2017 RAMP often used proxy or incomplete data;
- 8 • Developing risk tranche analysis that reveals which aspects of a risk have a
9 disproportional impact on likelihood or consequences of risk events;
- 10 • Breaking out risk events into multiple outcomes to better determine which
11 drivers could lead to more severe risk events; and
- 12 • Increasing consistency in the evaluation of risk and mitigations and
13 beginning to deepen our understanding of compliance-based controls
14 across PG&E’s lines of business (LOB).

15 We will continue to refine and improve the EORM Program by implementing
16 future guidance provided in this and other proceedings, other IOUs’ RAMP
17 proceedings, and PG&E’s GRC proceedings. Our EORM Program will also
18 continue to benefit from and carefully consider stakeholder input.

19 Our implementation of the S-MAP Settlement Decision is explained in
20 Chapters 3 and 4 of this Report.⁵ We developed our Multi-Attribute Value
21 Function (MAVF)⁶—a foundational element of the S-MAP Settlement Decision—
22 based on the principles articulated in that decision.⁷ Using that methodology,
23 we performed a risk analysis and produced risk scores, and then used them to:
24 (1) identify top risks, of which there are 12, to be evaluated in this Report and
25 (2) develop the proposed mitigations to address those risks to advance our
26 mission to deliver safe, reliable, affordable clean energy to our customers
27 every day.

28 We include in this Report a high-level discussion of other safety risks,
29 including key drivers and mitigations. We have included a separate chapter in

5 D.18-12-014.

6 2018 S-MAP Revised Lexicon (D.18-12-014, p. 17) defines a MAVF as:
[a] tool for combining all potential consequences of the occurrence of a risk event,
and [it] creates a single measurement of value.

7 See Chapter 3, “Risk Modeling and Risk Spend Efficiency.”

1 which we describe relevant cross-cutting factors that impact PG&E's risks.
2 Finally, we provide a qualitative discussion of potential pandemic impacts and
3 our plans for incorporating the pandemic risk in future risk assessments. These
4 components, together with the RAMP risk evaluations, provide a holistic view on
5 how we are continually assessing our system and refining our risk management
6 processes.

7 **B. Background**

8 This is PG&E's second RAMP Report. It advances our work over the last
9 decade to continuously improve the EORM Program. The Report also
10 demonstrates progress in our understanding, analysis, quantification and
11 mitigation of risk. This is another significant step in our ongoing effort to address
12 the risks inherent in providing gas and electric service.

13 PG&E has enhanced its ability to identify and mitigate risk over the past
14 decade. In 2012, following the San Bruno tragedy, we transitioned our
15 then-existing Enterprise Risk Management Program to a more comprehensive
16 program with improved operational focus, increased use of analytics and greater
17 integration with the Company's planning processes.⁸ In subsequent years, we
18 began incorporating risk and mitigation analyses into our integrated planning
19 processes.⁹ Our goal is to be a leading utility in adopting and advancing
20 rigorous risk management practices.

21 More recently, we have been working to address feedback regarding our
22 first RAMP Report and our integration of the RAMP Report in the 2020 GRC.
23 These efforts have primarily focused on data and integration. As discussed
24 more fully below, we have improved our data collection and analysis and have
25 moved to integrate risk analysis and evaluation of mitigations across multiple
26 LOBs. Specifically, we have moved to an event-based formulation of RAMP
27 risks and the identification and analysis of cross-cutting factors, which are
28 drivers and/or consequences that may affect multiple event-based risks.

29 These improvements in data, integration and analysis are in response to this
30 feedback. Our heightened focus on data acquisition and analysis has led to
31 greater transparency and a more strategic application of subject matter

⁸ 2014 GRC, Application (A.) 12-11-009, Exhibit (PG&E-1), p. 4-1 to p. 4-3.

⁹ 2017 GRC, A.15-09-001, Exhibit (PG&E-2), p. 4-5 to p. 4-6.

1 expertise, two areas of concern raised by SED. In addition, PG&E has replaced
2 general industry data with more PG&E-specific data, consistent with feedback
3 from SED and intervenors. While there is more work to be done on
4 PG&E-specific data collection, this Report reflects progress in the analysis of
5 data informing event-based risks. Going forward, we will continue to gather
6 more granular data and disseminate it so it is used in risk-informed
7 decision-making.

8 Leading up to this Report, PG&E conducted three workshops with
9 stakeholders to transparently describe how PG&E would incorporate the S-MAP
10 Settlement Decision methodology into our risk management practices, propose
11 risks for evaluation in this Report, and solicit feedback received from the
12 Commission and parties.¹⁰ We reiterated our focus on tail events and explained
13 why this focus is both appropriate and necessary to retain line-of-sight on high
14 consequence tail events while using expected values in prioritization and
15 decision-making. We achieve this focus on tail events through the MAVF
16 scaling function, which enables us to “captur[e] aversion to extreme
17 outcomes.”¹¹

18 At the third workshop, held on February 4, 2020, we presented our
19 preliminary list of 12 RAMP risks¹² shown in Table 1-1 below. PG&E explained
20 at this workshop that the preliminary list was developed starting with the risks in
21 PG&E’s Corporate Risk Register (CRR).¹³ PG&E’s presentation included Risk
22 Event definitions, bowtie analyses, and documentation of data sources for each
23 risk on the preliminary list.

10 For a discussion of the contents of the three workshops, see Chapter 4.

11 D.18-12-014, Attachment A, MAVF Principle 5 – Scaled Units, p. A-5.

12 This public workshop is a requirement set forth in the S-MAP Settlement Decision. (D.18-12-014, p. 32.) The previous two workshops were not required. For a description of the workshops and the process for identifying the preliminary RAMP risks, see Chapter 4.

13 PG&E recently renamed its Enterprise Risk Register to Corporate Risk Register. The CRR consists of event-based risks with potential for severe or catastrophic outcomes to the company. The purpose of the CRR is to provide visibility and focus on these to facilitate leadership attention, monitoring, and oversight.

**TABLE 1-1
RAMP RISKS AS PRESENTED IN FEBRUARY 4, 2020 WORKSHOP**

Line No.	Risk Event
1	Wildfire
2	Third-Party Incident
3	Motor Vehicle Incident
4	Employee Safety Incident
5	Contractor Safety Incident
6	Real Estate and Facilities Failure
7	Loss of Containment (LOC) – Gas Distribution Pipeline – Non-Cross Bore
8	Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)
9	LOC – Gas Transmission Pipeline
10	Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets
11	Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets
12	Large Gas Over-pressurization Downstream

1 The 12 RAMP risks analyzed in this Report are the risks identified above.
2 PG&E modified the scope or risk definition of certain risks following the
3 third workshop. Any change to the risk is addressed in the risk-specific chapter.

4 We acknowledge and appreciate the significant contributions from SED,
5 SPD and other CPUC staff and intervenors at the workshops, and throughout
6 the decade-long journey to improve the methodology employed for systematic
7 and quantitative risk assessment and mitigation. This Report incorporates
8 feedback from the Commission and other stakeholders in a variety of forums
9 since PG&E’s 2017 RAMP Report, including the three workshops discussed
10 above. The Report also incorporates insights derived from our peer utilities’
11 RAMP Reports, including Southern California Edison Company’s RAMP
12 proceeding (Investigation (I). 18-11-006) and Sempra’s 2019 RAMP proceeding
13 (I.19-11-010) which was the first RAMP Report to implement the S-MAP
14 Settlement Decision methodology.

15 We have strived to implement the S-MAP Settlement Decision within the
16 compressed timeline for production of this RAMP Report. In D.20-01-002, the
17 Commission reduced the available preparation time of the Report by five
18 months. This change required us to be innovative, creative and flexible in
19 achieving the goals of the S-MAP Settlement Decision on a more compressed
20 timeframe. The analysis in this Report includes information as of May 2020.
21 Certain events after May 2020 are not reflected in this Report but will be
22 included in the risk analysis presented in the 2023 GRC.

1 The reduced preparation time, and the need to advance urgent wildfire
2 safety work, precluded PG&E from completing the evaluation of risk reduction
3 achieved through existing controls. As a start on this process, we have piloted
4 two control programs RSEs: Leak Management and Enhanced Inspection
5 Program.¹⁴ We appreciate feedback on our approach to quantifying these
6 controls as we will expand this analysis to additional control programs.
7 Deepening our understanding of existing controls is an essential next step in
8 advancing our risk management and we remain committed to completing this
9 effort.

10 The material that follows shows the improvements we have made and the
11 areas where further improvements are planned. As discussed more fully in
12 Chapter 2, we will present additional information and refinements in our 2023
13 GRC testimony.¹⁵ This Report presents both a snapshot of the current state of
14 our work and our commitment to further expanding our quantitative operational
15 risk modeling.

16 **C. PG&E’s Approach to Risk Management and the RAMP Report**

17 **1. Risk Management Is Driven by Data**

18 PG&E’s risk management efforts and this RAMP Report are increasingly
19 data-driven. In our 2017 RAMP Report, we identified the need to gather
20 better data as a critical next step for most risks. Since that time, we have
21 focused on developing, analyzing and refining PG&E-specific risk data. This
22 effort is reflected in this Report.

23 Improvements to our data have enabled a transition from a risk
24 management process that primarily relied on the judgment of SMEs and
25 industry data to a process driven largely by PG&E-specific data from
26 historical events, supplemented as necessary with SME and industry data.
27 All the RAMP risks incorporate PG&E-specific data, which most accurately
28 captures both the consequences and likelihood of trigger events in our
29 service area.

14 See Loss of Containment Distribution Main or Service (Chapter 8) and Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets (Chapter 11).

15 See Chapter 2 for a discussion of lessons learned and next steps. PG&E will provide RSEs for additional programs not included in this Report consistent with the thresholds in the S-MAP Settlement Decision.

1 We have improved data collection in areas having the greatest impact
2 on risk analysis. For example, in addition to using failure data to model the
3 frequency of risk events, our bowtie analysis incorporates root cause
4 analyses and data feedback loops, making the analysis more robust. We
5 also have begun collecting data on the causes of failure to help develop
6 more effective mitigations. The Company is broadening our focus to
7 understand “what happened” and “why it happened,” and using both to
8 anticipate and mitigate future occurrences.

9 This transition is ongoing. Our data collection efforts revealed gaps and
10 the need for additional data, including more granular data on the frequency
11 of specific drivers, failure modes, and the consequence of events.

12 Many of our data gathering processes are compliance-focused and, as
13 such, data collection and review have historically been directed at annual
14 reporting requirements rather than risk analysis. While keeping an accurate
15 count of events for reporting purposes is necessary, it is insufficient for the
16 purpose of analyzing risk. Therefore we are intensifying our efforts to better
17 understand failure modes, irrespective of whether a specific failure
18 constitutes a reportable event. For example, we are recording all ignitions
19 associated with PG&E equipment regardless whether an ignition meets the
20 CPUC reporting requirements. We can still learn from and reduce risks by
21 incorporating in our data events that caused an ignition, irrespective of
22 whether the event was of a sufficient magnitude to trigger a reporting
23 requirement. We can more effectively reduce wildfire risk if we understand
24 the cause of every ignition, which requires collecting and analyzing the data
25 necessary to do so.

26 Better risk-informed decision-making requires both better data and
27 better data analysis. PG&E is committed to continue to identify data
28 gaps and gather increasingly granular data to better inform our risk analysis.
29 We will continue to build on these data enhancements as we build our
30 2023 GRC.

31 **2. The Current Event-Based Risk Register Allows for More Transparent** 32 **and Consistent Identification and Ranking of Risks**

33 PG&E has transitioned to an event-based risk register that is developed
34 on an enterprise-wide basis governed and supported by the EORM

1 Department.¹⁶ This transition has enabled the consistent examination of
2 the likelihood and consequences of risk events across the Company.

3 PG&E consolidated a list of over 200 individual risks that informed the
4 2017 RAMP Report which resulted in 35 “event-based risks”¹⁷ at the end of
5 2019. This new list was the starting point for the risks addressed in this
6 Report. Some of the 200 individual risks previously identified were
7 recharacterized as drivers to, or controls for, risk events. For example,
8 “emergency preparedness and response risk,” (the risk resulting from failing
9 to appropriately prepare for and respond to emergent situations) is now
10 primarily viewed as a control for reducing the impact of specific Risk Events,
11 such as a “Wildfire” or “Loss of Containment – Gas Transmission Pipeline.”
12 Similarly, “Cyber-Attack” risk is now viewed as a potential driver for Risk
13 Events, such as Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets or Large Gas
14 Over-pressurization Downstream.¹⁸

15 Each Risk Event has a risk definition and a scope that defines what
16 qualifies as a Risk Event. Each Risk Event is then broken out into Tranches
17 to allow for more granular risk analysis.¹⁹ A data range sets the period
18 considered to establish the frequency of the Risk Event. These elements
19 are summarized in a Risk Event Summary for all the 12 RAMP risks. Each
20 of the 12 RAMP risks is discussed in its own chapter of this Report.

21 A consequence of adopting an event-based view of risk is that certain
22 risk drivers, controls, and/or mitigations may cut across multiple events.
23 Items that are not themselves Risk Events, but that can affect multiple Risk
24 Events, are identified as cross-cutting factors. These factors can affect Risk

16 The 2018 S-MAP Revised Lexicon (D.18-12-014, p. 18) defines a “risk event” as:
An occurrence or change of a particular set of circumstances that may have
potentially adverse consequences and may require action to address. In particular,
the occurrence of a Risk Event changes the levels of some or all of the Attributes of
a risky situation.

17 As described in Chapter 4, “RAMP Risk Selection,” PG&E has made additional
refinements to its CRR since 2019. As of May 2020, there are 33 event-based risks on
the CRR.

18 See Chapter 20, “Cross-Cutting Factors.”

19 The 2018 S-MAP Revised Lexicon (D.18-12-014, p. 18) defines a “tranche” as:
A logical disaggregation of a group of assets (physical or human) or systems into
subgroups with like characteristics for purposes of risk assessment.

1 Events in several ways. A cross-cutting factor can be a unique risk driver or
2 a component of an existing driver; it can impact the likelihood of an event
3 and/or its consequence. For example, Records and Information
4 Management (RIM) was a risk in the 2017 RAMP Report. RIM is now
5 considered a cross-cutting factor for several risks, including those involving
6 LOC and failure of electric distribution assets.

7 A reality of these cross-cutting factors means that some aspect of risk
8 management (e.g., controls or mitigations) that impact a Risk Event may be
9 managed by someone other than that Risk Event's owner. As such, the
10 identification and management of these cross-cutting factors are critical
11 components of our EORM success. As discussed in Chapter 2, PG&E has
12 formed a Vice President Risk Committee with representation from various
13 LOBs, which has taken on oversight of cross-cutting factors to ensure they
14 receive the same sort of rigorous review as is done for the Risk Events
15 themselves.

16 In Chapter 20, "Cross-Cutting Factors," we identify eight cross-cutting
17 factors that are evaluated in this RAMP Report. They are:

- 18 1) Climate Resilience;
- 19 2) Cyber Attack;
- 20 3) Emergency Preparedness and Response;
- 21 4) Information Technology (IT) Asset Failure;
- 22 5) Physical Attack;
- 23 6) RIM;
- 24 7) Seismic; and
- 25 8) Skilled and Qualified Workforce.

26 We analyzed many of these cross-cutting factors separately as
27 individual risks in the 2017 RAMP Report.²⁰ While these cross-cutting
28 factors are now incorporated into the bowtie analysis of the risk events, it
29 remains difficult to fully model their impacts and understand the
30 consequences of these factors. Given the condensed timeline to prepare
31 this RAMP Report, this is an area in which we did not achieve the level of

²⁰ PG&E described the weakness of the cross-cutting modeling approach in its 2017 RAMP Report and also received criticism from SED. See Chapter 20, "Cross-Cutting Factors."

1 analysis we had hoped. Chapter 20 summarizes the cross-cutting factors,
2 shows how they map to and affect the RAMP risks. In addition, many
3 RAMP risks have set forth a “climate focused” alternative mitigation plan to
4 identify the potential impacts that future climate factors may have on the risk
5 event and potential mitigations to address those impacts. We will continue
6 working to incorporate these factors into the risk event bowties and we look
7 forward to feedback from the Commission and stakeholders on this issue.

8 **3. PG&E Has Implemented the MAVF and Risk Analysis Methodologies**
9 **Pursuant to the S-MAP Settlement Decision**

10 **a. MAVF**

11 PG&E selected its list of Preliminary RAMP Risks by applying the
12 methodology in the S-MAP Settlement Decision.²¹ We started by
13 including the top 40 percent of Risk Events in our Corporate Risk
14 Register based on Safety Risk Score (rounding up as necessary). We
15 then examined Risk Events below the 40 percent threshold to determine
16 if they had a Safety Risk Score within 20 percent of the lowest scoring
17 Risk Event in the top 40 percent. If so, we added that Risk Event to the
18 list. This process yielded 12 Event Risks for the preliminary list. These
19 12 Event Risks are the RAMP risks shown in Table 1-1 above.

20 Consistent with the S-MAP Settlement Decision, we are
21 implementing a MAVF for each RAMP risk together with a bowtie
22 analysis. In the S-MAP Settlement Decision, the Commission agreed
23 with the SED that using a MAVF is:

24 ... a big improvement [that] dramatically advances [a] utility’s ability
25 to assess and prioritize risks, and offers many advantages ... ²²

26 The bowtie analysis facilitates the calculation of a risk score, which
27 reflects the probability of a risk event occurrence given the historical
28 frequency of key risk drivers and the potential consequences of the risk
29 event.

21 D.18-12-014, Attachment A, Step 2A, p. A-8 to p. A-9.

22 D.18-12-014, p. 44.

1 A MAVF measures risk consequences in terms of Attributes.²³
2 PG&E uses four Attributes: (1) Safety, (2) Gas Reliability, (3) Electric
3 Reliability, and, (4) Financial (excluding shareholders' financial
4 interests).²⁴ Environmental attributes are accounted for financially
5 (i.e., within the financial Attribute) because there are no commonly
6 accepted measures of non-monetary environmental consequences.
7 We believe these four attributes incorporate the essential elements to
8 deliver safe, reliable, and affordable service, which are also key
9 elements in driving customer satisfaction.

10 For each attribute there are natural units of measurement and a
11 range of potential values for these units that go from the smallest to the
12 largest observable value.²⁵ Using the Electric Reliability attribute as an
13 example, the natural units are Customer Minutes Interrupted per event
14 and the range of potential values goes from zero to 4 billion.

15 Each attribute is assigned a weight in the MAVF. The Commission
16 determined in the S-MAP Settlement Decision that potential safety
17 consequences of a risk event should be assigned:

18 ... a minimum ... weight of 40% to ensure that the safety attribute is
19 weighted most heavily.²⁶

20 PG&E's risk scoring methodology is consistent with this direction in
21 assigning a 50 percent weighting for safety consequences, a 20 percent
22 weighting for electric reliability consequences, a 5 percent weighting for
23 gas reliability consequences, and a 25 percent weighting for financial
24 consequences. This weighting reflects our focus on safety and is
25 consistent with the weighting used by the other large IOUs.

23 The 2018 S-MAP Revised Lexicon (D.18-12-014, p. 16) defines an "attribute" as:
An observable aspect of a risky situation that has value or reflects a utility objective,
such as safety or reliability. Changes in the levels of attributes are used to determine
the consequences of a Risk Event. The attributes in an MAVF should cover the
reasons that a utility would undertake risk mitigation activities.

24 D.18-12-014, p. 29.

25 Ranges are defined on a per-event basis. Pursuant to the 2018 S-MAP Revised
Lexicon (D.18-12-014, pp. 17-18), "... the largest observable value [of an Attribute] is
the high end of the range." PG&E interprets this to be based on historical and/or
plausible worst-case scenarios.

26 D.18-12-014, p. 45.

1 We use a scaling function to assign a score between zero (for the
2 most favorable outcome) and 100 (for the least favorable outcome) to
3 the natural units associated with each attribute. This scaling allows
4 attributes with different natural units of measurement to be combined
5 into a single risk score.²⁷ Converting each attribute to a common scale
6 also shows which attributes are the primary drivers of each risk.

7 We use a non-linear scaling function that has the effect of increasing
8 the risk scores associated with catastrophic outcomes.²⁸ This approach
9 is consistent with the S-MAP Settlement Agreement, which permits both
10 linear and non-linear scaling functions.²⁹ The non-linear scaling
11 function supports our risk management philosophy which seeks to avoid
12 low frequency, high consequence events that can have catastrophic
13 consequences. Chapter 3 provides additional explanation of why this is
14 the appropriate lens to use in scoring risks and mitigations.

15 **b. Risk Analysis**

16 Consistent with the S-MAP Settlement Decision, risk scores are the
17 product of the Likelihood of a Risk Event (LoRE), and the Consequence
18 of a Risk Event (CoRE) (i.e., "Risk Score = LoRE x CoRE"). The Safety
19 Risk Score only considers safety consequences. The Overall Risk
20 Score considers safety, electric and gas reliability and financial
21 consequences using the weights and scaling functions discussed above.
22 The likelihood is based on frequency data, which are reported as
23 expected number of risk events caused by a risk driver, per unit of
24 exposure, per unit of time.

25 Figure 1-1 below shows a simplified bowtie analysis, which
26 illustrates the relationship between a Risk Event and its Drivers and
27 Consequences. In the center of the bowtie is the Risk Event, which is a
28 well-defined, single, observable, and measurable event caused by the

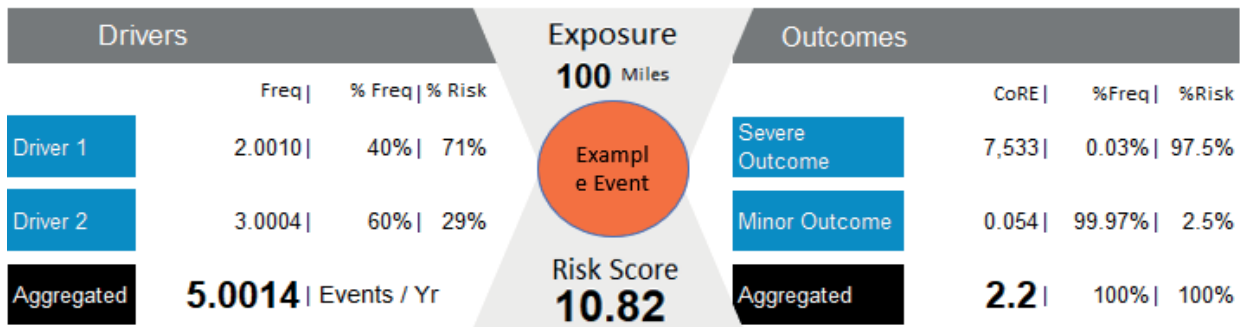
²⁷ The 2018 S-MAP Revised Lexicon (D.18-12-014, p. 18) defines a "risk score" as a:
Numerical representation of qualitative and / or quantitative risk assessment that is
typically used to relatively rank risks and may change over time.

²⁸ The S-MAP Settlement Agreement explicitly allows for the use of either linear or
non-linear scaling factors. (D.18-12-014, Attachment A, No. 6, p. A-6.)

²⁹ D.18-12-014, Attachment A, No. 6, p. A-6.

1 Drivers (characterized by Exposure and Frequency) on the left-hand
 2 side, which brings about the Consequences on the right-hand side.

**FIGURE 1-1
 ILLUSTRATIVE BOW TIE**



3 To develop a distribution of consequences, we performed Monte
 4 Carlo simulations of a consequence distribution for each attribute in
 5 natural units specific to each outcome for each tranche of a Risk Event.
 6 We use these simulations to produce CoRE as expected values of
 7 scaled units for CoRE each tranche of each Risk Event. CoRE values
 8 are multiplied to LoRE to produce Risk Scores per unit of exposure of
 9 each tranche. The Overall Risk Score for a Risk Event is a summation
 10 of the expected values that represent the individual tranche risk score.
 11 Like the attribute analysis, the tranche analysis further magnifies which
 12 conditions have a disproportionate risk impact.

13 This is the first RAMP Report where we have divided risks into
 14 tranches. We acknowledge that this initial effort is only the first step in
 15 disaggregating risk. Parties have suggested methods for further
 16 disaggregation such as tranches based on asset condition and further
 17 geographic segmentation. We support the tranches approach and
 18 expect to incorporate further refinements to achieve greater risk
 19 granularity when we have better data relevant to mitigation
 20 opportunities.

21 This risk analysis considers only direct safety consequences in
 22 computing Risk Scores. The Utility Reform Network (TURN) suggested
 23 that indirect safety consequences must be included to obtain accurate

1 Risk Scores.³⁰ We disagree. We cannot find a reliable methodology to
2 distinguish between those indirect consequences appropriate for
3 inclusion and those which are too remote in terms of time, distance
4 and/or causality. Without such a methodology, we cannot develop
5 reliable data on indirect consequences and, without such data, the
6 indirect consequences would be little better than a guess.

7 For the purposes of preliminary risk list identification, the scores
8 shown are 2019 annual scores. In recent months, we have incorporated
9 2019 recorded incident data, revised the models based on internal and
10 external feedback, and forecasted risk reduction based on planned work
11 for the current GRC cycle. We present these updated risk scores
12 throughout this Report, as the 2023 Baseline Risk Scores.

13 **4. Mitigations, Controls and Risk Spend Efficiency**

14 In addition to evaluating risk, the RAMP Report evaluates proposed
15 Mitigations:³¹

16 ... to provide the Commission and parties the kind of information that is
17 needed to direct limited utility resources and ratepayer dollars to the
18 mitigations and groups of assets that can produce the most risk
19 reduction benefit.³²

20 The data and risk model enhancements discussed above have
21 improved our ability to develop and analyze mitigation strategies.

22 PG&E has proposed a Mitigation Plan for each RAMP risk. The
23 Mitigations proposed are designed either to reduce one or more of the risk
24 driver frequencies or to modify the consequence outcomes of one or more
25 attributes. The connection between the Mitigation and the risk driver(s) or
26 consequence attribute(s) each Mitigation addresses is illustrated in
27 each chapter.

28 Each Mitigation is evaluated by comparing the overall risk score
29 associated with the Risk Event being mitigated before and after the

30 See WP 3-4 for TURN's February 19, 2020 letter.

31 The 2018 S-MAP Revised Lexicon (D.18-12-014, p. 17) defines a "mitigation" as a:
Measure or activity proposed or in process designed to reduce the impact /
consequences and / or likelihood / probability of an event.

32 D.18-12-014, p. 21.

1 application of the Mitigation. For each Mitigation, we calculate a Risk Spend
2 Efficiency (RSE), dividing the reduction in risk score by the cost of the
3 Mitigation (excluding any shareholder funded cost). This calculation is done
4 on a present value basis using the same discount factors for both the
5 numerator and the denominator.³³ While our previous RAMP model used a
6 6-year time horizon to evaluate benefits from mitigations, our 2020 model
7 includes benefits from proposed mitigations over their entire useful life.

8 We bundle individual Mitigations to create Mitigation plans. Each
9 Mitigation plan may include both Mitigations and “foundational” activities.
10 Foundational activities are programs or activities that do not have a
11 stand-alone risk mitigation effect but enable multiple Mitigations. They can
12 be thought of as initial work needed to implement future Mitigations such
13 as investments in IT infrastructure. Because foundational activities
14 generally do not themselves reduce risk, they do not have associated RSE
15 calculations. However, their costs are included with an associated
16 Mitigation in calculating that Mitigation’s RSE.

17 PG&E primarily reduces risk through controls. Controls are currently
18 established measures that modify risk.³⁴ Controls include operations, plans
19 and standards, emergency response procedures and other programs
20 required by law or policy to operate our LOBs. They are often associated
21 with compliance requirements. While the controls currently in place reduce
22 risk, we did not calculate RSE for all controls.

23 We see value in calculating RSE for controls, despite the challenges
24 inherent in this effort. During 2019, we redesigned our compliance driven
25 inspection processes to be risk based. This change enhanced identification
26 of risk factors and failure modes, which demonstrates the value of assessing
27 compliance-based controls through a risk lens. It is crucial that we better
28 understand both the mitigations and controls that may reduce the inherent

33 The use of a single discount factor is a change from the approach PG&E used in its workshops. TURN suggested that a single discount rate be used because PG&E proposed use of different discount rates for numerator and the denominator in the RSE calculation would bias the results. PG&E accepted this suggestion and has used a single discount rate for RSE calculations in the 2020 RAMP Report.

34 The 2018 S-MAP Revised Lexicon (D.18-12-014, p. 16) defines a “control” as a: “Currently established measure that is modifying risk.”

1 risks on our system. But no system of controls can eliminate risk from the
 2 dynamic open environment where the utility operates. Our risk program is
 3 designed to continually learn from incidents, make conditional assessments
 4 to evaluate the effectiveness of our processes and controls, and adjust
 5 those processes in response to new data and incidents.

6 **D. Organization of this Report**

7 The remainder of this Report is organized as follows:

**TABLE 1-2
 SUBSEQUENT RAMP REPORT CHAPTERS**

Line No.	Chapter	Contents
1	2	Risk Management Framework
2	3	Risk Modeling and RSE
3	4	Risk Selection
4	5	Safety Culture and Compensation
5	6	Pandemic Impact Evaluation
6	7-18	Individual Risk Chapters
7	19	Other Safety Risks
8	20	Cross Cutting Factors
9	21	Steady State Replacement

8 This RAMP Report includes a separate chapter for each of the 12 RAMP
 9 risks is presented in Table 1-2 above. Each risk is presented in a standard
 10 format with the same elements. Each chapter ends with an alternatives analysis
 11 showing the proposed mitigation plan and two alternative plans. Each
 12 risk-specific chapter addresses the first eight of the 10 steps in the Cyclo 10-step
 13 Risk-informed Resource Allocation Process with the final two steps to be
 14 addressed following issuance of the GRC decision.³⁵

15 **E. Conclusion**

16 The foregoing demonstrates our substantial progress in developing our
 17 EORM Program. To summarize, we have:

- 18 • Transitioned to an event-based RAMP Risk Register;

³⁵ D.18-12-014, p. 33. The two steps this process does not address are: Step 9: Adjusting mitigations following CPUC decision on allowed resources; and, Step 10: Monitoring the effectiveness of risk mitigations. These last two steps will be addressed after receiving the GRC decision, and in the submission of the Accountability Report, respectively.

- 1 • Collected and analyzed more PG&E-specific risk data;
- 2 • Integrated risk evaluation methodologies across the Company's LOBs;
- 3 • Identified cross cutting factors and begun incorporating them in risk
- 4 evaluation;
- 5 • Redesigned compliance-based inspection processes to incorporate risk;
- 6 and,
- 7 • Begun the work to develop RSE for control measures.

8 While all these efforts will help reduce risk, no system of controls and
9 mitigations can eliminate risk in utilities' dynamic, open operating environment.
10 Therefore, the goal of our risk program is to continually learn from incidents,
11 investigations, condition assessments, industry operational experience and other
12 risk professionals in order to continually improve our risk-mitigating processes
13 controls and efforts.

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4 **PG&E’S ENTERPRISE RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK**

5 **A. Introduction**

6 Pacific Gas and Electric Company’s (PG&E or the Company or the Utility)
7 Enterprise and Operational Risk Management (EORM) Department has centrally
8 governed the Company’s processes for identifying, assessing, mitigating and
9 monitoring risk since its inception in 2012. Our approach has evolved since that
10 time as a result of lessons learned, feedback from external stakeholders,
11 benchmarking, and risk management best practices. This chapter provides an
12 overview of the current state of the EORM Department and our practices,
13 including:

- 14 • PG&E’s Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) Framework;
- 15 • Changes since PG&E’s 2017 Risk Assessment and Mitigation
16 Phase (RAMP) Report; and
- 17 • Additional focus areas for improvement going forward.

18 **B. PG&E’s ERM Framework**

19 **1. Objective of PG&E’s EORM Program**

20 The objective of PG&E’s EORM program is to facilitate risk-based,
21 data-driven decision-making that results in measurable risk reduction.
22 EORM’s processes are based on the principles of the widely-used
23 International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 31000¹ risk
24 management standard and help the Company to systematically identify,

1 ISO 31000 is a family of standards relating to risk management codified by the ISO. The purpose of ISO 31000 is to provide principles and generic guidelines on risk management. ISO 31000 seeks to provide a universally recognized paradigm for practitioners and companies employing risk management processes.

1 evaluate, prioritize, mitigate, and monitor risks inherent in its operations.
2 PG&E uses bowtie analyses² to accomplish this objective.

3 EORM provides central coordination of risk mitigation with local
4 execution. Through application of the EORM framework and continual
5 improvements thereto, PG&E comprehensively identifies risks that could
6 lead to significant safety consequences at an enterprise level, and then
7 implements the actions that have the best potential to reduce risk at a local
8 level. EORM effectively and transparently monitors and reports results from
9 operations throughout PG&E's service area.

10 At its inception, the EORM program largely relied on a qualitative
11 approach to assessing and evaluating risks. Over time, however,
12 particularly with the significant developments from the Safety Model
13 Assessment Proceeding (S-MAP) and RAMP proceedings, PG&E's EORM
14 program has become increasingly data-driven and quantitative at all stages
15 of this iterative process.

16 **2. Purpose**

17 The EORM Department (Department) provides governance for PG&E's
18 EORM program and supports the Lines of Business (LOB), who are
19 responsible for identifying, evaluating, mitigating and monitoring the risks.
20 The Department is responsible for assessing those risks that have the
21 potential to be severe or catastrophic to PG&E and designating these as
22 risks on the Corporate Risk Register. Additionally, the Department provides
23 oversight by monitoring the status of the Company's EORM activities.

24 The EORM Program is an integral part of how we provide safe and
25 reliable utility service. The Department works with LOBs to:

- 26 • Identify and evaluate risks using a blend of qualitative and
27 quantitative techniques;

2 ² Bowtie analysis provides the framework for all risk assessments within scope of the EORM program. The bowtie analysis starts with the risk event at the knot of the bowtie and identifies risk drivers (threats) with their likelihood of leading to a risk event on the left side of the bowtie, and the potential outcomes with their magnitude of consequence of a risk event on the right side of the bowtie. The analysis is then used to quantify risk reduction from mitigations that reduce the likelihood of a risk event from each risk driver (left side of the bowtie) and/or reduce the magnitude of consequences as a result of the event occurring (right side of the bowtie). For a detailed discussion of our approach, see Chapter 3 of this Report.

- 1 • Develop risk response plans based on an analysis of reasonable
2 alternative mitigation strategies;
- 3 • Establish metrics to monitor risks and measure the effectiveness of
4 mitigations;
- 5 • Provide oversight to ensure the LOBs follow the standards and
6 procedures established and maintained by the Department;
- 7 • Implement the outcomes of regulatory risk proceedings such as the
8 S-MAP and RAMP;
- 9 • Facilitate cross-functional risk meetings to promote consistency,
10 continuous improvement, and sharing of best practices;
- 11 • Report to senior management on the status of EORM at PG&E,
12 including whether the LOBs have dedicated and qualified resources to
13 manage risks on the Corporate Risk Register consistent with their
14 mitigation strategies; and
- 15 • Manage a database to store the Company's EORM process records.

16 The Department provides strategy, analysis, and support for LOBs as
17 PG&E completes quantitative risk assessments.

18 **3. Organization Structure**

19 PG&E's risk governance structure is led by the Chief Risk Officer (CRO)
20 who, effective June 30, 2020, will report directly to the CEO of PG&E
21 Corporation. The CRO will also directly report to the Safety and Nuclear
22 Oversight (SNO) Committees of the Board of Directors³ and the Audit
23 Committees of the Board. The CRO will be the enterprise risk officer for
24 PG&E with oversight of risk assessment and mitigation. The CRO will have
25 oversight of risks associated with PG&E's operations and the environment
26 related to public safety. This will include, but not be limited to, nuclear risk,
27 wildfire risk, and risks of other natural disasters as well as new strategic
28 risks confronting utilities such as business interruption from attack, storms,
29 and other catastrophic events.

30 The Department consists of three groups: (1) Risk Quantification,
31 (2) Regulatory, and (3) Governance. Since the last RAMP, the size of
32 PG&E's Risk Quantification team has expanded from one PhD assisted by

3 The CRO reported to the Chief Financial Officer until June 30, 2020.

1 consultants, to a team of five risk professionals—four of which have PhDs in
2 a quantitative field.⁴ The Regulatory team supports EORM’s efforts to meet
3 its regulatory commitments including preparation of the RAMP, the General
4 Rate Case (GRC), and participation in other regulatory proceedings. The
5 Regulatory team includes two employees and has one vacancy. The
6 Governance team supports the governance of the EORM Program
7 (see below for description). The Governance team includes two employees
8 and has two vacancies.

9 In the Plan of Reorganization Order Instituting Rulemaking (“I.”) 19-09-
10 016 (“POR OI”)⁵ PG&E committed to a more regionalized structure in its
11 business operations. Regionalization will help PG&E improve risk
12 management by: (1) identifying local risks in each region;⁶ (2) improving
13 knowledge of the condition of local assets; (3) focusing on the needs of local
14 customers; and (4) improving local operations. This enhanced information
15 will then be used to assess the effectiveness of regional controls and
16 mitigations. A Regional Safety Director in each region will help improve
17 PG&E’s risk management by improving the gathering and analysis of data
18 regarding regional safety incidents including root cause analysis.

19 PG&E also has begun collecting data on the causes of failure for assets
20 in service, broadening our focus to include not only “what happened” but
21 “why it happened.” The intent of this effort is to better understand asset
22 conditions and take proactive steps to mitigate future occurrences.

23 While we have made significant strides by integrating tranche analysis
24 into our risk models, we do not yet have a deep understanding of local asset
25 conditions. Regional staff will have better insight into the condition of the
26 assets and the needs of the region. By understanding the local needs of

4 Please see WP 2-1 for a list of qualifications.

5 See *Order Instituting Investigation on the Commission’s Own Motion to Consider the Ratemaking and Other Implications of a Proposed Plan for Resolution of Voluntary Case filed by Pacific Gas and Electric Company, pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of California, San Francisco Division, In re Pacific Gas and Electric Corporation and Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Case No. 19-30088, I.19-09-016* (Sept. 26, 2019).

6 EORM plans to conduct a bottom up risk survey in each region to hear from front line employees on the condition of the assets, local issues that can lead to safety risks and barriers that prevent controls and mitigations from effectively reducing risk.

1 customers and the risk factors to our assets specific to that region, system
2 planners and engineering can design a more resilient system that is better
3 able to meet local needs and improve the risk management and safety of
4 the system.

5 **4. Governance**

6 Our risk management governance structure has remained largely
7 unchanged since the 2017 RAMP however EORM's role has increased
8 within the Company to reflect PG&E's heightened focus on reducing risk in
9 our operations. Our focus on risk is reflected at every level of the Company,
10 from the Board of Directors to individual contributors. We conduct "horizon
11 scanning" in different forums at different levels of the organization. These
12 forums where risk is evaluated, discussed and monitored throughout the
13 Company include:

14 Board Committees: Three Board of Director-level committees (Audit,
15 Finance, and SNO) provide oversight of Enterprise Risks and associated
16 mitigation activities. Board Committees receive updates on the risk
17 management program, approve the designation of Enterprise Risks⁷ and
18 Enterprise Cross-Cutting Factors⁸ and provide oversight to these Enterprise
19 Risks and Enterprise Cross-Cutting Factors at least every 12 months.

20 Vice President (VP) Risk Committee: An enterprise risk committee
21 comprised of VPs from each of the LOBs meets monthly, to oversee
22 progress made on risk focus areas and actions to reduce risk exposure.
23 The Committee also oversees risk management program strategy and
24 performs deep dives and challenge sessions into specific top risks. Since
25 the last RAMP, this Committee expanded its responsibilities to oversee the
26 cross-cutting factors to ensure these receive the same rigorous review as
27 event-based risks. The VP Risk Committee also provides a forum for raising
28 and resolving cross-functional issues.

7 "Enterprise Risks" are risks identified through the EORM Program as potentially catastrophic and recommended by senior management for Board-level review at least once every 12 months.

8 "Enterprise Cross-Cutting Factors" is the term used to describe cross-cutting risk drivers or controls associated with one or more Enterprise Risks.

1 Session D: PG&E’s CRO and Chief Ethics and Compliance Officer jointly
2 lead Session D, with Risk Owners and Compliance Requirement Owners
3 presenting specific risk and compliance topics related to their organization.

4 During PG&E’s annual Session D meeting, senior officers identify those
5 risks that could be most potentially catastrophic to PG&E, and therefore,
6 qualify as Enterprise Risks, which are then subject to Board Committee
7 oversight. Senior Officers also set annual risk management priorities for
8 measurable risk reduction for the Company’s top risks (i.e., those on the
9 Corporate Risk Register). The information derived from Session D, as well
10 as all other risk information from the other risk and compliance forums,
11 inform PG&E’s strategy and execution plans that ultimately form the basis of
12 PG&E’s GRC forecast and LOB work plans. There is also an annual
13 horizon-scanning survey as part of Session D.

14 Session D begins with an assessment of how the Utility performed
15 against the risk and compliance commitments made in the prior year. It then
16 transitions to a focus on the top risks and associated compliance items for
17 the Company, leveraging the outputs from the forums outlined above and
18 input from the most recent risk assessments and RAMP. For each of the
19 risks and associated compliance requirements identified for discussion
20 during Session D, key drivers and associated controls, mitigation strategies,
21 and any potential challenges are discussed and decisions, if necessary, are
22 made. The session ends with a look ahead through “Horizon Scanning” to
23 determine how prepared the Utility is to manage new or changing risks or
24 compliance requirements. The key outcome of Session D is leadership
25 alignment on the areas of focus for the coming year and an initial
26 assessment of the adequacy of resources to execute against the proposed
27 mitigation plans for the top Company risks.

28 Risk Management Community (RMC) Meetings: RMC meetings are held
29 monthly, where EORM leads a discussion with Risk Managers from all
30 LOBs, Compliance Liaisons, and other interested parties on various risk
31 management topics. Although PG&E follows an internal standard based on
32 the ISO 31000 standard, which helps achieve a consistent approach to risk
33 management throughout the organization, there is always room for debate
34 and interpretation. The RMC is the forum used to have this discussion,

1 share best practices, discuss challenges, and encourage employees to
2 speak up and raise issues as needed.

3 LOB Risk and Compliance Committees (RCCs): Each LOB conducts RCC
4 meetings chaired by the most senior Officer in the LOB to provide oversight
5 for risk and compliance performance and initiatives for which they have
6 ownership, raise and resolve issues, and share best practices. These take
7 place throughout the year, at least quarterly but most are monthly. Each
8 LOB RCC oversees the actions taken to actively manage the operational
9 and strategic risks inherent to that LOB.

10 If a pertinent issue is raised that requires further investigation, an owner
11 is designated with the understanding that the item will be tracked and
12 brought to the appropriate LOB's RCC for further review and resolution.

13 Dedicated Risk Managers in each LOB manage all risk-related activities
14 within that LOB, which includes: risk assessments and quantification,
15 reporting and governance, and tracking metrics and mitigations. EORM is
16 increasing the level of support it is providing to LOB risk managers by
17 embedding risk professionals in key areas to ensure: (1) the data, models,
18 assumptions and calculations used for decision-making have integrity;
19 (2) there are feedback loops to assess the risk reducing impact of executed
20 work; (3) the level of risk reduction achieved through compliance driven
21 processes and controls is understood; and (4) that there is "line of sight"
22 from the top risks to executed work.

23 In addition to the governance structure and forums described above,
24 there are additional tools we use to monitor and evaluate risk.

25 Guidance documents outline the ERM process including roles and
26 responsibilities for governance, oversight, execution, and support. These
27 documents were updated to reflect the change in methodology in the S-MAP
28 Settlement Agreement.⁹

29 The Enterprise Performance Huddle (EPH) risk dashboard tracks key
30 metrics and associated performance by LOBs. The EPH keeps the senior
31 management team apprised of the progress on the Company's most

⁹ See Phase Two Decision Adopting S-MAP Settlement Agreement with Modifications, Attachment A, Element No. 8, Risk Identification and Definition, D.18-12-014, p. A-7, (D.18-12-014).

1 important risk priorities, including the management of Enterprise Risks and
2 Enterprise Cross-Cutting Factors throughout the organization. The risk
3 discussion at the EPH focuses on risk reduction of PG&E's Enterprise Risks
4 and Cross-Cutting Factors and other risk-related commitments made
5 by LOBs.

6 The Corrective Action Program (CAP) enables employees and
7 contractors to identify and track equipment and safety issues, ineffective and
8 inefficient work processes and procedures, and provide suggestions on how
9 to execute work more safely or efficiently. All employees and contractors
10 with access to PG&E's computer network can enter an issue into the CAP
11 system via the intranet and mobile devices, phone and paper. A similar
12 system has been in place for decades at the Diablo Canyon Power Plant
13 and has been instrumental in supporting a speak-up culture.

14 **C. Key Improvements Since PG&E's 2017 RAMP**

15 **1. Multi-Attribute Value Function (MAVF) Methodology**

16 After the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC or the
17 Commission) adopted the S-MAP Settlement Agreement in
18 Decision (D.) 18-12-014, PG&E constructed an MAVF and implemented in
19 2019 the methodology for risk and mitigation analysis to be consistent with
20 the S-MAP Settlement Agreement. A description of how PG&E
21 implemented this methodology is found in Chapter 3.

22 **2. New Risk Models**

23 PG&E upgraded its first-generation RAMP risk models used in the 2017
24 RAMP. The 2017 RAMP risk models were based in Excel with the
25 off-the-shelf @ Risk add-in, commercial software for performing Monte Carlo
26 Simulation. While these models were tremendously useful for the first
27 RAMP, there were numerous challenges for scaling up to meet the needs
28 for increased modeling requirements under the S-MAP Settlement
29 Agreement and companywide adoption and usage. PG&E developed a new
30 Python-based model and implemented MAVF and risk and mitigation
31 analysis methodologies. The methodology implemented in this new risk
32 model is further discussed in Chapter 3. Key benefits of the new models
33 include:

- 1 • Capability to scale up the granularity of the bowtie modeling in terms of
2 number of tranches, drivers, sub-drivers, and outcomes, and the number
3 of mitigations modeled;
- 4 • Significantly faster runtime than Excel-based simulation models;
- 5 • No need to purchase license for each user since Python is free;
- 6 • Capability of defining a custom timeframe and modeling as many future
7 years as desired, allowing PG&E to account for factors such as climate
8 change and to model long-term benefits from mitigations such as
9 capital investments;
- 10 • Capability of performing sensitivity analysis;
- 11 • Usage of the same code for modeling all risks, with standardized input
12 and output formats;
- 13 • Easier aggregation of modeling inputs and results across the enterprise;
14 and
- 15 • Improved technical quality of simulation results that address high
16 sampling error for rare events.

17 **3. Event-Based Risk Register**

18 Shortly after filing its 2017 RAMP, PG&E began its transition from an
19 individual department-centric view of risk to a Companywide event-based
20 view of risk. LOBs throughout the Company identified the risk events the
21 Company should be concerned about given the Company’s objectives. The
22 LOBs also identified that certain of the previously-identified risks would be
23 more accurately characterized as drivers to, or controls for, those risk
24 events. At the end of the process, PG&E consolidated over 200 individual
25 risks to 33 risk events and 10 cross-cutting factors on the Corporate Risk
26 Register.

27 Key changes resulting from the transition to an event-based risk
28 register include:

- 29 • Some stand-alone risks became drivers to one or many event-based
30 risks. For example, “Cyber Attack” was previously a stand-alone risk;
31 however, in an event-based view, Cyber Attack is a driver to several risk
32 events, including “System-wide Electrical Disturbance (Blackout)” and
33 “Data Loss Event.”

- 1 • Some stand-alone risks became controls for one or many event-based
2 risks. For example, “Emergency Preparedness and Response Risk”
3 was previously a stand-alone risk resulting from failing to appropriately
4 prepare and respond. Now, it is viewed as a control or mitigation for
5 reducing the impact of a risk event, such as a “Loss of Containment on
6 Gas Transmission Pipeline Rupture” or a “Wildfire,” and is assessed in
7 its ability to respond to any severe event.
- 8 • Several LOBs must work together to reduce Company risk. Due to the
9 cross-cutting nature of elements of the event-based risk register (i.e. in
10 some instances there are risk drivers, controls, or mitigations that may
11 be managed by someone other than the risk owner), risk owners must
12 coordinate all risk management activities across LOBs to effectively
13 control, mitigate, and track risk performance.

14 Key benefits of the event-based risk register include:

- 15 • Improved ability to perform quantitative risk assessments;
- 16 • More objective comparisons between risks;
- 17 • Line of sight between desired risk reduction goals, planned actions, and
18 results achieved, including calculations of Risk-Spend Efficiency (RSE)
19 scores;
- 20 • Less overlap of risks, drivers, and controls;
- 21 • Pervasive drivers and controls can now be focused on specific risk
22 events, which will enable prioritization of cross-Company efforts, such
23 as records management and cybersecurity; and
- 24 • Consistency with the S-MAP Settlement Agreement.

25 **4. Commitments Following the 2017 RAMP Report**

26 In PG&E’s 2020 GRC, PG&E provided next steps to improve its Risk
27 Management Program. PG&E reports on the progress of these next steps
28 below:

29 **a. Quantitative Operational Risk Modeling**

30 PG&E has met its goal to quantify all risks in its Corporate Risk
31 Register except for two (Business Model Risk-Gas and Business Model
32 Risk-Electric). Completing the modeling of these risks required the
33 development of new skills, techniques, and data sources. The EORM

1 team has individuals with quantitative skill sets with the ability to develop
2 mathematical and statistical models using various modeling techniques,
3 and knowledge and experience in financial and market risk
4 management.

5 The risk models used to complete quantitative operational risk
6 modeling have significantly improved as described earlier, the new
7 models allow PG&E to model risks at a more granular level and also
8 provide the capability to roll up the risk scores at an aggregated level.¹⁰

9 **b. Modeling Mitigations and Controls**

10 PG&E also committed in the 2020 GRC to calculate RSE scores for
11 proposed control programs for the 2023 GRC. RSE scores will be used
12 for prioritization of programs that mitigate safety and/or reliability risks
13 identified on the Corporate Risk Register. This will include: (1) proposed
14 new risk mitigation programs; (2) continuation of existing risk mitigation
15 programs; (3) continuation of existing risk control programs (both
16 mandatory and discretionary); and (4) enhancing existing mitigations
17 and control programs.

18 **c. Data Quality Improvements**

19 PG&E has also made significant progress in utilizing PG&E-specific
20 data as much as possible to better understand the risks. The
21 quantitative risk assessments completed with the risk models have
22 allowed PG&E's LOBs to develop mitigation strategies informed by data
23 and analysis, rather than relying exclusively on qualitative assessment
24 and Subject Matter Expert (SME) judgment.

25 **d. Risk Model Governance, Oversight, and Evolution**

26 RAMP and the risk assessment methodologies developed following
27 the S-MAP Settlement Agreement have accelerated PG&E's progress in
28 risk management. Today, the Company has plans to further develop
29 and improve its risk models to improve decision-making. PG&E's risk
30 models now enable PG&E to look beyond the six-year time horizon in
31 the 2017 RAMP models. Benefits realized by proposed mitigations are

¹⁰ Model improvements are discussed further in Chapter 3

1 no longer bounded by any time frame in the model used for the 2020
2 RAMP. PG&E is creating a governance structure for the development,
3 maintenance and use of operational risk models, so that PG&E uses
4 consistent methodology for representing risk across the enterprise for
5 better risk-informed decision making. PG&E is also working on
6 centralizing inputs and outputs; model validation and acceptance; and
7 development of additional analytical tools for making decisions within
8 programs to further enhance its ability to identify, model, and manage
9 risk. All of these efforts are designed to enhance and improve risk
10 modeling repeatability and transparency.

11 **e. Commitments in PG&E’s Plan of Reorganization**

12 PG&E seeks to continually improve its EORM program in addition to
13 these recent advances. PG&E discussed its plans to progress its
14 EORM program in testimony in the Plan of Reorganization OII in the
15 following areas:

16 Risk Evaluation: Imposing additional rigor around risk reporting,
17 continuing and improving the use of the Bowtie Analysis as a standard
18 way of quantitatively evaluating risk and communicating the key drivers
19 of risk, the performance of critical controls, and the effectiveness of risk
20 reduction activities. Risk reviews will include, at a minimum: (i) a deep
21 dive view of the risk or risk topic centered on a Bowtie Analysis;
22 (ii) metrics that illustrate progress and effectiveness of mitigations over
23 time; and (iii) descriptions of any associated open high-risk audit items.

24 Risk Accountability: Each “enterprise risk” on PG&E’s “risk register” will
25 have an identified “risk owner” who provides a progress update at least
26 once every 12 months.

27 Risk Data and Spending: EORM will focus on developing the right data
28 sources to better inform decision-making and to make clear when risk
29 mitigation decisions are data-driven or based on subject-matter
30 expertise.

31 Organizational Structure: EORM will seek alternative perspectives on
32 how risk management is organizationally structured, how the EORM
33 program compares to out-of-industry best practices such as the

1 practices of airlines and other non-utility entities, and the quality of the
2 staff performing risk management functions.

3 Data regarding non-conformance: EORM will analyze data regarding
4 non-conformance events to improve the understanding of why the non-
5 conformance occurred -- not just identification of failure but
6 understanding the cause.

7 **f. Interrelationships Between Risks**

8 As PG&E continues to refine its approach to risk modeling, it will
9 make additional improvements to identify and understand how risks
10 interrelate. A more granular understanding of risk drivers obtained
11 through fault tree/event tree analysis, for example, may enable PG&E to
12 better understand how different failure modes interact with one another
13 to cause a risk event to occur. This may provide additional insights into
14 effective mitigation options for managing risk.

15 At this point, PG&E is still seeking to better understand the
16 interrelationship between risks and looks forward to working with the
17 CPUC, other utilities, and other parties to further explore this topic.

18 Chapter 20 of this Report discusses PG&E's cross-cutting factors,
19 which are drivers and/or consequences that may affect more than one
20 event-based risk. PG&E faced challenges capturing the impact of
21 these factors.

22 **g. Tracking of Associated Financials**

23 PG&E's accounting system (SAP) was not set up to track costs
24 associated with risk mitigations. The Company has adjusted SAP to
25 incorporate RAMP-related identifications to track mitigation costs for use
26 in future accountability reporting.

27 Additionally, one of the commitments made in PG&E's 2020
28 Session D was to develop and implement a process to access
29 risk-mapped financial data for each risk on the Corporate Risk Register
30 and related cross-cutting factors. This functionality will allow PG&E to
31 know how much money is being spent on each risk.

1 **h. Risk-Informed Budget Allocation**

2 As stated in the 2020 GRC, the goal for Risk-Informed Budget
3 Allocation (RIBA) is to use the outputs of the quantitative operational risk
4 modeling to enable consistent data-driven, risk-informed decision
5 making. By the end of 2020, RIBA scores will be based on the MAVF,
6 which will allow for this goal to be met.

7 **i. Next Steps**

8 As contemplated in D.18-12-014, there are various issues that will
9 be addressed among the Commission, other utilities, and interested
10 stakeholders in a future S-MAP rulemaking. These include portfolio
11 optimization, risk tolerance, and comparability across utilities. The
12 outcomes of that rulemaking, like its predecessor, will likely result in an
13 impactful change to our risk assessment methodologies. We look
14 forward to working with parties on integrating the lessons learned and
15 achievements of this RAMP Report into that upcoming rulemaking.

16 **D. Lessons Learned**

17 As described throughout this Report, we have significantly improved in our
18 abilities to identify, assess and mitigate risk. However, through this RAMP
19 process, we have further identified additional areas of opportunity to improve our
20 processes going forward. Many of these are interrelated and improvements in
21 one area will cascade into others. Our primary lessons learned for this
22 proceeding include:

23 Data Quality: PG&E's ability to execute critical work, as well as make
24 risk-informed, data-driven decisions may be limited due to poor data quality and
25 an absence of effective data management and data governance practices.

26 An enterprise-wide data governance initiative is currently underway at
27 PG&E. One facet of this initiative is to improve the quality of data used for
28 modeling and other purposes. Improving the quality of data available to be used
29 in risk modeling will take many years. PG&E is working on a framework for how
30 to proceed in times when insufficient data is available or available data is
31 low quality.

32 Risk Spend Efficiency: RSE scores are dependent on the data and
33 methodology that we use to estimate them, and they are also geared towards

1 programs that mitigate tail risks. While PG&E believes this is the right approach
2 currently, it highlights the different dimensions of risk management that should
3 be considered as we further develop the risk management framework.

4 Different units are used for planning work and modeling risks. Assumptions
5 made to translate those units to a common denominator introduce additional
6 uncertainty into the RSE. For instance, work units may be planned by
7 determining the number of assets to be replaced, whereas the risk modeling
8 considers the number of miles of exposure. In this example, conversion from
9 units to miles is based on the system average. In the future, efforts will be made
10 to have more granular work unit to risk exposure conversion. This will be
11 difficult, given that work plans are not established more than a few years in
12 the future.

13 Modeling – distributions and simultaneous events: Having a broader set of
14 distributions, including empirical distributions, will allow us to integrate the output
15 of asset-level integrity management models directly.

16 PG&E experienced a challenge in estimating conditional consequence
17 distributions for this Report due to a lack of data. Because extreme tail events
18 are rare, and in some cases, have not occurred to date, it is difficult to select the
19 correct probability distributions to use for consequences. Consequence
20 distributions impact the Consequence of Risk Event and therefore are an
21 important driver of the Risk Score. However, PG&E's Scaling Function caps
22 extreme events at a score of 100 Scaled Units, so the effects of large
23 over-estimation of extreme events is alleviated.

24 PG&E used common, well-defined distributions for consequences to prepare
25 this Report. For example, the lognormal distribution was selected for financial
26 risks and the zero-truncated Poisson distribution for Serious Injuries and
27 Fatalities. PG&E expects to do more work on estimating conditional distributions
28 by developing and, or, enhancing its data set of consequences and reviewing
29 and calibrating consequence distributions across the Risk Events on its
30 Corporate Risk Register.

31 PG&E looks forward to collaboration between the other utilities and other
32 stakeholders on the best way to model an event when more than one risk event
33 happens simultaneously.

1 Cross-Cutting Factors: PG&E has incorporated cross-cutting factors directly into
2 each risk bowtie to show the link between each cross-cutting factor and the risk
3 events. However, modeling cross-cutting factors remains a challenge.

4 Cross-cutting factors add to the complexity of each risk model. It is very hard to
5 represent explicitly the impact cross-cutting factors have on each specific risk
6 event due to the lack of data and the added complexity the cross-cutting factor
7 introduces to the bowtie. The fact that the cross-cutting factors and mitigations
8 are managed by cross-cutting LOBs rather than risk LOBs also complicates the
9 risk modeling and management. PG&E looks forward to working with
10 stakeholders to improve the way it models cross-cutting factors.

11 IT Asset Failure: PG&E has made progress in identifying IT assets that relate to
12 event-based risks but is not yet able to leverage the current assessment of asset
13 health to determine the likelihood of IT asset failure in the same way as with
14 other physical assets (e.g., electric or gas assets). As such, it is not yet possible
15 to meaningfully and systematically identify all high-risk IT assets (high likelihood
16 of failure and/or high consequence of failure). As IT Asset Failure modeling is
17 improved, the Cyber Attack risk assessment will also benefit, since Cyber
18 Attacks can drive IT Asset Failures and therefore impact risk events. The
19 current Cyber Attack modeling does not fully incorporate the relationship
20 between IT asset failures and risk events.

21 Granularity of Tranche Analysis: More granular use of tranches is an
22 improvement PG&E will implement in the future. A homogenous risk profile
23 across all assets in a tranche is the goal. As PG&E has more data to
24 characterize the likelihood of failure and consequence of failure across assets,
25 PG&E will be able to further refine our tranche definitions. For some models,
26 only consequence of failure was a consideration in tranche development.

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5 **A. Introduction**

6 This chapter provides a detailed discussion of the Multi-Attribute Value
7 Function (MAVF), Risk Score, and Risk Spend Efficiency (RSE) methodology
8 used to quantitatively assess risks and mitigations throughout this report. It also
9 includes numerical examples to illustrate how these methods are applied.

10 The Safety Model Assessment Proceeding (S-MAP) Settlement Agreement
11 Decision (the S-MAP Settlement Decision)¹ established minimum requirements
12 that satisfy and expand on Steps 1, 2 and 3 of the Cycla 10-step risk evaluation
13 process.² The Commission directs the large Utilities to implement the following
14 steps to analyze risk and mitigation choices in Appendix A of the S-MAP
15 Settlement Decision:³

- 16 • Building a MAVF – Step 1A
- 17 • Identifying Risks for the Enterprise Risk Register⁴ – Step 1B
- 18 • Risk Assessment and Risk Ranking in Preparation for Risk Assessment
19 Mitigation and Phase (RAMP) – Step 2A
- 20 • Selecting Enterprise Risks for RAMP – Step 2B
- 21 • Mitigation Analysis for Risks in RAMP – Step 3

22 Each of the Steps, and the associated sub-steps or “elements” are
23 described in detail in Attachment A, Appendix A to the S-MAP Settlement
24 Decision.

25 This chapter describes Steps 1A and 3. Steps 1B, 2A, and 2B are described
26 in Chapter 4.

1 Decision (D.) 18-12-014, Phase Two Decision Adopting Safety Model Assessment Proceeding (S-MAP) Settlement Agreement with Modifications.

2 The Cycla Corporation 10-Step Evaluation Method was adopted in D.16-08-018 as a common yardstick for evaluating the maturity of utility risk assessment and mitigation models. D.18-12-014, pp. 12-14.

3 D.18-12-014, p. 22.

4 PG&E recently renamed its Enterprise Risk Register to its Corporate Risk Register (CRR).

1 The terms used to describe the different elements of Pacific Gas and
2 Electric Company's (PG&E or the Company) risk model and risk analysis efforts
3 are based on the definitions provided in the S-MAP Settlement Decision.⁵
4 Terms that are not defined in the S-MAP Settlement Decision are defined in this
5 Chapter the first time they are used.

6 **B. Risk Management Approach**

7 PG&E's risk modeling, analysis and mitigation strategy is focused on
8 reducing the potential for catastrophic risk events and the consequences of
9 those events. In terms of risk modeling, this strategy entails paying special
10 attention to tail risk—the low frequency, high consequence events. We achieve
11 this in the 2020 RAMP by using a non-linear scaling function which gives a
12 greater weight in the risk model to low frequency, high consequence events than
13 to high frequency, low consequence events.⁶

14 PG&E is risk-averse in the sense that term is used in economics. Given a
15 choice between two mitigations that theoretically reduce the same expected
16 amount of loss, one of which is targeted at catastrophic (low frequency, high
17 consequence) risk events and another that is targeted at routine (high
18 frequency, low consequence) risk events, our preference is to select the
19 mitigation that targets the catastrophic events because of the uncertainty of their
20 frequency and consequence. Catastrophic events can have a more severe
21 impact than multiple routine events for numerous reasons, including:

- 22 • The maximum scope and consequences of certain catastrophic events,
23 such as a wildfire, are very hard to determine;
- 24 • The effects of catastrophic events have the potential to be concentrated in
25 one place and one time, disproportionately affecting communities;
- 26 • Catastrophic events can also overwhelm emergency facilities and
27 infrastructure; and
- 28 • Catastrophic events can have significant, unforeseen consequences that are
29 not factored into everyday operations and contingency planning, and
30 therefore have a greater potential to disrupt PG&E's operations (compared
31 to multiple low consequence events).

5 D.18-12-014, Attachment A, pp. A-2 to A-4.

6 PG&E's use of a non-linear scaling function is described in Section C.5, below.

1 We have learned through experience that the biggest risk events—those that
2 disrupt the lives of our customers, their communities and PG&E itself—are the
3 ones we need to avoid by clearly understanding what drives these events and
4 then taking the right steps to prevent them in the future.

5 **C. Multi-Attribute Value Function**

6 Step 1A in D.18-12-014 requires utilities to build a MAVF to evaluate and
7 rank alternative risk mitigation programs.⁷ PG&E’s MAVF reflects our focus on
8 low-frequency/high-consequence risk events without neglecting operational risks
9 (high-probability/low-consequence events).

10 Appendix A lists the six principles according to which the MAVF should be
11 constructed.⁸ The six principles are shown in rows 2 through 7 in Table 3-1
12 below.

⁷ D.18-12-014, p. 22.

⁸ D.18-12-014, Attachment A, pp. A-5 to A-6.

**TABLE 3-1
STEP 1A, PRINCIPLE 1 – BUILDING A MULTI-ATTRIBUTE VALUE FUNCTION**

Row No.	Element Name	Element Description and Requirements
1	MAVF	<p>A utility's MAVF should be constructed by following these six principles (see Rows 2-7, below).</p> <p>The MAVF is required to be built once, but the utility may adjust its MAVF over time. Any changes to the MAVF must adhere to the principles of construction set forth in Rows 2 through 7 below.</p>
2	MAVF Principle 1 – Attribute Hierarchy	<p>Attributes are combined in a hierarchy, such that the top-level Attributes are typically labels or categories and the lower-level Attributes are observable and measurable.</p>
3	MAVF Principle 2 – Measured Observations	<p>Each lower-level Attribute has its own range (minimum and maximum) expressed in natural units that are observable during ordinary operations and as a consequence of the occurrence of a risk event.</p>
4	MAVF Principle 3 – Comparison	<p>Use a measurable proxy for an Attribute that is logically necessary but not directly measurable.</p> <p>This principle only applies when a necessary Attribute is not directly measurable. For example, a measure of the number of complaints about service received can be used as a proxy for customer satisfaction.</p>
5	MAVF Principle 4 – Risk Assessment	<p>When Attribute levels that result from the occurrence of a risk event are uncertain, assess the uncertainty in the Attribute levels by using expected value or percentiles, or by specifying well-defined probability distributions, from which expected values and tail values can be determined.</p> <p>Monte Carlo simulations or other similar simulations (including calibrated subject expertise modeling), among other tools, may be used to satisfy this principle.</p>
6	MAVF Principle 5 – Scaled Units	<p>Construct a scale that converts the range of natural units (from Row 3) to scaled units to specify the relative value of changes within the range, including capturing aversion to extreme outcomes or indifference over a range of outcomes.</p> <p>The scaling function can be linear or non-linear. For example, the scale is linear if the value of avoiding a given change in Attribute level does not depend on the Attribute level. Alternatively, the scale is non-linear if the value of avoiding a given change in Attribute level differs by the Attribute level.</p>
7	MAVF Principle 6 – Relative Importance	<p>Each Attribute in the MAVF should be assigned a weight reflecting its relative importance to other Attributes identified in the MAVF. Weights are assigned based on the relative value of moving each Attribute from its least desirable to its most desirable level, considering the entire range of the Attribute. One means of incorporating a weighting process was presented in the February 17, 2017 Report of Joint Intervenor Test Drive Step 1 Results, "Specifying the Multi-Attribute Value Function," by Drs. Feinstein and Lesser.</p> <p>Weights are assigned based on actual Attribute measurement ranges, not a fixed weight arbitrarily assigned to an Attribute.</p> <p><i>However, given the California Public Utilities Commission's (CPUC or Commission) focus on safety, a minimum of 40 percent safety weight is established unless the Utilities can justify a lower weight based on their respective analyses. This requirement supersedes the other specifications stated above.</i></p> <p>For example, the Attribute weights will reflect the relative importance of moving the safety outcomes from the least to the most desirable levels as compared with moving financial outcomes from the least to the most desirable levels in a risky situation.</p>

1 **1. Implementing MAVF Principle 1 – Attribute Hierarchy**

2 Principle 1 requires that Utilities identify Attributes that are combined in
3 a hierarchy such that the top level Attributes are categories and the lower
4 level Attributes, or sub-Attributes, are observable and measurable.⁹

5 PG&E identified four Attributes: (1) Safety, (2) Electric Reliability,
6 (3) Gas Reliability, and (4) Financial, each with one lower-level Attribute.

7 1) “Safety” has one lower-level observable and measurable attribute:
8 Equivalent Fatalities (EF).

9 2) “Electric Reliability” has one lower-level observable and measurable
10 attribute: Customer Minutes Interrupted (CMI).

11 3) “Gas Reliability” has one lower-level observable and measurable
12 attribute: Number of Customers Affected.

13 4) “Financial” has one lower-level attribute: U.S. Dollars. Pursuant to
14 D.18-12-014 and D.16-08-018, shareholders’ financial interests are
15 excluded.¹⁰

16 **2. Implementing MAVF Principle 2 – Measured Observations**

17 MAVF Principle 2 requires that each lower-level Attribute have its own
18 minimum and maximum range expressed in natural units that are
19 observable during ordinary operations and as a Consequence of a Risk
20 Event (CoRE).¹¹ Table 3-2 below summarizes PG&E’s Attributes and
21 associated ranges.

**TABLE 3-2
STEP 1A, PRINCIPLE 2 – MEASURED OBSERVATIONS**

Line No.	Attribute	Natural Unit of Attribute	Range
1	Safety	EFs	0 – 100
2	Electric Reliability	CMI	0 – 4 billion
3	Gas Reliability	Number of Customers Affected	0 – 750 thousand
4	Financial	Dollars	0 – 5 billion

⁹ D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-5, No. 2.

¹⁰ D.18-12-014, p. 29, and D.16-08-018, p. 193, Conclusion of Law (COL) 37.

¹¹ D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-5, No. 3.

1 The S-MAP Settlement Decision defines the low and high end of the
2 Range of the Natural Unit to be a smallest and largest observable value
3 from a risk event.¹² PG&E uses the term Upper Bound to denote the
4 highest value in a Range. However, given the uncertainty in what the
5 largest observable outcome of a risk event might be, PG&E defines the
6 Ranges based on historical events and plausible high-consequence
7 scenarios. PG&E defines each of the natural units of the Attribute as
8 follows:

- 9 • An Equivalent Fatality is defined as the sum of Fatalities and Serious
10 Injury Equivalents per event occurrence. Serious Injury is defined as an
11 injury that requires in-patient hospitalization of an individual pursuant to
12 existing Federal and State reporting guidelines.^{13,14} Fatalities and
13 Serious Injuries are converted to EFs using the factors shown in
14 Table 3-3. The conversion rate from Serious Injury to EF is based on
15 the disutility factors for Serious Injuries relative to Fatality available from
16 Federal sources.¹⁵ The Upper Bound of the Range for the Safety
17 Attribute is based on EFs resulting from the Camp Fire rounded up
18 to 100.

¹² D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-3.

¹³ Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) § 191.3, Definitions: Incident. See also: <https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/data-and-statistics/pipeline/pipeline-facility-incident-report-criteria-history>, accessed June 25, 2020.

¹⁴ D.98-07-097, Appendix B, Accident Report Requirements, par. 3. See also, <https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/General.aspx?id=2090>, accessed June 22, 2020.

¹⁵ See Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Office of Aviation Policy and Plans, Treatment of the Values of Life and Injury in Economic Analysis, p. 2-3, Table 2-3, Updated September 2016, accessed June 19, 2020, at: https://www.faa.gov/regulations_policies/policy_guidance/benefit_cost/media/econ-value-section-2-tx-values.pdf.

**TABLE 3-3
EQUIVALENT FATALITY CONVERSION FACTORS
SIMULATED FATALITY OR SERIOUS INJURY QUANTITIES**

Line No.	Type	Equivalent Factor
1	Fatality	1.00
2	Serious Injury	0.25

- 1 • The Electric Reliability Upper Bound is based on the October 26-29,
- 2 2019 Public Safety Power Shutoff event consequence of approximately
- 3 3.6 billion CMI rounded up to 4 billion.
- 4 • The Gas Reliability Upper Bound is based on a scenario of an outage at
- 5 a critical gas facility.
- 6 • The Upper Bound of the Financial Range represents a financial loss
- 7 commensurate with a 2000-2001 Energy Crisis-type event. Costs
- 8 related to recent wildfires were not used to set the Upper Bound
- 9 because, pursuant to D.18-12-014, utility shareholders' financial
- 10 interests are excluded from consideration.

11 **3. Implementing MAVF Principle 3 – Comparison**

12 MAVF Principle 3 directs Utilities to use a measurable proxy for any

13 Attribute that is logically necessary, but not directly measurable.¹⁶ Since all

14 PG&E's Attributes are directly measurable, proxies are not used.

15 **4. Implementing MAVF Principle 4 – Risk Assessment**

16 MAVF Principle 4 states that when Attribute levels resulting from the

17 occurrence of a risk event are uncertain, the utility should assess the

18 uncertainty in the Attribute levels using expected values or percentiles, or by

19 specifying well-defined probability distributions from which expected values

20 and tail values can be determined. Monte Carlo simulations may be used to

21 satisfy this principle.¹⁷

22 PG&E employs a probabilistic approach to modeling Attribute levels.

23 The Attributes are specified by well-defined conditional probability

24 distributions with parameters derived from data and/or calibrated subject

¹⁶ D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-5, No. 4.

¹⁷ D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-5, No. 5.

1 matter expert (SME) input. Monte Carlo methods are used to simulate
2 Attribute levels from these distributions. Details about PG&E’s Risk
3 Assessment methodology and a numerical example are presented in
4 Section D.

5 **5. Implementing MAVF Principle 5 – Scaled Units**

6 MAVF Principle 5 requires Utilities to construct a scale that converts the
7 range of natural units to scaled units to specify the relative value of changes
8 within the range.¹⁸

9 The S-MAP Settlement Decision defines the Scaled Unit of an Attribute
10 as a value that varies from 0 and 100. The Scaled unit is set to 0 for the
11 most desirable level, and 100 for least desirable level.¹⁹ For any level of the
12 attribute between the most desirable and least desirable levels, the Scaled
13 Unit is between 0 and 100. Consistent with the S-MAP Settlement Decision,
14 PG&E’s Scaled Units reflect a 0-to-100-point scale, where zero reflects no
15 adverse consequences (i.e., no EFs, no reliability impact, or no financial
16 loss) and 100 corresponds to the Upper Bound of the Attribute Range.

17 MAVF Principle 5 provides that the scale described above can be
18 constructed so as to “captur[e] aversion to extreme outcomes or indifference
19 over a range of outcomes”²⁰ and that the “scaling function can be linear or
20 non-linear.”²¹ As described in Section B, above, PG&E’s risk management
21 objective is to prioritize the mitigation of risks characterized as low
22 frequency/high consequence (LFHC) events, even though their expected
23 loss might be the same as multiple high frequency events with low
24 consequences. To reflect this objective, PG&E uses a non-linear scaling
25 function that captures aversion to extreme outcomes, rather than using a
26 linear Scaling Function that would yield indifference over a range of
27 outcomes.

28 In the 2017 RAMP Report, PG&E used two measures of risk, the Mean
29 (i.e., the average of simulated losses), and the 90-100 percent Tail Average

18 D.18-12-014, Attachment A, pp. A-5 to A-6, No. 6.

19 D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-3.

20 D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-5, No. 6.

21 D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-6, No. 6.

1 (i.e., the average of the worst 10 percent of simulated losses).²² We
2 considered the 90-100 Tail Average to be an important metric because of
3 our desire to focus on the identification, evaluation and reduction of
4 catastrophic risks, given our past experience with risks.²³ Events since the
5 2017 RAMP Report, especially the Camp Fire, have highlighted and
6 validated the need for a continued focus on high consequence, low
7 probability risk.

8 The S-MAP Settlement Decision that sets forth the requirements for the
9 2020 RAMP does not give PG&E the opportunity to use the Tail Average as
10 a metric. The S-MAP Settlement Decision adopted a single measure of
11 risk—the Risk Score—which is the product of the Likelihood of a Risk Event
12 (LoRE) and the Consequence of a Risk Event (CoRE). The S-MAP
13 Settlement Decision further defines CoRE to be the weighted sum of the
14 scaled values of the level of the individual Attributes using the MAVF.²⁴

15 One effect of using the Expected Value of Attributes as the sole
16 measure for CoRE is that the tail risk of risk events may be obscured,
17 depending on what scaling function is used. A linear scaling function
18 essentially adopts the average of risk event outcomes as the measure of the
19 risk. It is indifferent to the distribution of those outcomes. Consider the
20 scenarios shown in Figure 3-1 and Figure 3-2 below, which represent the
21 potential safety consequence of two hypothetical risk events:

22 PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report, Investigation (I.) 17-11-003 (Nov. 30, 2017) (PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report), pp. B-15 to B-16.

23 PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report, p. B-16.

24 D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-11, No. 13.

FIGURE 3-1
HIGH FREQUENCY, LOW CONSEQUENCE EVENT WITH MEAN LOSS OF \$150

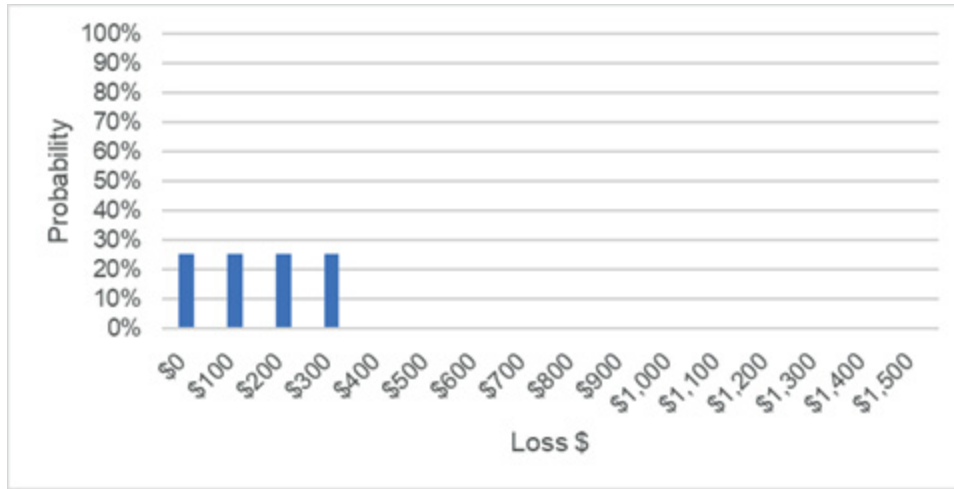


FIGURE 3-2
LOW FREQUENCY, HIGH CONSEQUENCE EVENT WITH MEAN LOSS OF \$150



1 Figure 3-1 represents a high frequency, low consequence event.
 2 75 percent of the risk events result in a loss, but the losses are small
 3 (\$100-300 in this example). Figure 3-2 represents a low frequency, high
 4 consequence (i.e. catastrophic) event. Only 10 percent of the risk events
 5 result in a loss, but that loss is large (\$1,500). In both cases, the mean loss
 6 for all the risk events considered together is the same—\$150.²⁵ Because
 7 their mean loss is the same, a linear scaling function would treat these two

²⁵ $(0.25 \times \$100) + (0.25 \times \$200) + (0.25 \times \$300) = \$150 = 0.10 \times \$1500.$

1 risks similarly, despite the large difference in the distribution of risk
2 outcomes.²⁶ By contrast, as described below, a non-linear scaling function
3 assigns a greater weight to low frequency high, consequence risk events, so
4 that mitigations for the risk in Figure 3-2 would be prioritized over mitigations
5 for the risk shown in Figure 3-1. PG&E uses non-linear scaling function
6 because it allows us to better understand tail risk and prioritize mitigations
7 for low frequency, high consequence events, consistent with our risk
8 management objectives.

9 In academic settings, MAVFs are used in conjunction with a utility
10 function²⁷ when extending standard, single-attribute utility theory to a
11 multi-attribute setting. The MAVF first establishes an ordering preference
12 for all the different combinations of attribute levels. The utility function,
13 either on its own or together with the MAVF, is then used to express risk
14 preference (i.e., risk-aversion, risk-seeking or risk-neutral). However, that
15 possibility does not exist in the framework of the S-MAP Settlement
16 Decision, which requires expected values to be used for the CoRE,²⁸
17 basically giving CoRE the role of the utility function. The S-MAP Settlement
18 Decision further requires that, “The CoRE is the weighted sum of the scaled
19 values of the levels of the individual Attributes using the utility’s full
20 MAVF.”²⁹ Mathematically, this implies $U(V(a)) = V(a)$, where U is the utility
21 function and V is the expected value of the multi-attribute value function.
22 The utility function is risk-neutral and, in the context of the S-MAP
23 Settlement Decision, cannot be used to express risk aversion. Therefore,
24 the only way to express aversion to catastrophic risk is through the Scaling
25 Function, consistent with MAVF Principle 5.

26 In Economics theory, Figure 3-2 is a Mean-Preserving Spread of Figure 3-1.
Risk-averse individuals will prefer Figure 3-1 to Figure 3-2.

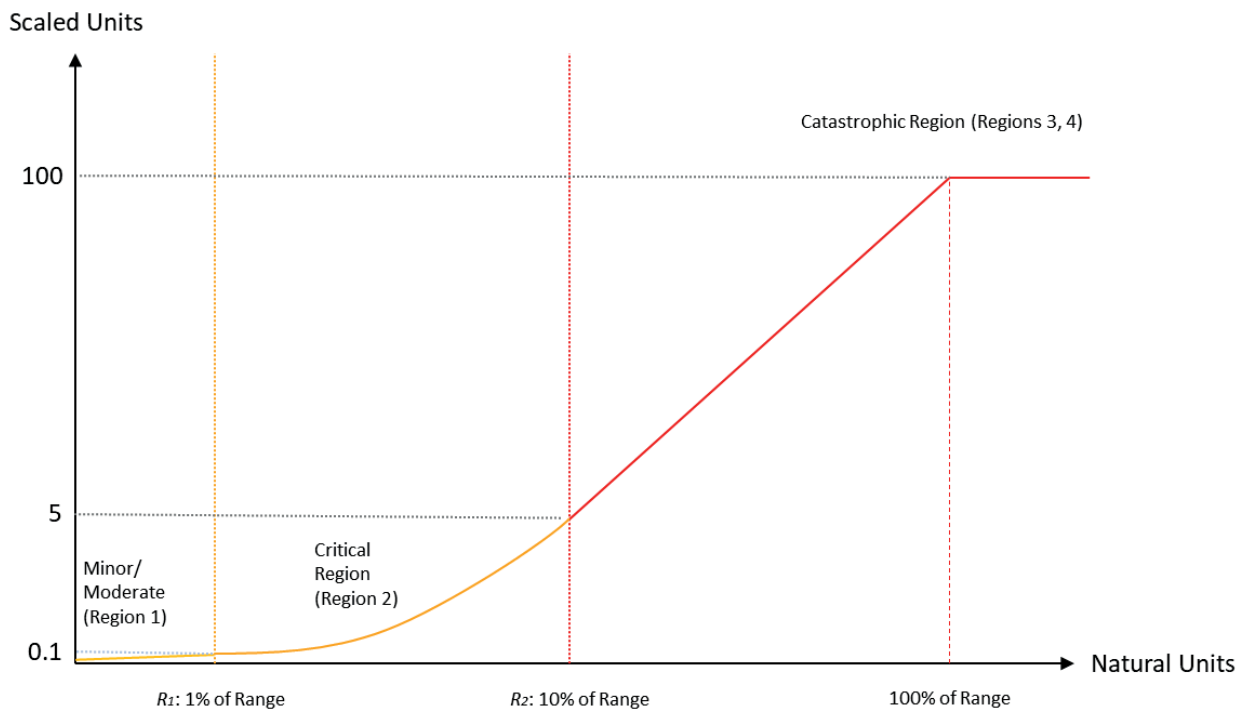
27 In general economics, a utility function measures preferences concerning a set of
alternatives. Here, utility refers to the general sense of the word (i.e., “utility: fitness for
some purpose or worth to some end”). Merriam-Webster.com Dictionary, s.v. “utility,”
accessed June 19, 2020, at <<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/utility>>.

28 D.18-12-014, Attachment A, pp. A-12 to A-13, No 24.

29 D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-11, No 13.

1 The non-linear Scaling Function used by PG&E consists of three regions
 2 that define its overall shape, illustrated in Figure 3-3. Each of the regions is
 3 described below.

**FIGURE 3-3
 NON-LINEAR SCALING FUNCTION FOR PG&E'S MAVF**



- 4 a) Minor/Moderate Region: Linear for natural unit consequence from
 5 0 percent to 1 percent of the Range. Events whose consequence result
 6 in this region are assigned Scaled Units between 0 and 0.1.
- 7 b) Critical Region: Quadratic for natural unit consequence from 1 percent
 8 to 10 percent of the Range. Events whose consequence result in this
 9 region are assigned Scaled Units between 0.1 and 5.
- 10 c) Catastrophic Region: Linear for natural consequence from 10 percent to
 11 100 percent of the Range (catastrophic events). Events whose
 12 consequence results in this region and beyond 100 percent of the
 13 Range are assigned Scaled Units between 5 and 100.
- 14 Mathematically, the Scaling Function, $S(r)$, used for all Attributes is defined
 15 in Equation 1.

FIGURE 3-4
EQUATION 1: SCALING FUNCTION FOR ALL ATTRIBUTES

$$S(r) = \begin{cases} 10r, & \text{Region 1: } r \leq R_1 \\ 10r + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{100(0.99 - 0.10)}{(R_2 - R_1)} (r - R_1)^2, & \text{Region 2: } R_1 < r \leq R_2 \\ \frac{100 - S_2}{(1.0 - R_2)} (r - R_2) + S_2, & \text{Region 3: } R_2 < r \leq 100\% \\ 100, & \text{Region 4: } r > 100\% \end{cases}$$

where

a: Attribute Level (e.g. \$ loss)

R: Upper Range of Attribute (e.g. \$5billion for Financial)

$r = \frac{a}{R}$: *Normalized Attribute Level*

$R_1 = 1\%$ *(Upper bound of Minor/Moderate Region)*

$R_2 = 10\%$ *(Upper bound of Critical Region)*

$S_1 = 0.1$ *(Maximum value in Minor/Moderate Region)*

$S_2 = 5$ *(Maximum value in Critical Region)*

1 For consequences in the minor/moderate region (Region 1),
 2 representing high-frequency/low-consequence events, a linear function with
 3 a relatively small coefficient is adequate because the resulting low
 4 consequence value is multiplied by a relatively high frequency of occurrence
 5 when risk scores are calculated.

6 As the consequence from a risk event enters the critical level (defined
 7 as 1 percent of the Upper Bound), PG&E's Scaling Function reflects growing
 8 risk aversion through a quadratic function. In the Critical region (Region 2),
 9 PG&E assigns an incremental value of between approximately 1 to 10 times
 10 the value of an incremental loss in a minor/moderate situation. This
 11 increase in Scaled Units can be seen in the increasing slope of a scaling
 12 function:

- 13 • Going from an Attribute level of 2 percent to 2.1 percent is
 14 approximately twice the increase in Scaled Units going from 0.0 percent
 15 to 0.1 percent;
- 16 • The increase in Scaled Units going from an Attribute level of 5 percent
 17 to 5.1 percent is approximately five times the increase when going from
 18 0.0 percent to 0.1 percent; and,

- The increase in Scaled Units going from an Attribute level of 9.9 percent to 10 percent is approximately 10 times the increase when going from 0.0 percent to 0.1 percent.

These increases were achieved by calibrating the quadratic coefficient.

Throughout the Catastrophic region (Region 3), incremental losses are assigned approximately 10 times the value of an incremental loss in a minor/moderate situation. The increase in Scaled Units (i.e. slope) going from an Attribute level of either 10 percent to 10.1 percent or 99.9 percent to 100 percent is about 10 times more than the increase going from 0.0 percent to 0.1 percent. This consistent increase is illustrated by the constant slope of the scaling function in the Catastrophic region in Figure 3.4. The linear coefficient for Region 3 was set to be approximately 105.6 to achieve this consistent increase.

PG&E places a maximum value of 100 on the Scaled Units and does not constrain the underlying Attribute level to the Range. For consequences above the Attribute Range, the Scaled Unit is capped at 100. Capping the scaled units has the effect of treating all extreme tail end results the same in the risk model even though it is possible that the consequences of an extreme event could exceed the maximum value of the Attribute Range.

6. Implementing MAVF Principle 6 – Relative Importance

MAVF Principle 6 states that each Attribute should be assigned a weight reflecting its importance relative to other Attributes defined in the MAVF.³⁰

PG&E uses the Attribute Weights shown in Table 3-4.

**TABLE 3-4
ATTRIBUTE WEIGHTS**

Line No.	Attribute	Weight
1	Safety	50%
2	Electric Reliability	20%
3	Gas Reliability	5%
4	Financial	25%

³⁰ D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-6, No. 7.

1 PG&E assigned the Attribute Weights to reflect the relative importance
2 of moving each Attribute from its least desirable level (i.e., Upper Bound) to
3 its most desirable level (i.e., zero). For example, the Attribute Weights
4 reflect PG&E's view that it is twice as valuable to move the Safety Attribute
5 from 100 to 0 EFs as it is to move the Financial Attribute from \$5 billion to
6 \$0. Assigning 50 percent weight to the Safety Attribute is in line with
7 PG&E's emphasis on safety and is also consistent with the S-MAP
8 Settlement Decision's requirement for a minimum 40 percent weighting for
9 Safety.³¹

10 **D. Risk Assessment**

11 This section describes how PG&E implemented Step 3, Mitigation Analysis
12 for Risks in RAMP. The objective of this section is to explain the methodology
13 used to develop the 12 models which probabilistically assess the likelihood and
14 consequence of various risks events reported in PG&E's 2020 RAMP Report,
15 Chapters 7 through 18. Each of these models produces a 2023 Baseline Risk
16 Score, which is calculated using the methodology discussed in Section D.1.d,
17 below.

18 **1. Bow Tie Methodology**

19 All RAMP risk chapters include a Bow Tie illustration, which gives a
20 visual summary of the drivers and CoRE. In the center of the Bow Tie is the
21 risk event, which is a well-defined, single, observable and measurable
22 event. In the example Bow Tie below, Figure 3-5, the Risk Event is a Loss
23 of Containment (LOC) on a Gas Transmission Pipeline.

24 In the following sections PG&E describes each of the Bow Tie elements:
25 drivers/frequency; outcomes/consequences; the risk score; and the
26 cross-cutting factors.³²

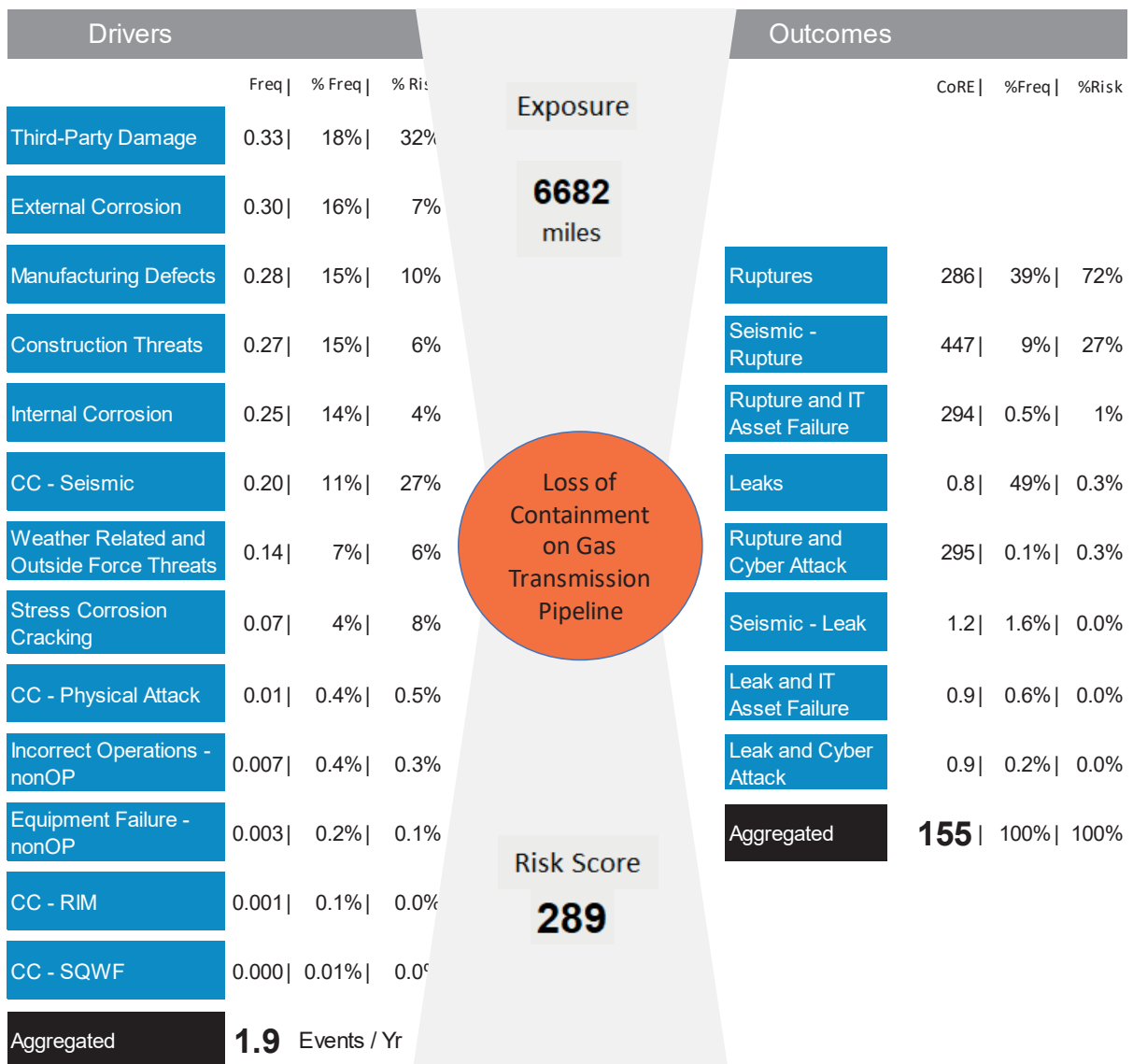
31 D.18-12-014, p. 66, COL 5.

32 Cross-cutting factors are not risk events themselves but rather they impact either the likelihood or consequence of other risk events. The cross-cutting factors are shown on the left side of the Bow Tie preceded by the letters "CC." On the right side of the Bow Tie they are shown in combination with other consequence events (i.e., Leak and Cyber Attack where leak is a loss of containment outcome and cyber attack is the cross-cutting factor).

1 The risk score shown at the bottom of the Bow Tie, in the center, is
 2 calculated as the likelihood of the risk event multiplied by the consequence
 3 of the risk event (LoRE x CoRE). Calculating the risk score is described in
 4 more detail below.

5 Please note the CoRE shown in the Bow Tie includes a scaler of 1,000.

FIGURE 3-5
RISK EVENT BOW TIE: LOSS OF CONTAINMENT ON A GAS TRANSMISSION PIPELINE



6 **a. Frequency of a Risk Event**

7 On the left-hand size of the Bow Tie are the Risk Event drivers and
 8 their associated frequencies. The set of drivers includes the causes or

1 threats identified for the Risk Event. Drivers are measurable events.
2 The annual frequency of a risk driver leading to a Risk Event is informed
3 by PG&E event data that is supplemented with industry data and/or
4 SME input when necessary. Certain drivers are further divided into
5 multiple sub-drivers (components of a risk driver),³³ where the further
6 division is useful and where data are available. Risk and mitigation
7 analysis can also be done at a sub-driver level.

8 Drivers are expressed as the frequency of occurrence of a Risk
9 Event per exposure *per year*, the time unit for the analysis. For
10 example, Figure 3-5 shows a frequency of 0.33 for the Third-Party
11 Damage driver (top left side of the figure) which means that in 2023
12 PG&E expects to have 0.33 loss of containment events on a gas
13 transmission pipeline due to third-party damage events if no mitigations
14 are implemented starting in 2023. The frequency of a Risk Event
15 associated with each driver is summed to establish the risk-level
16 frequency. Without implementing any mitigations starting in 2023,
17 PG&E expects to have 1.9 loss of containment events—the aggregated
18 number of events shown in the lower left corner of the Bow Tie.

19 **b. Potential Consequence of a Risk Event**

20 On the right-hand side of the Bow Tie, PG&E introduces Outcomes
21 to differentiate manifestations of a risk event that have significantly
22 different consequences (changes in Attribute levels representing the
23 impact of the outcome). Each Outcome is characterized by different
24 probability distributions over the applicable Attributes, determined from
25 PG&E data, industry data, and/or SME input. The consequences of the
26 Risk Event are shown in more detail in the Consequence Table in each
27 RAMP risk chapter. Figure 3-6 below is the Consequence Table for the
28 LOC on a Gas Transmission Pipeline risk.

³³ For example, the risk driver “Vegetation” in the Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets risk event includes three sub-drivers: tree contract; right-of-way encroachment; and, tree trimming.

**FIGURE 3-6
CONSEQUENCE TABLE: LOSS OF CONTAINMENT ON A GAS TRANSMISSION PIPELINE**

	CoRE %Freq %Risk %Cont %Risk Freq			Natural Units Per Event			CoRE			Natural Units per Year			Attribute Risk Score		
	CoRE	%Freq	%Risk	Safety EF/event	Gas Reliability #cust/event	Financial \$M/event	Safety	Gas Reliability	Financial	Safety E F/yr	Gas Reliability #cust/yr	Financial \$M/yr	Safety	Gas Reliability	Financial
Ruptures	286	39.0%	72%	1.0	41,573	5.3	115.0	164.8	5.8	0.7	30,234	3.9	83.6	119.9	4.2
Seismic - Rupture	447	9.2%	27%	1.7	48,067	8.5	247.2	189.0	11.0	0.3	8,261	1.5	42.5	32.5	1.9
Rupture and IT Asset Failure	294	0.5%	1%	1.0	42,149	5.4	119.7	169.0	5.5	0.0	403	0.1	1.1	1.6	0.1
Leaks	0.8	48.7%	0.3%	0.0	22	1.2	0.2	0.0	0.6	0.0	20	1.1	0.2	0.0	0.5
Rupture and Cyber Attack	295	0.1%	0.3%	1.0	42,059	5.6	120.4	168.4	6.0	0.0	106	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.0
Seismic - Leak	1.2	1.6%	0.0%	0.0	33	1.7	0.3	0.0	0.9	0.0	1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Leak and IT Asset Failure	0.9	0.6%	0.0%	0.0	23	1.3	0.2	0.0	0.6	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Leak and Cyber Attack	0.9	0.2%	0.0%	0.0	22	1.3	0.2	0.0	0.6	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Aggregated	155	100%	100%	0.6	20,939	3.5	69	83	4	1.0	39,025	6.6	128	154	7

1 For reference, the attribute ranges are shown again below –
2 Table 3-2 (above):

Line No.	Attribute	Natural Unit of Attribute	Range
1	Safety	EFs	0 – 100
2	Electric Reliability	Customer Minutes Interrupted	0 – 4 billion
3	Gas Reliability	Number of Customers Affected	0 – 750 thousand
4	Financial	Dollars	0 – 5 billion

3 In the LOC on a Gas Transmission Pipeline risk above, the
4 consequences of a LOC event include the potential for serious injury or
5 fatality (Safety), loss of gas service (Gas Reliability), and property
6 damage (Financial). The manifestation of these consequences depends
7 on the Outcome that causes the loss of containment. A leak is
8 sufficiently different from a rupture that modelling them both with a
9 single consequence attribute distribution does not fairly characterize
10 either. Having different sets of Attribute distributions for each Outcome
11 more precisely models the potential consequences of the Risk Event.

12 The probability distributions characterizing Safety, Financial and
13 Gas Reliability Consequence for the leak outcome are lower in mean
14 and variance across the attributes than the set of distributions for a
15 rupture. Furthermore, some drivers are more or less likely to lead to
16 lower or higher severity outcomes. For example, the Third-Party
17 Damage driver leads only to the rupture outcome, not a leak. In
18 contrast, External Corrosion, an important driver of LOC events, is more
19 likely to lead to a leak than to a rupture. Through this analysis, PG&E
20 can better identify and mitigate drivers strongly tied to the more severe
21 outcomes when elements on the left- and the right-hand side of the Bow
22 Ties are presented as specifically as possible, given the available
23 information.

24 The Bow Tie illustrated in each RAMP risk chapter lists drivers and
25 outcomes of the Risk Event, as well as the associated summary
26 quantities such as frequency, consequence and contribution to risk
27 score. Within PG&E's enterprise risk model, those elements can vary

1 by one or more of: time, tranche, sub-driver, outcome, and attribute as
2 summarized in Table 3-5.

TABLE 3-5
SUMMARY OF BOW TIE ELEMENT UNITS AND DIMENSIONALITY

Line No.	Bow Tie Element	Quantification Unit	Can Vary By
1	Exposure	Depends on risk event (e.g., miles of pipe, number of high hazard dams, number of employees)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Time• Tranche
2	Driver	Expected number of risk events per year (frequency)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Time• Tranche• Sub-driver• Outcome
3	Outcomes	CoRE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Time• Tranche• Attribute

3 **c. Tranches**

4 For each Risk Event, underlying the Bow Tie structure is a set of
5 tranches over which driver frequencies and Outcome attribute
6 distributions vary both in applicability and magnitude. Each tranche
7 includes a group of assets, a geographic region or other grouping that is
8 intended to have a similar risk profile. For example, the Employee
9 Safety Incident Risk includes two tranches—Office Employees and Field
10 Employees—distinct groups of employees with similar risk profiles within
11 each tranche. The Bow Tie is essentially defined at a tranche level
12 which provides a more granular view of risk and how mitigations will
13 reduce risk.

14 **d. Calculating the Risk Score**

15 Each RAMP risk has an associated Risk Score that is the product of
16 the LoRE and the CoRE.³⁴

17
$$\text{Risk Score per Unit of Exposure} = \text{LoRE} \times \text{CoRE}$$

³⁴ D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-11, No. 13.

1 CoRE is the weighted sum of Scaled Units representing the
2 consequence from an occurrence of a Risk Event on each Attribute
3 using the MAVF. To calculate CoRE using Attribute Weights and
4 Attribute Scaled Units, PG&E applies a Scaler of 1000. Specifically,

$$5 \quad \text{CoRE} = \text{Safety CoRE} + \text{Electric Reliability CoRE} + \text{Gas Reliability CoRE} + \\ 6 \quad \text{Financial CoRE}$$

7 Where:

- 8 • *Safety CoRE = Scaler (1,000) x Safety Weight (50%) x Safety Scaled Unit*
- 9 • *Electric Reliability CoRE = Scaler (1,000) x Electric Reliability Weight*
10 *(25%) x Electric Reliability Scaled Unit*
- 11 • *Gas Reliability CoRE = Scaler (1,000) x Gas Reliability Weight (5%) x Gas*
12 *Reliability Scaled Unit*
- 13 • *Financial CoRE = Scaler (1,000) x Financial Weight (20%) x Financial*
14 *Scaled Unit*

15 PG&E treats LoRE as specified per unit of exposure and expresses
16 Risk Scores equivalently as Frequency x CoRE at a Tranche or System
17 level:

$$18 \quad \text{Tranche Risk Score} = \text{Tranche Exposure} \times \text{LoRE} \times \text{CoRE} \\ 19 \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad = \text{Tranche Frequency} \times \text{CoRE}$$

$$20 \quad \text{Risk Score} = \text{Sum of Tranche Risk Scores over all Tranches for the Risk} \\ 21 \quad \text{Event}$$

22 Frequency (the number of occurrences per year) is directly
23 observable and easily understood. For events that are expected to
24 happen less than once per year per unit of exposure, the likelihood of
25 the risk event happening in a year for a Tranche and the frequency of
26 the risk event happening are equivalent (e.g., a 100-year flood has an
27 annual probability, or LoRE, of 0.01, and, the expected number of floods
28 per year, Frequency, is 0.01). For risk events that are expected to
29 happen more often than once per year per unit of exposure, the
30 likelihood of the risk event is 1 though the frequency of the risk event is
31 greater than 1. Frequency captures the difference between a risk event

1 that happens twice per year and 1,000 times per year, whereas
2 likelihood, as a metric, is unable to do so given a one-year time period
3 for analysis.³⁵

4 **e. Test Year Baseline Risk Score**

5 Throughout this RAMP report, all Bow Ties show the Test Year (TY)
6 Baseline Risk Scores for 2023—the TY for PG&E’s next General Rate
7 Case (GRC). Test-Year Baseline Risk Scores for 2023 are calculated
8 based on Frequency and Consequence of the Risk Event and may be
9 adjusted for estimated increases due to factors such as climate change
10 and cyber attacks and adjusted for estimated reductions in Frequency
11 and Consequence due to the effectiveness of mitigations that are
12 implemented prior to the start of 2023 GRC period.

13 **2. Modeling the Cross-Cutting Factors**

14 Cross-cutting factors are not risk events themselves but rather they
15 impact either the likelihood or consequence of other items (risk events) on
16 PG&E’s CRR.

17 PG&E presented three cross-cutting factors in its 2017 RAMP. The
18 cross-cutting risk model was dependent on the outputs from the other
19 stand-alone risk models. The cross-cutting models were not specific risk
20 events, but an aggregation of the associated stand-alone risk; each of the
21 stand-alone risks estimated what portion of the risk could be attributed to a
22 cross-cutting factor issue.

23 For the 2020 RAMP PG&E uses a new approach for presenting and
24 modeling cross-cutting factors. This new approach is responsive to
25 feedback from the Safety Enforcement Division (SED) that PG&E’s
26 approach to modelling cross-cutting factors in the 2017 RAMP lacked
27 specificity and transparency into the impact of the drivers and how they are

³⁵ A potential approach to this issue would be to vary the period for analysis (i.e., a month, a day) in order to compute a LoRE < 1. However, PG&E believes that varying the analysis period from a year would add complexity without substantial benefit, especially since PG&E’s enterprise risks have frequencies ranging in order of magnitude from 10⁻³ to 10⁴.

1 causally linked to the risk event.³⁶ In the 2020 RAMP, PG&E is now
2 integrating each applicable cross-cutting factor into the appropriate RAMP
3 risk models as a driver, driver component or consequence of that specific
4 risk. This new approach increases transparency and demonstrates how the
5 cross-cutting factors contribute to the frequency and/or consequence of the
6 RAMP risk events.

7 As described in Chapter 20, Cross-Cutting Factors, there are four ways
8 the cross-cutting factors are included in the event-based risk models.

- 9 a) Driver: Appears on the left-hand side of the Bow Tie as a driver and is
10 modeled identically to other drivers. Frequency of a Risk Event
11 associated with cross-cutting drivers is identified in the same manner as
12 for the other drivers based on historical frequency of those events, or
13 SME judgement if historical data is not available or sufficient.
- 14 b) Consequence Multiplier: When a cross-cutting factor affects a
15 consequence of an event for an Outcome regardless of drivers, it is
16 modeled as a Consequence Multiplier to the Natural Unit of the
17 simulated risk event outcome, affecting the CoRE.
- 18 c) Outcome: Where the impact of a cross-cutting driver differs from the
19 impact of the non-cross cutting drivers on the consequences of a Risk
20 Event (e.g., the severe Seismic outcome is driven solely by the Seismic
21 driver).
- 22 d) Escalating Frequency: Is applied as a Frequency Multiplier over time to
23 one or more applicable risk drivers (e.g., climate change).

24 **3. Modeling the Mitigations and Control Programs**

25 A mitigation is commonly defined as a measure or activity proposed or
26 in process that is designed to reduce the impact/consequences and/or the
27 likelihood/probability of a risk event. The adequacy and effectiveness of a
28 mitigation is assessed based on how much of the exposure is affected
29 (i.e., scope of mitigation), the impact on specific driver/sub-driver

³⁶ SED noted that PG&E's 2017 approach to modelling cross-cutting risks lacked the specificity and transparency into the impact of the drivers and how they are causally linked to the risk event. SED noted that it might be best to include the cross-cutting drivers in the appropriate stand-alone risk chapter to prevent duplication and better show how these components of risk contribute to the frequency of the risk event. PG&E, Risk and Safety Aspects of RAMP Report, I.17-11-003 (Mar. 30, 2018), p. 24.

1 frequencies (and how those frequencies may change over time), the impact
2 on the consequence of specific attributes, and the associated cost.

3 A control is a currently established measure that modifies risk, such as
4 standard operation/routine work that is undertaken as part of normal
5 business operations and is not a new program, or an enhancement to an
6 existing one.³⁷ Controls have no end date.

7 The benefits of applying mitigations and controls are represented by
8 percentage reductions in driver/sub-driver frequencies by tranche and
9 outcome, and/or consequence magnitude (e.g., the number of customer
10 minutes interrupted per risk event outcome as simulated) by tranche and
11 outcome. Mitigations are further defined by the duration of risk reduction
12 benefits once mitigation is complete, and effectiveness degradation with
13 time.

14 PG&E developed mitigation effectiveness workpapers for each
15 mitigation (excluding foundational mitigations that support risk reduction
16 activities but do not reduce risk themselves) and two controls (Gas
17 Operations Leak Management and Electric Operations Enhanced
18 Inspections). The mitigation effectiveness workpapers outline the
19 effectiveness of each mitigation, justification for that effectiveness, the
20 mitigation benefit length and the justification for the benefit length. The
21 mitigation effectiveness workpapers are included as part of the workpapers
22 for each RAMP risk.

23 **4. Risk Spend Efficiency**

24 Risk Spend Efficiency is a metric for representing the benefit to cost
25 ratio of a mitigation, where benefit is described in terms of risk reduction.
26 The S-MAP Settlement Decision states that RSE should be calculated by
27 dividing the mitigation risk reduction benefit by the mitigation cost estimate.
28 Further, the values in the numerator and denominator should be present
29 values and, for capital programs, the mitigation costs in the denominator
30 should include incremental expenses made necessary by the capital
31 investment.³⁸

³⁷ D.18-12-014, p. 16 (see, 2018 S-MAP Revised Lexicon, pp. 16-19).

³⁸ D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-13, No. 25.

1 PG&E's RSE results shows the risk reduction achieved per 1 million
2 dollars (\$M) spent. For example, a risk event with Frequency of one event
3 per year and Consequence of 40 million CMI has a risk score of 20.³⁹ If a
4 mitigation that costs \$10 million reduces the Frequency of this risk event by
5 50 percent (from 1 event per year to 0.5 events per year), then then risk
6 reduction (the difference between pre- and post-mitigation scores) is 10 and
7 RSE is 1.⁴⁰

8 When the benefit of a mitigation lasts more than one year, risk reduction
9 is aggregated by the present value of risk reduction over the benefit years
10 and the cost is aggregated as the present value of the costs over the spend
11 years. Equation 2 shows the RSE calculation:

$$RSE = \frac{NPV(\text{Pre-mitigation Risk Scores}) - NPV(\text{post-mitigation Risk Scores})}{NPV(\text{Program Costs})}$$

12 Where:

- 13 • NPV (Risk Scores) and NPV (Program Costs) are the Net Present Value
14 of the Risk Score and Program Costs.

15 The following sections discuss how PG&E has implemented the S-MAP
16 Settlement Decision requirements for calculating RSE.

17 a. Discounting

18 As noted above, in compliance with the S-MAP Settlement Decision,
19 PG&E shows the numerator and denominator of the RSE as present
20 values.⁴¹ PG&E uses a single discount rate, its After Tax Weighted
21 Average Cost of Capital (ATWACC) to calculate the present value of all
22 future costs and attributes. The base year for all discounting is 2020.

23 PG&E focused on two core principles when discounting:

- 24 1) Costs and benefits occurring over different time periods should be
25 assessed on an equal basis. Principle 1 implies a non-zero discount
26 rate for costs to account for the time value of money.

³⁹ Risk Score = Frequency x CoRE = Frequency (1) * Scaler (1000) * Attribute Weight (50%) * Scaled Unit (0.1) = 50.

⁴⁰ Risk Reduction = Pre-mitigation Risk Score (50) – Post-mitigation Risk Score (25) = 25.
RSE = Risk Reduction / Cost = 25/ 25M = 1 /\$M spend.

⁴¹ D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-13, No. 25.

1 2) All else being equal, RSEs should not change if both costs and
2 mitigations are offset by a period of time.⁴²

3 To achieve Principle 2, the discount rate for Attributes (i.e., in the
4 numerator of the RSE) must not only be the same across all Attributes
5 but also must be the same as the discount rate for costs (i.e., the
6 denominator). The ATWACC was derived as follows:

TABLE 3-6
2020 AFTER TAX WEIGHTED AVERAGE COST OF CAPITAL CALCULATION

Line No.	Component	Weight	Cost of Capital (%)	WACC		After Tax WACC
1	Debt	48%	5.2	2.5	x (1 - tax rate)	1.8
2	Common Stock	52%	10.3	5.3		5.3
3						7.1

Note: The ATWACC used in the risk model is based on PG&E's cost of capital as of the June 30, 2020 filing date for the RAMP. On April 22, 2019 PG&E filed its Cost of Capital Application (A.19-04-015) for TY 2020. When a decision is issued in that proceeding, PG&E will make updates to its risk model as required.

7 This discount rate was determined solely based on the Principles
8 and considerations above. Therefore, it is only valid in the context of
9 calculating RSEs in this RAMP Report and should not be extended to
10 other applications without further consideration.

11 **b. Mitigation and Control Program Mitigation Costs**

12 The basis of the program costs used to calculate the RSE are high
13 level capital and expense cost estimates developed by the RAMP risk
14 teams. PG&E used the best available information when calculating and

⁴² As an example of why Principle 2 is necessary, consider a program that starts immediately and runs for a set number of years, with costs only incurred during that period. All else being equal, the program should have the same RSE if it started one year later, otherwise one could simply defer or expedite the work to increase the RSE score with no fundamental improvement in the program.

1 estimating the costs associated with each mitigation. These costs are
2 included in the workpapers supporting this RAMP report.⁴³

3 Because PG&E's GRC forecasting process is still in the early
4 stages, the mitigation forecast costs to be included in the 2023 GRC
5 may be different from the estimates included in this RAMP Report,
6 including potential changes as a result of SPD and intervenor feedback
7 in this proceeding.

8 **c. Treatment of Capital Costs**

9 To account for the incremental expenses associated with the capital
10 investments such as depreciation and return on equity over the book life
11 of an asset, PG&E is considering using an estimated Revenue
12 Requirement associated with capital spend. Using the Revenue
13 Requirement to calculate NPV would allow for a direct comparison
14 between the RSEs for capital programs and the RSEs for expense
15 programs by normalizing the risk reduction per dollar spent. Using an
16 estimated revenue requirement will lead to lower RSEs for capital
17 programs because the revenue costs will be included. PG&E would like
18 SPD's and intervenor feedback on this approach and suggests that this
19 issue should be considered in the forthcoming S-MAP rulemaking.

20 **d. Pre-Mitigation and Post-Mitigation Risk Scores**

21 Pursuant to the S-MAP Settlement Decision, PG&E calculated
22 pre- and post-mitigation risk scores for each year that proposed
23 mitigations are in effect.⁴⁴

24 For this 2020 RAMP, PG&E defines the different periods as:

- 25 • Pre-mitigation: For programs planned for the GRC period
26 (2023-2026) PG&E calculates a pre-mitigation program score that
27 accounts for the benefits from any mitigations that are planned for
28 2020–2022.

⁴³ Each RAMP risk chapter (Chapters 7 to 18) and the Cross-Cutting Factor chapter (Chapter 20) includes cost tables and supporting financial workpapers that show the costs from 2020 through 2026 used to develop the RSE.

⁴⁴ D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-11, No. 13.

- 2023 TY Baseline: PG&E's upcoming GRC TY.
- Post-Mitigation: The benefits from proposed mitigations for the 2023-2026 GRC period are accounted for in the Post-mitigation Risk Scores.

e. Risk Reduction

The Risk Reduction Score captures all the program's benefits and is not limited by the GRC time period. For example, gas pipeline replacement assumes a capital life of 80 years so the benefits are assumed to accrue over all 80 years.

Certain programs in this RAMP Report benefit multiple risks. For example: (1) PG&E proposes mitigations (e.g., Enhanced Vegetation Management) that will reduce the risk of both a Wildfire and a Failure of Distribution Overhead Asset Failure risk event; and (2) PG&E proposes a mitigation (3A and 4C Line Reclosers) that will reduce risk of both an Electric Distribution Overhead Asset Failure and a Third-Party Safety Incident.

For mitigations that benefit multiple risks, PG&E includes the impact of the mitigation in the calculation of the Risk Reduction score for each RAMP risk that benefits from the mitigation. When calculating RSE, however, in instances where a mitigation benefits more than one risk, the mitigation budget is only aligned to the primary RAMP risk event.⁴⁵ For example, the budget for the Enhanced Vegetation Management is aligned to the primary RAMP risk of Wildfire and PG&E only calculates an RSE for the risk to which the budget is aligned. This approach avoids counting a single mitigation spend twice.

Many of the cross-cutting mitigations (mitigations aligned to the cross-cutting factors) address multiple RAMP risk events. The Risk Reduction for these mitigations is calculated at the risk level and then summed across each risk. The risk reduction is presented at the cross-cutting factor level (e.g., a Risk Reduction score is provided for all

⁴⁵ The one exception is related to the Skilled and Qualified Workforce (SQWF) cross-cutting factor. The costs for implementing the SQWF mitigation is divided equally between the Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets risk event and the Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets risk event.

1 Records and Information Management mitigations combined) and then
2 allocated to each RAMP risk the cross-cutting factor impacts.

3 Some mitigations in the RAMP risk portfolios also benefit risks
4 included as Other Safety Risks (Chapter 19) and/or additional PG&E
5 risks not included in this RAMP Report. PG&E considers these
6 mitigations' risk reduction value for the RAMP risks only.

7 The S-MAP Settlement Decision states that utilities should provide
8 the pre- and post-mitigation values for the effects of a mitigation at the
9 tranche level.⁴⁶ PG&E provides pre- and post-mitigation values for
10 each RAMP risk at the tranche level in supporting workpapers.⁴⁷

11 **f. Tranche-Level RSE**

12 The S-MAP Settlement Decision states that Utilities should provide
13 RSEs at the tranche level. PG&E provides RSEs at the tranche level for
14 each risk in supporting workpapers.⁴⁸

15 To calculate tranche-level RSEs, the risk model requires a
16 tranche-level cost estimate for each mitigation and control. The risk
17 owners provided the mitigation and/or control costs at the tranche
18 level.⁴⁹ This approach is consistent with the S-MAP Settlement
19 Decision which requires RSEs to reflect the full set of benefits that result
20 from the incurred costs.⁵⁰

21 Many of the cross-cutting mitigations address multiple RAMP risk
22 events, but the costs cannot be meaningfully separated or allocated.
23 Therefore, the RSEs for the cross-cutting mitigations are provided at the
24 cross-cutting factor level (e.g., one RSE is provided for all Records and
25 Information Management mitigations combined).

⁴⁶ D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-12, No. 16.

⁴⁷ See WP 3-5.

⁴⁸ See WP 3-19.

⁴⁹ The modeling workpaper input files show the tranche-level costs. Modeling input files will be provided July 17, 2020.

⁵⁰ D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-13, No. 25.

1 **g. Foundational Mitigations**

2 PG&E defines foundational mitigations as those programs that
3 support multiple mitigations that reduce risk, but do not reduce the risk
4 themselves. PG&E does not allocate the costs of foundational
5 mitigations among the mitigations they support because the costs
6 cannot be allocated in a meaningful way.

7 Foundational mitigations are, by definition, assigned an RSE of 0
8 and marked as such in the analyses.

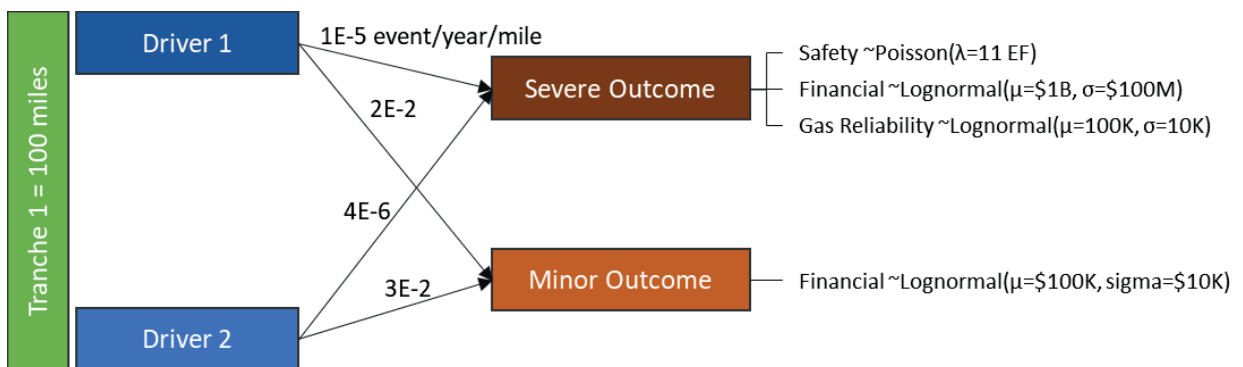
9 Certain actions that could be considered foundational mitigations
10 are necessary to support a *single* mitigation program. PG&E includes
11 the costs for these actions as part of the cost of the mitigation program
12 they enable and does not consider them foundational mitigations.

13 **5. Risk Analysis Example: MAVF, Risk Score, Risk Reduction, and RSE**

14 This section walks through an example of how a simple Bow Tie model
15 (shown in Figure 3-7 below) is used to compute Risk Spend Efficiency
16 values for two proposed mitigations and addresses:

- 17 a) LoRE;
- 18 b) CoRE;
- 19 c) Expected Value from simulated CoRE;
- 20 d) Risk Score;
- 21 e) Risk Reduction; and
- 22 f) Risk-Spend Efficiency.

**FIGURE 3-7
EXAMPLE BOW TIE INPUT ASSUMPTIONS**



Note: Poisson and Lognormal refer to the parametric probability distributions used to model the outcome of the risk event.

- 1 The example Bow Tie in Figure 3-7 includes:
- 2 • Two drivers – Driver 1 and Driver 2;
 - 3 • Two Outcomes – Minor and Severe;
 - 4 • One tranche, Tranche 1, defined by an exposure of 100 miles of an
 - 5 asset;
 - 6 • The risk event is characterized by potential Safety, Gas Reliability, and
 - 7 Financial consequences;
 - 8 • The Minor outcome has only Financial consequences; and
 - 9 • The Severe outcome has greater Financial consequences, as well as
 - 10 Safety and Reliability impacts.

11 The two distinct outcomes for this single risk event, allows the model to

12 capture the low frequency high consequence outcome and the high

13 frequency low consequence outcome, each of which have uncertainty

14 regarding the magnitude of the consequences.

15 **a. Likelihood of Risk Event**

16 Likelihood of Risk Event is calculated per tranche-outcome-driver.

17 The example Bow Tie in Figure 3-7, with one tranche, two drivers, and

18 two Outcomes requires ($1 \times 2 \times 2 = 4$) four frequency values.

19 Where there is more than one tranche, PG&E calculates as many

20 sets of tranche-driver-outcome frequencies and Outcome Attribute

21 distributions as there are tranches. Risk Events that are presented in

22 this RAMP report include tens or hundreds of frequency values per Risk

23 Event.

24 For the sample Bow Tie, the LoRE occurring per year, per unit of

25 exposure (LoRE) is the sum of the four frequencies shown in Table 3-7.

TABLE 3-7
SAMPLE BOW TIE: SUMMARY OF LORE BY DRIVER, OUTCOME AND RISK EVENT

Line No.	Calculation	Minor Outcome	Severe Outcome	LoRE by Driver	Percent of Frequency by Driver
1	LoRE for Driver 1	0.02	0.00001	0.02001	40%
2	LoRE for Driver 2	0.03	0.000004	0.030004	60%
3	LoRE (yr/mile) =	0.05	1.4E-05		
4	Freq (#/year) =	5	0.0014		
5	% of Freq =	99.97%	0.03%		100%

- LoRE for each Driver = Minor Outcome + Severe Outcome;
- LoRE per year per mile = LoRE for Driver 1 + LoRE for Driver 2;
- Frequency (number of events per year) = LoRE per year per mile x 100 (exposure);⁵¹ and,
- Percent of Frequency = Frequency of Each Outcome / Total Frequency – For example, $5/(5+0.0014) = 99.97\%$

Therefore, the model expects 0.050014 events per year per mile, which is equivalent to a probability of 0.050014 that the event will happen each year on a given mile of exposure.

Given 100 miles of exposure on the tranche, the risk event frequency is:

$$\text{Frequency} = \text{Exposure} \times \text{LoRE} = 100 \times 0.050014 = 5.0014 \text{ events per year}$$

Of these 5.0014 events:

- 99.97% of the time the outcome is Minor; and
- 0.03% of the time (1 in 714 years) the outcome is Severe.

b. Consequence of Risk Event (CoRE) for one Trial

Risk event consequences are calculated per tranche-outcome-attribute combination. The Severe Outcome is illustrated in this example given its complexity relative to the Minor Outcome.

The Severe Outcome has Safety, Reliability, and Financial attributes, each defined using a parametric probability distribution (two Lognormal, one Poisson). This example of the CoRE calculation using the MAVF assumes that these attributes are deterministic (the model does not include elements of randomness and the results will be the same every time you run the model) to simplify the application of the MAVF. A description of the probabilistic case (i.e., a model that includes elements of randomness and presents results that vary each time you run the model) follows in Section D.5.c, CoRE as Expected Value.

⁵¹ The value “100” is used here because the Tranche is defined as 100 miles and the LoRE is measured per mile.

1 The Consequences of a Risk Event in Natural Units for the Severe
 2 Outcome are listed in Column A of Table 3-8. The step-by-step
 3 calculation below computes all quantities for the Safety Attribute to
 4 illustrate the Safety CoRE calculation. Identical steps are performed for
 5 each of the other Attributes.

TABLE 3-8
SAMPLE BOW TIE: MAVF DATA FOR SEVERE OUTCOME
ASSUMING DETERMINISTIC CONSEQUENCE

Line No.	Attribute	Column			
		A	B	C	D
		Consequence of Risk Event in Natural Unit	Normalized Natural Unit (0-1)	Scaled Unit	Attribute CoRE
1	Safety	11 EF	0.11	6.1	3,027
2	Gas Reliability	100K Customers	0.133	8.5	426
3	Financial	\$1B	0.2	15.6	3,889

6 Calculating the Safety CoRE

7 **Column A** has values in Natural Units for each Attributes. The
 8 expected values of the distributions are assumed to be a deterministic
 9 consequence. The Safety consequence is 11 EFs.

10 **Column B** is an intermediate step applying the scaling function
 11 characterized in Equation 1 (Figure 3-4), specifically calculating
 12 parameter *r*. It results from normalizing the Natural Unit values in
 13 Column A using the Attribute Ranges in Table 3-2. This step
 14 determines which scaling function Region the Natural Units fall within.

15 Normalized Unit (Safety) = Natural Unit (Safety)/(Upper Bound – Lower
 16 Bound)
 17 = 11 / (100 – 0) = 0.11

18 **Column C** shows the results of applying the scaling function to the
 19 Natural Unit. Given Normalized Natural Units, *r*, the scaling function
 20 returns Scaled Units.⁵² The Safety outcome is “catastrophic”, *r* = 0.11 >

52 If a linear scaling function had been used, Column C would simply be 100*Column B.

1 R₂, so the equation corresponding to Region 3 from Equation 1 and
2 Figure 3-3 is used (S₂ = 5, R₂ = 0.1).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Scaled Unit (Safety)} &= \frac{100 - S_2}{1.0 - R_2} (\text{Normalized Unit} - R_2) + S_2 \\ &= \frac{100 - 5}{1.0 - 0.1} (0.11 - 0.1) + 5 = 6.1 \end{aligned}$$

5 **Column D** is the Attribute CoRE, calculated as scaled units
6 multiplied by the appropriate weight x a Scaler of 1000. The Attribute
7 weights are as defined in Table 3-4. The Safety CoRE is calculated as:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Safety CoRE} &= \text{Scaler} \times \text{Safety Weight} \times \text{Scaled Unit (Safety)} \\ &= 1000 \times 0.5 \times 6.1 = 3,027 \end{aligned}$$

10 Finally, all Attribute-level CoREs (Column D) are summed to
11 compute the CoRE at the risk level:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CoRE} &= \text{Safety CoRE} + \text{Gas Reliability CoRE} + \text{Financial CoRE} \\ &= 3027 + 426 + 3889 = 7,343 \end{aligned}$$

14 Following the same steps, the CoRE of the Minor Outcome is 0.05.

15 c. CoRE as Expected Value

16 PG&E's risk model simulates the Natural Units for relevant
17 tranche-outcome-attribute combinations. Table 3-9 below shows the
18 simulated natural unit values for all Severe Outcome attributes for 10
19 trials,⁵³ based on the calculations described in Section D.5.b above.

53 PG&E's model runs 10,000 trials per distribution.

**TABLE 3-9
SAMPLE BOW TIE: SIMULATED SEVERE OUTCOMES VALUES IN NATURAL UNITS AND
ATTRIBUTE CORE CALCULATIONS^(a)**

Trial	Safety				Reliability				Financial			
	Sim Natural Unit (EF)	Normalized	Scaled	Total CoRE	Sim Natural Unit (1k Cust)	Normalized	Scaled	Total CoRE	Sim Natural Unit (\$M)	Normalized	Scaled	Total CoRE
1	5	0.05	1.3	646	84	0.11	6.3	315	871	0.17	12.8	3,207
2	8	0,08	3.2	1,611	86	0.12	6,6	330	871	0.17	12.8	3,209
3	8	0.08	3.2	1,611	91	0.12	7.2	362	982	0.20	15.2	3,791
4	10	0.10	5.0	2,503	96	0.13	8.0	400	987	0.20	15.3	3,819
5	12	0.12	7.1	3,556	97	0.13	8.0	401	1,006	0.20	15.7	3,923
6	12	0.12	7.1	3,556	104	0.13	8.1	406	1,028	0.21	16.2	4,039
7	13	0.13	8.2	4,083	104	0.14	9.1	453	1,031	0.21	16.2	4,053
8	14	0.14	9.2	4,611	108	0.14	9.1	456	1,051	0.21	16.6	4,158
9	14	0.14	9.2	4,611	108	0.14	9.6	481	1,119	0.22	18.1	4,517
10	15	0.15	10.3	5,139	109	0.14	9.7	486	1,134	0.23	18.4	4,594
11	Safety CoRE 3,193				Reliability CoRE 409				Financial CoRE 3,931			
Sum of Attribute Values: 7,533												
<p>(a) The Attribute CoRE is the average of the CoRE per trial for that Attribute.</p>												

1 The additional step required to compute the Attribute CoRE
2 (compared to the steps required to calculate the CoRE for
3 one trial described in Section D.5.b) is to take the average of all Trial
4 CoRE values.

5 Therefore, the CoRE for the Severe Outcome is the average sum of
6 the three Attribute CoRE values: $3,193 + 409 + 3,931 = 7,533$.

7 The CoRE using the probabilistic values is greater than the CoRE
8 computed using deterministic values because of the non-linear scaling
9 function, which places greater weight on those trials having the least
10 favorable outcomes (e.g., Row 10 in Table 3-9).

11 Following the identical process, PG&E calculated the CoRE for the
12 Minor Outcome (based only on the Financial Attribute because it is the
13 only outcome of a minor event). The Minor Outcome CoRE is 0.054.

TABLE 3-10
SAMPLE BOW TIE: CORE PER OUTCOME

Line No.	Outcome	CoRE
1	Severe	7,533
2	Minor	0.054

1 Using these outcome-based CoRE values, the CoRE at the
2 risk-level is calculated as a weighted sum of CoRE based on the
3 frequency percentage of each outcome.

4 $\text{CoRE} = \% \text{ Freq (Minor Outcome)} \times \text{CoRE (Minor Outcome)}$
5 $+ \% \text{ Freq (Severe Outcome)} \times \text{CoRE (Severe Outcome)}$

6 $\text{CoRE} = 0.03\% \text{ (Table 3-7)} \times 7,533 \text{ (Table 3-9)} + 99.97\% \text{ (Table 3-7)} \times$
7 $0.054 \text{ (Table 3-10)} = 2.2$

8 **d. Risk Score**

9 The Risk Score is computed at the tranche-outcome level. Given a
10 single tranche for this example risk, the risk scores per outcome are:

11 $\text{Risk Score (Minor Outcome)} = \text{Frequency (Minor Outcome)} \times \text{CoRE}$
12 (Minor Outcome)
13 $= 5 \text{ (Table 3-7)} \times 0.054 \text{ (Table 3-10)} = 0.27$

14 $\text{Risk Score (Severe Outcome)} = \text{Frequency (Severe Outcome)} \times \text{CoRE}$
15 (Severe Outcome)
16 $= 0.0014 \text{ (Table 3-7)} \times 7,533 \text{ (Table 3-9)} = 10.55$

17 $\text{Risk Score} = \text{Risk Score (Minor Outcome)} + \text{Risk Score (Severe Outcome)}$
18 $= 0.27 + 10.55 = 10.82$

19 The sample risk Bow Tie, Figure 3-8 below, shows that the
20 Severe Outcome contributes 97 percent of the total risk though it
21 represents only 0.03 percent of the frequency of a risk event.

**FIGURE 3-8
SAMPLE BOW TIE: EXAMPLE RISK EVENT SUMMARY**



1 **e. Risk Reduction Score**

2 To calculate the Risk Reduction score PG&E uses data supplied by
 3 the RAMP risk teams that outline the effectiveness of the proposed
 4 mitigation and the duration of the mitigation benefit.

5 Table 3-11 is information for two mitigations used in the example
 6 calculation.

**TABLE 3-11
SAMPLE BOW TIE: CHARACTERISTICS FOR MITIGATION 1 AND MITIGATION 2**

Line No.	Target	Effectiveness Percentage	Scope	Benefit Duration	Effectiveness Degradation
1	Frequency of Drivers 1 and 2	20%	17 miles in Year 1	4 Years	20% annually
2	Safety Consequences of Severe Outcome	10%	100 miles each year from Year 1 to Year 4	1 Year	0%

7 **1) Mitigation 1 – Program Frequency**

8 Proposed mitigation M1 targets all risk drivers for the risk event
 9 and is 20 percent effective at reducing event frequency.

10 Effectiveness of M1 is provided per unit of exposure to which the
 11 mitigation is applied. Using the scope and effectiveness of the
 12 mitigations, the model calculates the average effectiveness at the
 13 tranche level:

1 Average effectiveness = Effectiveness x Scope / Tranche Exposure
2 = 20% x 17 miles / 100 miles = 3.4%

3 Because M1 affects all risk drivers equally applied to the single
4 risk tranche, Risk Reduction is equal to 3.4% of the Risk Score
5 (10.82 x 0.034 = 0.37). Risk Reduction can also be calculated as:

6 Pre-Mitigation Risk Score = 10.82 (Section D.5.d)
7 Post-Mitigation Risk Score = (1 – 3.4%) x 10.82 = 10.45
8 Risk Reduction Score (M1) = Pre-Mitigation Risk Score – Post-Mitigation
9 Risk Score
10 = 10.82 – 10.45 = 0.37

11 **2) Mitigation 2 – Consequence Mitigation**

12 Proposed mitigation M2 reduces the magnitude of the Safety
13 consequence by 10 percent, but only for the Severe Outcome. The
14 mitigation effectiveness is applied to the entire project scope, so the
15 average effectiveness at a tranche level is the same as the
16 effectiveness at a program exposure level:

17 Average effectiveness = Effectiveness x Scope / Tranche Exposure
18 = 10% x 100 miles / 100 miles = 10%

19 The average effectiveness is applied to the simulated Natural
20 Units (Table 3-9, Severe Outcomes Values in Natural Units) to
21 determine the post-mitigation consequence as shown in Table 3-12
22 below.

TABLE 3-12
SAMPLE BOW TIE: SIMULATED SEVERE OUTCOME VALUES IN MITIGATED NATURAL UNITS
AND ATTRIBUTE CORE CALCULATIONS

Trial	Pre-Mitigation Consequence in Natural Units (EF) ^(a)	Post-Mitigation Consequence in Natural Units (EF) ^(b)	Normalized	Scaled	Trial CoRE
1	5	4.5	0.045	1.1	528
2	8	7.2	0.072	2.6	1,310
3	8	7.2	0.072	2.6	1,310
4	10	9.0	0.090	4.1	2,032
5	12	10.8	0.108	5.8	2,922
6	12	10.8	0.108	5.8	2,922
7	13	11.7	0.117	6.8	3,397
8	14	12.6	0.126	7.7	3,872
9	14	12.6	0.126	7.7	3,872
10	15	13.5	0.135	8.7	4,347
11				Safety CoRE	2,651

(a) Values from Table 3-9, Severe Outcomes Values in Natural Units.

(b) Reflects value after 10 percent effectiveness applied to the Pre-Mitigation Consequence in Natural Units.

1 Mitigation M2 reduces Safety consequence by 10 percent but
2 the Safety CoRE is reduced by 17 percent—from 3,193 (Table 3-9)
3 to 2,651—as a result of the non-linear scaling function. Risk
4 Reduction is calculated as follows:

5 Pre-Mitigation Risk Score = 10.82 (Section D.5.d)

6 Post-Mitigation CoRE (Severe Outcome) =

7 2,651 (Table 3-12) + 409 (Table 3-9) + 3,931 (Table 3-9) = 6,991

8 Post-Mitigation Risk Score (Severe Outcome)

9 = Frequency (Severe Outcome) x Post-Mitigation CoRE (Severe

10 Outcome)

11 = 0.0014 (Table 3-7) x 6,991 = 9.78

12 Post-Mitigation Risk Score =

13 Post-Mitigation Risk Score (Severe Outcome) + (Post-Mitigation) Risk

14 Score (Minor Outcome)

15 = 9.78 + 0.27 (Section D.5.d) = 10.05

1 Risk Reduction Score (M2) = Pre-Mitigation Risk Score - Post-Mitigation
 2 Risk Score
 3 = 10.82 (Section D.5.d) – 10.05 = 0.77

TABLE 3-13
SAMPLE BOW TIE: RISK REDUCTION SCORE BY MITIGATION

Line No.	Mitigation	Risk Reduction Score	Post-Mitigation Risk Score
1	M1	0.37	10.45
2	M2	0.77	10.05

4 **f. Risk Spend Efficiency**

5 Risk Spend Efficiency (Equation 2) is the risk reduction per dollar
 6 spent:

7
$$RSE = \frac{NPV(\text{Pre-mitigation Risk Scores}) - NPV(\text{post-mitigation Risk Scores})}{NPV(\text{Program Costs})}$$

8 PG&E calculated the RSEs shown in Table 3-14 for the two sample
 9 mitigations using: the risk reduction scores in Table 3-13; the
 10 discounting factor discussed in Section C.4.a to calculate the NPV; and
 11 sample program costs

TABLE 3-14
SAMPLE BOW TIE: RISK REDUCTION SCORE BY MITIGATION

Line No.	Risk Reduction Score and Cost by Mitigation	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	NPV
1	Risk Reduction Score (M1)	0.37	0.30	0.24	0.19	1.01
2	Risk Reduction Score (M2)	0.77	0.77	0.77	0.77	2.79
3	M1 Program Cost (\$M – Capital)	\$2.00	–	–	–	2.00
4	M2 Program Cost (\$M – Expense)	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.50	1.81

12 RSE (M1) = NPV of Risk Reduction Score (M1) / NPV of Program Costs
 13 (M1)
 14 = 1.01 / 2.00 = 0.50

1 RSE (M1) = NPV of Risk Reduction Score (M2) / NPV of Program Costs
2 (M2)
3 = 2.79 / 1.81 = 1.54

4 **E. Workpapers Supporting PG&E’s RAMP Risk Models**

5 The S-MAP Settlement Decision requires that PG&E provide in its RAMP
6 Report a ranking of all RAMP mitigations by RSE.⁵⁴ This ranking is provided in
7 supporting workpapers (WP 3-1).

8 A list of the 12 RAMP risks with the final safety risk score and final total risk
9 score for each is also included in workpapers (WP 3-3).

10 PG&E has developed workpapers supporting each of its 12 RAMP risk
11 models and a risk model User Guide. The workpapers consist of a risk model
12 input file and a risk model output (Bow Tie) file.⁵⁵

- 13 • User Guide – The User Guide provides information about how to input data
14 into the files in order to run the risk model. It also provides calculations,
15 distributions and other information so users can better understand the
16 different elements driving the risk model.
- 17 • Source Documents Index and Source Documents – The source documents
18 index lists all of the data used in the risk model. It includes a reference to
19 the source file that is available in soft copy and/or a link to publicly available
20 information. The index number for each file listed on the source document
21 index is also used in the risk model to reference the data used in the model.
- 22 • Input Files – This file includes the inputs into the risk model for each of the
23 12 RAMP risks. It lists the drivers, sub-drivers, tranches and consequences
24 for each risk. Modeling information includes frequency inputs by sub-driver,
25 frequency multipliers, consequence multipliers, program exposure, program
26 costs, program effectiveness on consequences and frequencies, and
27 escalation methods. Input files will be made available in soft copy.
- 28 • Bow Tie File – This file includes the outputs from the risk model for each of
29 the 12 RAMP risks. It includes the Bow Tie and Consequence Table
30 graphics included in each RAMP risk chapter (Chapters 7 to 18), the risk

54 D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-14, No. 26.

55 Modeling workpapers will be submitted on July 17, 2020.

1 scores, RSE, and risk reduction score for each mitigation and the RSE and
2 risk reduction score for each alternative mitigation plan. In addition, the file
3 includes detailed output for driver frequency, outcome frequency, tranche
4 level exposure, risk score by outcome, risk score by tranche, risk score by
5 outcome by attribute, and driver contribution to risk scores. Bow Tie files will
6 be made available in soft copy.

7 PG&E has prepared mitigation effectiveness workpapers that describe each
8 mitigation program, the effectiveness of each program, the justification for the
9 effectiveness percentage, the mitigation benefit duration, and reason for
10 selecting that duration, and the annual degradation rate of effectiveness. These
11 workpapers are part of the modeling source documents package that will be
12 provided following the RAMP Report. PG&E is also providing a courtesy copy of
13 these workpapers with the RAMP Report.⁵⁶

14 **F. Response to TURN’s Feedback Regarding PG&E’s 2020 RAMP**

15 **Methodology**

16 PG&E presented our risk modeling methodology at public workshop hosted
17 by the SPD on January 13, 2020 and February 4, 2020. We received feedback
18 from The Utility Reform Network (TURN) about our RAMP risk modeling
19 methodology and other RAMP-related topics in a letter dated February 19,
20 2020.⁵⁷ This section addresses modeling-related concerns raised by TURN,
21 following the outline of TURN’s February 19, 2020 letter. Other concerns raised
22 by TURN are addressed elsewhere in this Report and in the responsive letter
23 that PG&E sent TURN on February 25, 2020.⁵⁸

24 Concerns with PG&E’s MAVF

25 TURN states that the MAVF tool is fundamental to accurately and
26 comprehensively capture all the pre- and post-mitigation consequences of risk
27 events and thus it must be well-designed in order to yield reliable results.⁵⁹

56 See workpapers starting at WP 3-6.

57 Legal Director Thomas J. Long, TURN, letter to Tessa Carlberg and PG&E 2020 RAMP Team, February 19, 2020. (TURN’s February 19, 2020 Letter). A copy of the letter is included as WP 3-9.

58 Senior Director Janaize Markland, PG&E Enterprise & Operational Risk & Insurance, letter to Legal Director Thomas J. Long, TURN, February 25, 2020 (PG&E’s February 25, 2020 letter).

59 TURN’s February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 2.

1 TURN then describes four specific areas of concern with PG&E’s MAVF, each of
2 which PG&E addresses below.

3 **1. Scaling Function**

4 TURN raises several issues with respect to the scaling function used in
5 PG&E’s MAVF to convert attribute levels from natural units to scaled units.
6 In general, TURN’s criticisms stem from its opinion that PG&E should use a
7 linear scaling function instead of a non-linear scaling function.⁶⁰

8 PG&E and TURN disagree on this issue. As explained in Section B
9 above, PG&E’s risk management philosophy is risk-averse, i.e., PG&E is
10 focused on reducing the risk of catastrophic (low frequency, high
11 consequence) events. A linear scaling function yields a risk score that
12 effectively treats all outcomes as “average.” By contrast, a non-linear
13 function is sensitive to the distribution of consequences, not just the mean,
14 which allows PG&E to better understand and manage the tail-risk
15 associated with catastrophic events.

16 PG&E responds to TURN’s specific concerns about the scaling function
17 below.

18 **a. TURN Issue 1a: Scaling Function for Financial Consequences**
19 **Attribute**

20 TURN states that PG&E’s use of a non-linear scaling function for
21 financial consequences violates: (1) the concept that the value of one
22 dollar is always one dollar; and, (2) the idea that financial benefits
23 should be additive because “it permits the financial value of a single
24 project to change if that project is divided arbitrarily into two or more
25 parts.”⁶¹

⁶⁰ TURN’s February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 2, Item 1.a.

⁶¹ TURN’s February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 2, Item 1.a.

1 PG&E's Response:

2 While in the abstract one dollar is the same as another, the purpose
3 of the MAVF is to measure Risk (in Scaled Units), not dollars. The
4 MAVF measures the effect on PG&E and our customers of losing a
5 certain amount of money. In economics, this is expressed as utility
6 theory, which is based on the idea that individuals assign different levels
7 of satisfaction values to the original monetary values and use the utility
8 values, not direct monetary values, when making decisions. A dollar
9 when an individual has two dollars can be valued more than a dollar
10 when the individual has 100 dollars. The utility function translates
11 monetary values into the amount of satisfaction and its curvature is
12 different by the preference of a decision maker. Risk-averse decision
13 makers have concave utility function while risk-seeking decision makers
14 have convex utility functions.⁶²

15 PG&E treats the MAVF scaling function as a form of a utility function
16 applied to a consequence from a risk event. PG&E's non-linear scaling
17 function has non-decreasing slope within the Attribute Range that is, in
18 principle, consistent with a risk-averse decision maker.⁶³ As permitted
19 by MAVF Principle 5, PG&E captures its aversion to catastrophic
20 outcomes through the use of a non-linear scaling function.⁶⁴

21 TURN's concern that use of a non-linear function could permit the
22 financial value of a single project to change if that project is divided
23 arbitrarily into two or more parts is unfounded. The financial
24 consequence attribute measures the financial consequences of *risk*
25 *events*, not projects. Consistent with the S-MAP Settlement Decision,
26 PG&E has defined risk events in terms of logical units such as fire

62 Eeckhoudt et al., *Economic and Financial Decisions Under Risk* (2005), Chapter 1.

63 Traditional utility functions measure the amount of satisfaction, well-being, etc. from *receiving* amounts of an attribute (e.g., dollars), and risk-aversion is expressed by a concave utility function. The MAVF, however, measures the loss in utility from *losses* of an attribute, so a risk-averse individual would have a convex MAVF.

64 D.18-12-014, Attachment A, pp. A-5 to A-6, No. 6.

1 ignitions or outages.⁶⁵ PG&E has not “arbitrarily” divided (or combined)
2 risk events in a way that would change risk scores. While PG&E would
3 consider any input TURN might have about how to improve risk event
4 definition, the suggestion that PG&E hypothetically could define the
5 same risk events in multiple ways (leading to different risk scores) is not
6 a good reason to force PG&E to use a linear scaling function that does
7 not capture our aversion to catastrophic risk.

8 **b. TURN Issue 1b: Scaling Function for Safety Consequences**

9 **Attribute**

10 TURN states that PG&E’s non-linear scaling function for the safety
11 attribute indicates that the value of reducing equivalent deaths from 1 to
12 zero is less than one-tenth as much as reducing the equivalent deaths
13 from 100 to 99. TURN argues that this is both counterintuitive and
14 inconsistent with industry-wide practice and that PG&E’s non-linear
15 scaling function should be modified.⁶⁶

16 PG&E’s Response:

17 As discussed in Section B, PG&E’s risk management focus is on
18 reducing catastrophic events with potentially extreme consequences
19 because of the disparate impact that a single catastrophic even can
20 have relative to multiple lower consequence events. PG&E’s use of a
21 non-linear function allows it to understand and manage the tail risk of
22 catastrophic events. In addition, PG&E believes that 10 different

⁶⁵ The S-Map Settlement Decision is clear about how likelihoods and consequences should be defined and does not provide discretion for arbitrary divisions of risk events and consequences. Under Step 2A, Row No 10 of Appendix A, p. A-8, it requires “[f]or each enterprise risk, the utility will use actual results, available and appropriate data ... and/or Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) to identify potential consequences of the risk event” Similarly at Row No 11, p. A-11, it requires “[f]or each enterprise risk, the utility will use actual results and/or SME input” Under Global Items, p. A-17, Row No 29, it requires “[t]he sources of inputs should be clearly specified. When SME judgment is used, the process that the SMEs undertook to provide their judgement should be described.” Further on, it states, “[t]he methodologies used by the utility should be mathematically correct and logically sound.” (Underscore added.) In D.18-12-014, the CPUC also agreed that emphasis should be placed on developing comparable risk scores (which would require consistent risk event definitions) across utilities. PG&E looks forward to participation in this topic in a future OIR.

⁶⁶ TURN’s February 19, 2020 Letter, pp. 2-3, Item 1.b.

1 non-catastrophic events are unlikely to result in the same level of impact
2 as one catastrophic event.

3 **c. TURN Issue 1c: Statistical Value of Life Given by Weights and**
4 **Attribute Ranges**

5 TURN states that the implied Value of Statistical Life (VSL) given by
6 the weights and the attribute ranges for safety and financial impacts is
7 \$100 million which is ten times higher than statistical values used by the
8 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to evaluate health risk and the
9 U.S. Dept. of Transportation to evaluate vehicle safety features. TURN
10 is concerned that PG&E's use of this higher value may result in skewing
11 the ranking of different risks and misallocating risk management
12 dollars.⁶⁷

13 PG&E's Response:

14 To a large extent, the implied statistical value of a life that TURN
15 identifies is a result of required elements of the MAVF calculation
16 process, particularly the emphasis on safety.

17 PG&E's MAVF is "a tool for combining all potential consequences of
18 the occurrence of a risk event, and creat[ing] a single measurement of
19 value."⁶⁸

20 MAVF Principle 2 requires that each lower-level Attribute of the
21 MAVF (i.e., safety, reliability, financial impact) has its own minimum and
22 maximum range expressed in natural units that are observable during
23 ordinary operations and as a CoRE.⁶⁹ The S-MAP Settlement Decision
24 defines the low and high end of the range of natural units to be the
25 smallest and largest observable value from a risk event, respectively.⁷⁰
26 Consistent with this definition, PG&E set the ranges of the safety and
27 financial consequence Attributes based on historical events and
28 plausible high-consequence scenarios. For the safety Attribute, the high
29 end of the range was based on EFs from the Camp Fire, rounded up

67 TURN's February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 3, Item 1.c.

68 D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-3.

69 D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-5, No. 3.

70 D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-3.

1 to 100. For the financial Attribute, the high end of the range, \$5 billion,
2 represents a financial loss commensurate with a 2000-2001 Energy
3 Crisis-type event, recognizing that shareholder losses are not
4 considered.

5 Consistent with the S-MAP Settlement Decision, PG&E assigned
6 Attribute weights in the MAVF based on the relative value of moving
7 each Attribute from its least desirable to its most desirable level,
8 considering the entire range of the Attribute.⁷¹ Attribute weights reflect
9 the relative importance of moving the safety outcomes from the least to
10 the most desirable level as compared to moving financial outcomes from
11 the least to the most desirable levels. PG&E's MAVF combines the
12 Safety, Electric Reliability, Gas Reliability, and Financial attribute
13 consequences of a risk event using the 50 percent, 20 percent,
14 5 percent and 25 percent weights, respectively, so that safety
15 consequences throughout the attribute range are given twice the weight
16 of financial consequences. This weights 100 EFs (the high end of the
17 Safety consequence range) as comparable to \$10 billion (which is twice
18 the \$5 billion high end of the Financial consequence range). This
19 relationship could be adjusted by changing the relative weights of the
20 Safety and Financial attributes, but the S-MAP Settlement Decision
21 requires that the safety attribute be set at 40 percent or higher, so any
22 adjustment would not reduce the implied VSL to published values.⁷²
23 As it stands, the S-MAP Settlement Decision framework is not directly
24 compatible with VSL. Furthermore, PG&E believes the 50 percent
25 weighting of the safety Attribute provides an appropriate focus on safety.

26 **2. Number of Attributes**

27 TURN believes that there appear to be too few attributes in PG&E's
28 MAVF and strongly doubts that the four attributes considered (Safety,
29 Electric Reliability, Gas Reliability and Financial) cover all the reasons for

71 D.18-12-014, Attachment A, p. A-6, No. 7.

72 D.18-12-014, p. 67, Ordering Paragraph (OP) 2. Based on the ranges PG&E established, the lowest VSL that could be achieved is approximately \$33.3 million, by eliminating the Reliability Attributes, reducing Safety to 40 percent, and assigning 60 percent to the Financial Attribute.

1 engaging in risk mitigation. TURN claims that PG&E failed to take customer
2 satisfaction into account by failing to include a customer satisfaction
3 attribute.⁷³

4 PG&E's Response:

5 The four attributes PG&E includes in its risk model incorporate the
6 essential elements required to deliver safe, reliable, and affordable service
7 to our customers. Providing safe, reliable and affordable service is the
8 foundation of customer satisfaction, and PG&E does not believe that adding
9 a customer satisfaction attribute would significantly change its risk analysis.

10 **3. Risk Aversion**

11 TURN states that one of PG&E's motivations for non-linear scaling
12 functions is "risk aversion," which TURN claims is inconsistent with
13 long-standing economic principles. TURN believes that risk-averse behavior
14 in the face of uncertainty does not apply with multi-attribute scaling functions
15 because the purpose of scaling functions is to reflect known tradeoffs and
16 states that PG&E's MAVF reflects PG&E's preference for reductions in
17 worst-case outcomes over equivalent reductions in other, non-worst-case
18 outcomes.⁷⁴

19 PG&E's Response:

20 PG&E has explained in Section B above why we are risk-averse,
21 i.e., why we prefer mitigations that reduce the potential for risk events with
22 catastrophic outcomes over mitigations that reduce a similar amount of high
23 frequency, low consequence risk. Due to the greater potential uncertainty
24 surrounding catastrophic events, and their potential to disrupt communities
25 and PG&E's operations, these two types of risk reduction are not truly
26 "equivalent." TURN claims that "risk averse behavior in the face of
27 uncertainty doesn't apply with multi-attribute scaling functions,"⁷⁵ but MAVF
28 Principle 5 – Scaled Units, explicitly contemplates use of scaling functions,
29 including non-linear functions to "captur[e] aversion to extreme outcomes."

73 TURN's February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 3 Item 2.

74 TURN's February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 4, Item 3.

75 TURN's February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 4, Item 3.

1 **4. Initial Modeling Results**

2 TURN writes that PG&E stated in its January 13, 2020 workshop that
3 another motivation for the non-linear scaling function selected was that the
4 Company did not like the initial results of its modeling, and so adjusted the
5 scaling function to reflect Company intuition regarding the levels of different
6 risks. As a result, PG&E may not, in fact, select the most cost-effective set
7 of risk mitigation measures.⁷⁶ This is a misinterpretation of PG&E's
8 workshop comments.

9 PG&E's Response:

10 PG&E's objective for its S-MAP Settlement Decision implementation,
11 including use of a non-linear scaling function, has always been to focus on
12 tail risk. PG&E stated this objective in the January 13, 2020 workshop.
13 PG&E did not arbitrarily "place its thumb on the scale" to favor one risk over
14 another.

15 PG&E also mentioned that it tested various scaling functions
16 (i.e., "scales") against real-world risk events to see how they represented tail
17 risk. PG&E tested a linear scaling function on its risk Bow Ties. The results
18 agreed with PG&E's assumption that a linear scaling function would not did
19 not adequately represent tail risk.

20 **Concerns with the Calculation of RSE**

21 **5. Discount Rates**

22 TURN writes that, at the January 13, 2020 workshop, PG&E stated that
23 it was using three different discount rates: a zero discount rate for the
24 Safety and Reliability attributes; a market-based discount rate for the
25 Financial attribute; and, PG&E's utility discount rate for all program costs.
26 TURN claims that using different discount rates is inconsistent with basic
27 economic concepts for project evaluation.⁷⁷

28 PG&E's Response:

29 Upon consideration PG&E agreed with TURN's feedback and has used
30 a single discount rate for all risk model calculations.

76 TURN's February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 4, Item 4.

77 TURN's February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 5, Item 5.

1 **Failure to Account for All Consequences of Risk Events**

2 TURN notes that under the S-MAP Settlement Decision it is critical that
3 all consequences of a risk event be included in the analysis. TURN
4 identifies two instances where it claims that PG&E has improperly failed to
5 include potential consequences of a risk event in its analysis. PG&E
6 responds to TURN’s concerns below.

7 **6. Indirect Impacts or Consequence of the Risk Event**

8 TURN claims that PG&E ignores “indirect” impacts or consequences of
9 risk events, which could lead to underestimating CoRE values or inaccurate
10 RSE values. In particular, TURN notes that PG&E’s risk modeling of safety
11 consequences does not account for “death or injuries caused by the failure
12 of electrical equipment caused by a widespread planned or unplanned
13 outage—such as non-functioning traffic lights, breathing machines, and
14 other medical equipment—even though these are known consequences of
15 outages.”⁷⁸ TURN believes that this may lead to inaccurate RSEs due to
16 “the failure to consider adverse safety impacts from Planned Shutoffs.”⁷⁹
17 TURN notes that Row 31 of the S-MAP Settlement Decision states that
18 “SME judgment should be used if the methodology requires use of data that
19 is not available.”⁸⁰ TURN further indicates that PG&E “has subject matter
20 experts who should be able to develop estimates of these indirect impacts
21 [and] can also intensify its efforts to seek out data about the safety impacts
22 of power outages.”⁸¹

23 PG&E’s Response:

24 PG&E’s risk assessment only includes direct safety consequences.
25 TURN claims that outages have known safety consequences—such as
26 deaths or injuries due non-functioning traffic lights, breathing machines, and
27 other medical equipment—but PG&E does not have sufficient data to
28 determine whether these safety consequences actually materialize (or if

78 TURN’s February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 6, Item 6.

79 TURN’s February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 6, Item 6.

80 TURN’s February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 5, Failure to Account for All Consequences of Risk Events.

81 TURN’s February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 6, Item 6.

1 they do, how often). Under these circumstances, PG&E believes that any
2 estimate using SME judgment would only make PG&E's risk analysis more
3 speculative and uncertain.

4 **7. Excluding Safety Impacts from Outages From Third-Party Safety**
5 **Incident**

6 TURN states that PG&E's failure to include the safety impacts from
7 outages as discussed in Item 6 above also affects the Third-Party Safety
8 Incident risk. TURN suggests that one way to address its concern is "to
9 distinguish between outage-related and non-outage-related outcomes on the
10 right side of the [Bow Tie], and include potential safety consequences
11 associated with the outage outcomes."⁸²

12 PG&E's Response:

13 PG&E incorporated TURN's feedback and distinguished outage-related
14 and non-outage-related outcomes as 'Public Interaction with Reliability
15 Impact' and "Public Interaction." However, PG&E did not include potential
16 safety consequences associated with the outage outcomes for the reasons
17 responded to Item 9.

18 **Insufficient Granularity of Analysis**

19 TURN notes that the S-MAP Settlement Decision requires that risk
20 analyses be disaggregated by tranches to ensure that the highest risks in
21 the system get the requisite attention and that mitigations are not too
22 broadly scoped. TURN is concerned that PG&E's risk analysis is not
23 sufficiently granular.⁸³ PG&E responds to TURN's specific concerns below.

24 **8. Granularity Related to the Wildfire Risk**

25 TURN states that the Wildfire risk should have more granularity,
26 specifically tranches that reflect asset condition, whether the asset has been
27 upgraded, and geographic locations.⁸⁴

⁸² TURN's February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 6, Item 7.

⁸³ TURN's February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 6.

⁸⁴ TURN's February 19, 2020 Letter, pp. 6-7, Item 8.

1 PG&E's Response:

2 PG&E discusses the tranches used to model Wildfire in Chapter 10,
3 Section B.4. PG&E is continually evaluating how it defines its tranches to
4 find the right balance between too few and too many tranches.

5 **9. Developing Tranches to Account for Differences in Consequences**
6 **Owing to Geographic Locations of Assets**

7 TURN states that PG&E should account for differences in
8 consequences of the occurrence of risk events owing to geographic
9 locations, and references the Loss of Containment on a Gas Transmission
10 Pipeline risk event.⁸⁵

11 PG&E's Response:

12 PG&E addresses this issue in Chapter 7, Section B.4.

13 **10. Incorporating Asset Condition when Specifying Tranches**

14 TURN states that PG&E should incorporate asset condition when it
15 specifies tranches of assets involved in specific risks and references the
16 Loss of Containment on a Gas Transmission Pipeline risk event as an
17 example.⁸⁶

18 PG&E's Response:

19 PG&E addresses this issue in Chapter 7, Section B.4.

20 **Incorrect Baseline for Risk Analysis**

21 **11. Baseline for Risk Selection Should have been 2022 and not 2019**

22 TURN notes that using the correct baseline for risk analysis is
23 necessary to ensure PG&E is not double-counting risk reduction benefits.⁸⁷

24 TURN states that the S-MAP Settlement Decision requires PG&E to use
25 2022 as the baseline and not 2019 in order to capture the effects of risk
26 mitigation benefits expected to be achieved prior to the next GRC period.

27 TURN claims that PG&E's scoring of risks for the February 4, 2020
28 workshop is not consistent with the requirements of the S-MAP Settlement

85 TURN's February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 7, Item 9.

86 TURN's February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 7, Item 10.

87 TURN's February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 8.

1 Decision and may have resulted in the incorrect ranking and selection of
2 risks.⁸⁸

3 PG&E's Response:

4 PG&E addresses this issue in Chapter 4, Section C.

5 **PG&E's Intentions Regarding Calculation of Risk Reduction for**
6 **"Controls"**

7 **12. Inability to Calculate Control RSEs in RAMP Submission**

8 TURN notes that PG&E stated at the January 13, 2020 workshop that it
9 may not calculate RSEs for controls (mitigations currently in place). TURN
10 views this position as inconsistent with the S-MAP Settlement Decision
11 (Row 26) that requires RSE scores for all RAMP mitigations without
12 distinguishing between new or existing mitigations. PG&E's claimed lack of
13 "counterfactual" data is not a legitimate excuse because Row 31 of the
14 S-MAP Settlement Decision states that "SME judgement should be used if
15 data are not available."⁸⁹

16 PG&E's Response:

17 PG&E agrees with SED and TURN that RSE calculations for existing
18 controls can facilitate the evaluation of the overall effectiveness of risk
19 reduction work. However, modeling the controls, which is a precondition to
20 developing RSEs, is not required by D.18-12-014 and PG&E was unable to
21 complete this work for most control programs in time for this RAMP.

22 TURN describes controls as "mitigations currently in place," and implies
23 that there is no distinction between mitigations and controls in the S-MAP
24 Settlement Decision. However, when it updated the risk lexicon in
25 D.18-12-014, the Commission retained the distinction between mitigations
26 and controls.⁹⁰

27 Given the accelerated schedule for RAMP, PG&E was not able to model
28 most of its control programs. However, as described at the workshops,
29 PG&E performed pilot evaluations of select control programs in this RAMP.
30 PG&E hopes parties will provide feedback on the pilot methodology used to

88 TURN's February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 8, Item 11.

89 TURN's February 19, 2020 Letter, p. 8, Item 12.

90 D.18-12-014, 2018 S-MAP Revised Lexicon, pp. 16-17.

1 evaluate these controls, and PG&E will incorporate that feedback and
2 lessons learned into future risk assessments. We believe that gaining a
3 better understanding of these programs is an essential next step in our risk
4 management evolution.

5 **Insufficient Transparency**

6 TURN states that PG&E has not provided transparency in its
7 calculations and inputs to those calculations as required by Row 29 of the
8 S-MAP Settlement Decision. TURN lists six items that it requires to verify
9 PG&E's risk selection and analysis.⁹¹

10 **PG&E's Response:**

11 PG&E will provide workpapers supporting its risk models that address
12 each of the six items TURN needs to verify PG&E's risk selection and
13 analysis.⁹² Regarding the six items (a-f) requested by TURN, PG&E will
14 provide:

- 15 a. The probability distributions on the levels of all attributes in natural units
16 as a consequence of the occurrence of the risk event;
- 17 b. The likelihood of occurrence of the risk event;
- 18 e. Supporting details showing how the LoRE was calculated; and
- 19 f. Supporting details that show how the CoRE was calculated (right side of
20 Bow Tie).

21 The other two items TURN identified (item c, the likelihood of occurrence of
22 each driver (left side of Bow Tie), and item d, the conditional probability of
23 the occurrence of the risk event, given the occurrence of each driver (left
24 side of Bow Tie)) are not available because PG&E calculates the left side of
25 the Bow Tie directly without going through the two steps TURN calls out.

26 TURN is asking for:

27
$$\text{LoRE}(\text{risk event and driver}) = \text{LoRE}(\text{risk event} \mid \text{driver}) \times \text{LoRE}(\text{driver})$$

28 Because PG&E calculates the left-hand side directly without going
29 through the two steps, PG&E does not have data for items c or d, but does
30 have data for item e (likelihood of occurrence of the event by each driver).

⁹¹ TURN's February 19, 2020 Letter, pp. 8-9, Insufficient Transparency, Item 13.

⁹² Modeling workpapers will be provided on July 17, 2020.

- 1 For example: for the vegetation driver of an ignition event:
- 2 a. LoRE(driver) is the probability of having vegetation contact;
- 3 b. LoRE(risk event | driver) is the probability of having ignition when there is
- 4 vegetation contact; and,
- 5 c. LoRE(risk event and driver) is the probability of having ignition from
- 6 vegetation contact.

7 **Other Concerns and Recommendations**

8 TURN identifies three additional concerns and recommendations related

9 to: cyber-related risks; inadequate and/or inaccurate recordkeeping; and

10 weather conditions related to wildfire risk. Weather related issues related to

11 wildfire are addressed in Chapter 10. Cyber-related risk is addressed in

12 Chapter 20, Attachment A, Section B. Recordkeeping is addressed in

13 Chapter 20, Attachment A, Section F.

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1 **PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY**
2 **CHAPTER 4**
3 **RISK ASSESSMENT AND MITIGATION PHASE**
4 **RISK SELECTION**

5 **A. Introduction**

6 In this chapter, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E or the Company
7 or the Utility) describes the process for selecting the safety risks evaluated within
8 this Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase (RAMP) Report in accordance with
9 the Safety Model Assessment Proceeding (S-MAP) Settlement Agreement
10 (S-MAP Settlement Decision) process, including hosting a public workshop to
11 introduce the proposed RAMP risks. This chapter will also discuss significant
12 changes to the RAMP risks following the public workshop and compares
13 PG&E’s 2020 RAMP risk selection with the risks included in its 2017 RAMP
14 report.

15 **B. Risk Identification and the Enterprise Risk Register (Step 1B of the**
16 **Settlement Agreement)**

17 As directed in the S-MAP Settlement Decision, the utility’s Enterprise Risk
18 Register (ERR) is the starting point for selecting risks to be evaluated in RAMP.¹
19 PG&E transitioned to an event-based risk register shortly after filing its 2017
20 RAMP.² This change resulted in PG&E having many fewer risks on its register,
21 all the risk events being similarly scoped throughout the Company, and a
22 consistent methodology being used by each line of business.

23 Following the issuance of the S-MAP Settlement Decision in December
24 2018, PG&E began refining our risk assessment methodology and risk models
25 to incorporate the principles of the S-MAP Settlement Decision. This process
26 included evaluating, selecting, and refining the consequence attributes, scaling
27 function, and ranges discussed in Chapter 3. PG&E applied these principles to
28 our Corporate Risk Register (CRR) which contained 35 risk events at the end of

1 Phase Two Decision Adopting S-MAP Settlement Agreement with Modifications,
Attachment A, Element No. 8, Risk Identification and Definition, D.18-12-014, p. A-7,
(D.18-12-014).

2 See Chapter 2, Enterprise Risk Management Framework.

1 2019.³ The revised CRR list was finalized and approved by the Vice President
2 Risk Committee on January 16, 2020.⁴ Since that time, we have continued to
3 assess the scope and definition and incorporate feedback from internal and
4 external stakeholders. There are currently 33 risks on PG&E's CRR.

5 **C. Risk Assessment, Risk Ranking, and Risk Selection for RAMP Evaluation**
6 **(Steps 2A and 2B of the S-MAP Settlement Agreement)**

7 Of those risk events on the 2019 CRR, 26 had a Safety Risk Score greater
8 than zero. The S-MAP Settlement Decision requires utilities to compute a
9 Safety Risk Score using only the safety attribute for those risks with a safety risk
10 component, and -- for the top 40 percent of those risk events -- compute a
11 Multi-Attribute Risk Score (MARS).⁵ Using the S-MAP Settlement Decision
12 process, there were 11 risks with a Safety Risk Score that required further
13 analysis and computation of a MARS.

14 For purposes of determining the proposed risks to be evaluated in RAMP,
15 PG&E applied the above steps. In addition, PG&E added another step: for any
16 risk below the 40 percent threshold, if the Safety Risk Score was within
17 20 percent of the minimum safety score of the risks within the top 40 percent,
18 then that risk was included on the Preliminary RAMP Risk list. For the 26 safety
19 risks, PG&E calculated MARS for the top 11 of those risks, which is slightly
20 higher than 40 percent. At the time the RAMP risk selection occurred, the
21 minimum safety score for these top 11 risks was 8 for the "Failure of Electric
22 Distribution Overhead Assets" risk event. The next highest safety risk, "Large
23 Overpressure Event Downstream of a Measurement and Control Facility," had a
24 score of 7, which was within 20 percent of 8, thus PG&E calculated a MARS for

3 PG&E recently renamed the ERR to the CRR.

4 For a list of the 35 risk events, see WP 4-48 to 4-49, PG&E's 2020 RAMP Preliminary Risk List (January 21, 2020).

5 D.18-12-014, Step 2-A, Risk Assessment and Risk Ranking in Preparation for RAMP, pp. A-8 to A-9.

1 that additional safety risk. Together, those 12 risks constituted PG&E’s
 2 Preliminary RAMP risk list.⁶

**TABLE 4-1
 PG&E’S PROPOSED RISKS FOR 2020 RAMP**

Line No.	Safety Risk Event	Safety Risk Score	MARS
1	Wildfire	8403	20041
2	Third Party Safety Incident	1592	1642
3	Motor Vehicle Safety Incident	217	218
4	Employee Safety Incident	120	124
5	Contractor Safety Incident	116	116
6	Real Estate and Facilities Failure	104	142
7	Loss of Containment (LOC) – Gas Distribution Pipeline - Non-Cross Bore	86	108
8	Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)	42	71
9	Loss of Containment – Gas Transmission Pipeline	23	49
10	Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets	12	12
11	Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets	8	453
12	Large Gas Overpressure Event Downstream of a Measurement and Control Facility	7	8
13	Failure of Electric Distribution Underground Assets	5	
14	LOC - Customer Connected Equipment	3	
15	Aviation - Helicopter Incident	3	
16	LOC - Gas Storage Facilities	3	
17	LOC - Distribution Pipeline - Cross Bore	2	
18	Aviation Fixed Wing Incident	2	
19	LOC - Gas M&C or C&P Facilities	2	Not
20	Nuclear Core Damaging Event	< 0.001	Calculated
21	LOC - CNG Station Equipment	< 0.0001	
22	LOC - LNG/CNG Portable Equipment	< 0.0001	
23	Failure of Substation Assets	< 0.0001	
24	Failure of Transmission Overhead Assets	< 0.0001	
25	Failure of Transmission Underground Assets	< 0.0001	
26	Hazardous Material Release	< 0.0001	

3 Scoring of Safety Risk Events consists of: (1) The Safety Risk Scores for
 4 each Risk with a non-zero Safety Score in PG&E's CRR and (2) MARS for the
 5 top 40 percent of CRR risks with a non-zero Safety Risk Score. Scores are
 6 rounded to the nearest significant digit. These scores represent the model
 7 outputs as of January 16, 2020..

⁶ PG&E considers all its safety risks important and, as such, monitors and manages them through its normal course of business. While 13 of the 26 risks with a Safety Risk Score on the CRR are not being assessed as a 2020 RAMP risk, PG&E is providing an overview of these risks and the work PG&E is doing to mitigate these risks in Chapter 19, Other Safety Risks..

1 Once the utility has determined the Preliminary RAMP Risks to be included
2 in the upcoming RAMP report, the S-MAP Settlement Decision directs the
3 utilities to host a public workshop to introduce the proposed RAMP risks and
4 14 days prior to the workshop, provide parties with a list of the preliminary risks.⁷
5 PG&E served its 2020 RAMP Preliminary Risk List on parties on January 21,
6 2020 in advance of the February 4, 2020 workshop.⁸

7 It should be acknowledged that PG&E was not able to comply with one
8 aspect of the S-MAP Settlement Agreement in its presentation of the 2020
9 RAMP Preliminary Risk List. The risk scores calculated above, which were
10 approved on January 16, 2020 and released publicly on January 21, 2020, could
11 only include data available as of December 2019. The risk scores thus do not
12 include complete 2019 recorded information (including risk events and
13 consequences) and they do not incorporate subject matter expert-informed
14 “benefits of any mitigations that are expected to be implemented prior to the
15 GRC period under review in the RAMP submission,” as envisioned by the
16 S-MAP Settlement Decision.⁹ The difference in approach is due to the
17 condensed timeline to produce this Report, and the Rate Case Plan being
18 issued just a few days prior to the dissemination of the 2020 RAMP Preliminary
19 Risk List.¹⁰ PG&E used the 2019 CRR scores as the baseline for determining
20 the preliminary RAMP risk list. The purpose of sending the 2020 RAMP
21 Preliminary List and hosting a workshop in early February was to enable PG&E
22 to have adequate time to incorporate feedback and make changes to its risks for
23 this Report. This approach was shared with parties during the January 13, 2020
24 workshop.¹¹

25 Following the issuance of the 2020 RAMP Preliminary Risk List, PG&E
26 updated its models to incorporate the entirety of 2019 recorded data and the

7 D.18-12-014, p. A-10.

8 WP 4-47 and 4-52.

9 D.18-12-014, p. A-8 to A-9.

10 Decision Modifying the Commission’s Rate Case Plan for Energy Utilities, was issued on January 16, 2020, (D.20-01-002)

11 PG&E 2020 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase Workshop #2, January 13, 2020, WP 4-19 to WP 4-26.

1 benefits of mitigations that will be performed from 2020-2022.¹² With these
2 additional inputs, PG&E reranked all the safety risks. The twelve preliminary
3 risks proposed in January remained the top safety risks, although there was
4 some shift in rank among the top twelve risks. The risk scores included
5 throughout this Report represent a 2023 test year baseline.

6 **D. Public Workshops and Evolution of Risks**

7 **1. PG&E's Public Workshops in Advance of the 2020 RAMP Report**

8 As described in Chapter 1, Introduction, PG&E jointly hosted
9 three public workshops with the Safety Policy Division in advance of this
10 RAMP Report. The purpose of these workshops was to bring interested
11 parties along on PG&E's journey of implementing the S-MAP Settlement
12 Decision into our risk assessment practices and to provide an early
13 opportunity to receive feedback from parties. These workshops also
14 allowed parties to hear about PG&E's progress jointly and publicly rather
15 than in separate meetings. In this way, the participating parties continued
16 the cooperative spirit adopted in the S-MAP proceeding of continuous
17 improvement in risk assessment methodologies.

18 PG&E's first workshop was held on November 12, 2019. This workshop
19 focused on PG&E's implementation of the S-MAP Settlement Agreement
20 and provide updates to commitments made in PG&E's 2020 General Rate
21 Case proceeding related to risk management.¹³

22 PG&E's second workshop was held on January 13, 2020. This
23 workshop detailed PG&E's proposed modeling approaches including: the
24 choice of attributes; assigned weightings and ranges; the discount rate for
25 the attributes; the non-linear scaling function for capturing low-probability,
26 high-consequence events; and the use of 2023 baseline for this RAMP
27 Report.¹⁴

12 As described in Ch 6, Pandemic Impacts, PG&E has not accounted for any potential delays or rescope work as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic as it is too premature to understand the entire breadth of impacts at this time. The 2020 forecasted work in this report reflect the forecast as of March 2020.

13 See WP 4-1 to WP 4-18, PG&E 2020 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase Overview, Workshop #1, November 14, 2019.

14 PG&E 2020 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase Workshop #2, January 13, 2020, WP 4-19 to WP 4-26.

1 PG&E’s third workshop was held on February 4, 2020. This workshop
2 was held two weeks following the dissemination of PG&E’s 2020 RAMP
3 Preliminary Risks list. The purpose of this workshop was “to gather from
4 SED, CPUC staff, and other interested parties to inform the determination of
5 the final list of risks to be included in RAMP.”¹⁵ This is the only workshop of
6 the three that is required under the S-MAP Settlement Agreement. In this
7 workshop, PG&E presented the data, assumptions, and bowtie elements for
8 each of the 12 preliminary RAMP risks. PG&E also provided a discussion of
9 the cross-cutting factors that influence the risk events and a comparison of
10 the 2017 RAMP risks to the 2020 RAMP preliminary risks.¹⁶

11 **2. Incorporating Feedback and Significant Changes Since Workshop 3**

12 PG&E incorporated the feedback it received from the stakeholder
13 participation process into its risk assessment methodology and the feedback
14 directly improved it. This includes improvements to the overall risk scoring
15 methodology, such as the use of a consistent discount rate for each
16 attribute,¹⁷ and revisions to individual risks, such as including the cross-bore
17 tranches to the Loss of Containment on Distribution Main or Service
18 event.¹⁸ There were other suggestions, such as expanding the list of
19 Attributes of the Multi-Attribute Value Function, that PG&E ultimately
20 decided not to adopt. The S-MAP Settlement Decision directs the utility to
21 include “the rationale for taking or disregarding input during the workshop” in
22 its RAMP report.¹⁹ We have identified throughout this report where PG&E
23 has changed its methodology as a result of intervenor feedback or provided
24 justification for the suggestion if it was not ultimately included.

25 This RAMP report is better because of the feedback that we have
26 received and have been able to incorporate. Even where we did not
27 ultimately adopt a suggestion, we were able to challenge our assumptions

15 D.18-12-014, , p. A-10.

16 See WP 4-86 to 4-145, PG&E 2020 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase Workshop #3, February 4, 2020.

17 See Chapter 3, Risk Modeling Risk Spend Efficiency, Section F.5.

18 See Chapter 8, Loss of Containment of Gas Distribution Main or Service, Section B.4.

19 D.18-12-014, p. A-10.

1 and ensure that our stance is the right one. PG&E hopes that this report
2 provides another opportunity for PG&E and the broader risk management
3 community to improve our risk assessments, and in turn, improve the safety
4 of our communities.

5 PG&E welcomes stakeholder input but acknowledges that PG&E and
6 stakeholders may be coming from very different perspectives given the
7 differing roles we have. PG&E must do what it believes to be in the best
8 interest of the multiple stakeholders the Utility represents including the
9 customers and communities we serve.

10 **E. Comparison Between 2017 and 2020 RAMP Reports**

11 As described throughout this Report, there have been a number of changes
12 from the methodologies employed in the 2017 RAMP report. These include a
13 move to an event-based risk register, recharacterizing cross-cutting risk factors,
14 and the development and implementation of the risk assessment methodologies
15 articulated in the S-MAP Settlement Decision. As a result, certain risks that
16 were analyzed as a 2017 RAMP risk are no longer evaluated as a RAMP risk in
17 this Report. Importantly, the scope of the risks have also changed since the
18 2017 RAMP risk. For a discussion of the comparison of the scope changes
19 between reports, see the Changes Since 2017 Section in each RAMP risk
20 chapter. Table 4-2 below identifies where the 2017 RAMP risks appear in this
21 Report.²⁰

²⁰ See also WP 4-165.

**TABLE 4-2
2017 RAMP REPORT RISKS IN THE 2020 RAMP REPORT**

Line No.	2017 RAMP Risk	2020 RAMP Report Location
1	Transmission Pipe Failure with Ignition	Chapter 7, Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline
2	Failure to Maintain Capacity for System Demands	No longer a safety risk
3	Measurement and Control Failure – Release of Gas with Ignition Downstream	Chapter 19, Other Safety Risks
4	Measurement and Control Failure – Release of Gas with Ignition at Measurement and Control Facility	Chapter 19, Other Safety Risks
5	Release of Gas with Ignition on Distribution Facilities – Cross Bore	Cross Bores are included in the Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service risk (Chapter 8)
6	Compression and Processing Failure – Release of Gas with Ignition at Manned Processing Facility	Chapter 19, Other Safety Risks
7	Release of Gas with Ignition on Distribution Facilities – Non-Cross Bore	Cross Bores are included in the Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service risk (Chapter 8)
8	Natural Gas Storage Well Failure – Loss of Containment with Ignition at Storage Facility	Chapter 19, Other Safety Risks
9	Distribution Overhead Conductor Primary	Incorporated into Failure of Distribution Overhead Assets (Chapter 11) and Third Party Safety Incident (Chapter 15)
10	Transmission Overhead Conductor	Chapter 19, Other Safety Risks
11	Wildfire	Chapter 10, Wildfire
12	Nuclear Core Damaging	Chapter 19, Other Safety Risks
13	Hydro System Safety – Dams	Chapter 13, Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dams)
14	Contractor Safety	Chapter 17, Contractor Safety Incident
15	Employee Safety	Chapter 16, Employee Safety Incident
16	Motor Vehicle Safety	Chapter 18, Motor Vehicle Safety Incident
17	Lack of Fitness for Duty	Incorporated into Employee Safety Risk (Chapter 16)
18	Cyber Attack	Chapter 20, Cross-Cutting Factors
19	Insider Threat	Incorporated into Cyber Attack (Chapter 20)
20	Records and Information Management	Chapter 20, Cross-Cutting Factors
21	Skilled and Qualified Workforce	Chapter 20, Cross-Cutting Factors
22	Climate Resilience	Chapter 20, Cross-Cutting Factors

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1 **PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY**
2 **CHAPTER 5**
3 **RISK ASSESSMENT AND MITIGATION PHASE**
4 **SAFETY CULTURE AND COMPENSATION**

5 **A. Introduction**

6 Nothing is more important than safety to Pacific Gas and Electric Company
7 (PG&E, or the Company, or the Utility). Our goal is to continually reduce risk to
8 keep our customers, the communities we serve and our workforce (employee
9 and contractor) safe. Our focus is to continue building an organization in which
10 we have designed every work activity to facilitate safe performance, every
11 member of our workforce knows and practices safe behaviors, and every
12 individual is encouraged to speak up if they see unsafe or risky behavior and
13 has confidence that their concerns and ideas will be heard and followed up on.
14 A strong safety culture is fundamental to our operations and is consistent with
15 PG&E’s Mission, Vision, and Values. Our business is founded on safety.

16 Our performance during the past few years has fallen short of that
17 aspiration. We have experienced a number of tragic incidents and too many
18 people are still getting hurt. We have not always practiced what we preach and
19 have identified a number of gaps we need to close. We know we can do better
20 and we have to do better. We are committed to changing our Company and
21 safety culture. We will do this through the implementation of a comprehensive
22 long-term strategy that will span several years. We will link every initiative to a
23 specific outcome, challenging us to work on the most important things that will
24 give us the greatest improvements. We will have various programs specifically
25 addressing cultural topics. We will resource the work appropriately, closely track
26 progress, and emphasize the sustainability of the various initiatives. We will also
27 listen to external experts and observers, and adjust course when necessary.

FIGURE 5-1
PG&E'S MISSION, VISION, AND CULTURE



1 This chapter describes PG&E's safety culture including executive board
2 engagement, organizational structure, and discusses PG&E's compensation
3 policies related to safety performance.

4 **B. PG&E's Safety Culture**

5 **1. Safety Leadership**

6 PG&E recognizes that we must improve the Company's safety culture
7 and performance. We are working to transition from a compliance-focused
8 organization to a risk-focused organization that holds each other
9 accountable for safety, resolves issues promptly, and has engagement at all
10 levels. As stated above, protecting the safety of the public, our employees
11 and contractors must come before anything else, all the time, everywhere.
12 This commitment needs to be reflected in the decisions we make, our
13 behavior, and how we invest our time and resources.

14 Effective March 9, 2020, Francisco Benavides joined PG&E as Vice
15 President and Chief Safety Officer (CSO) of the Enterprise Health and
16 Safety line of business. Hiring Mr. Benavides is an important part of
17 strengthening our safety culture. He brings 30 years of industrial safety,
18 health and environmental experience to his new role. Mr. Benavides has

1 demonstrated experience in reducing injury rates 40 to 90 percent,
2 eliminating fatalities, and reducing the rate of high-potential incidents.¹

3 Mr. Benavides reports to the Corporation Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
4 and is responsible and held accountable for:

- 5 • Protecting the safety of PG&E’s customers, communities, and
6 workforce;
- 7 • Setting the Company’s workforce and public safety strategy;
- 8 • Establishing governing standards and expectations for safety across the
9 Company;
- 10 • Ensuring adherence to those standards;
- 11 • Supporting the Company’s operational safety execution;
- 12 • Working to hone and mature PG&E’s safety culture; and
- 13 • Identifying areas of safety risk, and developing preventive and corrective
14 action plans.

15 In the proposed regionalization of operations, each region will have a
16 Safety Director who reports to the CSO and who is accountable for safety at
17 the local level. Each Regional Safety Director will be in place no later than
18 May 2021. The Directors will work with the leadership in their region on
19 identifying region-specific hazards and assessing risk, verifying critical field
20 controls, coaching on positive safety interactions, and coordinating the
21 implementation of enterprise-wide safety programs within their region.

22 **2. Workforce Safety Strategy**

23 Mr. Benavides is responsible for developing and implementing the
24 Company’s workforce safety strategy that will be shared with and reviewed
25 by PG&E’s Board of Directors Safety and Nuclear Operations (SNO)
26 Committee. He will draw upon his experience implementing safety
27 culture-related programs and Safety Management Systems to finalize the
28 strategy which will be presented to the SNO Committee at the end of July
29 2020.

30 To develop the strategy Mr. Benavides gathered data from various
31 sources, including interviews, field visits, incident investigations, and internal
32 and external audits and assessments. The strategy includes two major

1 Incident that has the potential to cause a serious injury or fatality.

1 pillars: systems and culture. Systems refers to risk management,
2 equipment, processes, and procedures. Culture refers to employee
3 engagement, adherence to established requirements, sense of urgency for
4 safety, and leadership. Focus areas of the safety strategy will include:
5 **Enterprise Safety Management System (ESMS):** PG&E has committed to
6 implementing an ESMS that consists of a series of capabilities (people,
7 process, governance, and technology systems) required to define, plan,
8 implement, and continuously improve workforce safety. The ESMS will
9 become the way PG&E “delivers the business of safety” and will be based
10 on a consistent and comprehensive enterprise safety controls framework
11 reinforced with system assurance.²

12 In the last quarter of 2019 and first quarter of 2020, PG&E developed a
13 draft set of policies and standards to define the ESMS (e.g., policies for
14 ESMS and Management of Change and standards for Workforce Safety and
15 Safety Values and Actions). The intent of these set of policies and
16 standards is to define the ESMS and reinforce PG&E’s commitment to
17 reducing safety risks to keep our customers, the communities we serve, and
18 employees safe.³

19 **Enhanced Safety Risk Management:** PG&E will develop an enhanced
20 safety risk management program to evaluate and improve safety and risk
21 management at three levels:

- 22 • Company Level: Understand, manage, and mitigate catastrophic safety
23 risks;
- 24 • Department Level: Understand, manage, and mitigate critical safety
25 risks associated with a particular job family, such as the risk of falling
26 when working at heights, the risk of a collision when driving a vehicle, or
27 the risk of electrocution when working around electrical conductors; and

2 PG&E first proposed the ESMS in its 2017 RAMP filing, but has struggled to implement it due to multiple changes within the organization. PG&E’s RAMP Report, Investigation (I.) 17-11-003 (Nov. 30, 2017) (PG&E’s 2017 RAMP Report), p. C-1.

3 Governance documents will be updated to reflect the regionalization plan and the Plan of Reorganization before they are published.

- 1 • Task Level: Understand, manage, and mitigate safety risks associated
2 with a specific task, such as the safety risk associated with welding
3 sections of pipe as part of a pipeline replacement project.

4 PG&E will identify safety risk and control owners and determine who is
5 responsible for the oversight of them. The risk assessment processes will
6 be more detailed than what has been done in the past, and risk mitigation
7 actions will be closely tracked and reported.

8 **Standards:** PG&E will improve our safety technical standards by
9 simplifying them, clarifying them, and making them more protective,
10 consistent with leading industry practice.

11 **Contractor Safety Management:** Improve contractor safety management
12 by increasing on-site supervision and safety officer presence; stronger
13 safety criteria in the contractor selection process; requiring safety plans
14 along with project bids; holding strategic contractor meetings with the PG&E
15 leadership focused on safety performance; strengthening requirements for
16 number of observations the contractors must conduct and sharing
17 observation findings with PG&E; and updating safety-focused training for
18 PG&E employees engaging contractors.

19 **Musculoskeletal Disorder (MSD) Programs/Ergonomics:** PG&E will
20 work with employees and supervisors and use injury data to develop a
21 proactive approach for identifying high-risk physically-demanding field jobs
22 for detailed evaluations conducted by trained ergonomic experts.
23 Additionally, PG&E will increase field employee awareness about the
24 benefits of using sports medicine professionals (Industrial Athletes) to assist
25 with assessment and assistance with strengthening exercises. By using
26 data, Office Ergonomic Specialists will work with employees to proactively
27 address ergonomic needs prior to the employees experiencing discomfort.
28 This is particularly important during the current COVID-19 stay at home
29 situation.

30 **Safety Audits:** We will implement a comprehensive program for conducting
31 safety audits across the various departments in the Company, with scope
32 and frequency based on risk. Audit participation will include both operations
33 and management, and will be conducted by qualified auditors with a
34 qualified Safety Lead Auditor.

1 **Data Management, Systems and Reporting:** PG&E will improve data
2 capture by including more detail about the reasons behind the most serious
3 incidents. We will feed a database to manage ergonomic risk assessments,
4 and further enhance our ability to digitize checklists, reports, and
5 communications, making those available to supervisors in the field.

6 Since Mr. Benavides’s arrival, he has acted in collaboration with the
7 operations leaders to make immediate improvements in Serious Injury and
8 Fatality (SIF) incident management.⁴ Actions have included: implementing
9 executive reviews of SIF incidents; eliminating extension of SIF corrective
10 action due dates; requiring contractors to report potential SIF events to
11 PG&E; and implementing joint investigations (PG&E and contractor) for the
12 incidents.

13 **Culture:** Examples of programs designed to strengthen our safety culture
14 include an initiative to take officers and directors to the field to have informal
15 safety conversations with hourly employees, establishing a requirement that
16 safety be part of the hiring criteria for all jobs, developing and
17 communicating a set of principles around safety beliefs, requiring that every
18 employee have a safety-related performance objective in their annual plan,
19 deploying safety leadership training, and measuring our safety culture using
20 detailed perception surveys. PG&E is also revising the current Values &
21 Actions standard to make it more specific and focused. The implementation
22 of the standard will be mandatory and audited.

23 **Public Safety:** A number of departments, people, and work are related to
24 Public Safety in PG&E. This includes vegetation management, electric grid
25 sectioning, process safety for gas operations, transportation safety, and
26 asset management. Under the new strategy, the planning for those different
27 components will be coordinated, the reporting will be integrated, and the
28 Chief Safety Officer will be part of the “public safety power shut-off” or PSPS
29 process, playing an oversight role.

30 **Governance Accountability Model:** PG&E is establishing a Governance
31 Oversight Execute Support (GOES) accountability model (Figure 5-2) to

4 Incident that resulted in a person experiencing a serious injury or fatality (SIF-A) and incidents that had the potential (SIF-P) to result in a SIF-A.

1 clarify roles and responsibilities. GOES will focus on functions where clarity
 2 of roles and responsibilities would make a meaningful difference. Safety is
 3 one of those functions. PG&E expects to implement GOES after it emerges
 4 from bankruptcy.

**FIGURE 5-2
 GOES ACCOUNTABILITY MODEL**

<u>Accountability</u>	<u>Definition</u>
(G)overnance	▪ Accountability to define what good is, what the rules are, and who is accountable
(O)versight	▪ Accountability to critically monitor adherence to the rules to assure the desired outcomes are attained
(E)xecute	▪ Accountability to develop plans, implement procedures and deliver results
(S)upport	▪ Accountability to provide resources and tools to executing functions

5 **3. External Governance**

6 PG&E values engagement and oversight from external experts to help
 7 us improve our safety culture and performance. PG&E implemented an
 8 Independent Safety Oversight Committee (ISOC), and hired an Independent
 9 Chief Safety Advisor to the Corporation CEO and President. The ISOC is
 10 comprised of members with relevant and diverse safety and operational
 11 expertise, including expertise in the utility industry. The ISOC members are
 12 independent and external to PG&E. The ISOC reviews and assesses the
 13 design and operation of PG&E’s systems and processes to identify
 14 improvement areas for risk reduction and better safety performance. The
 15 ISOC is responsible for advising senior leadership on recommendations to
 16 improve public, workforce, and environmental safety. The committee also
 17 provides an independent review to confirm if safety controls are in place,
 18 functioning, and meet internal and external requirements.

19 The initial ISOC visit to PG&E took place in December 2019 and was
 20 focused on the processes and programs related to wildfire safety in Electric

1 Operations. The ISOC members found four major concerns in their initial
2 visit. First, ISOC noted a lack of effective collaboration, both among PG&E
3 departments and between PG&E and other California stakeholders.
4 Second, this deficit was compounded by a lack of effective work and
5 resource planning, leading to delays and backlogs on work critical to
6 PG&E's infrastructure and safety conditions. Third, ISOC members noted
7 an absence of effective, accurate, and trustworthy data for leadership to
8 obtain an accurate picture of PG&E's historical and current system health.
9 Fourth, there was an overall need for more effective change management.

10 PG&E leadership acknowledged the ISOC members' concerns and
11 assigned Action Owners to closing gaps on each major concern. The Action
12 Owners developed gap closure plans and Enterprise Health and Safety
13 tracked progress. In the most recent ISOC visit conducted in June 2020, the
14 ISOC members did not consider their major concerns closed yet, but they
15 did note PG&E's progress on closing them. The actions taken for the
16 concerns include:

- 17 a) Effective Collaboration: PG&E presented a single intake platform and
18 process for encroachment permitting that replaced the previous
19 nineteen non-standardized processes as well as the results of a pilot on
20 effective external engagement with San Mateo City and County. PG&E
21 is in the process of scaling the initial successes of effective internal and
22 external collaboration.
- 23 b) Lack of Effective Work and Resource Planning: PG&E presented a
24 roadmap to more effective work and resource planning based around
25 standardized work processes and health metrics to complete critical
26 infrastructure work.
- 27 c) Data Improvements: PG&E presented on a mix of near-term data
28 improvements for electric operations ahead of the 2020 wildfire season
29 and a longer term enterprise data governance framework.
- 30 d) Effective Change Management: PG&E acknowledged the importance of
31 effective management of change capabilities and implemented an
32 Electric Operations Management of Change standard. Elements of the
33 Change Management, inclusive of Management of Change are being
34 assessed to scale across PG&E.

1 PG&E is currently awaiting the report for the most recent June 2020 ISOC
2 visit that covered Electric and Gas Operations inclusive of public, workforce,
3 and environmental safety.

4 **4. Governance Framework: Board of Directors**

5 PG&E's Board of Directors has made the Safety and Nuclear Oversight
6 Committee (SNO Committee) responsible for safety oversight at PG&E.
7 The SNO Committee is responsible for overseeing and reviewing policies,
8 practices, standards, goals, issues, risk, and compliance relating to safety.
9 Among other things, the SNO Committee reviews and discusses:

- 10 • Enterprise risks and cross-cutting factors,⁵ the actions management is
11 taking to understand these risks and cross-cutting factors, and how
12 management assesses the effectiveness of the various processes and
13 controls to reduce exposure to these risks;
- 14 • The Utility's goals, programs, policies, and practices with respect to
15 improving safety practices and operational performance, as well as
16 promoting a strong safety culture; and
- 17 • Periodically visiting the Utility's nuclear and other operating facilities.
18 The Board holds regularly-scheduled meetings, and the SNO
19 Committee must meet at least six times per year. Members of PG&E
20 management regularly attend Board and Committee meetings. The
21 SNO Committee's charters specifically require regular review, with the
22 CSO, of the Company's long-term safety goals and objectives, as well
23 as current staffing and budgeting needs.

24 **C. Compensation Policies Related to Safety**

25 PG&E's compensation policies reflect our mission to provide safe, reliable,
26 affordable, and clean energy for our customers by promoting positive outcomes
27 in line with those objectives. This section describes PG&E's compensation

5 Cross-cutting factors are not risk events themselves, but rather, they impact either the likelihood or consequence of other risk events on PG&E's Corporate Risk Register.

1 structure and how safety metrics are established, evaluated, and incorporated
2 into employees' compensation.⁶

3 **1. Foundational Compensation**

4 PG&E's employee compensation consists of two broad categories:
5 foundational and at-risk compensation. Foundational compensation
6 includes an employee's base pay, benefits, and pension. This portion of
7 compensation provides a stable income as well as health, wellness, and
8 retirement benefits. The proportion of foundational compensation in an
9 employee's total compensation depends on the level of an employee. For a
10 majority of PG&E's represented employees, foundational compensation is
11 100 percent of their overall compensation; for executive employees,
12 foundational compensation averages only about 36 percent of overall
13 compensation. Benefits programs that promote health maintenance and
14 disease prevention are essential to the Company's ability to keep a diverse,
15 skilled, experienced, and dedicated staff healthy and focused on delivering
16 safe and reliable service to customers.

17 **2. At-Risk Compensation**

18 At-risk compensation, or incentive compensation, is designed to be
19 conditioned on one or more aspects of the employee's and/or the
20 Company's level of performance against set goals. Two main at-risk
21 components of compensation will apply upon PG&E's emergence from
22 Chapter 11—the Short-Term Incentive Plan (STIP) and the Long-Term
23 Incentive Plan (LTIP). The new STIP and LTIP were developed as part of a
24 rigorous re-evaluation of existing incentive compensation plans and will
25 consist of objectively-measurable, primarily outcome-based, risk reduction
26 measures that promote customer and workforce welfare (especially public
27 and employee safety) and financial stability, consistent with the
28 requirements of Assembly Bill 1054 and the California Public Utilities
29 Commission's (Commission) decision approving PG&E's Plan of
30 Reorganization (POR) (Decision (D.) 20-05-053).

⁶ This section describes the compensation structure for all employees. For a more detailed discussion of executive compensation, please see John Lowe's January 31, 2020 testimony in The CPUC Order Instituting Investigation PG&E's Plan of Reorganization 2019, I.19-09-016, Vol. 1, (I.19-09-016).

1 **a. STIP**

2 Salaried employees, those hourly employees who are not
3 represented by a labor agreement, and salaried employees represented
4 by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and the
5 Engineers and Scientists of California participate in PG&E's STIP, which
6 is PG&E's variable pay program tied to annual Company performance.
7 The participation rates vary by employee level, from 6 percent for
8 support-level employees to 30 percent for Senior Director-level
9 employees.⁷

10 STIP metrics are established each calendar year by the
11 Compensation Committee of the PG&E Corporation Board of Directors.
12 In 2020, 75 percent of the STIP performance metrics will be focused on
13 customer welfare (especially public and employee safety) and the
14 remaining 25 percent on financial stability. The 2020 STIP's metrics will
15 be almost entirely outcome-based as opposed to activity- or
16 effort-based.⁸ The metrics selected for the STIP are informed by the
17 Enterprise and Operational Risk Management Program at PG&E, and
18 the Safety Model Assessment Proceeding and Risk Assessment and
19 Mitigation Phase proceedings before the Commission.

20 STIP payouts are affected by the Company's performance against
21 the established metrics. The STIP score can range from 0 percent to
22 150 percent of target each year. Each employee receives an individual
23 modifier each year that can result in an adjustment of the payout,
24 depending on how the individual performs relative to his or her individual
25 job performance goals. Before the STIP score is finalized, the
26 Compensation Committee reviews and approves the results, and has
27 discretion to reduce the score (including to zero) if it believes it

7 Executive STIP participation level is approved annually by the Compensation Committee or Board of Directors, and ranges year-over-year.

8 See Testimony of John Lowe, I.19-09-016, Vol. 1, p. 7-10, for a description of metrics and associated weightings that will be in place in 2020 for executives.

1 appropriate to do so under the totality of the circumstances.⁹ Further,
2 per the Commission's decision in D.20-05-053, there is a presumption
3 that a material portion of the Utility executives' compensation shall be
4 withheld if PG&E is the ignition source of a catastrophic wildfire, unless
5 the Commission determines that such withholding would be
6 inappropriate.

7 **b. LTIP**

8 Approximately 400 senior employees are eligible for PG&E's LTIP,
9 which is PG&E's variable pay program tied to long-term Company
10 performance. The target values vary by employee level, increasing by
11 level within the Company.

12 The 2020 LTIP awards, to the extent payable, will consist of
13 performance shares. LTIP awards will be calculated based on
14 performance on three objective performance metrics for a three-year
15 performance period: (1) system hardening (which promotes reduction in
16 wildfire risk); (2) substation enablement (which promotes reduction of
17 the scope of Public Safety Power Shutoffs (PSPS)); and (3) customer
18 experience (which promotes customer welfare). The customer
19 experience metric has two components: customer satisfaction (as
20 objectively measured through administration of a customer survey), and
21 PSPS Notification Accuracy (which relates to the number of
22 PSPS-affected customers who receive notifications at least 12 hours in
23 advance).¹⁰ In this way, PG&E's long-term compensation focuses on
24 the achievement of safety and other important objectives.

25 The LTIP score can range from 0 percent to 200 percent of target.
26 Also, to take into account the long-term financial health and stability of
27 the Company, the LTIP score will be multiplied by a Total Shareholder
28 Return modifier, which can impact the total award to LTIP participants
29 by a range of 0.75 to 1.25, based on the total performance of PG&E

⁹ The Compensation Committee and the Board exercised their discretion to reduce 2018 STIP payouts to zero in light of the devastating 2018 Camp Fire, the hardships incurred by communities, and PG&E's financial circumstances, including the need to seek relief under Chapter 11.

¹⁰ I.19-09-016, John Lowe testimony Vol 1, p. 7-16.

1 Corporation stock (price appreciation or depreciation, plus dividends
2 (if any)), relative to the total performance of the stocks of a comparator
3 group of peer companies.¹¹

4 Before the LTIP score is finalized, the Compensation Committee
5 and the independent members of the Utility Board, as applicable, review
6 and approve the results, and have discretion to reduce or eliminate LTIP
7 awards for any reason—subject to certain legal restrictions—with
8 respect to any particular employee or more broadly.¹² Additionally, as
9 noted, there is a presumption that a material portion of the Utility
10 executives' compensation shall be withheld if PG&E is the ignition
11 source of a catastrophic wildfire, unless the Commission determines that
12 such withholding would be inappropriate.

13 PG&E recognizes and remains committed to improving safety
14 culture and safety performance. The focus is building an accountable,
15 transparent organization that embraces raising issues and ideas, and
16 acts upon resolving them. PG&E is focused on moving quickly and
17 efficiently, without risking the safety of our customers, our workforce, or
18 the community.

11 The comparator group of companies is established by the Compensation Committee at the time of the grant annually to ensure its appropriateness.

12 The Compensation Committee has this discretion for LTIP participants other than the CEO of the Utility, for whom the independent members of the Utility Board have sole discretion.

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5 **A. Executive Summary**

6 In December 2019, a novel strain of coronavirus (COVID-19) was reported
7 to have surfaced in Wuhan, China, resulting in significant disruptions to
8 manufacturing, supply chain, markets, and travel world-wide. On January 30,
9 2020, the International Health Regulations Emergency Committee of the World
10 Health Organization (WHO) declared the COVID-19 outbreak a public health
11 emergency of international concern and on March 12, 2020, announced the
12 outbreak was a pandemic. On March 16, 2020, the CPUC directed electric utility
13 companies to follow customer protection measures including a moratorium on
14 service disconnections, retroactive to March 4, 2020. On March 19, 2020,
15 California instituted state-wide shelter-in-place measures.

16 At Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E or the Company), our hearts
17 go out to all those who have been affected by this outbreak. At the time of this
18 writing more than two million Americans have tested positive for the virus, more
19 than one hundred thousand have died and more than forty million have lost their
20 jobs. PG&E understands that many of our customers are facing severe personal
21 and economic challenges because of this crisis as many businesses, schools
22 and community facilities have closed to slow the spread of the virus.

23 Throughout this crisis, PG&E has taken steps to address not only the health and
24 safety needs of customers and employees but also to ensure that critical energy
25 services are available to the public so that every customer can have confidence
26 that, during this time of unprecedented economic and personal stress, they can
27 turn on their lights, keep their heat and air conditioning running, cook on their
28 stoves and power appliances that are needed to maintain their health, safety
29 and comfort.

30 Emergency response, critical maintenance, work associated with our
31 Wildfire Mitigation Plan and our preparedness for Public Safety Power Shutoff
32 (PSPS) and new customer connections has continued with a commitment to
33 minimize customer impacts to the extent possible. As the situation evolves, we

1 will continue to adjust our work as needed to deliver safe, reliable energy and to
2 keep our customers, communities and employees safe.

3 In order to better prepare for future pandemics and improve our current suite
4 of risk analysis models PG&E has begun the task of reaching out to our risk
5 management teams to gather feedback on their experience during the current
6 pandemic and their thoughts about how the risks they are responsible for
7 managing could more fully incorporate the potential impacts of a pandemic going
8 forward. The main themes that have emerged from these initial feedback
9 sessions are:

- 10 • A concern regarding how human performance may be impacted by the
11 various stresses placed upon employees due to the pandemic. Human
12 performance is a driver in a number of PG&E's safety risk models.
- 13 • A potential decrease in third-party contact with PG&E electric and gas
14 system assets due to extended shelter-in-place and social distancing orders.
15 Third-party contact with PG&E assets is a driver in a number of PG&E's
16 safety risk models. And,
- 17 • Concerns regarding the impact of prolonged deferral of non-essential work.
18 While this concern is less explicit than human performance and third-party
19 contact with assets there was an concern expressed that the efficacy of
20 some discretionary risk control programs could be less than what is currently
21 included in models due to lack of skilled and qualified workforce availability
22 for deployment in the field because of shelter-in-place and social distancing
23 orders, supply chain disruptions or the inability of partnering organizations to
24 provide support services that PG&E relies upon for risk control.

25 Over the next several months PG&E will be reviewing the data that informs
26 our current set of risk model drivers to determine how those drivers have been
27 impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, PG&E will be exploring
28 potential new data sources and new drivers that could help us to better
29 understand the impacts on key safety risks. At the same time PG&E will be
30 assessing whether the current structure of risk models is appropriate to capture
31 the potential impacts of future pandemics. PG&E looks forward to working with
32 other stakeholders to gather their insights into how future pandemics might be
33 included in safety risk models so that we can continue to keep the public and
34 employees safe in the face of future pandemic episodes.

1 **1. Introduction**

2 The intent of this chapter is to describe PG&E’s responses to the current
3 novel COVID-19 pandemic and PG&E’s initial efforts to explore potential
4 qualitative impacts of this and future pandemics on PG&E’s key safety risks.
5 The analysis described in this chapter is not meant to be exhaustive, but
6 rather an initial qualitative assessment of the items having the largest impact
7 on PG&E’s key safety risks at the time of publication. The insights captured
8 here are based in large part on interviews conducted with the PG&E subject
9 matter experts who manage these key safety risks for the Company. The
10 observations herein are subject to change as the COVID-19 pandemic
11 progresses and PG&E gains more knowledge of its longer-term impacts.
12 PG&E intends to leverage this initial qualitative pandemic assessment as a
13 foundation to improve future quantitative modeling of safety risks.

14 The COVID-19 pandemic is the fifth major United States (U.S.)
15 pandemic recognized by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
16 (CDC) since the Spanish Flu pandemic of 1917-1918. In response to this
17 pandemic, local and state governments have ordered residents to shelter-in-
18 place and have curtailed non-essential business in an attempt to reduce the
19 spread of infection. Likewise, PG&E has enacted many safety measures
20 and operational changes to promote the health and safety of our employees
21 and the communities we serve. The disruptions to daily life and economic
22 activity brought on by COVID-19, and the attempts to combat it, have been
23 almost unprecedented. However, there is no guarantee that they will not
24 occur again.¹ As such, this Chapter ends with a discussion of PG&E’s
25 current plans to refine its pandemic-related risk analysis to plan for future
26 pandemics.

1 The CDC has noted that the risk of local outbreaks turning into pandemics has grown due to an increased risk of infectious pathogens “spilling over” from animals to humans, development of antimicrobial resistance, spread of infectious diseases through global travel and trade, acts of bioterrorism and weak public health infrastructures. CDC, Global Health Protection and Security, Why It Matters: The Pandemic Threat, accessed June 18, 2020, at <https://www.cdc.gov/globalhealth/healthprotection/fieldupdates/winter-2017/why-it-matters.html>.

**TABLE 6-1
PANDEMIC OVERVIEW**

Pandemic Definition ^(a)	<p>A pandemic is a global disease outbreak. Three conditions must be met for a viral outbreak to become a pandemic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new virus subtype must emerge for which there is little or no human immunity; • The virus must infect humans and cause illness; and • The virus must spread easily and sustainably (continuing without interruption) among humans. <p>Historically, pandemics though rare, are recurring events.</p>
In Scope	Qualitative assessment of pandemic impacts to PG&E risk drivers, controls consequences and mitigations based on current PG&E and industry experiences during the COVID-19 Pandemic.
Out of Scope	Quantitative assessment of pandemic risk is currently not in scope for this risk chapter. Given that the current pandemic is on-going and prior pandemics are poor proxies for COVID-19 risk modeling at this time, PG&E would be forced to rely on incomplete data and conjecture and therefore this assessment has been determined to be out of scope.
Data Sources	CDC, WHO, Edison Electric Institute, PG&E data and subject matter experts.
<p>(a) CDC, 2009 H1N1: Overview of a Pandemic April 2009 - August 2010, slide 27, accessed June 23, 2020, at https://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/yearinreview/2009_H1N1-Overview_of_a_Pandemic-12_06_2010.pptx.</p>	

2 It is challenging to extrapolate pandemic outcomes into models or
3 forecasts due to significant projected variances in infection rates, fatality
4 rates and susceptible populations.² For example, the table below shows the
5 broad range of global and U.S. fatalities for each the five major pandemics
6 to occur in the U.S. since 1917.

² Maggie Koresh et al., FiveThirtyEight, ABC News, “Why It’s So Freaking Hard To Make A Good COVID-19 Model” (Mar. 31, 2020), accessed June 18, 2020 at <https://fivethirtyeight.com/features/why-its-so-freaking-hard-to-make-a-good-covid-19-model/>.

**TABLE 6-2
MAJOR PANDEMIC OUTBREAKS IMPACTING THE U.S.**

Line No.	Year	Pandemic Name	Virus Name	Global Fatalities	U.S. Fatalities
1	1917-1918	Spanish Flu	H1N1	50,000,000	675,000
2	1957-1958	Asian Flu	H2N2	1,100,000	116,000
3	1968	Hong Kong Flu	H3N2	1,000,000	100,000
4	2009	Swine Flu	H1N1pdm09	151,700 to 575,400	12,500
5	2019-2020	COVID-19	SARS-CoV-2	479,144 ^(a)	120,955 ^(b)

(a) World Health Organization as of June 25, 2020.

(b) *Id.*

1 As a result, there is significant variation and uncertainty in the experts’
2 COVID-19 projections for both infections and fatalities at the time of this
3 report. Therefore, at the time of filing this report, PG&E cannot reasonably
4 estimate the duration or severity of the COVID-19 pandemic or its impact to
5 on-going PG&E operations and key safety risks.

6 **B. PG&E’s Response to COVID-19**

7 On March 27, 2020, PG&E issued a letter in response to Safety and
8 Enforcement Division’s request, dated March 20, 2020, for information on the
9 actions PG&E is taking to protect the health and safety of its customers and
10 workforce and to ensure continuity of service.³ The letter detailed specific
11 PG&E steps, including initiating an Incident Management Team (IMT) to monitor
12 and respond to the virus, activating the Emergency Operations Center (EOC),
13 implementing policies for Safety and Continuity of Service and prioritizing
14 essential work to maintain regulatory compliance, safety and system integrity
15 while minimizing discomfort to the service territory through the minimization of
16 unnecessary outages and curtailments. PG&E continues to monitor the situation
17 and will make adjustments as necessary. We briefly review PG&E’s response
18 below.

³ Senior Director Meredith Allen, PG&E Regulatory Relations, letter to Director Leslie Palmer, CPUC Safety and Enforcement, March 27, 2020 (PG&E’s March 27, 2020 Letter).

1 **1. Incident Management Team and Emergency Operations Center**
2 **Activation**

3 PG&E set up an IMT to monitor and respond to the virus on
4 February 27, 2020 and formally activated its EOC on March 16, 2020 to
5 facilitate and coordinate the company’s response to the spread of the virus
6 in accordance with PG&E’s Emergency Response Plan. Early actions of the
7 IMT included providing information to employees, taking social-distancing
8 and remote work actions, and hiring an infectious disease and pandemic
9 expert to support education and preparedness action development.

10 **2. Safety and Continuity of Service**

11 On March 12, 2020, several days before the Bay Area counties’ shelter-
12 in-place orders, PG&E asked its office-based workforce to work from home.
13 PG&E took additional measures to promote social distancing, including
14 cancelling all PG&E-hosted conferences, suspending all business travel and
15 transitioning all in-person meetings to calls. In response to counties’ and the
16 state’s shelter-at-home orders, PG&E directed employees to follow state
17 and local shelter-in-place guidelines and not report to work locations unless
18 their roles directly support the delivery, maintenance and restoration of gas
19 or electric service while further prioritizing which operational work was
20 currently essential. For employees who could not work from home or who
21 could not work because of family needs, PG&E implemented interim time
22 recording policies. PG&E established a Human Resources helpline to
23 respond to employees’ questions in connection with the pandemic. For
24 employees and contractors that still report to work locations, PG&E enacted
25 pandemic safety related practices which include social distancing, extensive,
26 regular site cleaning, and other precautions recommended by medical
27 experts.

28 PG&E also took several actions related to vulnerable customers.
29 Effective March 12, 2020, PG&E suspended disconnections for non-
30 payment for residential and small-business customers. On March 19, 2020,
31 PG&E filed Advice Letter 4227-G/5784-E in compliance with
32 Decision 19-07-015, to present its Emergency Consumer Protection Plan for
33 customers affected by COVID-19. This plan extends PG&E’s moratorium on
34 disconnections and waives deposit and reconnection fees on customers

1 affected by COVID-19 until March 4, 2021, implements flexible pay-plan
2 options for affected customers, and provides additional support to affected
3 low-income and medical-baseline customers. Pay plans for customers
4 affected by COVID-19 will be relaxed to 12 months, and affected customers
5 will be exempt from standard and high-usage post-enrollment verification for
6 Coronavirus Aid, Relief, & Economic Security Act eligibility. In addition,
7 PG&E will suspend all customer removals from the medical baseline
8 program and waive all medical baseline recertification requirements through
9 March 4, 2021. PG&E will communicate these changes to customers
10 through partner community-based organizations and non-profits, targeted
11 messaging, customer contact centers, social media communications, and a
12 dedicated website.

13 **3. Essential Work**

14 PG&E's Electric Operations will continue performing electric work
15 consistent with the Governor's priorities for essential services and for the
16 safety of our customers and communities including:

- 17 • Emergency response to restore electric service;
- 18 • Work to further the preparedness for PSPS events as directed by the
19 California Governor's Office of Emergency Services, California
20 Department of Forestry and Fire Protection and the California Public
21 Utilities Commission (CPUC);
- 22 • New customer connections and Work Requested by Others (WRO)
- 23 • Enhanced and routine vegetation management;
- 24 • Critical maintenance;
- 25 • Work associated with PG&E's Wildfire Mitigation Plan.

26 PG&E's Gas Operations will continue essential work to support its
27 ongoing commitment to safely and reliably deliver natural gas to customers.

28 Some examples of essential gas work include:

- 29 • Emergency response to restore gas service;
- 30 • Service restoration and relights;
- 31 • Regulatory code compliance work including safety surveys and patrols
32 of gas pipelines, maintenance essential to the safe operation of the
33 system, and fulfilling 811 requests to locate and mark PG&E
34 infrastructure;

- New customer connections and Work Requested by WRO; and
- Butte County Rebuild work.

PG&E's Power Generation and Energy Procurement Operations will continue essential work to support its ongoing commitment to safe and reliable operation of generation assets and infrastructure. Some examples of essential energy supply work include:

- Ensuring dam safety;
- Maintaining environmental stewardship;
- Meeting water delivery commitments needed to support public health and welfare; and
- Maintenance on conventional, hydro, renewable and nuclear generation facilities needed to support grid safety and stability.

PG&E's Customer Service Operations will continue essential work to support its ongoing commitment to keep customers informed and help them resolve issues related to energy services. Some examples of essential customer service work include:

- Providing key Contact Center services such as emergency, outage and other field services related calls from customers; and
- Providing credit and customer billing support services to ensure customers receive timely and accurate bills and that customer questions regarding pandemic related policy changes such as the moratorium on shut-offs are answered promptly.

PG&E will evaluate and proceed with new electric and gas customer-requested work that cannot be reasonably postponed and that supports essential infrastructure and businesses. This work includes projects immediately necessary to the construction of, maintenance, reliable operation or repair of essential infrastructure, affordable housing, homeless shelters, healthcare operations provided that such construction is directly related to COVID-19 response, and qualifying agriculture and food services. Essential infrastructure also includes facilities such as critical telecommunications and water sanitation. PG&E will comply with all known local county construction restrictions, will seek local jurisdiction input on essential infrastructure evaluation, and will balance planned outage requirements related to new business construction.

1 Additional information for our COVID-19 related actions and programs is
2 contained on PG&E's website and in Company news releases.

3 **C. PG&E Current Efforts to Assess the Effects of a Pandemic**

4 PG&E does not yet fully understand the pandemic's ultimate effect on its
5 operations and key safety risks as we are still in the midst of the COVID-19
6 pandemic. However, PG&E recognizes the need to evaluate how this pandemic
7 and future pandemics could potentially impact key safety risks and how those
8 impacts could be modeled within the current framework. Given the ongoing and
9 evolving nature of the COVID-19 pandemic and the limited data to evaluate this
10 situation, PG&E is unable to develop a quantitative perspective for this 2020
11 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase (RAMP) report. Instead, PG&E has
12 attempted to qualitatively evaluate the potential effects of a pandemic on its key
13 safety risks based on current experiences related to COVID-19, to identify key
14 actions taken to mitigate the safety risk impact and to prepare for future
15 quantitative analysis and modeling of a pandemic. These actions and the
16 outputs of this qualitative assessment are described in the following sections.

17 **1. Qualitative Evaluation Process**

18 PG&E performed a qualitative evaluation of its risk bowties, based on
19 the COVID-19 experience, to assess the potential effect of a pandemic on
20 its key safety risks. As part of this evaluation, PG&E undertook the following
21 steps:

- 22 a) Hosted a virtual meeting with the CPUC's Safety Policy Division, TURN
23 and the Public Advocates Office at the California Public Utilities
24 Commission on April 2, 2020 outlining the qualitative approach to be
25 taken in discussing COVID-19 in this 2020 RAMP filing. During this
26 meeting, PG&E received valuable feedback from various parties on
27 items to consider in this qualitative evaluation process.
- 28 b) Conducted digital surveys and telephonic interviews with the RAMP risk
29 bowtie and cross-cutting factor owners for insights on the current and
30 potential impacts from COVID-19 on various risk bowtie elements
31 (i.e., risk drivers, exposure, consequences), and controls and mitigation
32 programs.

1 c) Included a discussion of potential impacts of COVID-19 during online
2 challenge sessions with key PG&E leaders reviewing RAMP risk
3 assessments.

4 d) Reviewed PG&E's draft Infectious Disease and Pandemic Response
5 Plan and telephonically interviewed members of the Emergency
6 Planning and Response and EOC teams to assess how actions
7 identified within this plan could impact RAMP safety bowties.

8 Based on this evaluation process, PG&E has identified three broad
9 areas where a pandemic can impact risk that, ideally, will be explored further
10 by stakeholders in the Safety Model Assessment Proceeding deliberations.
11 As stated earlier, this list is not exhaustive and is subject to change as we
12 learn more about the impacts of COVID-19. PG&E welcomes feedback on
13 these themes in this RAMP proceeding.

14 **2. Pandemic Impact Themes**

15 Through our qualitative evaluation process, we have identified three
16 main areas where a pandemic could impact key safety risks: (a) new
17 working conditions present human performance concerns; (b) changes in
18 the public's contact with PG&E's assets; and, (c) concerns over prolonged
19 delays in non-essential work. Certainly, this is not an exhaustive list as
20 there are many issues that may arise as the pandemic continues and as we
21 begin to transition back to a new normal post pandemic environment at
22 work, schools, home, transportation, shopping, etc. Nevertheless, PG&E
23 feels that the insights gained through our initial inquiries are worth sharing
24 with stakeholders.

25 **a. New Working Conditions Present Human Performance Concerns**

26 Like most U.S. corporations and government entities, PG&E has
27 enacted 'social distancing' and has followed California's 'shelter-in-
28 place' orders. PG&E has enabled remote working for as much of its
29 workforce as practical given role requirements and has enacted new
30 safety procedures for employees that still must physically report to work.
31 In addition, PG&E has recognized employees may have increased
32 family care needs as daycares and schools close or as family members
33 become ill. For these matters, PG&E is allowing employees to work

1 flexible hours when possible. Additionally, to support our workforce with
2 these challenges, between March 19, 2020 and June 30, 2020 PG&E
3 provided additional paid time off for employees who were unable to
4 report to work or work from home due to school closure, were 65 years
5 of age or older or had a medical condition which made them more
6 susceptible to severe complications from the virus.

7 PG&E's shifting of the majority of its workforce to locations outside
8 of PG&E facilities, and its enactment of new safety procedures for
9 employees in the field, presents challenges for PG&E employees and
10 subcontractors. One key challenge is developing new routines to
11 accomplish day-to-day activities and effective intra-company
12 communication. These new routine challenges are further compounded
13 by the potential for higher stress due to working without natural breaks,
14 the uncertainty of how long shelter-in-place mandates will be in effect,
15 and ongoing health, well-being and other concerns related to the
16 COVID-19 virus itself. In this operating environment, employees may be
17 more likely to make errors that would not have occurred under normal
18 operating conditions.

19 A key driver in multiple RAMP risks is improper operations by its
20 employees. Examples are:

- 21 • "Incorrect Operations" driver for Loss of Containment – Distribution
22 Facilities;
- 23 • "Incorrect Operations" driver for Large Gas Over-pressurization –
24 Downstream of M&C Facility risks;
- 25 • "Human Performance" driver for Failure of Distribution Overhead
26 Asset; and
- 27 • "Human Performance" driver for Failure of Distribution Underground
28 Network Asset risks.

29 These drivers reflect potential errors committed by employees under
30 normal working conditions. However, employees in the field, following
31 new social-distancing measures combined with potential health
32 distractions or other pandemic-related concerns, may experience
33 decreased situational awareness for certain tasks which could lead to
34 additional performance errors. Additionally, elevated stress and

1 pandemic-related distractions for employees working remotely could
2 also contribute to increased incidence of improper operations, potentially
3 contributing to a higher likelihood of safety-related risk events.

4 Conversely, the suspension of non-essential work due to COVID-19
5 may result in fewer opportunities for incorrect operations due to human
6 error. Since operating errors sometimes occur during construction or
7 maintenance projects. Going forward, PG&E will be examining the data
8 used to inform the human performance and incorrect operations drivers
9 used in its risk models to assess whether they have changed materially
10 during the current pandemic. Evaluating these and similar metrics will
11 help determine how the likelihood and consequences of safety risks may
12 be affected during a pandemic.

13 **b. Change in Third-Party Contact with PG&E Assets**

14 'Shelter-in-place' measures have changed the daily activities and
15 location of our customers. PG&E's customers have generally been
16 confined to residential areas with reduced mobility in order to comply
17 with COVID-19 public safety measures.⁴ This behavioral change has
18 the potential to change customer interactions with PG&E's assets in
19 certain areas of the network. Recently published data from Google
20 indicates that there is 53 percent less retail and recreation mobility
21 activity, 42 percent less workplace mobility activity, and 27 percent less
22 grocery and pharmacy mobility activity throughout California because of
23 COVID-19.⁵ In general, this data confirms that the public is abiding by
24 'shelter-in-place' orders which could result in fewer interactions between
25 the public and PG&E assets reducing the likelihood of third-party related
26 safety risk events while shelter-at-home orders are in place.

27 For example, PG&E's Third-Party Safety Incident risk, has a 'Car
28 Pole/Guy' driver that represents incidents of the public coming into

4 San Francisco, Santa Clara, San Mateo, Marin, Contra Costa and Alameda announced shelter-in-place requirements on Monday, March 16, 2020. A state-wide order was issued March 19, 2020. Governor's Exec. Order No. N-33-20 (Mar. 19, 2020).

5 Google, COVID-19 Community Mobility Report, mobility data, California April 5, 2020, accessed May 22, 2020 at <https://www.gstatic.com/covid19/mobility/2020-04-05_US_California_Mobility_Report_en.pdf>.

1 contact with PG&E poles and/or guy wires, usually in a vehicular
2 accident. As 'shelter-in-place' orders and lower economic activity
3 reduce vehicular travel, there is the potential for a reduction in the
4 frequency of this driver during a pandemic. Similarly, with some parks
5 and recreational areas closed to the public during shelter-in-place,
6 including PG&E managed park and recreational facilities, there is a
7 potential for a decrease in third-party contact with PG&E assets located
8 in or near public and private parks and recreation facilities. Additionally,
9 there could be a reduction in the number of incidents for the 'Third-Party
10 Damage' driver for the Loss of Containment – Transmission Pipeline risk
11 and 'Excavation Damage' for the Loss of Containment – Distribution
12 Facilities risk as reduced economic activity and 'shelter-in-place' orders
13 could impact third-party construction-related activity that results in these
14 types of public contact with PG&E assets.

15 PG&E plans to study all data sources that have previously been
16 used in the development of RAMP bowties to identify and quantify the
17 public's interactions with its assets across all RAMP risks. For example,
18 PG&E plans to analyze the number of incidents of poles being struck by
19 third parties during the COVID-19 pandemic to assess if there was a
20 material change in this risk driver and why a change did or did not occur.
21 Further, PG&E will be studying '811' request data, along with third-party
22 dig-in incident data, to evaluate the change in third party damage to our
23 underground assets. Evaluating these and similar metrics will help
24 determine how the likelihood and consequences of safety risks may be
25 affected during a pandemic.

26 **c. Prolonged Deferral of Non-Essential Work Raises Concern**

27 While PG&E does not anticipate delaying essential work at this time,
28 longer duration impacts of the pandemic on workforce and material
29 availability and safety measures could result in unknown impacts on the
30 execution of certain risk control and mitigation activities. Since the
31 onset of the pandemic, in order to ensure public and employee safety,

1 PG&E has deferred non-essential projects.⁶ While the impact of a
2 prolonged delay in non-essential work is unknown at this time, many of
3 the subject matter experts who were interviewed expressed concern that
4 the likelihood of risk events could increase if delays in non-essential
5 work were to continue for the foreseeable future.⁷

6 In addition to the potential impacts on non-essential work, subject
7 matter experts interviewed also expressed concern that a prolonged
8 public health response to the pandemic may impact the supply chain for
9 critical parts and equipment by requiring suppliers to remain closed.
10 Permitting and other support services provided by Federal, State and
11 local government agencies may also be affected as some state and
12 local agencies curtail operations or furlough employees in order to
13 sustain COVID-19 safety measures or due to budget issues that impact
14 agency operations.

15 While it is too early to know what impact the delays in non-essential
16 work, supply chain disruptions and reduced Federal, State and local
17 government agency support services will have on the frequency of risk
18 drivers or the efficacy of control and mitigation programs aligned to
19 safety risks given the evolving nature of COVID-19, PG&E plans to
20 evaluate the metrics associated with all drivers, controls and mitigation
21 programs to understand the impact of deferred work on realized risk
22 reduction.

23 **3. Initial Quantitative Modeling Approach**

24 As noted throughout this narrative, PG&E continues to adapt its
25 response to COVID-19 as the pandemic evolves and progresses. In
26 keeping with a data-driven modeling approach, PG&E will focus its initial
27 efforts in three main areas

6 See, PG&E's March 27, 2020 letter for a detailed description of PG&E categorization of essential and non-essential work.

7 California's Pandemic Roadmap gives no definitive timeline for the complete lifting of the stay-at-home order. Instead, it identified 6 Indicators and 4 Stages on the road to lifting the stay-at-home orders, occurring only when therapeutics are widely available. Accessed June 3, 2020, pp. 2, 5 and 12, at <<https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Update-on-California-Pandemic-Roadmap.pdf>>.

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- Analyzing Current Data for Trends: While the impact of COVID-19 are
2 still preliminary and on-going, data supporting estimates of risk drivers
3 and consequences will be updated and reviewed to identify and
4 understand how these components of the risk models have been
5 affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Review and analysis of the
6 existing data streams will help PG&E understand what enhancements to
7 the models may need to be made to better capture the potential impacts
8 of future pandemics.
 - Identifying and Reviewing Additional Data: There may be a need to
9 review and analyze additional data that will provide insight into the
10 potential impact of future pandemics on PG&E's key safety risks. For
11 example, as noted previously, there was a concern raised in the survey
12 of risk mangers that prolonged deferment of non-essential work
13 necessitated by shelter-in-place or other public health measures could
14 impact risk control or mitigation programs which, in turn, could impact
15 risk assessments. There have also been concerns raised regarding the
16 impact of the pandemic on the State and local government's ability to
17 fund public safety services at pre-pandemic levels, and lower levels of
18 mutual aid being available during a crisis due to concerns regarding
19 employee safety from industry partners, regional or Federal agencies.
20 These concerns coupled with other issues like supply chain disruptions
21 present a level of uncertainty in modeling for mitigation and control
22 program effectiveness during a pandemic. As such, understanding
23 these impacts and others will be a focus of study for PG&E as we
24 develop a quantitative risk assessment of a pandemic.
 - Evaluating Modeling Methodologies: Based on the findings from
25 Steps 1 and 2 above, PG&E will develop risk modeling enhancements
26 that better capture the potential impact of pandemics in future risk
27 quantification efforts. For example, a threshold modeling question is
28 whether a pandemic should be modeled as a stand-alone risk event or
29 whether it is better modeled as a cross-cutting factor impacting multiple
30 risks. Early indications are that the most fruitful approach may be to
31 focus on how pandemics impact the following risk drivers:
32
 - Availability of skilled and qualified workforce;
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- 1 – Human performance/operating errors; and
- 2 – Third-party contact with PG&E assets.

3 PG&E anticipates additional data analysis and modeling considerations
4 will be identified as it conducts further analysis.

5 Fundamental to developing PG&E’s quantitative pandemic risk
6 assessment approach is the desire to collaborate with Utilities, the CPUC
7 and other stakeholders to discuss, agree and develop a consistent and
8 transparent pandemic-related modeling approach. PG&E suggests that a
9 workshop could be scheduled in the upcoming SMAP proceeding which
10 would allow stakeholders with detailed understanding of the current risk
11 modeling framework to share their ideas in a collaborative setting on how to
12 best model this pandemic risk. Some key items to discuss at that workshop
13 would be:

- 14 • a review of the available data to assess the impacts of the COVID-19
15 pandemic on key risk drivers and cross cutting factors;
- 16 • a discussion of how a pandemic might impact the likelihood or
17 consequences of risk events;
- 18 • definition and scope of a pandemic used for risk modeling purposes;
 - 19 – frequency of pandemic occurrence for risk modeling;
 - 20 – magnitude of pandemic occurrence for risk modeling; and
- 21 • is a pandemic a stand-alone risk event or a driver to a risk event and
22 sub-driver to a driver to a risk event?

23 These are just an initial set of discussion items and modeling questions
24 that PG&E believes would be of interest to multiple stakeholders and for
25 which PG&E would like to receive input on prior to attempting to quantify
26 pandemic impacts in future risk analysis.

27 **D. Conclusion**

28 As described in this chapter PG&E has taken several actions in response to
29 the current pandemic to ensure the health and safety of our employees and the
30 public we serve. PG&E understands the severe hardships that the pandemic
31 has imposed on many of our customers and employees and has taken actions to
32 ensure that customers continue to have access to energy services during this
33 crisis and to continue with essential work that is needed to ensure system safety
34 and reliability. In addition, PG&E has begun the process of assessing how we

1 can learn from this current pandemic experience to inform future risk
2 assessments. PG&E looks forward to working with stakeholders over the next
3 several months to gather additional insights into how future pandemics can be
4 captured on our risk assessment models.

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6 **A. Executive Summary**

7 Loss of Containment (LoC) on Gas Transmission Pipeline refers to a failure
8 of a gas transmission pipeline resulting in a LoC, with or without ignition, that
9 can lead to significant impact on public safety, employee safety, contractor
10 safety, property damage, financial loss, and the inability to deliver natural gas to
11 customers. Failure of a gas transmission pipeline includes both pipeline leak
12 and pipeline rupture. The drivers for this risk event are: third-party damage;
13 external corrosion; manufacturing defects; construction threats; internal
14 corrosion; Weather-Related and Outside Force (WROF) threats; equipment
15 failure; incorrect operations; and stress corrosion cracking (SCC). The
16 cross-cutting factors Seismic, Physical Attack, Information Technology Asset
17 Failure, Skilled and Qualified Workforce, and Records and Information
18 Management also impact this risk.

19 Exposure to this risk is based on the 6,682 miles of transmission pipeline in
20 the Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) system. A Loss of Containment
21 on Gas Transmission Pipeline risk event is expected to occur two times a year,
22 based on the risk model results. Third-Party Damage is the highest contributor
23 to the frequency of this risk, accounting for 18 percent of the risk events.
24 External corrosion, manufacturing defects, construction threats, internal
25 corrosion and seismic are the remaining key drivers accounting for an additional
26 71 percent. Pipeline rupture accounts for 99 percent of the risk consequences
27 and pipeline leak accounts for 1 percent of the risk consequences. The
28 mitigations PG&E will implement from 2020-2026 are designed to address these
29 key risk drivers and consequences.

30 PG&E identified four tranches for this risk. Each tranche represents a group
31 of transmission assets that are intended to have a similar risk profile associated
32 with leak and rupture LoC events. Assets were assigned tranches based on
33 two criteria: percent Specified Minimum Yield Strength (%SMYS), defined as

1 greater than or less than 20 percent; and areas with Impacted Occupancy Count
 2 with 10 or more people within the potential impact radius (IOC≥10). The
 3 two tranches with greater than 20 percent Specified Minimum Yield Strength
 4 (SMYS) accounts for 80 percent of the risk.

5 LoC on Gas Transmission Pipeline has the third highest 2023 test year
 6 baseline safety score (128) and fourth highest 2023 test year baseline total risk
 7 score (289) of PG&E’s 12 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase (RAMP) risks.
 8 The 2020 baseline risk score, 308, improves by 10 percent by 2026 when the
 9 planned and proposed mitigations are applied: the 2023 test year baseline risk
 10 score is 289 and the 2026 post-mitigation risk score is 277.¹

11 PG&E is proposing a series of controls and mitigations to address LoC on
 12 Gas Transmission Pipeline risk. The Strength Testing and In-Line Pipeline
 13 Upgrades mitigations have both the highest Risk Spend Efficiency (RSE) scores
 14 and the highest total risk reduction scores.

**TABLE 7-1
 RISK OVERVIEW**

Line No.	Risk Name	LoC on Gas Transmission Pipeline
1	In Scope	Failure of a transmission pipeline that leads to a significant LoC (leak or rupture). Significant is defined as a LoC that results in an injury requiring in-patient hospitalization, a fatality, or total costs valued at \$50,000 or more, measured in 1984 dollars.
2	Out of Scope	A LoC driven by large overpressure events, LoC on distribution assets.
3	Data Quantification Sources ^(a)	Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) reports from 1984-2019
<hr/> (a) Source documents will be provided with the workpapers on July 17, 2020.		

15 **1. Risk Overview**

16 PG&E’s natural gas transmission system consists of approximately
 17 6,680 miles of transmission pipeline. Transmission pipeline and associated
 18 components transport gas from receipt points into PG&E’s natural gas
 19 transmission system until the pipe arrives at a distribution center, a storage

¹ The information herein is subject to those limitations described in Chapter 2, Section D.

1 facility or a large customer. The average age of PG&E's transmission pipe
2 is approximately 50 years. About 43.5 percent of PG&E's transmission
3 system miles are located in areas with estimated impacted occupancy count
4 (IOC) of greater than or equal to 10 people (IOC >= 10). IOC refers to the
5 count of people within the Potential Impact Radius (PIR).²

6 In the 2020 RAMP, PG&E transitions from considering transmission
7 pipeline risk in terms of High Consequence Area (HCA) to considering it in
8 terms of IOC. This allows for better alignment with PG&E's transmission
9 integrity management risk model. HCA focuses on the potential
10 consequence of a risk event by focusing on pipeline segments that pose the
11 greatest risk to human life, property and the environment, primarily using
12 structure counts. IOC, however, focuses on the potential impact of a risk
13 event and is more focused on the safety of the individuals living and working
14 around a transmission pipeline. PG&E is using IOC instead of HCA
15 because it allows for a more accurate representation of potential safety
16 impacts based on the presence of people in the pipeline vicinity.

17 Risks to transmission pipe include third-party damage, internal and
18 external corrosion, construction threats, WROFs, manufacturing defects,
19 SCC, equipment failure, and incorrect operations. These threats to the
20 assets in the transmission pipe asset family could lead to LoC (leak or
21 rupture) that would result in an uncontrolled gas release leading to potential
22 public, contractor and/or employee safety issues, outages, and/or property
23 damage.

24 PG&E manages transmission pipeline risk through its Transmission
25 Integrity Management Program (TIMP). TIMP is the program in which
26 PG&E identifies, prioritizes, assesses, evaluates, repairs and validates the
27 integrity of its gas transmission pipeline that could, in the event of a leak or
28 rupture, impact public safety.

29 Examples of the type of work PG&E performs in the TIMP to manage
30 transmission asset risk include In-Line Inspection (ILI), Direct Assessment
31 (DA), strength testing, vintage pipe replacement, earthquake fault crossing,

² PG&E defines IOC in internal utility procedure TD-4127P-07 "Impacted Occupancy Count" and began incorporating this into its RAMP LOC – Transmission models in Q1 2020.

1 geo-hazard threat identification and mitigation, emergency response
2 programs, class location changes, shallow and exposed pipe, gas gathering,
3 programs to support integrity management and pipe investigations and field
4 engineering.

5 PG&E also manages transmission asset risk through its leak survey
6 programs. PG&E conducts leak surveys on the gas transmission pipeline
7 system by implementing foot, aerial and mobile leak survey to meet
8 regulatory requirements. While pipeline leaks only account for a small
9 portion of the transmission pipeline risk (discussed in Section 7 below), it is
10 important to include leak monitoring and management in the risk analysis so
11 that PG&E has a holistic view of the potential risks to the gas transmission
12 pipeline system.

13 **2. Risk Definition**

14 Failure of a gas transmission pipeline resulting in a LoC, with or without
15 ignition, that could lead to significant impact on public safety, employee
16 safety, contractor safety, property damage, financial loss, and the inability to
17 deliver natural gas to customers. Failure of a gas transmission pipeline
18 includes both pipeline leak and pipeline rupture.

19 **B. Risk Assessment**

20 **1. Background and Evolution**

21 PG&E's 2017 RAMP included a Transmission Pipeline Rupture with
22 Ignition risk³ that is similar to the LoC on Gas Transmission Pipeline risk
23 included in the 2020 RAMP.

24 In the 2017 RAMP, the risk event was specific to transmission pipeline
25 failure with ignition whereas the 2020 RAMP risk event includes failure
26 (rupture or leak) with or without ignition. The new event description more
27 closely correlates with PG&E's TIMP risk model because it relies on data
28 from PG&E assets and because the 2017 RAMP model excluded pipeline
29 failure without ignition.

30 The risk event modelled in the 2017 RAMP was a lower probability risk,
31 estimated to occur once every nine years, whereas the occurrence of the

³ PG&E's RAMP Report, Investigation 17-11-003 (Nov. 30, 2017), Chapter 1.

1 risk event in the 2020 RAMP is estimated at almost two events per year.
2 The 2020 model more accurately represents PG&E's transmission pipeline
3 system because it is based on PG&E data (where available) and because
4 LoC on a transmission pipeline without ignition is a significant contributor to
5 the risk events because consequences from a rupture, even without ignition,
6 can include serious injuries, fatalities, reliability and financial impacts.
7 These elements were not accounted for in the 2017 RAMP model.

8 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E identified nine risk drivers based on the
9 American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) B31.8S Standard that is
10 designed to provide pipeline operators with the information necessary to
11 develop and implement an effective integrity management program using
12 proven industry practices and processes.⁴ The same nine transmission
13 pipeline risk drivers are included in the 2020 RAMP. The Equipment Failure
14 and Incorrect Operations contribution to the LoC on Gas Transmission
15 Pipeline risk only includes the portion associated with non-overpressure
16 events. Two cross-cutting factors, Skilled and Qualified Workforce and
17 Records and Information Management are sub-drivers of the Incorrect
18 Operations driver,⁵ and they make up a significant portion of the Incorrect
19 Operations frequency.

20 PG&E's 2017 RAMP analyses were based on data contained in the
21 PHMSA Annual Report and PHMSA Major Incident Reports. In 2020,
22 PG&E's analysis is informed by PHMSA Major Incident Report data, Gas
23 Transmission Incident Reports, and PG&E current transmission pipeline
24 asset data (updated yearly) for pipeline integrity, people impacted (within the
25 PIR) and customers impacted downstream.

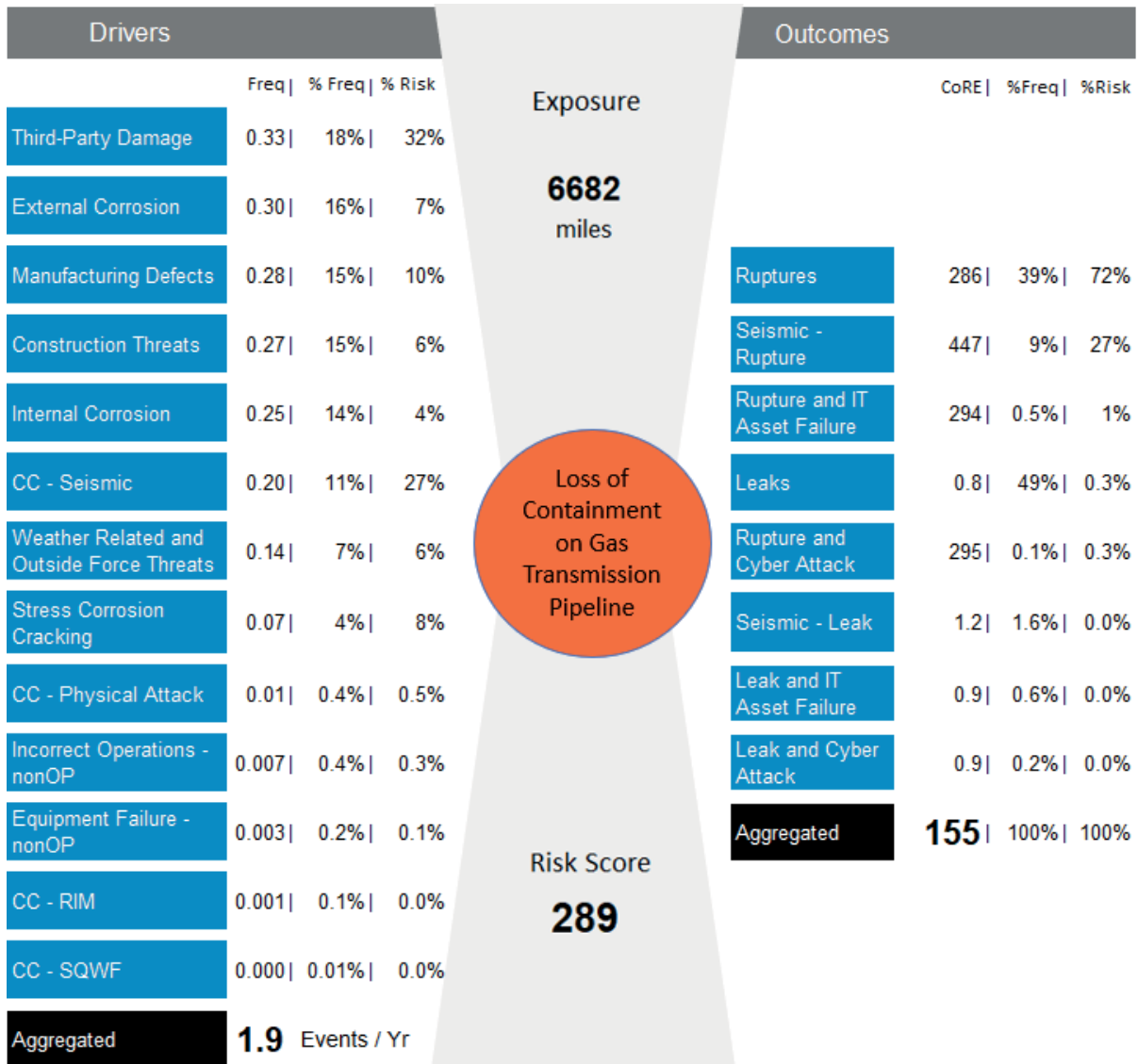
4 ASME B31.8S – 2018, "Managing System Integrity of Gas Pipelines," ASME
https://primis.phmsa.dot.gov/rmwg/docs/ASMEB31%20S%20Risk%20Modeling%20Summary_RMWG0816.pdf (as of June 25, 2020).

5 See D8 – Incorrect Operations on page 7-10.

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2. Risk Bow Tie

FIGURE 7-1
RISK BOW TIE



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a. Difference from 2017 Risk Bow Tie

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Drivers:

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The 2020 bowtie includes the same risk drivers as the 2017 RAMP bowtie. However, for the Equipment Failure and Incorrect Operations risk drivers, only the non-overpressure contribution is included for this risk. The overpressure contribution of these risk drivers is included in the Large Overpressure Event Downstream of Gas Measurement and Control Facility risk to not double count the contribution of this risk driver. In addition, it includes cross-cutting risk drivers to help better

1 illustrate individual cross-cutting driver contributions to the LoC on Gas
2 Transmission Pipeline risk.

3 Outcomes:

4 The 2020 bowtie displays possible outcomes for each LoC event –
5 this was not included in the 2017 RAMP model bowtie. Outcomes
6 displayed not only include pipeline leak or pipeline rupture but also
7 where there is a combination of the leak or rupture plus a cross-cutting
8 risk event.

9 Consequences:

10 The 2020 bowtie does not include compliance, trust or
11 environmental consequences. They were out of scope for this RAMP.

12 **3. Exposure to Risk**

13 PG&E's natural gas transmission system is inherently hazardous with
14 the main risks associated with a LoC event. PG&E measured the risk
15 exposure as the number of miles of transmission pipeline owned and
16 operated by PG&E. The total exposure used in the model is 6,682 miles of
17 transmission pipeline for 2020-2026. PG&E assumes that the exposure
18 stays approximately constant over the 2020-2026 time period.

19 **4. Tranches**

20 PG&E identified four tranches for the LoC on Gas Transmission Pipeline
21 risk. Each tranche represents a group of transmission assets, that are
22 intended to have a similar risk profile associated with leak and rupture LoC
23 events. Assets were assigned tranches based on two criteria: Percent
24 Specified Minimum Yield Strength (SMYS) and IOC. SMEs expect that
25 areas with a higher percent SMYS and IOC would have a higher risk.

26 **Tranche 1:** Greater than or equal to 20 percent SMYS with IOC greater
27 than or equal to 10 (High Impact Areas), 2,089 miles;

28 **Tranche 2:** Greater than or equal to 20 percent SMYS with IOC less than
29 10 (Low Impact Areas), 2,949 miles;

30 **Tranche 3:** Less than 20 percent SMYS with IOC greater than or equal to
31 10 (High Impact Areas), 816 miles; and

32 **Tranche 4:** Less than 20 percent SMYS with IOC less than 10 (Low Impact
33 Areas), 828 miles.

1 The 20 percent SMYS threshold is recognized by experts in the industry,
 2 based on PG&E's Transmission Pipe operating pressures, as the stress
 3 ratio below which events will more likely result in leaks, while events on
 4 pipelines operating at pressures above 20 percent SMYS have higher
 5 possibility to result in ruptures.⁶ The stress ratio of 20 percent SMYS
 6 equates to a factor of safety equal to five, which means the maximum
 7 pressure the pipeline could hold without failure is five times the specified
 8 Maximum Allowable Operating Pressure.

9 The IOC boundary was based on PG&E IOC estimates data which
 10 showed a bi-modal distribution for estimated number of people impacted
 11 (those within the potential impact radius)) with 10 being the approximate
 12 boundary.

13 In developing the tranches for this risk, PG&E considered tranching by
 14 asset health attributes. Ultimately, it was difficult to determine which
 15 attributes were the best indicator of overall asset health, given the various
 16 unique attributes that inform asset health by the different asset management
 17 programs.

18 Even though asset health attributes are not used for tranching, they are
 19 considered in the model. For example, certain drivers incorporate ILI data,
 20 which provide a measure of pipeline health. PG&E will continue to explore
 21 asset health in tranching as risk modeling continues to mature.

22 Table 7-2 below shows the tranche-level results of the risk analysis.

**TABLE 7-2
 RISK EXPOSURE AND PERCENT RISK BY TRANCHE**

Line No.	Tranche	Percent Exposure	Safety Risk Score	Reliability Risk Score	Financial Risk Score	Total Risk Score	Percent Risk Score
1	< 20% SMYS and IOC < 10	12%	1.52	0.62	0.59	2.74	1%
2	< 20% SMYS and IOC >= 10	12%	47.32	4.88	1.53	53.73	19%
3	>= 20% SMYS and IOC < 10	44%	4.85	84.95	1.80	91.60	32%
4	>= 20% SMYS and IOC >= 10	31%	74.05	63.95	2.83	140.82	49%
5	Total	100%	127.74	154.40	6.75	288.89	100%

⁶ See workpaper WP 7-3: Leak vs. Rupture Thresholds for Material and Construction Anomalies. Husain M. Al Muslim, PhD; and Michael J. Rosenfeld, PE. December 15, 2013. INGAA/AGA. Final Report No. 13-180.

1 **5. Drivers and Associated Frequency**

2 PG&E has identified nine primary risk drivers for its gas transmission
3 pipeline risk. Risk drivers eight and nine, Incorrect Operations and
4 Equipment Failure, only include the contribution associated with non-
5 overpressure events. The contribution associated with overpressure events
6 is captured in the other gas risk model, Large Overpressure Event
7 Downstream of Gas Measurement and Control Facility (Chapter 9). Each
8 driver and its associated 2023 test-year estimated frequency and key
9 sub-drivers are discussed below.

10 **D1 – Third-Party Damage:** Refers to pipeline damage inflicted by first,
11 second, or third parties through digging activities. Third-party damage
12 related rupture incidents accounts for 0.33 (18 percent) of the 1.9 expected
13 annual number of LOC events.⁷

14 **D2 – Internal Corrosion:** Refers to corrosion of the internal wall of steel
15 transmission pipelines following exposure to water and/or contaminants in
16 the gas. The extent of the corrosion damage and resultant threat depends
17 on the operating conditions of the pipeline and the particular corrosive
18 constituents within the pipe. Internal corrosion accounts for 0.25
19 (14 percent) of the 1.9 expected annual number of LOC events.

20 **D3 – External Corrosion:** Refers to the deterioration of the outside of the
21 steel pipe that results from reaction with the outside environment (i.e., soil,
22 water). Over time, external corrosion can reduce the wall thickness of the
23 pipe, making the pipe weaker and more susceptible to other threats.
24 External corrosion accounts for 0.30 (16 percent) of the 1.9 expected annual
25 number of LOC events.

26 **D4 – Construction Threats:** Refers to a connection between
27 two segments of pipe. Construction Threats accounts for 0.27 (15 percent)
28 of the 1.9 expected annual number of LOC events.

29 **D5 –WROFs:** Refers to water crossings, unstable soil, erosion, heavy rains
30 and floods. WROFs accounts for 0.14 (7 percent) of the 1.9 expected

7 The risk model frequencies account for both leaks and ruptures under the broad description “loss of containment” event.

1 number of LOC events. Seismic activity was excluded from this driver, as it
2 is considered a cross-cutting factor for the 2020 RAMP.

3 **D6 – Manufacturing Defects:** Refers to longitudinal seam defects caused
4 by flaws in the welding of the pipe seam and/or pipe body defects caused by
5 various steel impurities. It also includes Selective Seam Weld Corrosion.
6 Manufacturing defects accounts for 0.28 (15 percent) of the 1.9 expected
7 annual number of LOC events.

8 **D7 – Stress Corrosion Cracking:** Refers to cracking from the combined
9 influence of tensile stress and a corrosive environment. SCC accounts for
10 0.07 (4 percent) of the 1.9 average expected number of rupture events.

11 **D8 – Incorrect Operations⁸:** Refers to any activity, or omission of an
12 activity, by PG&E personnel that could adversely impact the safety or
13 reliability of the pipeline. Failures due to incorrect operations result from
14 work procedure errors or human performance factors. Only non-
15 overpressure incidents were included in this driver. Incorrect operations
16 accounts for 0.008 (0.4 percent) of the 1.9 expected annual number of LOC
17 events. Two cross-cutting factors, Skilled and Qualified Workforce and
18 Records and Information Management (RIM), are sub-drivers of Incorrect
19 Operations and account for 17% of Incorrect Operations but broken out from
20 Incorrect Operations driver in the bowtie for visibility.

21 **D9 – Equipment Failure:** Equipment refers to pipeline facilities, other than
22 pipe and pipe components, such as gaskets and O-rings, and control valve
23 failure. Only non-overpressure incidents were included in this risk driver.
24 Equipment failure accounts for 0.003 (0.2) percent of the 1.9 expected
25 annual number of LOC events.⁹

26 To model this risk, PG&E utilized internal gas frequency and
27 consequence data (derived from PG&E's current transmission pipeline

8 The Incorrect Operations driver contributions to this risk are minimal. Incorrect Operations mainly contribute to overpressure events which are captured under the Large Overpressure Event Downstream of Gas Measurement and Control Facility risk (Chapter 9).

9 The Equipment Failure driver contributions to this risk are minimal. Equipment Failure mainly contributes to overpressure events which are captured under the Large Overpressure Event Downstream of a Measurement and Control Facility risk (Chapter 9).

1 conditions and location) and PHMSA data from 1984-2019. The PHMSA
2 data includes Gas Transmission incident reports from 1984-2002,
3 2002-2010, and from 2010-2019. The PHMSA data was used to
4 supplement PG&E data in order to obtain driver frequencies not included in
5 the TIMP risk model (1984 to 2018 data was used).

6 PG&E's data regarding failure likelihood for ruptures is derived from the
7 current condition of the transmission pipeline system. The failure likelihood
8 algorithm addresses the likelihood of failure due to each of the risk drivers.
9 For some threats, such as External Corrosion and Internal Corrosion, failure
10 likelihood is calculated using probabilistic methods when ILI data are
11 available. Where it is not possible to estimate failure likelihood by using
12 probabilistic methods, a quantitative estimate is derived by means of an
13 adjustment factor approach, applied against base case industry or PG&E
14 failure likelihood statistics.

15 PG&E's failure likelihood for leaks is derived using a similar approach as
16 for ruptures but only for the External Corrosion and Internal Corrosion risk
17 drivers. To obtain the remaining five risk driver frequencies, adjustment
18 factors/ratios from PHMSA data were applied to the available PG&E rupture
19 data.

20 **6. Cross-Cutting Factors**

21 A cross-cutting factor is a driver or control that is interrelated to multiple
22 risks. PG&E is presenting eight cross-cutting factors in the 2020 RAMP.
23 The cross-cutting factors that impact the LOC on Gas Transmission Pipeline
24 risk are shown in Table 7-3 below. A description of the cross-cutting factors
25 and the mitigations and controls that PG&E is proposing to mitigate the
26 cross-cutting factors are described in Chapter 20.

**TABLE 7-3
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY**

Line No.	Cross-Cutting Factor	Impacts Likelihood	Impacts Consequence
1	Cyber Attack		X
2	Emergency Preparedness and Response		X
3	Information Technology Asset Failure		X
4	Physical Attack	X	
5	Records and Information Management	X	X
6	Seismic	X	X
7	Skilled and Qualified Workforce	X	

1 When analyzing the LOC on Gas Transmission Pipeline risk, PG&E
2 considered the cross-cutting factor Climate Change even though it is not
3 listed in the table above. Climate-related drivers are mainly captured under
4 the WROF driver (landslides, erosion, subsidence, wildfire). In the context
5 of Climate Change, the Gas Transmission risk team discussed the potential
6 impact that wildfires could have on this risk and concluded that the impact
7 would be small given that transmission pipeline assets are mostly
8 underground. PG&E also evaluated the possible impacts of climate change
9 resulting in increased subsidence. PG&E commissioned a study that looked
10 at a critical area (Line 186) and concluded that existing pipeline assets are
11 fit for service and able to operate under expected subsidence by 2060 even
12 when using conservative estimates. Potential increases in corrosion rates
13 due to sea level rise were also evaluated concluding that existing mitigation
14 programs are adequate and able to address any additional cathodic
15 protection needs that may arise. Even though climate change is not a
16 significant risk driver for this risk, PG&E does consider gas transmission
17 pipeline impacted by climate change as one of its alternative mitigations
18 (Section F.1).

19 PG&E carefully evaluated whether the Cyber Attack and/or IT Asset
20 Failure cross-cutting factors could cause a loss of containment risk event. It
21 was determined that there is no credible scenario for either cross-cutting
22 factor to cause a loss of containment event, but they are considered to
23 impact the consequences of a LoC on Gas Transmission Pipeline risk event
24 if IT Asset failure or Cyber Attack happened concurrently with an LOC.

1 **7. Consequences**

2 The basis for measuring the consequences of this risk is: did a LoC on
3 a transmission pipeline occur and if so, (1) did the LoC result in a leak; or
4 (2) did the LoC result in a rupture.

5 The consequences of a LoC on Gas Transmission Pipeline risk event
6 occurring are:

- 7 • The rate of occurrence of LoC events that resulted in a rupture is
8 49 percent, contributing more than 99 percent of the overall risk; and
- 9 • The rate of occurrence of LoC events that resulted in a leak is
10 51 percent, contributing less than 1 percent of the overall risk.

11 The consequences of this risk are measured in terms of serious injuries
12 or fatalities; reliability and financial impacts.

13 PG&E's financial consequence was estimated from the PHMSA financial
14 data which captures costs associated with property damage and emergency
15 response. An adjustment factor of 2.31 for California was applied (to reflect
16 higher cost expected in California), based on the ratio of median value of
17 homes in California to the median value of homes in all states—this data
18 was obtained from Zillow home value estimates. Since housing data
19 includes extreme values, the median was used as it is a better
20 representation of the general level of the housing market than the average.

21 PG&E's reliability consequence profiles are different for ruptures and
22 leaks. For ruptures, reliability consequence was determined based on the
23 expected number of impacted customers in the case of service being
24 interrupted to the pipeline segment. To account for the higher likelihood of
25 service loss when the pipeline segment is part of a radial feed system (no
26 alternative feed), a multiplier is applied to the expected number of impacted
27 customers:

- 28 • Multiplier = 1 if radial system
- 29 • Multiplier = 0.5 if non-radial (meaning half of the customers served will
30 be affected)

31 From this data, the mean value was used as a 50th percentile
32 probability input, and the max value as a 99th percentile probability input, to
33 fit a lognormal distribution. In addition, for the tranches ≥ 20 percent SMYS,
34 the rupture consequence distribution was modified because the described

1 approach was leading to overly conservative values. For these tranches,
2 the 50th percentile probability input was developed using subject matter
3 expert judgment informed by consolidated radial system averages and
4 expectation that ≥ 20 percent SMYS tranches should have at least a
5 50th percentile probability value higher than that of the less than 20 percent
6 SMYS tranches. The max values (99th percentile probability inputs) were
7 not modified for the ≥ 20 percent SMYS tranches.

8 Finally, for ruptures, a 75.5 percent probability of a rupture leading to a
9 reliability incident (customer outage) was calculated from PHMSA data
10 2010-2019, assuming those incidents with an estimated cost of operator's
11 emergency response were incidents that lead to a reliability event.

12 For leaks, the reliability consequence was determined based on PG&E
13 Gas Quarterly Incident Report data from 2015-2019. From this historical
14 data, the number of customers out of service was fit into a lognormal
15 distribution. A 36.8 percent probability of a leak leading to a reliability
16 incident (customer outage) was also calculated from this data.

17 PG&E's Safety consequence is calculated from the number of human
18 occupants impacted (estimated number of people within the PIR).
19 Conditional probabilities (from a hazard zone analysis presented in the
20 October 2016 PHMSA Committee Meeting workshop¹⁰) of fatalities and
21 injuries are applied. It assumes: (1) homogeneous distribution of the human
22 occupants through the PIR covered area; and (2) hazard zone is equal to
23 the PIR. The numbers used are as follows:

- 24 • Injury rate = 80 percent, Fatality rate = 8 percent for hazard zone <
25 100 ft (feet)
- 26 • Injury rate = 50 percent, Fatality rate = 5 percent for hazard zone
27 between 100 ft and 50 percent of PIR
- 28 • Injury rate = 20 percent, Fatality rate = 2 percent for hazard zone
29 between 50 percent and 100 percent of PIR

30 With the estimated injuries and fatalities, the PHMSA data was used to
31 calculate potential injuries and fatalities for employees, contractors and the
32 public for both ruptures and leaks.

¹⁰ See workpaper WP 7-43, Pipeline Risk Assessment/Management, Mini-Workshop.

1 Table 7-4 below shows the consequences of the risk event. Model
2 attributes are described in Chapter 3, Risk Modeling and Risk Spend
3 Efficiency.

**TABLE 7-4
RISK EVENT CONSEQUENCES**

	CoRE %Freq %Risk			Natural Units Per Event			CoRE			Natural Units per Year			Attribute Risk Score		
	CoRE	%Freq	%Risk	Safety EF/event	Gas Reliability #cust/event	Financial \$M/event	Safety	Gas Reliability	Financial	Safety EF/yr	Gas Reliability #cust/yr	Financial \$M/yr	Safety	Gas Reliability	Financial
Ruptures	286	39.0%	72%	1.0	41,573	5.3	115.0	164.8	5.8	0.7	30,234	3.9	83.6	119.9	4.2
Seismic - Rupture	447	9.2%	27%	1.7	48,067	8.5	247.2	189.0	11.0	0.3	8,261	1.5	42.5	32.5	1.9
Rupture and IT Asset Failure	294	0.5%	1%	1.0	42,149	5.4	119.7	169.0	5.5	0.0	403	0.1	1.1	1.6	0.1
Leaks	0.8	48.7%	0.3%	0.0	22	1.2	0.2	0.0	0.6	0.0	20	1.1	0.2	0.0	0.5
Rupture and Cyber Attack	295	0.1%	0.3%	1.0	42,059	5.6	120.4	168.4	6.0	0.0	106	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.0
Seismic - Leak	1.2	1.6%	0.0%	0.0	33	1.7	0.3	0.0	0.9	0.0	1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Leak and IT Asset Failure	0.9	0.6%	0.0%	0.0	23	1.3	0.2	0.0	0.6	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Leak and Cyber Attack	0.9	0.2%	0.0%	0.0	22	1.3	0.2	0.0	0.6	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Aggregated	155	100%	100%	0.6	20,939	3.5	69	83	4	1.0	39,025	6.6	128	154	7

C. Controls and Mitigations

Tables 7-5 and 7-6 list the controls and mitigations PG&E included in its 2017 RAMP, 2019 Gas Transmission and Storage (GT&S) Rate Case and 2020 RAMP (2020-2022 and 2023-2026). The tables provide a view as to those controls and mitigations that are on-going, those that are no longer in place, and new mitigations. In the following sections, PG&E describes the controls and mitigations in place in 2019, changes to the 2019 mitigations and controls presented in the 2017 RAMP, and then discusses new mitigations and/or significant changes to mitigations and/or controls during the 2020-2022 and 2023-2026 periods.

**TABLE 7-5
CONTROLS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Control Name and Number	2017 RAMP	2019 GT&S 2019-2022 Controls ^(a)	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 Controls	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 Controls
1	C1 – Corrosion Control	X	X	X	X
2	C2 – Direct Assessments (DA)	X	X	X	X
3	C3 – TIMP Pressure Tests	X	X	X	X
4	C4 – Leak Survey	X	X	X	X
5	C5 – Locate and Mark	X	X	X	X
6	C6 – Patrols	X	X	X	X
7	C7 – Public Awareness	X	X	X	X
8	C8 – ILI – Re-inspections	X	X	X	X
9	C9 – Pipe Replacement Program (formerly Other Pipeline Safety and Reliability Replacements)	X	X	X	X
10	C10 – Geohazard Control Program (formerly Earthquake Fault Crossings)	X	X	X	X
11	C11 – Other Operations and Maintenance (O&M)	X	X	X	X

(a) The controls PG&E proposed in the 2017 RAMP were incorporated by reference in the 2019 GT&S rate case filing. See Application (A.) 17-11-009, Prepared Testimony, p. 4-34, footnote 14.

**TABLE 7-6
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	2017 RAMP 2017-2019 Mitigations	2019 GT&S 2019-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 Mitigations
1	M1 – ILI Upgrades ^{(a) (b)}	X	X	X	X
2	M2 – Strength Testing	X	X	X	X
3	M3 – Vintage Pipe Replacement	X	X	X	X
4	M4 – Valve Automation	X	X	X	X
5	M5 – Shallow Pipe ^(c)	X	^(d)	X	X
6	M6 – Exposed Pipe ^(d)	X	^(d)	X	X
7	M (not numbered) – Upgrading Pipe to Make Pipelines Capable of ILI		X		

(a) In the 2017 RAMP, this mitigation was referred to as “ILI” and was described as including both pipeline upgrades and first-time inspections (See I.17-11-003, p. 1-15). In this 2020 RAMP the scope of the ILI program includes only pipeline upgrades.

(b) In the 2017 RAMP, the mitigations were numbered sequentially (M1, M2, M3, etc.) and then a letter was appended to the mitigation number to indicate the period during which certain work associated with that mitigation would occur. For example, M1A described the 2016 work, M1B described the 2017-2019 work, and M1C described the 2020-2022 work. In this table and the following sections PG&E refers to the mitigation number without the letter (year) designation as the description of the work did not change, only the volume of work.

(c) Previously referred to as “Shallow and Exposed Pipe” in the 2017 RAMP. This mitigation was divided into two separate mitigations in the 2020 RAMP.

(d) In the 2019 GT&S, this mitigation is described as an alternative mitigation. (See A.17-11-009, Prepared Testimony, p.4-37, lines 24-26).

1 **1. 2019 Controls and Mitigations**

2 **a. Controls**

3 **C1 – Corrosion Control:** Most of PG&E’s transmission pipelines are
4 made of steel and are subject to corrosion, an electrochemical process
5 where metal degrades due to its interaction with the environment.
6 Corrosion control seeks to: (1) control/reduce the elements that lead to
7 corrosion; or (2) minimize the natural corrosion process using electrical
8 currents. Effective corrosion control monitoring programs are critical to
9 provide timely data that represent pipeline conditions, allow for
10 modifications in corrosion mitigation strategies, and update risk
11 management tools. This control addresses the External Corrosion,
12 Internal Corrosion and SCC drivers.

1 **C2 – Direct Assessments (DA):** DA is a method of conducting
2 assessments of pipeline integrity, as outlined in Title 49 of the Code of
3 Federal Regulations—Transportation (49 CFR) Part 192 Subpart O. DA
4 is used to help address time dependent threats of external corrosion,
5 internal corrosion, and SCC by allowing for identification of anomalies
6 which, if not addressed, could grow and potentially affect the structural
7 integrity of the pipeline. The assessment techniques are called:
8 (1) External Corrosion Direct Assessment, used to identify and assess
9 locations likely to have external corrosion; (2) Internal Corrosion Direct
10 Assessment, used to identify and assess locations likely to have internal
11 corrosion; and (3) SCC Direct Assessment, used to identify and assess
12 the presence of a corrosive environment combined with sufficient tensile
13 stress in the pipe material to initiate and grow stress corrosion cracks.
14 This control addresses the External Corrosion, Internal Corrosion and
15 SCC drivers.

16 **C3 –TIMP Pressure Tests:** TIMP Pressure Tests are a method of
17 conducting pipeline integrity assessments, as outlined in 49 CFR
18 Part 192 Subpart O. Pressure tests are the most suitable assessment
19 method for assessing certain threats, such as when a pipe has a
20 manufacturing threat or in some cases SCC, when ILI is not a feasible
21 method. This control addresses the External Corrosion, Internal
22 Corrosion, SCC, Manufacturing Related Defects, Construction Threats,
23 and Third-Party Damage drivers.

24 **C4 – Leak Survey:** PG&E conducts leak surveys on the Gas
25 Transmission pipeline system to meet the regulatory requirements of
26 49 CFR Part 192.706 and GO-112F. PG&E conducts leak surveys on
27 the gas transmission pipeline system by implementing foot, aerial and
28 mobile leak surveys.

- 29 – Foot Survey: Foot surveys require personnel to carry a portable gas
30 leak detector in close proximity to the pipeline route.
- 31 – Aerial Survey: Aerial leak surveys using Light Detection and
32 Ranging (LIDAR) Infra-Red technology are being used more
33 frequently and are typically transported by helicopter along the
34 pipeline right-of-way (ROW).

1 – Mobile Survey: Ground-based mobile technology is a portable gas
2 detector transported on vehicles along the pipeline ROW.

3 For each case, leaks are detected and recorded on the instrument
4 before being downloaded to a database for immediate or scheduled
5 repair. This control addresses all the risk drivers.

6 **C5 – Locate and Mark:** PG&E’s Damage Prevention Program includes
7 the Locate and Mark Program with the goal of preventing excavation
8 damage to PG&E transmission pipeline assets. This program includes
9 responding to notifications in a timely manner, physically locating PG&E
10 gas transmission pipeline assets near the proposed excavations and
11 properly marking these assets and returning to the site when excavation
12 activities are occurring near or over the gas transmission assets. This
13 control addresses the Third-Party Damage driver.

14 **C6 – Patrols:** Pipeline patrol is an activity required by 49 CFR
15 Part 192.705 to “observe surface conditions on and adjacent to the
16 [pipeline’s] right-of-way for indications of leaks, construction activity, and
17 other factors affecting safety and operation”. A secondary purpose of
18 patrolling is to report new construction that may impact a pipeline’s
19 Class Location or classification as an HCA (49 CFR Part 192.613). This
20 control addresses the Third-Party Damage and WROF drivers.

21 **C7 – Public Awareness:** PG&E is required to develop and implement
22 public education programs that comply with American Petroleum
23 Institute’s Recommended Practice 1162, 1st Edition (RP 1162). The
24 Public Awareness Program is part of the Damage Prevention Program
25 and its goal is to enhance public safety, emergency preparedness and
26 environmental protection through increased public awareness and
27 knowledge. This control addresses the Third-Party Damage driver.

28 **C8 – ILIs – Re-Inspections:** ILI is the most reliable pipeline integrity
29 assessment tool currently available to a natural gas pipeline operator to
30 assess the internal and external condition of transmission line pipe. ILI
31 enables a pipeline operator to assess the condition of its pipelines and
32 to predict the integrity of those pipelines into the future to address time
33 dependent, as well as other threats to pipeline integrity. ILI involves
34 running technologically advanced inspection tools, often called “smart

1 pigs” through the inside of the pipeline to collect data about the pipe,
2 and then using that data to identify anomalies that may require further
3 investigation or repair. ILI is characterized as “traditional” or
4 “non-traditional.” The traditional ILI uses tools that move through the
5 pipeline driven by pressure differentials generated by gas flow. The
6 non-traditional tools move through the interior of the pipeline by means
7 other than through the use of gas propulsion such as using robotic and
8 tractor tools, winching a tool through the pipe with a cable or using
9 specially designed low-friction tools. There are three major phases to
10 an ILI program. The first involves modifying or updating the existing
11 pipeline system to accommodate an ILI tool. PG&E refers to this as
12 “traditional ILI upgrades” which involves capital improvements to make
13 the pipelines piggable. The second phase of an ILI program involves
14 cleaning and inspection “runs” in the pipeline. Inspection runs are
15 generally divided into first-time inspection runs for initial assessment
16 purposes and re-inspection runs conducted for reassessment purposes.
17 The third phase of the ILI program is the direct examination and repair
18 and is driven by the results of the data analysis. This remediation effort
19 allows for the preventative repair and mitigation of anomalies before
20 they result in a pipeline leak or rupture. PG&E defines the re-inspection
21 runs as a control for this risk given that the ILI re-inspections are
22 performed on a periodic basis. The upgrades and the first-time
23 inspections are defined as mitigation and discussed in the mitigation
24 section below. The ILI program addresses External Corrosion, Internal
25 Corrosion, SCC, Manufacturing Related Defects, Construction Threats,
26 WROFs, and Third-Party Damage.

27 **C9 – Pipe Replacement Program (formerly Other Pipeline Safety**
28 **and Reliability Replacements):** PG&E expects to continue to replace
29 pipe due to leaks, dig-ins, corrosion integrity issues, overbuilds and
30 encroachments, and other pipeline safety and reliability issues that
31 arise. The pipe replacement program addresses External Corrosion,
32 Internal Corrosion, SCC, Third-Party Damage, Manufacturing Related
33 Defects and WROFs.

1 **C10 – Geohazard Control Program (formerly Earthquake Fault**
2 **Crossings):**¹¹ The Geohazard Control program addresses the specific

3 threat of damage to a pipeline from land movement strains at known
4 earthquake faults due to seismic events and other geohazards.
5 California law requires natural gas operators to prepare for and minimize
6 damage to pipelines from earthquakes as part of their integrity
7 management programs. Since the inception of this program, PG&E has
8 conducted detailed studies which have shaped the direction of PG&E’s
9 earthquake fault crossing program. The studies, which address both the
10 anticipated geologic movement and pipeline mechanical properties,
11 provide information that informs PG&E how to manage the integrity of
12 these segments of pipe. This control addresses the WROF driver.

13 **C11 – Other O&M:**¹² Gas Transmission O&M activities are the actions
14 planned, tracked and managed to ensure regulatory compliance and
15 increase the useful lives of the Gas Transmission assets. Gas
16 Transmission O&M expense includes costs to perform compliance,
17 preventive and corrective tasks. Work in this control program also
18 includes small-scale, routine safety and reliability capital work as well.
19 This control addresses all drivers.

20 **b. Mitigations**

21 **M1 – ILI Upgrades:**¹³ The purpose of this mitigation is to make one-
22 time modifications to the pipeline to be able to run a smart pig
23 unimpeded through the pipeline.

24 The pipeline upgrades enable the first-time inspection mileage. This
25 mitigation addresses internal and external corrosion, SCC,

11 The name of the control program and description of the program has been modified since the 2017 RAMP to more appropriately describe the work performed in this control program.

12 This description of this control program has been modified since the 2017 RAMP to more appropriately describe the work performed in this control program.

13 In the 2017 RAMP this mitigation was referred to as “ILI” and was described as including both pipeline upgrades and first-time inspections. MAT codes HPB (Traditional ILI Runs), HPI (ILI Direct Exam and Repair), and 98C (ILI Upgrades) were associated with this mitigation. (See PG&E’s 2017 RAMP Report, p. 1-15). In this 2020 RAMP the scope of the ILI program includes only pipeline upgrades. Only MAT code 98C is associated with this mitigation in the 2020 RAMP.

1 manufacturing defects, third-party damage, WROF and Construction
2 Threats.

3 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E proposed first time inspections of
4 673 miles (93 miles in 2017, 218 miles in 2018 and 362 miles in 2019) of
5 transmission pipeline between 2017 and 2019. Through 2019, PG&E
6 inspected 611.8 miles (123.1 miles in 2017, 243.0 miles in 2018 and
7 245.7 miles in 2019). In addition, PG&E upgraded 643.1 miles of
8 transmission pipe for ILI.¹⁴

9 **M2 – Strength Testing:** PG&E strength tests pipe for several reasons,
10 including to establish a Maximum Allowable Operating Pressure as a
11 part of original construction, when there is a Class Location change, as
12 an integrity assessment to meet regulatory requirements and to fulfill
13 PG&E’s obligation to the National Transportation Safety Board Safety
14 Recommendation P-10-4. PG&E completed a high volume of mileage in
15 2017 and 2018 in order to meet the mandated mileage from the CPUC
16 in Decision 16-06-056. This mitigation addresses internal and external
17 corrosion, SCC, manufacturing defects, third-party/mechanical damage,
18 WROF and welding/fabrication related defects.

19 PG&E proposed strength testing 585 miles of transmission pipeline
20 between 2017 and 2019. PG&E completed strength testing for 253,
21 286, and 115 miles of pipe in 2017, 2018, and 2019, respectively. The
22 3-year total of 684 miles exceeds the 585 miles plan.

23 **M3 – Vintage Pipe Replacement:** PG&E considers “vintage pipe” to
24 include pipe manufactured or constructed and fabricated using certain
25 historic practices that are no longer being used today. PG&E plans to
26 replace all the vintage pipe segments containing vintage fabrication and
27 construction threats that are subject to a high risk of land movement and
28 are in proximity to population. This proposed plan is partially based on
29 assessment of site-specific land movement information collected
30 through PG&E’s Geohazard Threat Identification program. Additionally,

¹⁴ PG&E was initially on a 12-year pace to make pipelines capable of accepting an ILI tool. As a result of the 2019 GT&S decision (Decision 19-09-025), the program remained on a 12-year pace through 2018 and then switched to a 15-year program starting in 2019. In its decision, the CPUC noted that changing the pace of the program would not pose undue risks. D.19-09-025, p. 138.

1 PG&E was mandated to replace 20 miles in 2018. This mitigation
2 addresses internal and external corrosion, SCC, manufacturing defects,
3 construction threats, WROF and third-party/mechanical damage.

4 PG&E planned to replace 46 miles of vintage pipe—20 miles in 2017,
5 23 miles in 2018 and 3 miles in 2019. PG&E replaced 3.5, 20.6, and
6 2.1 miles of vintage pipe in 2017, 2018, and 2019 respectively,
7 excluding vintage pipeline retirement only projects. The 3-year total
8 miles replaced is less than the planned amount due to operational
9 constraints that did not allow enough time for engineering and
10 permitting. PG&E’s 2015 GT&S Rate Case decision was not issued
11 until the middle of 2016¹⁵ and its 2019 GT&S Rate Case Decision
12 was not issued until September 2019, creating uncertainty in the
13 planning work.

14 **M4 – Valve Automation:** PG&E’s Valve Automation program is
15 designed to enhance emergency response in the event of a gas
16 transmission pipeline rupture. Installation of automated isolation
17 capability on major pipelines in heavily-populated areas increases
18 emergency preparedness and may reduce the danger to emergency
19 personnel and the public in the event of a pipeline rupture.¹⁶ This
20 mitigation addresses the consequences of the event by preventing
21 further escalation.

22 PG&E automated 92 valves – 23 in 2017; 46 in 2018 and 23 in
23 2019. Fewer valves were automated in 2017 because funds were
24 reprioritized to higher priority work. For 2019, the decrease was due to
25 PG&E combining two Valve Automation projects (four valves) into one
26 project, which was delayed to 2020.

27 **M5 – Shallow and Exposed Pipe:** The goal of this program is to
28 identify, prioritize, and mitigate locations where pipeline has insufficient
29 cover, is vulnerable to exposure from third parties, or has become

15 The 2015 GT&S Rate Case covers 2015-2018. The 2019 GT&S Rate Case cycle covers 2019-2022.

16 Given that the exposure defined in the model is in miles, the equivalent miles addressed by the number of valves automated each year was calculated by analyzing the sections of pipeline that will be influenced by the valves. Four valves are equivalent to approximately 10 miles.

1 exposed due to natural forces. This mitigation addresses internal and
2 external corrosion, SCC, third-party damage, WROF, manufacturing
3 defects and Construction Threats drivers.

4 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E planned to replace 2.5 miles in 2017,
5 1.5 miles in 2018 and 1.4 miles in 2019. PG&E replaced 0.5, 1.0, and
6 0.7 miles of shallow and exposed pipe in 2017, 2018, and 2019
7 respectively, a total of 2.2 miles. PG&E replaced fewer miles because it
8 chose to reallocate funds to higher priority work.

9 **D. 2020-2022 Controls and Mitigation Plan**

10 **1. Changes to Controls**

11 PG&E is not planning to change or add to the controls in the 2017
12 RAMP.

13 **2. Changes to Mitigations**

14 PG&E will continue to implement the five mitigations proposed in the
15 2017 RAMP.

16 Mitigation M5 is now two separate mitigations – M5, Shallow Pipe and
17 M6 – Exposed Pipe. PG&E is not proposing any new mitigations.

18 The amount of work PG&E plans to complete is shown in Table 7-5
19 below.

**TABLE 7-7
PLANNED MITIGATIONS 2020-2022**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	Rate Case Units ^(a)	Planned Units of Work			
			2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M1 – ILI Upgrades	# of projects	12	12	12	36
2	M2 – Strength Testing	Miles	38.00	36.8	36.8	111.60
3	M3 – Vintage Pipe Replacement	Miles	2.02	3.08	2.41	7.51
4	M4 – Valve Automation	Valves	23	24	24	71
5	M5 – Shallow Pipe	Miles	0.30	0.02	0.01	0.33
6	M6 – Exposed Pipe	Miles	0.76	0.61	0.45	1.82

(a) The units of work are presented in “rate case” units – the units referred to in PG&E’s gas distribution and/or transmission rate cases. In certain cases, the units of work are represented differently in the RAMP model because the model requires that units of work are standardized. For example, in the General Rate Case PG&E reports feet of distribution main pipeline replaced whereas in the RAMP model PG&E inputs miles of distribution main replaced.

1 Tables 7-8 and 7-9 below show the forecast costs for the mitigation work
2 planned for the 2020-2022 period.

**TABLE 7-8
FORECAST COSTS^(a)
EXPENSE 2020-2022
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MAT	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M2	Strength Testing	MC1, JTC	\$39,622	\$39,521	\$40,707	\$119,850
2	Total			\$39,622	\$39,521	\$40,707	\$119,850

(a) See WP 7-1.

**TABLE 7-9
FORECAST COSTS^(a)
CAPITAL 2020-2022
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MAT	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M1	ILI Upgrades	98C	\$167,785	\$144,000	\$147,600	\$495,385
2	M3	Vintage Pipe Replacement	75E	23,957	45,300	35,446	104,703
3	M4	Valve Automation	75I	24,056	28,800	29,520	82,377
4	M5	Shallow Pipe	75M	6,941	6,941	7,150	21,033
5	M6	Exposed Pipe	75T	10,311	18,126	19,835	48,272
6		Total		\$233,052	\$243,167	\$239,551	\$715,770

(a) See WP 7-1.

1 E. 2023 – 2026 Proposed Mitigation Plan

2 PG&E will continue to implement the same five mitigations. The amount of
3 work PG&E plans to complete is shown in Table 7-10 below.

**TABLE 7-10
PLANNED MITIGATIONS 2023-2026**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	Rate Case Units ^(a)	Planned Units of Work				
			2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	M1 – ILI Upgrades	# of projects	12	12	12	12	48
2	M2 – Strength Testing	Miles	79.31	79.31	79.31	79.31	317.22
3	M3 – Vintage Pipe Replacement	Miles	2.22	1.23	2.66	3.10	9.21
4	M4 – Valve Automation	Valves	27	27	27	26	107
5	M5 – Shallow Pipe	Miles	0.57	0.30	0.30	0.30	1.47
6	M6 – Exposed Pipe	Miles	0.19	0.42	0.42	0.42	1.44

(a) The units of work are presented in “rate case” units – the units referred to in PG&E’s gas distribution and/or transmission rate cases. In certain cases, the units of work are represented differently in the RAMP model because the model requires that units of work are standardized. For example, in the GT&S PG&E reports feet of distribution main pipeline replaced whereas in the RAMP model PG&E inputs miles of distribution main replaced.

4 Tables 7-11 and 7-12 below show the forecast costs, RSEs and risk
5 reduction scores for the mitigation work planned for the 2023-2026 period.

**TABLE 7-11
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION^(b)
EXPENSE 2023-2026
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MAT	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M2	Strength Testing	MC1	<u>\$90,357</u>	<u>\$93,067</u>	<u>\$95,859</u>	<u>\$98,735</u>	<u>\$378,019</u>	<u>0.14</u>	<u>37.9</u>
2		Total		\$90,357	\$93,067	\$95,859	\$98,735	\$378,019		

(a) See Mitigation Effectiveness worksheets (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

(b) See WP 7-1.

**TABLE 7-12
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION^(b)
CAPITAL 2023-2026
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MAT	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M1	ILI Upgrades	98C	\$151,290	\$155,072	\$158,949	\$162,923	\$628,234	0.10	44.0
2	M3	Vintage Pipe Replacement	75E	33,631	19,192	42,750	51,317	146,890	0.04	4.2
3	M4	Valve Automation	75I	34,040	34,891	35,764	35,472	140,167	0.08	8.7
4	M5	Shallow Pipe	75M	7,364	7,585	7,813	8,047	30,809	0.02	0.5
5	M6	Exposed Pipe	75T	7,643	11,653	12,002	12,362	43,660	0.02	0.6
6		Total		\$233,969	\$228,394	\$257,278	\$270,121	\$989,761		

(a) See Mitigation Effectiveness worksheets (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

(b) See WP 7-1.

1 Tables 7-11 and 7-12 above shows the planned cost, RSE and risk
2 reduction score for each of the LOC on Gas Transmission Pipeline risk
3 mitigation programs. PG&E's mitigation program proposes to focus spending on
4 the two programs that reduce the greatest amount of risk:

- 5 • The ILI program provides the greatest risk reduction and has the second
6 highest RSE. PG&E is proposing to allocate more than 60 percent of its
7 capital mitigation spending on this program. ILI is the most reliable pipeline
8 integrity assessment tool currently available to natural gas pipeline
9 operators to assess the internal and external condition of transmission line
10 pipe.¹⁷
- 11 • Strength Testing has the highest RSE score of the proposed mitigations and
12 the second highest risk reduction. PG&E is proposing to allocate
13 approximately 28 percent of its total mitigation spending on this program.
- 14 • PG&E's planned mitigations are focused on addressing the tranche with the
15 highest percent of risk. PG&E's 2023-2026 plan includes ILI Upgrade
16 projects and Strength Testing focused on the Greater than or Equal to
17 20 percent SMYS and High Impact IOC tranche. Taken together, PG&E
18 estimates that 69 percent of the total risk reduction from its proposed
19 mitigation programs is focused in this highest risk tranche.¹⁸

20 PG&E is proposing to spend approximately \$74 million dollars between
21 2023 and 2026 on two mitigations - Shallow Pipe and Exposed Pipe. While the
22 RSE scores for these programs are low compared to the other planned
23 mitigations, the programs help PG&E to address risks due to shallow and
24 exposed pipe on both land and locations of levee/water crossings. The two
25 programs identify, prioritize and mitigate pipeline that has insufficient cover, is
26 vulnerable to damage or exposure from third parties, or has become exposed
27 due to natural forces. The pipe segments addressed by these programs have a
28 higher risk (especially for TPD and WROF drivers) relative to others within the
29 tranches, leading to slight underestimations of RSE. There is not a tranche
30 specific to these pipe segments because their exposure is less than 1 percent of

17 "Report to the National Transportation Safety Board on Historical and Future Development of Advanced In-Line Inspection Platforms for Use in Gas Transmission Pipelines," INGAA, March 26, 2012.

18 See WP 7-205 Risk Reduction Tranche vs Program Heat Map.

1 the overall transmission pipeline system. This program enhances public safety
2 and improves system reliability by identifying and evaluating hazards such as
3 soil erosion, third-party damage threats, and other geohazards to buried pipeline
4 installations located under waterways and within levee structures. This
5 mitigation program is informed by several best practices.¹⁹ Studies conducted
6 after Hurricane Katrina on levee systems nationwide identified California levee
7 systems as among the most vulnerable for failure and have the greatest
8 potential risk for loss of life, property damage, and economic impact.

9 PG&E also implements shallow and exposed pipe mitigations to meet
10 regulatory compliance requirements. 49 CFR 192.933 requires that PG&E take
11 action to address integrity issues and 49 CFR 192.935 requires prevention and
12 mitigation measures for identified hazards associated with shallow and
13 exposed pipe.

14 **F. Alternative Analysis**

15 In addition to the proposed mitigations described in Section E above, PG&E
16 considered alternative mitigations as well. The mitigations described in Section
17 E constitute the Proposed Plan. The Alternative Plans consist of a combination
18 of some or all of the proposed mitigations along with the alternative mitigation(s).
19 PG&E describes each of the alternative mitigations it considered below and then
20 provides a table showing the forecast costs, RSEs and risk reduction scores for
21 each of the Alternative Plans.

22 **1. Alternative Plan 1: Mitigate Transmission Pipeline Impacted by** 23 **Climate Change**

24 To improve the resilience of PG&E's transmission pipeline to climate
25 change, PG&E reviewed white paper CEC-500-2017-008 from California
26 Energy Commission (CEC) Climate Change Center (assessment of
27 California's natural gas pipeline vulnerability to climate change). This paper
28 documents simulations of different flooding scenarios in three primary
29 regions: the San Francisco Bay Area, the Sacramento-San Joaquin River
30 Delta, and California's full coastline. It also includes analyses of the location
31 of existing natural gas transmission pipelines and associated infrastructure

¹⁹ These best practices are discussed in PG&E's 2019 GT&S Rate Case, A.17-11-009, Prepared Testimony, p. 5-101, line 25 to p.5-102, line 12.

1 to identify locations of possible vulnerability to inundation damage
2 associated with extreme storms and various increments of long-term sea
3 level rise (SLR).

4 Based on the worst-case scenario analysis of 1.41 meter sea level rise
5 coupled with a near 100-year storm event (NESE 100), PG&E found that
6 approximately 36 miles of transmission pipeline could be at levels of threat
7 requiring specific interventions in the face of projected higher sea level and
8 storm surge.

9 PG&E determined that 36 miles could be targeted for intervention over a
10 30-year period, targeting to complete by 2053. The program would prioritize
11 replacement of pipe in those areas that present the higher risk first.

12 PG&E assumed the cost of intervention to address the 36 miles of
13 pipeline would be equivalent to its vintage pipe replacement program. Based
14 on the CEC report, 23 of the 36 miles may need to be replaced and secured,
15 and the remaining miles may require other work (e.g., anchoring) which
16 requires excavation—a significant contributor to the cost of replacing pipe.

17 This cost estimate is preliminary, based on information readily available
18 and supplemented with SME judgment. A more in-depth analysis would be
19 required to better estimate the costs associated with this program.

20 PG&E is not pursuing this alternative mitigation at this time because
21 PG&E has prioritized its work plan to address more immediate concerns.
22 PG&E would need to perform additional studies to obtain a better
23 understanding of the potential impact to our transmission pipeline system
24 due to rising sea level.

TABLE 7-13
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION^(b)
EXPENSE 2023-2026
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A1	Mitigate Transmission Pipeline Impacted by Climate Change	\$18,179	\$18,724	\$19,286	\$19,864	\$76,053	0.03	1.5
2		Total	\$18,179	\$18,724	\$19,286	\$19,864	\$76,053		

(a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

(b) See WP 7-1.

1 **2. Alternative Plan 2: Mitigate Transmission Pipeline Third Party Damage**
2 **Events**

3 This mitigation uses new technology to reduce the risk of third-
4 party/mechanical damage to transmission pipeline assets. This program
5 would install active global positioning system (GPS) tracking devices on
6 third-party excavation equipment and the device would alert PG&E when the
7 excavation equipment is working near a pipeline, giving PG&E time to
8 investigate the work against a valid USA ticket and potentially reduce the
9 likelihood of excavation equipment impacting the pipeline.

10 To develop the initial cost estimate for this alternative, the total
11 excavation equipment count in California was estimated from a California Air
12 Resources Board (ARB) report, ARB No. 04-315 “Characterization of the
13 Off-Road Equipment Population.” The preliminary scope of this program is
14 defined as 14,184 pieces of excavation equipment (e.g., backhoes,
15 excavators, graders), of which PG&E assumes it would add tracking devices
16 to 50 percent of the excavation equipment population over three years (2023
17 through 2025).

18 The effectiveness of this program would be based on the percentage of
19 dig-ins with gas release involving excavation machinery and that do not
20 have a valid (USA) 811 ticket, and the assumption that one out of five
21 events (excavation machinery detected near transmission pipeline without a
22 USA ticket) would be effectively mitigated, preventing a LoC event.

23 The cost estimate accounts for estimated 10 full-time employees for
24 deployment of units and monitoring/response, who would be strategically
25 placed across the PG&E service territory. It also accounts for the recurring
26 monthly cost associated with the renting of the GPS units.

27 PG&E will continue to evaluate this program and may conduct a pilot
28 program to further analyze the costs and benefits of this program given the
29 favorable RSE and risk reduction.

30 Table 7-14 below lists the mitigation, RSE and estimated costs to install
31 tracking devices on third-party excavation equipment.

TABLE 7-14
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION^(b)
EXPENSE 2023-2026
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A2	Mitigate Transmission Pipeline Third Party Damage Events	\$3,556	\$7,174	\$11,007	\$12,611	\$34,348	0.14	3.4
2		Total	\$3,556	\$7,174	\$11,007	\$12,611	\$34,348		

(a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

(b) See WP 7-1.

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Table 7-15 compares the proposed and alternative mitigation plans.

**TABLE 7-15
MITIGATION PLAN ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS^(c)
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Risk Mitigation Plan	Plan Components ^(a)	Total Expense (2023-2026)	Total Capital (2023-2026)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)	Total Spend (NPV)	RSE
1	Proposed	M1, M2, M3, M4, M5, M6	\$378,019	\$989,761	96	\$1,003,351	0.096
2	Alternative 1	Proposed + A1	\$454,072	\$989,761	97	\$1,059,229	0.092
3	Alternative 2	Proposed + A2	\$412,367	\$989,761	99	\$1,027,866	0.097

(a) Plan Components refers to the Mitigations presented in Table 7-6.
 (b) Information presented in terms of Net Present Value (NPV) to account for the discounting of benefits.
 (c) See WP 7-2.

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6 **A. Executive Summary**

7 Loss of containment (LOC) on Gas Distribution Main or Service refers to a
8 leak on a distribution main or service asset with the potential for migration and
9 ignition. The drivers for this risk event are: corrosion, natural forces, excavation
10 damage, other outside force damage, material weld or joint failure, equipment
11 failure, incorrect operations, or other events that could threaten the integrity of
12 the pipeline. LOC due to a cross bore event is a sub-driver of the incorrect
13 operations driver. The cross-cutting factors including Climate Change,
14 Emergency Preparedness and Response, Physical Attack, Records and
15 Information Management, Seismic, and Skilled and Qualified Workforce (SQWF)
16 also impact this risk event.

17 Exposure¹ to this risk is based on approximately 43,200 miles of distribution
18 mains and approximately 3.6 million gas services and risers.² The risk model
19 includes approximately 29,590 risk events each year. The majority of the risk
20 events are minor LOC events (leaks) that account for 21 percent of the total risk.
21 Those risk events which are defined as major LOC events make up 79 percent
22 of the total risk.

23 The main risk driver, equipment failure, is responsible for 65 percent of the
24 risk events. Corrosion, incorrect operations, excavation damage, and
25 material/weld failure combined are responsible for 30 percent of risk events.
26 The mitigations Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) will implement from
27 2020-2026 are designed to address the risk drivers noted above.

1 Miles of distribution main and services, number of risers, and count of cross bore inspections are combined for the purpose of running the risk model, and exposure is expressed as 4.45 million units.

2 Service lines refers to gas lines operating at less than or equal to 60 pounds per square inch gauge connecting from the main to customer-connected equipment. Service lines include single customer and branch services. Risers connect underground service lines to the above-ground meter set.

1 PG&E identified 12 tranches for this risk event. Ten of the tranches are
 2 separated by asset type, material type and population density and
 3 two outcomes, major and minor. The other two tranches represent cross bore
 4 events inside and outside San Francisco. The highest tranche-level risk is
 5 associated with services and risers.

6 LOC on Gas Distribution Main or Service has the sixth-highest 2023 test
 7 year (TY) baseline safety score (72) and the fifth-highest 2023 TY baseline total
 8 risk score (99) of PG&E’s 12 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase (RAMP)
 9 risks. The 2020 baseline risk score, 110, improves by 15 percent when the
 10 planned mitigations are applied—the 2023 TY baseline risk score is 99 and the
 11 post-mitigation 2026 risk score is 93.

12 The New Valve Installation and Fitting Mitigation programs have the highest
 13 risk spend efficiency (RSE) scores, and the plastic and steel Pipeline
 14 Replacement Program have the highest total risk reduction scores.³

**TABLE 8-1
 RISK OVERVIEW**

RISK NAME	LOC on Gas Distribution Main or Service
IN SCOPE	Failure of a gas distribution main or service resulting in a LOC, with or without ignition, that can lead to significant impact on public safety, employee safety, contractor safety, property damages, financial losses, or the inability to deliver natural gas to customers.
OUT OF SCOPE	A LOC driven by large over pressure events and customer-connected equipment.
DATA QUANTIFICATION SOURCES ^(a)	RiskFinder Leak Data, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) Reportable Incident Data, Legacy Cross Bore program inspection data, PG&E’s 2020 General Rate Case (GRC) application, PG&E Gas Distribution Geographic Information System (GD-GIS), PG&E Customer Outage Data, 2010 census block data, PG&E unit cost information from its 2020 GRC.
<hr/> (a) Source documents will be provided with the workpapers on July 17, 2020.	

³ The information presented herein is subject to the limitations described in Chapter 2, Section D.

1 **1. Risk Overview**

2 PG&E recently rescoped this risk. At the February 4, 2020 RAMP
3 Workshop with the California Public Utilities Commission and interested
4 parties (Workshop #3), this risk was presented as two risks: (1) Loss of
5 Containment – Gas Distribution Pipeline – Non-Cross Bore; and, (2) Loss of
6 Containment – Gas Distribution Pipeline – Cross Bore. The gas distribution
7 risk is now called Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service,
8 combining both risks into a single risk event.

9 The exposure to this risk is based on approximately 43,200 miles of
10 distribution mains, and approximately 3.6 million gas services and risers,
11 which together provide natural gas to PG&E’s 4.3 million residential,
12 commercial and industrial customers.

13 LOC on a gas distribution main or service refers to a leak on a
14 distribution main or service asset with the potential for migration and ignition.
15 The drivers for this risk event are: corrosion; natural forces; excavation
16 damage; other outside force damage; material weld or joint failure;
17 equipment failure; incorrect operations; and, other events that could threaten
18 the integrity of the pipeline. LOC on the gas distribution system due to a
19 cross bore⁴ is a sub-driver of the incorrect operations driver. The
20 cross-cutting risks Records and Information Management, Seismic and
21 SQWF also impact this risk event.

22 PG&E monitors the gas distribution system assets through operations
23 and maintenance activities including atmospheric corrosion inspections,
24 cathodic protection (CP) system monitoring, leak survey and excavation
25 damage prevention efforts. PG&E performs additional monitoring, risk
26 assessment and mitigation activities through the Distribution Integrity
27 Management Program (DIMP).

28 Along with system monitoring, PG&E mitigates distribution main and
29 service risk through additional corrosion control programs, fitting repair and
30 replacement programs, emergency zone valve installations, and legacy

4 A cross bore is an inadvertent placement of an underground utility through a
wastewater or storm drain system during trenchless construction. Cross bores pose a
risk as they can result in a gas leak into the sewer system if damaged during sewer
cleaning operations.

1 cross bore inspections. PG&E also performs gas distribution pipeline
2 replacement as part of the asset management strategy to mitigate the
3 effects of aging infrastructure within the gas distribution system.

4 **2. Risk Definition**

5 Failure of a gas distribution main or service resulting in a LOC, with or
6 without ignition, can lead to significant impact on public safety, employee
7 safety, contractor safety, property damages, financial losses, or the inability
8 to deliver natural gas to customers.

9 **B. Risk Assessment**

10 **1. Background and Evolution**

11 PG&E's 2017 RAMP included two gas distribution pipeline risks:
12 (1) Release of Gas with Ignition on Distribution Facilities – Cross Bore⁵;
13 and, (2) Release of Gas with Ignition on Distribution Facilities – Non-Cross
14 Bore.⁶ In the 2020 RAMP, PG&E is presenting one combined gas
15 distribution risk event that includes both cross bore and non-cross bore risk
16 events. The LOC due to a cross bore is both a sub-driver of the incorrect
17 operations driver and a driver of the cross bore tranche.

18 The risk events in the 2017 RAMP were defined as distribution asset
19 LOC with ignition (non-cross bore) and release of gas with ignition cross
20 bore. The risk event definition in the 2020 RAMP has been expanded to
21 include both “with ignition” and “without ignition.” By expanding the
22 definition to include “without ignition” in the risk event, PG&E is able to
23 improve risk model accuracy by using more PG&E historical system data,
24 since most of the gas distribution LOC events do not result in an ignition, but
25 contribute to the risk consequences.

26 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E identified eight drivers for the non-cross bore
27 risk event for categorizing and evaluating threats on distribution assets.
28 PG&E has modeled the new combined risk event using the same eight
29 drivers. The drivers are based on Title 49 of the Code of Federal
30 Regulations – Transportation (CFR) Part 192, Subpart P. At RAMP

5 PG&E's RAMP Report, Investigation (I.) 17-11-003 (Nov. 30, 2017) (PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report), Chapter 5.

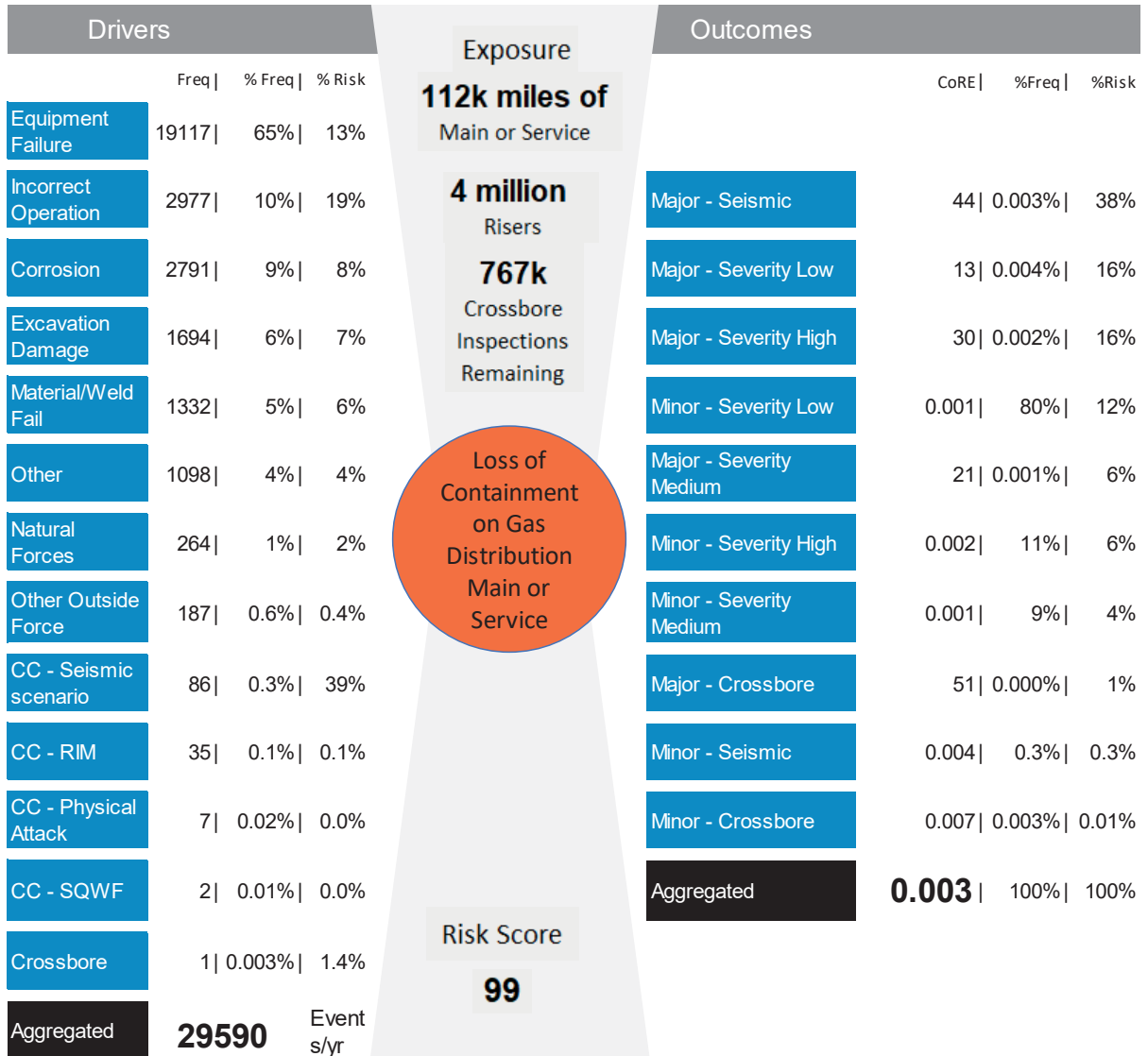
6 PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report, Chapter 7.

1 Workshop #3, PG&E presented its list of 12 proposed RAMP risks. The list
2 excluded the Loss of Containment – Distribution Pipeline – Cross Bore risk
3 because it did not meet the criteria to qualify as a RAMP risk.⁷ During the
4 workshop, the Safety and Enforcement Division (SED) and intervenors
5 questioned why the cross bore risk was not identified as a RAMP risk, since
6 PG&E identified cross bores as a top safety risk in the 2020 GRC. In
7 response to this feedback, PG&E combined the cross bore risk into the
8 LOC – Gas Distribution Main or Service risk event and maintained visibility
9 to the cross bores through tranching. By including cross bores in the risk
10 event, PG&E now has a holistic view of its gas distribution system, and a
11 more complete picture of the potential drivers of a risk event on this system.

⁷ Consistent with the requirements set forth in the Phase Two Safety Model Assessment Proceeding (S-MAP) Settlement Agreement (Attachment A to Decision 18-12-014), PG&E selected its RAMP risks by evaluating all risks on its Enterprise Risk Register (ERR), identifying the safety risks and computing a Safety Risk Score for each one. PG&E sorted the list by the Safety Risk Score and selected the top 40 percent of the ERR risks with a safety risk score greater than zero. PG&E also selected risks for inclusion in RAMP whose Safety Risk Score was within 20 percent of the lowest top 40 percent Safety Risk Score. Safety risks that did not meet this S-MAP selection criteria are included in Chapter 19, “Other Safety Risks,” in this 2020 RAMP Report.

2. Risk Bow Tie

FIGURE 8-1
RISK BOW TIE



2 a. Difference from 2017 Risk Bow Tie

3 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E presented two gas distribution LOC
 4 risks—one cross bore (Chapter 5) and one non-cross bore (Chapter 7).
 5 In the 2020 RAMP, PG&E is presenting one gas distribution LOC risk
 6 with cross bores represented at the tranche level.

7 In the 2017 RAMP, both of the risk events were defined as LOC with
 8 ignition. In the 2020 RAMP, the risk event includes both with and
 9 without ignition to better align with PG&E’s history with distribution LOC

1 events. By redefining the risk event to include without ignition, PG&E is
2 able to rely on PG&E data to model the risk event and consequences as
3 opposed to relying on industry data.

4 The risk drivers for both the 2017 RAMP non-cross bore event and
5 the 2020 risk event are the same, and are based on 49 CFR Part 192,
6 Subpart P.

7 **3. Exposure to Risk**

8 For the LOC on Gas Distribution Main or Service risk event, exposure to
9 risk is measured by the total distribution equipment units. This is based on
10 approximately 43,200 miles of PG&E distribution mains, approximately
11 3.6 million services and approximately 3.6 million risers.⁸ Because the unit
12 of measure is different for the different Gas Distribution asset types,
13 exposure is defined in the risk model as 112,000 miles of main or service,
14 4 million risers and 767,000 cross bore inspections remaining.

15 For the cross bore tranches, risk exposure is based on an estimated
16 number of potential legacy cross bores remaining in PG&E's system. The
17 exact number of cross bores on the system is unknown. PG&E estimated
18 the number of cross bores by multiplying PG&E's historic cross bore find
19 rate by the number of inspections remaining based on information through
20 February 2020.

21 **4. Tranches**

22 PG&E identified 12 total tranches for the Loss of Containment on Gas
23 Distribution Main or Service risk event, 10 of which (Tranches 1-10 in
24 Table 8-2 below), have been separated by three factors: asset type,
25 material type, and population density. These tranche-defining factors
26 represent different risk profiles.⁹

27 The factors provide a reasonable foundation for evaluating the likelihood
28 of a LOC risk event based on asset and material type and the
29 consequences of a risk event considering major/minor outcome, severity

8 For RAMP risk model purposes, it is assumed that there is one riser for every service.

9 At Workshop #3, PG&E presented five distribution gas pipeline risk tranches based on the likelihood of failure (material type) and the consequence of failure (asset type). Following the workshop, PG&E expanded the number of tranches by including material type, asset type and population density and added cross bores as unique tranches.

1 grouping, asset type, and population density. Based on feedback received
2 during RAMP Workshop #3, PG&E added cross bores into the LOC on Gas
3 Distribution Main or Service risk event and maintained visibility to the cross
4 bores through tranching (Items 11 and 12 in Table 8-2 below). There are
5 two tranches for cross bores based on the potential for a cross bore inside
6 or outside San Francisco. This tranche design acknowledges the increased
7 risk of cross bores in San Francisco due to the relatively high amount of
8 pipeline replacement activity combined with the high population density.

9 PG&E will continue to improve its model over time. One change that
10 PG&E is evaluating is to further divide the pipeline tranches by the
11 classifying pipe by the years in which it was installed: steel pipe, pre- and
12 post-1941; and plastic pipe, pre- and post-1985. These divisions will better
13 represent the current state of the gas distribution system as there are known
14 differences in the risk profile of the pipe depending on the installation date.

15 Table 8-2 shows the percent exposure and percent risk by asset type at
16 the tranche level.

**TABLE 8-2
PERCENT EXPOSURE AND PERCENT RISK BY TRANCHE AND ASSET TYPE
LOC – GAS DISTRIBUTION MAIN OR SERVICE**

Line No.	Tranche	Percent Exposure	Safety Score	Reliability Risk Score	Financial Risk Score	Total Risk Score	Percent Risk
1	Main-Plastic-Population Density High	13%	7.9	0.6	0.7	9.1	23%
2	Main-Plastic-Population Density Low	41%	3.2	0.7	1.9	5.8	14%
3	Main-Steel-Population Density High	11%	10.3	0.8	1.6	12.7	31%
4	Main-Steel-Population Density Low	35%	6.4	1.7	4.6	12.7	31%
5	Total	100%	27.8	3.8	8.6	40.3	100%
6	Service-Steel-Population Density High	12%	8.3	0.1	1.4	9.8	23%
7	Service-Steel-Population Density Low	22%	1.9	0.2	2.2	4.4	10%
8	Service-Plastic-Population Density High	23%	16.8	0.2	2.6	19.6	45%
9	Service-Plastic-Population Density Low	44%	4.6	0.5	4.3	9.3	22%
10	Total	100%	31.6	1.1	10.5	43.1	100%
11	Riser-All-Population Density High	37%	10.9	0.0	1.4	12.4	85%
12	Riser-All-Population Density Low	63%	0.7	0.0	1.5	2.2	15%
13	Total	100%	11.6	0.1	3.0	14.6	100%
14	Cross Bore-San Francisco	4%	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2	12%
15	Cross Bore-Non-San Francisco	96%	1.2	0.0	0.0	1.2	88%
16	Total	100%	1.4	0.0	0.0	1.4	100%
17	Grand Total	100%	72.4	4.9	22.1	99.4	100%

1 **5. Drivers and Associated Frequency**

2 PG&E identified eight drivers and 30 sub-drivers for the LOC on Gas
3 Distribution Main or Service risk event. The drivers are based on the
4 PHMSA integrity management requirements for gas distribution pipeline
5 systems (DIMP), 49 CFR Part 192, Subpart P. Each driver, its associated
6 2023 TY baseline frequency, and key sub-drivers are discussed below.
7 A complete list of sub-drivers is provided in supporting workpapers.¹⁰

¹⁰ Source documents will be provided with the workpapers on July 17, 2020.

1 **D1 – Equipment Failure:** Issues such as age or obsolescence may lead to
2 equipment failures. Equipment obsolescence is defined as the state where
3 equipment may be difficult to maintain, the vendor no longer supports the
4 product, spare parts are no longer available, or equipment parts become
5 incompatible. Equipment related events accounted for 19,117 (65 percent)
6 of the 29,590 expected annual number of events.

7 **D2 – Corrosion:** External and Internal Corrosion are corrosion key
8 sub-drivers affecting metallic assets. Corrosion can, over time, reduce the
9 wall thickness of the pipe resulting in the release of gas. Corrosion events
10 accounted for 2,791 (9 percent) of the 29,590 expected annual number
11 of events.

12 **D3 – Incorrect Operations:** Incorrect operations include human error and
13 incorrect procedures. This may lead to safety hazards when procedures are
14 not followed or when improperly trained or untrained personnel perform work
15 on the distribution system (e.g., failure to follow standards and procedures
16 for installing new plastic pipe can result in construction defects). Incorrect
17 operations accounted for 2,977 (10 percent) of the 29,590 expected annual
18 number of events.

19 **D4 – Excavation Damage:** Any excavation impact that results in the need
20 to repair or replace an underground facility due to a weakening or the partial
21 or complete destruction of the facility including, but not limited to, the
22 protective coating, lateral support, CP or the housing for the line device or
23 facility (e.g., third-party dig-ins). Excavation damage accounted for
24 1,694 (6 percent) of the 29,590 expected annual number of events.

25 **D5 – Material, Weld, or Joint Failure:** Any material, weld, or joint that does
26 not perform its intended function or design in accordance with PG&E or
27 industry standards. Material failure or pipe weld accounted for
28 1,332 (5 percent) of the 29,590 expected annual number of events.

29 **D6 – Other:** Other concerns that could threaten the integrity of the pipeline
30 (e.g., a gas leak which is repaired by replacing the pipeline or service
31 without exposing the leak source and the cause of the leak was
32 undetermined). Other concerns accounted for 1,098 (4 percent) of the
33 29,590 expected annual number of events.

1 **D7 – Natural Force Damage:** This risk driver may be caused by a wide
2 range of factors including seismic activity, flooding, earth movement,
3 lightning, and root damage. Natural force damage accounted for
4 264 (1 percent) of the 29,590 expected annual number of events.

5 **D8 – Other Outside Force Damage:** Damage to the distribution facilities
6 caused by external forces that act on the pipeline such as a vehicle impact
7 on a riser. Other outside force damage accounted for 187 (0.6 percent) of
8 the 29,590 expected annual number of events.

9 Cross bores represent a high risk to public and employee safety as they
10 can result in a gas leak into the sewer system if damaged, such as
11 during sewer cleaning operations. Cross bores accounted for 1 of the
12 29,950 (<1 percent) average annual number of events. Cross bore is both a
13 sub-driver of the incorrect operations driver and a driver of the cross bore
14 tranche. In order to more clearly see the impact cross bores have on the
15 overall LOC on Gas Distribution Main or Service risk event, cross bore is
16 displayed on the bow tie as a driver, even though it is not a primary driver of
17 this risk.

18 For a LOC on mains, services, and risers, PG&E used 10-year leak data
19 collected from its RiskFinder database to estimate the frequency of all
20 drivers and sub-drivers. PG&E relied on a 10-year data set because the
21 data provided a good representation of PG&E's current gas distribution
22 system and was sufficient for representing leak sub-driver frequencies. With
23 this data, independent frequencies were developed for mains (steel and
24 plastic), services (steel and plastic), and risers (all types).

25 **6. Cross-Cutting Factor**

26 A cross-cutting factor is a driver or control that is interrelated to multiple
27 risks. PG&E is presenting eight cross-cutting factors in the 2020 RAMP.
28 The cross-cutting factors that impact the LOC on Gas Distribution Main or
29 Service risk event are shown in Table 8-3 below. A description of the
30 cross-cutting factors and the mitigations and controls that PG&E is
31 proposing to mitigate the cross-cutting factors are described in Chapter 20.

**TABLE 8-3
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY**

Line No.	Cross-Cutting Factor	Impacts Likelihood	Impacts Consequence
1	Climate Change	X	
2	Emergency Preparedness and Response		X
3	Physical Attack	X	
4	Records and Information Management	X	X
5	Seismic	X	
6	SQWF	X	

1 PG&E is continuing to evaluate the impact that Cyber Attack and
 2 Information Technology (IT) Asset Failure has on RAMP risks and expects
 3 to present Cyber Attack and IT Asset Failures as cross-cutting factors
 4 relative to this RAMP risk in the 2023 GRC.

5 **7. Consequences**

6 The risk model measures the risk associated with a LOC on a gas
 7 distribution pipeline main, service, riser, or due to a cross bore. A LOC can
 8 result in public, employee, and contractor safety events, a reduction in gas
 9 reliability, and/or financial losses. Non-LOC consequences associated with
 10 the distribution network are not considered within the scope of this model
 11 and are included in Safety, Health, Enterprise Corrective Action Program
 12 (ECAP), and Department of Transportation (DOT),¹¹ SHED’s Contractor,
 13 Employee, or Third-Party Safety Incident Risks. Additionally, the risk
 14 associated with customer-connected equipment is considered its own risk¹²
 15 and not included within the scope of this model.

16 PG&E modeled the risk of a LOC on a main, service, riser, and cross
 17 bore with independent frequency, outcome, and consequence distributions
 18 as described below.

19 The two outcomes of a gas distribution LOC event are defined in this
 20 model as “major” and “minor” where a major event is equivalent to a PHMSA
 21 significant incident, and a minor event is equivalent to a non-PHMSA

11 Safety, Health, ECAP, and DOT (collectively, SHED).

12 See Chapter 19, Other Safety Risks.

1 significant incident. Per PHMSA, significant incidents are those including:
2 (1) fatality or injury requiring in-patient hospitalization; and/or (2) \$50,000 or
3 more in total costs. Gas distribution incidents caused by an adjacent fire or
4 explosion that impacts the pipeline system are excluded. The
5 consequences for the distribution mains, services, and risers tranches and
6 the cross bore tranche are distinct and explained below.

7 Along with tranches, this model also considers the severity of
8 consequences associated with each driver. Drivers were divided into
9 “severity groups” of High, Medium, and Low, depending on the expected
10 injury and fatality rate associated with each driver. Each severity group has
11 a unique set of consequences defined by an Industry derived severity factor.

12 For distribution mains, riser, and services the probability of a major
13 outcome was derived for mains, services, and risers by dividing the number
14 of PG&E PHMSA significant incidents by the total population of distribution
15 leaks over the same time period.

16 A major LOC incident on a main, service, or riser can have safety,
17 reliability, and/or financial consequences. A minor LOC can have only
18 reliability and/or financial consequences.

19 Ultimately, the risk score was calculated using PG&E and industry
20 weighted:

- 21 • Safety rates – Considering asset material type;
- 22 • Driver cause – Defined as high, medium, and low severity;
- 23 • Location of the asset – High and low population density; and,
- 24 • Type of event – Classified as either major or minor.

25 This resulted in a total of 10 tranches with 60 different risk groupings.

26 The major and minor risk event outcomes and associated
27 consequences are described below.

28 **a. Consequences for Outcome 1 – Major Event**

29 Safety Consequence

30 The magnitude of the safety consequences associated with a gas
31 distribution LOC is influenced by several factors. This model takes into
32 account asset type, population density, and driver severity.

33 For asset type, this model considers the consequences associated
34 with a LOC on a main, a service, and a riser independently. Injury and

1 fatality rates per risk event were derived from PHMSA significant
2 incidents. PG&E does not have sufficient PHMSA significant data to
3 model all the tranches and factors. Therefore, PG&E calculated a safety
4 incident rate using only PG&E data and another safety incident rate
5 using only industry data and used both incident rates, weighted by
6 50 percent, in the model. The combination of weighted PG&E and
7 industry safety incident rates is more representative than using either
8 data set alone.

9 The risk has been trached to account for areas of high population
10 (greater than or equal to 9,000 people per square mile) and low
11 population (less than 9,000 people per square mile). PG&E's exposure
12 of mains (metal and plastic), risers (metal and plastic), and services (all)
13 were grouped into these two population density groups using GD-GIS
14 and 2010 census block data. To develop population consequence
15 factors, PG&E used the reported address of each PHMSA incident and
16 2010 census block data to map each industry incident to a specific
17 population density. Population factors were derived by normalizing the
18 industry injury and fatality incident rates for mains, services, and risers
19 in low and high population density areas to the overall aggregated
20 industry injury and fatality rate. In areas of high population density, the
21 injury and fatality rate was 1.9 times the industry average rate. In areas
22 of low population density, the injury and fatality rate was 0.9 times the
23 industry average rate. These factors were applied at the tranche level to
24 the weighted asset rates discussed above.

25 PHMSA data was used to derive a driver "severity factor" for each
26 driver. Injury and fatality rates vary depending on the cause or driver of
27 the incident. Grouping drivers with similar injury and fatality rates
28 together and normalizing to the industry mean resulted in three distinct
29 severity factors of low (0.75 times the average), medium (0.98 times the
30 average), and high (1.70 times the average). These factors were
31 applied per driver to the weighted asset rates.

32 Reliability Consequence

33 PG&E used historic outage data (2015-2019) to represent the
34 number of customers impacted by a major LOC event. To estimate the

1 number of customers impacted, PG&E included reliability incidents
2 where a PG&E LOC resulted in an injury or fatality or exceeded
3 \$50,000 in damages. Reliability consequences were derived for mains,
4 services, and risers. In future iterations of the model, PG&E will
5 consider expanding the dataset to 10 years to align with the leak data
6 timeframe.

7 Financial Consequence

8 PG&E used PHMSA industry financial data (2004-2019) to estimate
9 the financial consequences associated a significant LOC on a main,
10 service, and riser for low and high population densities. Due to limited
11 PG&E data, PG&E weighted the significant PG&E PHMSA reported
12 financial data and non-PG&E industry financial data equally. All
13 historical costs were adjusted for inflation and converted to 2019 dollars.

14 **b. Consequences for Outcome 2 – Minor Risk Event**

15 Reliability Consequence

16 PG&E used historic outage data (2015-2019) to represent the
17 number of customers impacted by a minor LOC event. To estimate the
18 number of customers impacted, PG&E included all incidents except
19 where a PG&E LOC resulted in an injury or fatality or exceeded
20 \$50,000 in damages. To estimate the probability of a minor LOC, PG&E
21 divided the number of leaks that caused an outage by the total number
22 of recorded leaks within the same time period.

23 Financial Consequence

24 Using 2020 GRC unit costs, PG&E estimated the cost for repairing a
25 leak associated with a minor LOC for mains, services, and risers.

26 **c. Consequences for Cross Bore Tranches**

27 Similar to the main, service and riser tranches, PG&E divided the
28 cross bore risk into two different tranches, based on population density
29 (San Francisco and Non-San Francisco) and into two outcomes (Major
30 and Minor). To date, PG&E has observed 32 LOC events due to cross
31 bores from 1999-2019; however, none of these have been a “major”
32 LOC event. To estimate the probability of a major event, PG&E made
33 the assumption that the next cross bore event will be a “major” LOC;

1 and therefore, estimated the probability of a major LOC of 1 out of
2 33 events (approximately 3 percent), and a minor LOC of 32 out of
3 33 events (97 percent).¹³

4 **d. Consequences for Cross Bore Risk Event**

5 Major Risk Event – Safety Consequence

6 PG&E has not observed a major LOC due to a cross bore. PHMSA
7 industry data was used to estimate the safety consequences associated
8 with a cross bore. PG&E reviewed the narrative of each PHMSA
9 significant incident and included incident data where either: (1) a cross
10 bore was confirmed to be the cause of the incident; or, (2) the incident
11 was caused by a gas migration through a sewer. A safety rate was
12 derived from this subset of PHMSA data and supplemented with SME
13 input. The population density factor was applied to this safety rate to
14 estimate the incident safety rate in San Francisco (high population
15 density) and Non-San Francisco (low population density).

16 Major Risk Event – Reliability Consequence

17 PG&E estimated the reliability consequences of a major cross bore
18 event to be similar in magnitude to a major LOC on a service asset. As
19 such, PG&E aligned the major cross bore reliability consequences to be
20 equal to that of a major LOC on a service.

21 Major Risk Event – Financial Consequence

22 Using the subset of PHMSA data described above in “Outcome 1:
23 Major, Consequence – Safety,” PG&E used PHMSA industry data to
24 estimate the financial consequences associated a LOC on a main,
25 service, or riser for low and high population densities.

26 Minor Risk Event – Reliability Consequence

27 PG&E estimated the reliability consequences of a minor cross bore
28 event to be similar in magnitude to a minor LOC on a service asset. As
29 such, PG&E aligned the minor cross bore reliability consequences to be
30 equal to that of a minor LOC on a service.

¹³ The method PG&E uses to estimate the probability of a major event was recommended by the SED in its review of PG&E’s 2017 RAMP Report. nl.17-11-003, SED’s Risk and Safety Aspects of RAMP Report of PG&E (Mar. 30, 2018), p. 53.

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Minor Risk Event – Financial Consequence

PG&E estimated the financial costs associated with a minor LOC by using the estimated PG&E costs associated with a cross bore repair.

Table 8-4 shows the consequences of the risk event. Model attributes are discussed in Chapter 3, “Risk Modeling and Risk Spend Efficiency.”

**TABLE 8-4
RISK EVENT CONSEQUENCES**

	CoRE	%Freq	%Risk	Freq	Natural Units Per Event			CoRE			Natural Units per Year			Attribute Risk Score		
					Safety EF/event	Gas Reliability #cust/event	Financial \$/M/event	Safety	Gas Reliability	Financial	Safety EF/yr	Gas Reliability #cust/yr	Financial \$/M/yr	Safety	Gas Reliability	Financial
Major - Seismic	44	0.003%	38.3%	0.9	0.7	323	2.0	42.4	0.6	1.3	0.572	278	1.7	36.4	0.5	1.2
Major - Severity Low	13	0.004%	16.2%	1.2	0.2	602	0.8	11.4	1.2	0.5	0.236	739	1.0	14.0	1.5	0.6
Major - Severity High	30	0.002%	15.9%	0.5	0.5	662	0.8	28.3	1.2	0.5	0.249	350	0.4	14.9	0.6	0.3
Minor - Severity Low	0	80%	12.4%	23,636	-	0	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	-	1,399	22.8	-	0.9	11.4
Major - Severity Medium	21	0.001%	6.2%	0.3	0.3	514	1.1	18.9	1.1	0.7	0.094	153	0.3	5.6	0.3	0.2
Minor - Severity High	0	11%	5.5%	3,242	-	0	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	-	746	9.9	-	0.5	5.0
Minor - Severity Medium	0	9%	3.8%	2,623	-	0	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	-	538	6.9	-	0.4	3.4
Major - Crossbore	51	0.0001%	1.4%	0.03	0.9	5	1.5	49.7	0.0	0.8	0.024	0	0.0	1.4	0.0	0.0
Minor - Seismic	0	0.3%	0.3%	85	-	4	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	-	325	0.2	-	0.2	0.1
Minor - Crossbore	0	0.003%	0.0%	1	-	1	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	-	1	0.0	-	0.0	0.0
Aggregated	0	100%	100%	29,590	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	1.176	4,529	43.3	72	5	22

1 **C. Controls and Mitigations**

2 Tables 8-5 and 8-6 list all the controls and mitigations PG&E included in its
3 2017 RAMP, 2020 GRC and 2020 RAMP (2020-2022 and 2023-2026). The
4 tables provide a view as to those controls and mitigations that are ongoing,
5 those that are no longer in place, and new mitigations. In the following sections,
6 PG&E describes the controls and mitigations in place in 2019, changes to the
7 2019 mitigations and controls presented in the 2017 RAMP, and then discusses
8 new mitigations and/or significant changes to mitigations and/or controls during
9 the 2020-2022 and 2023-2026 periods. A description of the cross-cutting risks
10 and the mitigations and controls that PG&E is proposing to mitigate the
11 cross-cutting factors is in described in Chapter 20.

**TABLE 8-5
CONTROLS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Control Name and Number	2017 RAMP	2020 GRC 2020-2022 Controls ^(a)	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 RAMP	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 RAMP
1	C1 – Corrective Maintenance	X	X	X	X
2	C2 – Corrosion Control	X	X	X	X
3	C3 – DIMP Leak Survey	X	X	X	X
4	C4 – Leak Management Pilot Control – See Section D.2	X	X	X	X
5	C5 – Locate and Mark	X	X	X	X
6	C6 – Pipeline Replacement Program ^(b)	X	X	X	X
7	C7 – Preventative Maintenance	X	X	X	X
8	C8 – Public Awareness Program	X	X	X	X
9	C9 - Quality Assurance/Quality Management	X	X	X	X
10	C10 – Training	X	X	X	X
11	C11 – Cross Bore Prevention Program ^(c)	X	X	X	X
12	C12 (M1) – DIMP Program ^(d)	X	X	X	X

- (a) Includes controls associated with: Asset Family – Distribution Mains and Services (Exhibit (PG&E-3), Chapter 4); Gas Distribution Operations and Maintenance (Exhibit (PG&E-3), Chapter 6); Corrosion Control (Exhibit (PG&E-3), Chapter 7); Leak Management (Exhibit (PG&E-3), Chapter 8); and, Gas Operations Technology and Other Distribution Support (Exhibit (PG&E-3), Chapter 11.
- (b) Formerly classified as single control C6 in the 2017 RAMP. Two of the three components of this program (Gas Pipeline Replacement Program (GPRP) – Maintenance Activity Type (MAT) 14A and Plastic Pipe Replacement Program – 14D) have been reclassified and split into two separate mitigation programs. The Reliability Pipe Replacement Program (MAT 50A) will remain as a control.
- (c) Formerly Control C1 for the Release of Gas with Ignition on Distribution Facilities – Cross Bore risk event in the 2017 RAMP.
- (d) Formerly classified as mitigation M1 (DIMP Emergent Work) in the 2017 RAMP.

**TABLE 8-6
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	2017 RAMP		2020 GRC		2020 RAMP		2020 RAMP	
		2017-2019 Mitigations	2020-2022 Mitigations ^(a)	2020-2022 Mitigations	2020-2022 Mitigations	2020-2022 Mitigations	2023-2026 Mitigations		
1	M1 – DIMP Emergent Work	X	X						
2	M2 – New Valve Installations ^(b)	X	X			X			X
3	M3 – Enhanced CP Survey and Unprotected Main Evaluation	X	X			X			
4	M4 – Electrically-Connected Isolated Steel Service (ECISS) Program	X	X			X			X
5	M5 (Formerly C12) – Pipeline Replacement Program (Steel)					X			X
6	M6 (Formerly C12) – Pipeline Replacement Program (Plastic)					X			X
7	M7 – Cross Bore Legacy Inspection Program ^(c)	X	X			X			X
8	M8 – Fitting Mitigation Program								X
9	M9 – Mechanical Fitting Replacement Program					X			X

(a) Includes controls associated with: Asset Family – Distribution Mains and Services (Exhibit (PG&E-3), Chapter 4); Gas Distribution Operations and Maintenance (Exhibit (PG&E-3), Chapter 6); Corrosion Control (Exhibit (PG&E-3), Chapter 7); Leak Management (Exhibit (PG&E-3), Chapter 8); and, Gas Operations Technology and Other Distribution Support (Exhibit (PG&E-3), Chapter 11).

(b) Includes only the new emergency shutdown zone valve component of the Valve Program (MAT 50E). Non-operational and leaking valves are considered corrective maintenance and mapped to C1 – Corrective Maintenance.

(c) Formerly mitigation M1 for the Release of Gas with Ignition on Distribution Facilities – Cross Bore risk event in the 2017 RAMP.

Note: In the 2017 RAMP, the mitigations were numbered sequentially (M1, M2, M3, etc.) and then a letter was appended to the mitigation number to indicate the period during which certain work associated with that mitigation would occur. For example, M1A described the 2016 work, M1B described the 2017-2019 work, and M1C described the 2020-2022 work. In this table and the following sections PG&E refers to the mitigation number without the letter (year) designation as the description of the work did not change, only the volume of work.

1 **1. 2019 Controls and Mitigations**

2 **a. Controls**

3 **C1 – Corrective Maintenance:** Corrective Maintenance includes work
4 required to repair or replace damaged or failed gas facilities. In many
5 cases, the need for such restoration is identified during preventative
6 maintenance activities. Corrective maintenance for distribution mains
7 and services is broken down into the following areas: leak repair, dig-in
8 repair, and CP restoration. This control addresses all drivers for this
9 risk.

10 **C2 – Corrosion Control:** In this chapter the Corrosion Control Program
11 specifically addresses natural gas distribution assets that may be at risk
12 for corrosion threats. For the purposes of this chapter, this control is
13 focused on the CP Program, which is a method of protecting against
14 external corrosion. This control addresses the corrosion driver. More
15 specifically it focuses on external corrosion.

16 **C3 – DIMP Leak Surveys:** The DIMP Leak Survey Program is a
17 targeted risk mitigation program that goes beyond the
18 regulatory-required leak survey.¹⁴ Survey areas are identified through
19 the annual DIMP risk assessment cycle. Some gas pipelines are
20 identified for monitoring to determine if additional mitigation such as
21 repair or replacement are needed. This control addresses the following
22 drivers: corrosion and material or weld.

23 **C4 – Leak Management:** Pipeline safety regulations require PG&E to
24 conduct periodic leak surveys on its distribution system for the presence
25 of gas leaks. The frequency is determined by code. Identified leaks are
26 graded as: Grade 1 (immediate repair required); Grade 2 (repair to be
27 completed within 15 months); and, Grade 3 (monitor and resurvey
28 annually or no later than 15 months per PG&E standard). This control
29 addresses the corrosion and material or weld drivers.

30 **C5 – Locate and Mark:** Locate and mark activities provide the physical
31 location for PG&E's underground gas and electric distribution assets for
32 PG&E crews and contractors and third parties who plan to dig near

14 See, 49 CFR § 192.1007(d).

1 those assets, with the majority of the ticket and locate activities required
2 for gas distribution assets. The driver addressed by this control is
3 excavation damage.

4 **C6 – Pipeline Replacement Program:** There are three programs
5 within the overall Pipeline Replacement Program:

- 6 • The GPRP focuses on pre-1941 steel pipeline. The objective of this
7 program is to reduce the risk to public safety associated with the
8 highest risk steel pipe.
- 9 • The Plastic Replacement Program focuses on plastic materials of
10 pre-1985 vintage that have a susceptibility to slow crack growth
11 when exposed to stress risers such as tree roots, differential
12 settlement or rock impingement.
- 13 • The Reliability Main Replacement Program focuses on the
14 replacement of gas facilities to improve safety, reliability and
15 maintain compliance with pipeline regulations. This program covers
16 pipe that does not qualify for replacement under the GPRP or
17 Plastic Pipe Replacement Program.

18 The pipeline replacement programs address the following drivers:
19 corrosion, material or weld, equipment related and other outside force.

20 **C7 – Preventative Maintenance:** Preventative Maintenance includes
21 work required to comply with pipeline safety regulations that require
22 PG&E to conduct periodic or routine maintenance on its gas distribution
23 system.¹⁵ This work includes any non-leak related maintenance on
24 mains and services such as repairing pipe supports for above ground
25 main, lowering shallow mains and services and restoring the cover over
26 them. Miscellaneous maintenance also includes distribution pipeline
27 patrolling.¹⁶ The equipment related driver is addressed by this control.

28 **C8 – Public Awareness Program:** As required by 49 CFR § 192.616,
29 each pipeline operator must develop and implement a written continuing
30 public education program that follows the guidance provided in the
31 American Petroleum Institute’s (API) Recommended Practice

¹⁵ See, 49 CFR § 192.613.

¹⁶ See, 49 CFR § 192.721.

1 (RP) 1162. API RP 1162 defines requirements for public awareness
2 programs including: the message delivered to each audience, the
3 frequency of message, and the methods for delivering the message and
4 requirements for analyzing and gauging the effectiveness of their public
5 education efforts. The Public Awareness team reviews the program
6 annually to determine the effectiveness of the program. As part of the
7 review, continuous improvement activities are developed for
8 implementation. This control addresses the excavation damage driver.

9 **C9 – Quality Assurance/Quality Management:** The purpose of the
10 Quality Management Program is to develop and execute programs that
11 assist with the quality of Gas Operations key risk mitigating and/or
12 compliance processes for the safety and reliability of the gas distribution
13 system. This includes periodically reviewing the work performed by field
14 personnel to determine process adherence as well as the effectiveness
15 and adequacy of the procedures used and training provided. The
16 equipment related and incorrect operations drivers are addressed with
17 this control.

18 **C10 – Training:** The Gas Training Curriculum Development Program
19 creates new, and enables significant revisions to, existing training
20 materials ensuring that the Gas Operations workforce is, and remains,
21 competent, safe, and qualified. The development of training curriculum
22 materials helps mitigate operational risks, not only through engineering
23 controls, but also through optimal human performance. This control
24 addresses equipment related and incorrect operations drivers.

25 **C11 (Formerly C1, Release of Gas with Ignition on Distribution**
26 **Facilities – Cross Bore risk) – Cross Bore Prevention Program:**
27 PG&E developed a Cross Bore Prevention Program as a control to
28 eliminate the creation of new cross bores within the system and to
29 address the incorrect operations driver. Utility Procedure TD-4632P-01
30 Cross Bore Prevention and Mitigation is in place to provide the steps
31 (i.e., inspect, identify, report and address) required for all gas
32 construction work for PG&E, in an effort to prevent any new cross bores.

1 **b. Mitigations**

2 **M1 – DIMP Emergent:**¹⁷ For 2017-2019, the proposed mitigation was
3 the Curb Valve Replacement Program, a proactive replacement
4 program targeting curb valves with a history of repeated leaks in San
5 Francisco. PG&E expected to replace valves associated with
6 approximately seven miles of pipeline per year. While there was a focus
7 on curb valve replacements, DIMP continued to investigate other issues
8 as part of the overall DIMP Emergent Work Program¹⁸ to determine the
9 risk to the distribution system and to the public.

10 For 2017-2019, PG&E expected to replace valves associated with
11 approximately seven miles of pipeline per year or 21 total miles. PG&E
12 replaced 735, 841, and 168 valves respectively which translate to 7.4,
13 8.4, and 1.7 miles of pipe (based on a 100 curb valves/mile of main
14 conversion factor used initially for this mitigation) for a total of
15 17.4 miles. Curb valve replacements are demand-driven work.
16 Between 2017 and 2019, PG&E found fewer curb valves that needed to
17 be replaced than it forecast.

18 **M2 – New Valve Installations:** Through the Valve Program, valves are
19 replaced when leaking or when they can no longer be operated. New
20 valves are primarily installed to improve PG&E’s ability to isolate the gas
21 system through Emergency Shutdown Zones. In the 2017 RAMP,
22 PG&E indicated that it expected to install 275 new valves per year for a
23 total of 825 new emergency shutdown zone valves to reduce the size of
24 its zones. The model exposure input in equivalent miles was
25 approximated at 4,308 miles. PG&E installed 722 new emergency
26 shutdown zone valves between 2017 and 2019. The reason for lower
27 than expected installed units is because where possible, PG&E

17 The 2017 RAMP Mitigation M1B will become Control C12 in 2021 and the control will be re-named “DIMP Program” to more accurately describe the work conducted in this control.

18 This program consists of unanticipated work resulting from investigation into risk drivers and operational events. The Curb Valve Replacement also covered in this program, is the only component which was identified as a mitigation activity in 2017 RAMP. With this program nearing completion, the DIMP Emergent Work is converted to a control activity.

1 recommissioned existing main valves in re-designing emergency
2 shutdown zones.¹⁹

3 **M3 – Enhanced CP Survey:** This program minimizes the risk of
4 corrosion by ensuring that the location of all steel pipe has been
5 identified, cathodically-protected, and is being monitored appropriately.
6 This program involves performing a field survey of steel pipe and
7 casings and identifying remediation work.²⁰ In 2017 RAMP, PG&E
8 expected to complete the original scope of approximately 20,000 miles
9 of steel main within five years. This is a one-time project that is
10 expected to be completed in 2021, as planned.

11 **M4 – Electrically-Connected Isolated Steel Service Program:** This
12 program was created to identify isolated steel service risers which are
13 electrically-connected by locating wire requiring annual monitoring.
14 Through the ECISS Program, isolated steel service risers are identified
15 and added to CP areas to be monitored annually. The program scope
16 included approximately 350,000 risers identified for field inspections.
17 TPG&E is expected to complete that scope by the end of 2023.

18 **M7 (Formerly M1, Release of Gas with Ignition on Distribution**
19 **Facilities – Cross Bore risk) – Cross Bore Program:** PG&E
20 developed the Cross Bore Program to inspect, identify, and remediate
21 cross bores on the gas distribution system that were installed using
22 trenchless technology. This program uses video equipment to inspect
23 sewer mains and laterals for potential cross bore situations and then
24 repairs any identified cross bores that result from the inspections. The
25 population of cross bores is expected to decrease as more inspections
26 are completed. Any cross bores found are repaired, thereby reducing
27 the risk of LOC and gas migration into a structure and ignition.

28 In 2017 RAMP, PG&E indicated that it expected to perform
29 135,000 cross-bore inspections. PG&E's imputed units of work based

¹⁹ PG&E installed 969 valves of the 952 funded units. The shortfall in installation of new emergency shutdown zone valves in the Valve Program was made up by an increase in count of valves requiring replacement due to leaks or operational issues.

²⁰ The Enhanced CP Survey is limited to the survey and field investigations (MAT DGD). The identified corrective work can occur through various MATs.

1 on the 2017 GRC Decision were 123,307²¹ inspections. PG&E
2 completed 124,628 inspections, exceeding the imputed amount.

3 **D. 2020-2022 Controls and Mitigation Plan**

4 **1. Changes to Controls**

5 Listed below are new RAMP controls and existing controls that will
6 change between 2020 and 2022 from the 2019 controls described above.

7 PG&E identified 11 controls in the 2017 RAMP. In the 2020 RAMP,
8 PG&E will continue to implement 10 of the 11 controls (C1, C2, C3, C4, C5,
9 C7, C8, C9, C10 and C11). The scope of work for these 10 controls is as
10 described in the 2017 RAMP and in Section C.1.a, above.

11 One control, C6 – Pipeline Replacement Program, becomes an new
12 mitigation in 2020 (M5 – Pipeline Replacement, Steel, and M6 – Pipeline
13 Replacement, Plastic).

14 PG&E is also adding one new control, C12 – DIMP Program. This
15 program became a control in 2020. It was mitigation M1 in the 2017 RAMP.
16 The scope of work for this control is as described in the 2017 RAMP and in
17 Section C.1.b, above.

18 **2. Pilot Control**

19 Starting in 2020, PG&E identified one Gas Operations control for which
20 it is calculating an RSE score—the pilot control. Gas Operations selected
21 Leak Management as the pilot control.

22 PG&E conducts leak surveys of its gas distribution system on a 3-year
23 cycle (the entire system is surveyed every three years). Once a leak is
24 verified and graded, PG&E schedules repair or replacement activities to
25 remediate the leak. The leak survey is conducted using both the traditional
26 survey performed by operator-qualified leak surveyor technicians and the
27 mobile survey using the Picarro Leak survey technology. These surveys
28 cover gas distribution pipeline systems, including services, mains and other
29 gas assets. The RSE for Leak Management is 0.72, which has the highest
30 RSE for the distribution programs.

21 A.18-12-009, Hearing Exhibit (HE-) 12: Exhibit (PG&E-3), WP 4-134, line 9.

1 PG&E reviewed the historical leak find rates attributable to Leak Survey
 2 to estimate the effectiveness of the Leak Management Programs at reducing
 3 system risk. PG&E assumed that without a Leak Management Program, a
 4 subset of leaks would remain unknown to PG&E and have a higher
 5 probability of interacting with an employee, contractor, or third party. In the
 6 absence of the Leak Management Program, the overall risk score increases
 7 from its current baseline score.

8 The forecast costs, RSE and risk reduction scores for the pilot control
 9 are shown in the tables below.

**TABLE 8-7
 FORECAST COSTS
 2020-2022 EXPENSE
 (THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Ctrl. No.	Control Name	MAT	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	C4	Leak Management	DEA	\$15,812	\$16,132	\$16,355	\$48,299
2	C4	Leak Management	DEF	15,207	10,722	10,563	36,493
3	C4	Leak Management	FIG	19,776	20,270	20,777	60,822
4	C4	Leak Management	FIH	5,719	5,862	6,008	17,589
5	C4	Leak Management	FIP	13,951	14,300	14,657	42,908
6		Total		\$70,465	\$67,285	\$68,360	\$206,111

Note: See WP 8-1

**TABLE 8-8
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Ctrl. No.	Mitigation Name	MAT	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	C4	Leak Management	DEA	\$16,895	\$17,372	\$17,612	\$18,283	\$70,162		
2	C4	Leak Management	DEF	10,690	11,547	11,375	11,568	45,180		
3	C4	Leak Management	FIG	21,296	21,829	22,374	23,045	88,544		
4	C4	Leak Management	FIH	6,158	6,312	6,470	6,664	25,605		
5	C4	Leak Management	FIP	15,024	15,399	15,784	16,258	62,465		
6		Total		\$70,063	\$72,459	\$73,617	\$75,818	\$291,957	0.72	153.6

(a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

Note: See WP 8-1.

1 **3. Changes to Mitigations**

2 PG&E identified five mitigations in its 2017 RAMP. PG&E will continue
3 to implement mitigations M2, M3, M4 and M7 and the planned units of work
4 are listed in Table 8-9 below.

5 One mitigation, M1 (DIMP Emergent Work (Curb Valve Replacements)
6 becomes a control in 2020.

7 Two of the three components of 2017 control (C6) in the 2017 RAMP
8 (GPRP – MAT 14A, and Plastic Pipe Replacement Program – MAT 14D)
9 have been reclassified and split into two separate mitigation programs:
10 (1) M5, Pipeline Replacement (Steel); and, (2) M6, Pipeline Replacement
11 (Plastic). The reason for reclassification is because the two risk driven and
12 targeted vintage pipeline replacement programs have a finite scope which
13 reduce the probability of pipeline failure from PG&E’s vintage pipe. PG&E’s
14 GPRP focuses on high risk, pre-1941 steel pipe and the Plastic Pipe
15 Replacement Program focuses on pre-1985 Aldyl-A and similar plastic pipe.
16 The Reliability Pipe Replacement Program (MAT 50A) will remain as a
17 control. The planned volume of work is listed in Table 8-9 below.

18 PG&E is proposing one new mitigation starting in 2020:

19 **M9 – Mechanical Fitting Replacement Program:** This is a new program
20 which targets removal of mechanical fittings with known failures. The focus
21 is removal of compression style mechanical fittings with risk of corrosion and
22 leak.

**TABLE 8-9
PLANNED MITIGATIONS 2020-2022**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	Rate Case Units ^(a)	2020 RAMP Planned Units of Work			Total
			2020	2021	2022	
1	M2 – New Valve Installations	Valves	100	100	100	300
2	M3 – Enhanced CP Survey and Unprotected Main Evaluation	Non-Unitized	NA	NA	–	NA
3	M4 – ECISS Program	Non-Unitized	–	N/A	N/A	N/A
4	M5 – Pipeline Replacement (Steel)	Miles	40	38	38	115
5	M6 – Pipeline Replacement (Plastic)	Miles	111	141	165	417
6	M7 – Cross Bore Program ^(b)	Inspections	15,000	45,000	50,200	110,200
7	M8 – Fitting Mitigation Program	Fitting	–	–	–	–
8	M9 – Mechanical Fitting Replacement Program	Non-Unitized	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

(a) The units of work are presented in “rate case” units – the units referred to in PG&E’s gas distribution and/or transmission rate cases. In certain cases, the units of work are represented differently in the RAMP model because the model requires that units of work are standardized. For example, in the GRC PG&E reports feet of distribution main pipeline replaced; whereas, in the RAMP model, PG&E inputs miles of distribution main replaced.

(b) PG&E expects to perform a combination of unable-to-access (UTA) and non-UTA inspections. The number of inspections will be determined based on availability of and access to inspection sites.

1 The forecast costs for the mitigation work planned for the 2020-2022
2 period are shown in Tables 8-10 and 8-11 below.

**TABLE 8-10
FORECAST COSTS
2020-2022 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MAT	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M3	Enhanced CP Survey and Unprotected Main Evaluation	DGD	\$5,468	\$6,431	–	\$11,899
2	M4	ECISS Program	DGE	3,582	3,961	4,060	11,602
3	M7	Cross Bore Legacy Inspection Program	JQK	31,187	29,535	30,831	91,553
4	M8	Fitting Mitigation Program	JQD	–	–	–	–
5	M9	Mechanical Fitting Replacement Program	JQG	1,000	996	1,021	3,016
6		Total		\$41,237	\$40,923	\$35,911	\$118,071

Note: See WP 8-1.

**TABLE 8-11
FORECAST COSTS
2020-2022 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MAT	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M2	New Valve Installations	50E	\$6,743	\$6,940	\$7,113	\$20,795
2	M5	Pipeline Replacement Program (Steel)	14A	114,830	138,424	140,968	394,222
3	M6	Pipeline Replacement Program (Plastic)	14D	304,721	404,132	484,361	1,193,213
4		Total		\$426,293	\$549,495	\$632,442	\$1,608,230

Note: See WP 8-1

1 **E. 2023-2026 Proposed Mitigation Plan**

2 PG&E will continue mitigations M2, and M4 through M7 in the 2023-2026
3 period. The proposed volume of work for each mitigation is shown in Table 8-12
4 below. Mitigations M3, Enhanced CP Survey and Unprotected Main Evaluation,
5 and Mitigation M9, Mechanical Fitting Program, will be completed in 2021 and
6 2022, respectively.

7 PG&E is proposing one new mitigation starting in 2023:

8 **M8 – Fitting Mitigation Program:** This program targets mitigating plastic
9 fittings with a high failure rate due to manufacturing defects. PG&E plans to
10 mitigate approximately 2,200 units per year starting in 2023 through a 10-year
11 program.

**TABLE 8-12
PLANNED MITIGATIONS 2023-2026**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	Rate Case Units	2020 RAMP Planned Units of Work				Total
			2023	2024	2025	2026	
1	M2 – New Valve Installations	Valves	100	100	100	100	400
2	M4 –ECISS Program	Non-Unitized	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	–
3	M5 – Pipeline Replacement (Steel)	Miles	47	49	47	50	193
4	M6 – Pipeline Replacement (Plastic)	Miles	172	180	188	196	736
5	M7 – Cross Bore Program	Inspections	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	180,000
6	M8 –Fitting Mitigation Program	Fitting	2,183	2,183	2,183	2,183	8,732

1 The forecast costs, RSE, and risk reduction scores for the mitigation work
2 planned for the 2023-2026 period are shown in Tables 8-13 and 8-14 below.

TABLE 8-13
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MAT	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^{(a),(b)}	Risk Reduction
1	M3	Enhanced CP Survey and Unprotected Main Evaluation	DGD	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
2	M4	ECISS Program	DGE	\$4,161	–	–	–	\$4,161	<0.001	<0.001
3	M7	Cross Bore Legacy Inspection Program	JQK	31,050	31,815	32,580	33,435	128,880	0.04	3.7
4	M8	Fitting Mitigation Program ^(a)	JQD	14,402	14,762	15,131	15,585	59,881	0.05	2.3
5	M9	Mechanical Fitting Replacement Program	JQG	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
6		Total		\$49,613	\$46,577	\$47,711	\$49,020	\$192,922	–	–

(a) Costs and RSE are applicable only in M8 – Fitting Mitigation Program, and not the entire MAT JQD forecast. In the 2023 GRC, this cost will be represented in a different MAT.

(b) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

Note: See WP 8-1

TABLE 8-14
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MAT	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M2	New Valve Installations	50E	\$7,291	\$7,473	\$7,660	\$7,890	\$30,314	0.095	2.1
2	M5	Pipeline Replacement Program (Steel)	14A	181,245	192,043	190,413	208,006	771,707	0.018	10.1
3	M6	Pipeline Replacement Program (Plastic)	14D	517,776	555,372	595,226	639,921	2,308,295	0.021	35.8
4		Total		\$706,312	\$754,888	\$793,298	\$855,817	\$3,110,315		

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

Note: See WP 8-1

1 The results of the risk model are shown in Tables 8-13 and 8-14 above. The
2 Plastic Replacement Program has the highest total Risk Reduction. PG&E is
3 proposing significant spending on its Plastic Pipeline Replacement Program
4 between 2023 and 2026. In the 2020 GRC, PG&E, the Office of the Safety
5 Advocate (OSA) and the Coalition of California Utility Employees (CUE) all filed
6 testimony supporting PG&E's plastic pipeline replacement at a greater rate than
7 PG&E proposed in its 2020 GRC opening testimony.²² This spending plan
8 continues the annual spending levels agreed to in the proposed 2020 GRC
9 settlement for this work.²³

10 Similarly, PG&E is also proposing significant spending on its Steel Pipeline
11 Replacement program between 2023-2026 which has the second highest risk
12 reduction. This proposal also aligns with PG&E's goal to limit asset age to
13 around 100 years. While these two programs have lower RSE scores than other
14 programs, PG&E believes it is important to continue replacing high-risk vintage
15 assets. In evaluating its risk model results, PG&E recognized the opportunity to
16 introduce additional tranching to differentiate between new and vintage assets,
17 and to align with the program replacement criteria. PG&E is currently reviewing
18 this change and may incorporate it into the 2023 GRC.

19 The risk model results show that New Valve Installations has the highest
20 RSE value. The purpose of this program is to reduce the size of emergency
21 shutdown zones and improve PG&E's ability to isolate the gas system. The risk
22 model results show the ECISS Program has the lowest RSE of all mitigation
23 programs. Despite its low RSE score, PG&E believes that it is important to
24 complete this program. The ECISS Program was created to identify isolated
25 steel service risers which are electrically-connected by locating wire. These
26 locations are required to be monitored annually rather than as a separately
27 protected isolated steel, which are monitored on a 10-year cycle. This project is
28 scheduled to be completed by the end of 2023.

22 A.18-12-009, HE-61: Exhibit (CUE-01), p. 11, lines 7-8; and, HE-275: Exhibit (OSA-01), p. 4-9, lines 4-7.

23 Joint Motion for Approval of the Settlement Agreement, A.18-12-009, (Dec. 20, 2019), p. 17, including fn. 71.

1 PG&E considers managing cross bores to be among the highest priority
2 safety, integrity and reliability work in the gas distribution system,²⁴ and as such,
3 is planning to continue mitigating this risk through its Cross Bore Sewer
4 Inspection Program. While the bow tie analysis (Section B.2. above) shows that
5 cross bore is not a significant driver of the LOC on Gas Distribution Main or
6 Service risk event, the program is a unique mitigation activity that eliminates risk
7 with every cross bore inspection performed. Additionally, PG&E's Cross Bore
8 Prevention Program also help eliminate the creation of new cross bores within
9 the system. PG&E is proposing to spend approximately 4 percent of its total
10 2023-2026 mitigation spending on addressing this important safety risk.

11 Table 8-2 above shows that the highest risk by asset type is steel pipeline,
12 plastic services, risers in low density locations and non-San Francisco cross
13 bores.

14 Steel Pipeline: PG&E is addressing steel pipeline replacement in the
15 M5-Pipeline Replacement (Steel) program. PG&E has been replacing steel
16 pipe through its GPRP (M5-Pipeline Replacement (Steel)) since 1985.
17 Currently, the goal of the replacement program is to achieve an asset age
18 limited to less than 100 years. Pipe replacement priority are based on age,
19 leak history, seismic impact, CP, proximity to the public and operational
20 factors so that the highest priority pipe will be replaced first.

21 Plastic Services: PG&E replaces plastic services through its vintage pipe
22 replacement and reliability programs.

23 Risers in Low Population Density Locations: PG&E replaces risers through
24 its vintage pipe replacement and reliability programs. PG&E also initiated
25 the ECISS Program (M4) in 2016 to identify and monitor isolated steel
26 service risers in compliance with 49 CFR 192, Subpart I. PG&E anticipates
27 that it will have identified all isolated steel service risers and complete the
28 program in 2023.

29 Non-SF Cross Bores: PG&E is planning to perform approximately
30 180,000 cross-bore inspections (M7 Cross Bore Program) between 2023
31 and 2026, all of which will be outside of San Francisco.

²⁴ A.18-12-009, HE-10: Exhibit (PG&E-3), p. 2-39, lines 4-5.

1 PG&E will revisit the RAMP model results for this risk and its proposed work
2 plan before it files its 2023 GRC. PG&E will look for opportunities to improve its
3 risk model, revise the tranches, and potentially modify the mix of work for
4 reducing risk, addressing regulatory requirements and maintaining the long-term
5 health of the gas distribution system.

6 **F. Alternative Analysis**

7 In addition to the proposed mitigations described in Section E above, PG&E
8 considered alternative mitigations as well. The mitigations described in
9 Section E constitute the Proposed Plan. The Alternative Plans consist of a
10 combination of some or all of the proposed mitigations along with the alternative
11 mitigation(s). PG&E describes each of the alternative mitigations it considered
12 below and then provides a table showing the forecast costs, RSEs and risk
13 reduction scores for each of the Alternative Plans.

14 **1. Alternative Plan 1: Use of Fire Retardants to Prevent Ignition and Fire** 15 **Spread around Plastic Spans**

16 PG&E evaluated the use of commercially-available fire retardants
17 around cased plastic spans to prevent ignition and fire spread. This
18 proposal is derived from an Electric Operations pilot program for using
19 pre-emptive fire retardant to better protect above ground assets in the
20 vicinity or path of a wildfire.

21 The exposure of the gas system to wildfire is limited to above ground
22 assets because in past wildfire events, below ground gas assets have
23 suffered limited damage. The scope of this pre-emptive application includes
24 approximately 3.9 miles of above-ground cased distribution plastic spans in
25 in High Fire Threat Districts. The scope of work includes ground clearing
26 and application of fire retardant to around the distribution plastic spans. The
27 analysis assumes that the benefit of this mitigation is one year, and that
28 PG&E would apply the fire retardant annually before start of the fire season.

29 PG&E is not pursuing this alternative mitigation at this time given the low
30 RSE and calculated risk reduction. Gas Operations will evaluate the results
31 of the Electric Operations pilot program to help determine if implementing
32 this mitigation for Gas Operations is reasonable.

TABLE 8-15
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A1	Use of Fire Retardants to Prevent Ignition and Fire Spread around Plastic Spans	\$63	\$65	\$66	\$68	\$262	<0.001	<0.001
2		Total	\$63	\$65	\$66	\$68	\$262		

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
 Note: See WP 8-1.

1 **2. Alternative Plan 2: Electrification**

2 To support PG&E's and California's decarbonization objectives and air
3 quality standards, PG&E has considered electrification as an alternative to
4 its vintage main pipeline replacement programs. The program would include
5 qualified pipes in the GPRP (MAT 14A) and Plastic Pipe Replacement
6 Programs (MAT 14D). In this alternative, gas mains and services planned
7 for replacement in these two programs would be decommissioned and
8 services converted to all-electric service.

9 PG&E developed a cost estimate for deactivating pipelines and
10 retrofitting homes based on readily available cost data. For this analysis,
11 PG&E assumed that pipeline deactivation does not impact gas system
12 hydraulics and there is no additional asset investment to continue serving
13 existing gas customers. The cost forecast also did not account for any
14 electric infrastructure upgrades and/or reinforcements, which may be
15 needed for the additional loads. PG&E also assumed that the electrification
16 alternative is 100 percent effective at reducing all gas distribution mains and
17 services risk drivers. Due to model limitations, the potential risk to the
18 electric system was not considered in the risk model.

19 Implementing this alternative involves higher costs compared to just
20 pipe replacements. Additionally, it requires laws that would mandate all
21 customers to agree to the conversion. PG&E is not pursuing this alternative
22 to its full extent due to customer affordability impacts and sentiments around
23 mandating fuel source options, as well as regulatory and feasibility
24 limitations. While PG&E is choosing not to implement this program at this
25 time, PG&E will continue to evaluate the feasibility of converting individual
26 projects to electric service on an individual project basis.

TABLE 8-16
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A2	Electrification Steel	\$223,291	\$253,693	\$240,931	\$290,425	\$1,008,341	0.02	11.4
2		Total	\$223,291	\$253,693	\$240,931	\$290,425	\$1,008,341		

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

Note: See WP 8-1.

TABLE 8-17
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A3 ^(b)	Electrification Plastic	\$834,960	\$876,287	\$913,116	\$930,114	\$3,554,476	0.02	39.4
2		Total	\$834,960	\$876,287	\$913,116	\$930,114	\$3,554,476		

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

(b) For modeling purposes, the Electrification Plastic is numbered A3. Alternative 2 includes both Electrification Steel and Electrification Plastic.

Note: See WP 8-1.

Table 8-18 compares the proposed and alternative mitigation plans.

TABLE 8-18
MITIGATION PLAN ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Risk Mitigation Plan	Plan Components ^(a)	Total Expense (2023-2026)	Total Capital (2023-2026)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)	Total Spend (NPV) ^(b)	RSE
1	Proposed	M2, M4, M5, M6, M7, M8	\$192,922	\$3,110,315	54	\$2,420,883	0.022
2	Alternative 1	Proposed + A1	\$193,184	\$3,110,315	54	\$2,421,075	0.022
3	Alternative 2	M2, M4, M7, M8 + A2/A3	\$192,922	\$4,593,131	59	\$3,512,415	0.017
4	Inherent	Control 4	\$291,957		154	\$214,586	0.716

(a) Plan Components refers to the Mitigations presented in Tables 8-5 and 8-6.

(b) Information presented in terms of Net Present Value (NPV) to account for the discounting of benefits.

Note: See WP 8-2.

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7 **A. Executive Summary**

8 Large Overpressure (OP) Event Downstream of Gas Measurement and
9 Control (M&C) Facility refers to the failure of a gas M&C facility to perform its
10 pressure control function resulting in a large overpressure event downstream
11 that can lead to a significant impact on public safety, employee safety, contractor
12 safety, property damages, financial losses, or the ability to deliver natural gas to
13 customers. The drivers for this risk event are: Equipment Related and Incorrect
14 Operations. The cross-cutting factors Skilled and Qualified Workforce, Records
15 and Information Management, Emergency Preparedness and Response,
16 Information Technology Asset Failure and Cyber Attack also apply to this risk
17 event.

18 PG&E's exposure to this risk consists of more than 4,600 transmission and
19 distribution regulating stations in its gas service area. The risk model indicates
20 that this risk event can be expected to occur approximately 5.6 times each
21 year.¹ The Equipment Related driver accounts for 66 percent of the risk events
22 and the Incorrect Operations driver accounts for 34 percent. Cross-cutting
23 factors are considered a sub-driver to Incorrect Operations and account for 4
24 percent of the overall risk events. Although 94 percent of the risk event
25 outcomes are "benign" (in that they do not lead to any loss of containment), the
26 remaining 6 percent of events that do involve loss of containment account for
27 99 percent of the risk consequences. The mitigations PG&E will implement from
28 2020 to 2026 are intended to address all risk drivers.

29 PG&E has identified 6 tranches of facilities for this risk. Each tranche
30 represents a group of M&C stations that have a relatively homogenous risk

1 5.6 is the expected number of risk events per year for 2023-2026 in the absence of 2023-2026 proposed mitigations.

1 profile in terms of likelihood and consequence of the risk event. The top two
 2 tranches that account for almost 60 percent of the overall 2023 Test Year (TY)
 3 baseline risk score include Transmission Simple Stations and Transmission
 4 Complex Stations.

5 Large OP Event Downstream of Gas M&C Facility has the lowest 2023 TY
 6 baseline safety score (5) and the second lowest 2023 TY baseline total risk
 7 score (13) of PG&E's 12 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase (RAMP) risks.
 8 The 2020 baseline risk score, 16, improves by almost 30 percent when the
 9 planned and proposed mitigations are applied: the 2023 TY baseline risk score
 10 is 13 and the 2026 post-mitigation risk score is 11.

11 PG&E is proposing a series of controls and mitigations to address the Large
 12 OP Event Downstream of Gas M&C Facility risk. The Gas Distribution Station
 13 Overpressure Protection (OPP) Enhancements Program and the Gas
 14 Transmission (GT) Station OPP Enhancements Program are the two programs
 15 with the highest risk spend efficiency (RSE) scores.²

**TABLE 9-1
 RISK OVERVIEW**

Risk name	Large OP Event Downstream of Gas M&C Facility
In scope	Large OP Events ^(a)
Out of scope	Small OP Events ^(b)
Data quantification sources ^(c)	PG&E OP Event Data 2012-2019 Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) Reportable Incident Data 2010-2019.
<p>(a) An OP event occurs when gas pressure exceeds the MAOP of the pipeline as determined by California Public Utilities Commission/Department of Transportation requirements. PG&E uses the below criteria to classify OP events as large OP events:</p> <p>Transmission: Pressure > 110% MAOP (or MAOP + 25 pounds per square inch gauge (psig) for pipelines operating over 250 psig);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High Pressure Distribution (12 psig ≤ MAOP < 60 psig): Pressure > MAOP + 6 psig; • High Pressure Distribution (1 psig ≤ MAOP < 12 psig): Pressure > 150% MAOP; • Low Pressure Distribution: Pressure > 16 inches water-column. <p>(b) OP events that exceed MAOP but do not exceed the thresholds described in footnote (a).</p> <p>(c) Source documents will be provided with the workpapers on July 17, 2020.</p>	

² The information herein is subject to those limitations described in Chapter 2, Section D.

1 **1. Risk Overview**

2 PG&E recently changed the name of this risk. At the February 4, 2020
3 RAMP Workshop (Workshop #3) this risk was called Large Gas
4 Overpressurization Downstream. This risk is now called Large
5 Overpressure Event Downstream of Gas Measurement and Control Facility.

6 PG&E’s natural gas system consists of approximately 6,680 miles of
7 transmission pipeline and 43,200 miles of distribution pipeline. Together,
8 the transmission and distribution systems provide natural gas to more than
9 4.3 million residential, commercial, and industrial customers.

10 PG&E relies upon over 4,600 M&C facilities to monitor, measure and
11 control gas pressure and flow within its transmission and distribution
12 systems. These regulating stations protect downstream assets from system
13 pressure excursions.

14 An OP event occurs when the gas pressure in a pipeline exceeds the
15 pipeline’s maximum allowable operating pressure (MAOP). Current designs
16 of gas transmission and distribution regulating stations include a regulating
17 device to control gas pressure and one (primary) OPP device that is
18 intended to operate should the regulating device fail. OP events can occur
19 when both the regulating device and the primary OPP device fail to perform
20 their pressure control function such that the pressure downstream of the
21 facility rises above the MAOP.

22 The degree to which the MAOP is exceeded determines whether an OP
23 event should be classified as a “large” OP event.

24 **2. Risk Definition**

25 This risk is defined as the failure of a gas M&C facility to perform its
26 pressure control function resulting in a large OP event downstream that can
27 lead to significant impact on public safety, employee safety, contractor
28 safety, property damages, financial losses, and the inability to deliver natural
29 gas to customers.

30 **B. Risk Assessment**

31 **1. Background and Evolution**

32 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E presented two risks related to the gas M&C
33 facilities.

- 1 • M&C Failure – Release of Gas with Ignition Downstream (Chapter 3);
 - 2 and
 - 3 • M&C Failure – Release of Gas with Ignition at M&C Facility (Chapter 4).
- 4 In the 2020 RAMP, the Large OP Event Downstream of Gas M&C
- 5 Facility presented in this chapter (Chapter 9) covers the same risk that was
- 6 addressed in Chapter 3 in the 2017 RAMP.

7 The M&C Failure – Release of Gas with Ignition at M&C Facility covered

8 by Chapter 4 in the 2017 RAMP is not a RAMP risk evaluated in this report.

9 PG&E describes this risk in the Other Safety (Chapter 19, Section K) in the

10 2020 RAMP. The Chapter 19, Section K risk also includes the risk

11 presented in Chapter 6 in the 2017 RAMP, namely C&P Failure – Release

12 of Gas with Ignition at Manned Processing Facility.

13 In the 2017 RAMP, the M&C Failure – Release of Gas with Ignition

14 Downstream risk was defined as failure of pressure regulation at an M&C

15 facility leading to a failure downstream resulting in loss of containment with

16 ignition. In the 2020 RAMP, the Large OP Event Downstream of Gas M&C

17 Facility risk presented in this chapter is substantially similar to that

18 presented in the 2017 RAMP in that both risks involve a large OP event at

19 an M&C station resulting in downstream impacts. The difference between

20 the two risks is due to PG&E’s expansion of its view of this risk since 2017.

21 The risk presented in the 2017 RAMP only considered the single outcome of

22 a large OP event leading to loss of containment with ignition. The risk

23 presented in the 2020 RAMP considers two outcomes: large OP events that

24 do not lead to any loss of containment (“benign” large OP events) and those

25 that do lead to loss of containment (with or without ignition).

26 While the most significant consequences are associated with large OP

27 events that lead to loss of containment with ignition, there are still

28 consequences associated with large OP events that result in loss of

29 containment without ignition, as well as with “benign” large OP events. For

30 example, even in the case of a “benign” large OP event, PG&E reports the

31 event to regulatory agencies and takes specific actions to confirm the safety

32 of the facilities involved including verification of records, physical inspection,

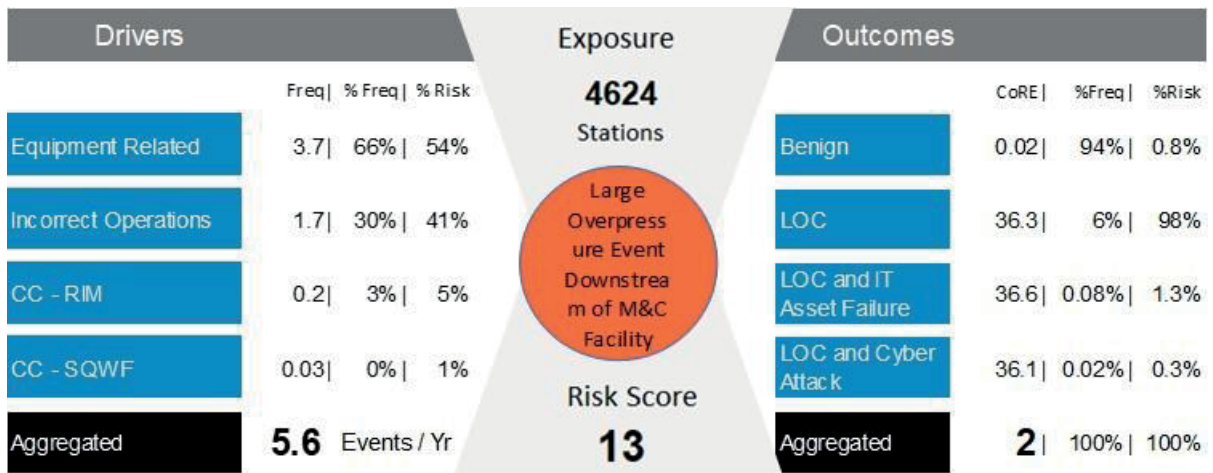
33 leak testing, and in some cases component replacement. These activities

34 result in financial consequences. PG&E is proposing mitigations to reduce

1 risks associated with all large OP events, not only large OP events that lead
 2 to loss of containment with ignition. Therefore, the outcomes covered by the
 3 2020 RAMP risk have been expanded compared to the 2017 RAMP risk.

4 **2. Risk Bow Tie**

**FIGURE 9-1
RISK BOW TIE**



5 **a. Difference from 2017 Risk Bow Tie**

6 The M&C Failure – Release of Gas with Ignition Downstream
 7 (Chapter 3) risk in the 2017 RAMP is comparable to the Large OP Event
 8 Downstream of Gas M&C Facility risk in the 2020 RAMP. The drivers in
 9 both the 2017 and 2020 bow ties are the same (Equipment Related and
 10 Incorrect Operations), though in 2017 the drivers were further divided by
 11 High Pressure, Low Pressure and Transmission. This division in drivers
 12 in the 2017 RAMP served the same purpose as the inclusion of tranches
 13 in the 2020 RAMP. The exposures for the 2017 and 2020 RAMP risks
 14 are both based on PG&E data.

15 The key difference between the two bow ties is that the risk
 16 presented in the 2017 RAMP only considered the single outcome of a
 17 large OP event leading to loss of containment with ignition whereas the
 18 2020 RAMP risk considers two outcomes: large OP events that do not
 19 lead to any loss of containment (benign large OP events) and those that
 20 do lead to loss of containment (with or without ignition). The 2020

1 RAMP risk includes both outcomes because there are consequences
2 associated with each; PG&E’s proposed mitigations address both
3 outcomes. By revising the risk event definition, the average annual
4 frequency changes from one event every 15 years to approximately
5 eight events each year.

6 **3. Exposure to Risk**

7 PG&E’s natural gas transmission and distribution systems present
8 inherent safety and reliability risks including the risk of large OP events.
9 PG&E measured the risk exposure as the number of stations owned and
10 operated by PG&E. The total exposure used in the model is 4,624.³ M&C
11 transmission and distribution regulating stations. The risk associated with a
12 large OP event downstream of an M&C facility varies across the
13 transmission and distribution systems since there is considerable variability
14 with respect to the regulating stations in terms of the pressure regulation
15 equipment they contain and the characteristics of the pipeline assets that
16 are located downstream.

17 **4. Tranches**

18 PG&E has identified 6 tranches of facilities for this risk. Each tranche
19 below represents a group of M&C stations that have a relatively
20 homogenous risk profile in terms of likelihood and consequence of the risk
21 event.⁴ By grouping stations into distinct tranches, specific risk likelihood
22 and consequence profiles can be assigned to each. The tranches are
23 described below.

24 **Transmission Complex Stations:** These stations have complex controls
25 and operation including either a Programmable Logic Circuit or Remote

3 Station counts consistent with the 2019 revision of the Measurement & Control Asset Management Plan.

4 At Workshop #3, PG&E presented seven tranches. Since that time, PG&E has combined two of those tranches, namely Distribution Farm Taps and Distribution High Pressure Regulator Stations, into a single tranche, Distribution District Regulator Stations (HPR-Type) and Farm Taps. These stations rely on the same type of equipment to control pressure and can therefore be considered as having a similar likelihood of experiencing large OP events. If this risk event were to occur involving a District Regulator Station (HPR-Type) station, a larger number of customers might be impacted, but assuming the same consequences for all stations in the tranche is a conservative approach for the Farm Taps.

1 Terminal Unit (RTU) to provide control and data transmission. This tranche
2 also includes PG&E's three gas terminals that function as hubs in the gas
3 transmission system to route gas from the backbone transmission lines to
4 local transmission lines.

5 **Transmission Simple Stations:** These pilot-operated stations have simple
6 control and operation. Stations within this category may include
7 instrumentation and RTUs, provided they are for monitoring and data
8 transmission purposes only.

9 **Transmission Large Volume Customer Regulator (LVCR) Sets:** Large
10 volume customers are those served by a PG&E facility that is capable of
11 delivering 40,000 standard cubic feet per hour (scfh) or more. LVCR Sets
12 are those that have separate regulating stations (i.e., primary regulation)
13 upstream of the typical regulation that occurs at meter set assemblies.

14 **Distribution District Regulator Stations (Non-HPR-Type):** These
15 pilot-operated stations serve two or more service lines and typically serve
16 hundreds to thousands of customers. These stations normally receive gas
17 from the high-pressure transmission pipeline system.

18 **Distribution District Regulator Stations (HPR-Type) and Farm Taps:**
19 These district regulator stations (HPR-type) are spring-operated. A farm tap
20 is a service line that is connected directly from a transmission line or
21 gathering line to serve customers other than a large-volume customer.

22 **Distribution Low-Pressure District Regulator Stations:** Low-pressure
23 district regulator stations regulate gas pressure into "low-pressure
24 distribution systems" with operating pressures below 1 psig.

25 The number of stations in each tranche, the percent of the exposure
26 each represents, and the percent of risk associated with each tranche is
27 provided in Table 9-2 below.

**TABLE 9-2
LARGE OP EVENT RISK EXPOSURE**

Line No.	Tranche	Count of Stations ^(a)	Percent Exposure	Safety Risk Score	Reliability Risk Score	Financial Risk Score	Total Risk Score	Percent of Risk ^(b)
1	Transmission Complex Stations	131	3%	0.29	4.46	0.03	4.79	36%
2	Transmission Simple Stations	252	5%	0.19	2.88	0.02	3.08	23%
3	Transmission LVCR Sets	98	2%	0.55	0.00	0.04	0.59	4%
4	Distribution District Regulator Stations (Non-HPR-Type)	1,330	29%	1.46	0.16	0.10	1.72	13%
5	Distribution District Regulator Stations (HPR-Type) and Farm Taps	2,608	56%	1.11	0.10	0.07	1.28	10%
6	Distribution Low-Pressure District Regulator Stations	205	4%	1.58	0.04	0.16	1.78	13%
7	Total	4,624	100%	5.18	7.64	0.42	13.24	100%

Notes:

(a) Count of Stations consistent with 2019 Measurement & Control Asset Management Plan.

(b) Risk is calculated based on frequency and consequence. The Percent of Risk is the contribution from each tranche to the overall risk.

5. Drivers and Associated Frequency

a. Risk Drivers

ASME standard B31.8S⁵ specifies 21 threats to pipeline integrity that are grouped into nine categories of related failure types. PG&E has identified nine threat categories as risk drivers⁶ for the Loss of Containment – Gas Transmission Pipeline (Chapter 7). For the Loss of Containment – Distribution Main or Service (Chapter 8), the risk drivers are based on the threats specified in 49 CFR section 192, Subpart P.

PG&E relies on ASME B31.8S to identify the threats that drive the Large OP Event Downstream of Gas M&C Facility risk. The causes of PG&E's large OP events are attributed primarily to two of the nine ASME B31.8S threat categories, namely Equipment Related and Incorrect Operations. These are the two risk drivers for this risk event. Incorrect Operations refers to large OP events caused by human performance, and all other large OP events are considered Equipment Related. These drivers and their associated 2023 TY baseline frequencies are discussed below.

D1 – Equipment Related: Equipment-related failures can occur due to equipment age, obsolescence, inadequate maintenance, the presence of contaminants such as liquids or debris, or design issues. These failures can lead to OP excursions (which may produce failure of downstream assets) or underpressure excursions (which may result in customer outages). Equipment-related failures accounted for 45 (70 percent) of the 64 large OP events that PG&E experienced from 2012-2019. This results in equipment-related failures accounting for 3.7 (66 percent) of the 5.6 events expected for 2023 when adjusted for the impact of 2020 – 2022 mitigations.

D2 – Incorrect Operations: Incorrect operations are associated with human performance such as errors in design (e.g., sensing line

⁵ The American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), ASME B31.8S – 2018, “Managing System Integrity of Gas Pipelines,” ASME B31.8S – 2018.

⁶ The Loss of Containment – Transmission Pipeline risk drivers exclude the Equipment-Related driver that is covered by this risk, Large Overpressure Event Downstream of an M&C Facility.

1 location), equipment that was installed incorrectly, incorrect regulator set
2 points, or work performed by improperly or inadequately trained
3 personnel. A failure related to incorrect operations can lead to OP
4 excursions or underpressure excursions. Incorrect operations
5 accounted for 19 (30 percent) of the 64 large OP events that PG&E
6 experienced from 2012-2019. This results in the Incorrect Operations
7 driver accounting for 1.7 (30 percent) of the 5.6 events expected for
8 2023 when adjusted for the impact of 2020 – 2022 mitigations.

9 **b. Risk Driver Frequencies**

10 To determine the likelihood with which PG&E may experience a
11 large OP event in each of the tranches, PG&E analyzed its OP Event
12 Data from 2012 to 2019 to classify large OP events by station type
13 (i.e., tranche) and risk driver. For this risk event, there are a total of
14 six tranches and two risk drivers, resulting in 12 different risk event
15 frequencies that are provided as inputs to the model.⁷

16 **c. Outcome Frequencies**

17 This risk considers two outcomes: large OP events that do not lead
18 to any loss of containment (“benign” large OP events) and those that do
19 lead to loss of containment (with or without ignition). Therefore, the
20 model requires inputs that represent the proportions of large OP events
21 that can be considered as leading and not leading to loss of
22 containment. Whether a large OP event results in a loss of containment
23 downstream depends on the pressure experienced by the downstream
24 pipeline and the characteristics of that pipeline (i.e., steel or plastic).
25 Both the pressure that might be experienced by the downstream
26 pipeline and the characteristics of that pipeline are captured by the
27 designation of the station tranche as transmission or distribution.

28 As stated above in Section 4, the exposure associated with this risk
29 consists of three transmission station tranches and three distribution
30 station tranches. PG&E analyzed its OP Event Data between 2012 and
31 2019 to determine how many large OP events on its transmission
32 stations led to losses of containment (2 out of 36 events, or 5.6 percent),

7 Source documents will be provided with the workpapers on July 17, 2020.

and how many large OP events on its distribution stations led to losses of containment (2 out of 28 events, or 7.1 percent). The proportion of large OP events at transmission stations that lead to the loss of containment outcome is considered to be 5.6 percent, with the benign outcome occurring for the remaining 94.4 percent of events. Similarly, the proportion of large OP events at distribution stations that lead to the loss of containment outcome is considered to be 7.1 percent, with the benign outcome occurring for the remaining 92.9 percent of events.

6. Cross-Cutting Factors

A cross-cutting factor is a driver or control that is interrelated to multiple risks. PG&E is presenting eight cross-cutting factors in the 2020 RAMP. The cross-cutting factors that impact the Large Overpressure Event Downstream of an M&C Facility risk are shown in Table 9-3 below. A description of the cross-cutting factors and the mitigations and controls that PG&E is proposing are described in Chapter 20.

**TABLE 9-3
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY**

Line No.	Cross-Cutting Factor	Impacts Likelihood	Impacts Consequence
1	Cyber Attack		X
2	Emergency Preparedness and Response		X
3	Information Technology Asset Failure		X
4	Records and Information Management	X	X
5	Skilled and Qualified Workforce	X	

The two cross-cutting factors that may influence the likelihood of this risk event are Records and Information Management and Skilled and Qualified Workforce. Each of these cross-cutting factors can be considered as representing a subset of the events associated with the Incorrect Operations driver.

Although the Cyber Attack and Information Technology Asset Failure cross-cutting factors are independent of the large OP risk event, it is not impossible for a Cyber Attack or Information Technology Asset Failure to occur simultaneously with a large OP event. If this were to be the case, the

1 consequences associated with the large OP event would be expected to
2 increase.

3 When analyzing this risk, PG&E considered the cross-cutting factor
4 Climate Change even though it is not listed in the table above. Climate
5 Change presents ongoing and future risks to PG&E's assets, operations,
6 employees, customers, and the communities it serves. During this RAMP
7 period, PG&E will conduct a Climate Vulnerability Assessment (CVA) to
8 further assess how its assets, operations, and employees are vulnerable to
9 the projected impacts of climate change. PG&E intends to use findings from
10 the CVA as well as developments in climate science and internal data to
11 continue to advance the quantification of all event-based risks, including
12 RAMP risks, over this RAMP period.

13 **7. Consequences**

14 As discussed in Section 5.c, there are two potential outcomes
15 associated with this risk event, namely benign large OP events and OP
16 events with loss of containment.

- 17 • A benign large OP event is expected to occur 94 percent of the time and
18 accounts for less than 1 percent of the 2023 TY baseline risk score;
- 19 • An OP event with loss of containment event is expected to occur
20 6 percent of the time and accounts for 99 percent of the 2023 TY
21 baseline risk.

22 **a. Consequences for Outcome 1 – Benign Large OP Events**

23 Even though most large OP events that PG&E has experienced
24 have not resulted in any loss of containment, there are still
25 consequences associated with such events. When a “benign” event
26 occurs, PG&E reports the event to regulatory agencies and takes
27 specific actions to confirm the safety of the facilities involved, including
28 verification of records, physical inspection, leak testing, and, in some
29 cases, component replacement. Actions also include immediate
30 reduction of operating pressure until the confirmation steps are
31 completed. These activities result in financial consequences associated
32 with this outcome.

1 **b. Consequences for Outcome 2 – OP Events with Loss of**
2 **Containment**

3 PG&E has experienced four loss of containment incidents from a
4 large OP event during the time frame used for modeling data
5 (2012-2019).⁸ Due to these limited incidents, data regarding outcomes
6 associated with this risk have been obtained from PHMSA reportable
7 incident⁹ data from 2010 to 2019, for both transmission and distribution.
8 PG&E relied upon these data to determine safety and financial
9 consequences that may be associated with the loss of containment
10 outcome for this risk event. These data were used for the entire loss of
11 containment outcome since the consequences associated with the loss
12 of containment events that PG&E has experienced are not
13 representative of consequences that could be realized for this outcome
14 (i.e., utilizing PG&E data would underestimate the risk compared to
15 consequences that have been observed by other operators).

16 While safety and financial consequences were obtained from
17 PHMSA data, the reliability consequences associated with this risk were
18 obtained from PG&E data. The reliability loss of containment
19 consequences in this risk are aligned with the reliability loss of
20 containment consequences from the Gas Transmission Pipeline and
21 Distribution Mains and Services models.

22 Table 9-4 below shows the consequences of the risk event. Model
23 attributes are discussed in Chapter 3, Risk Modeling and Risk Spend
24 Efficiency.

8 PG&E experienced an OP event in Alameda in 1994, which enlarged some pilot lights and resulted in several houses catching fire. Recently, a similar event occurred in Lawrence, Massachusetts. See, Application (A.) 18-12-009, Exhibit (PG&E-3), p. 9-16, lines 10-16, including footnote (fn.) 12.

9 An “Incident” is as defined as an event that involves a release of gas and that results in one or more of the following consequences: death or personal injury necessitating in-patient hospitalization; estimated property damage of \$50,000 or more (in 1984 dollars); and/or, unintentional estimated gas loss of three million cubic feet or more. 49 CFR § 191.3.

**TABLE 9-4
RISK MODEL CONSEQUENCE SUMMARY**

	CoRE	%Freq	%Risk	Freq	Natural Units Per Event			CoRE			Natural Units per Year			Attribute Risk Score		
					Safety EF/event	Gas Reliability #cust/event	Financial \$M/event	Safety	Gas Reliability	Financial	Safety EF/yr	Gas Reliability #cust/yr	Financial \$M/yr	Safety	Gas Reliability	Financial
Benign	0	94%	0.8%	5.3	-	-	0.0	-	-	0.0	-	-	0.2	-	-	0.1
LOC	36.3	6%	97.6%	0.36	0.22	5,802	1.1	14.3	21.1	0.9	0.077	2,063	0.4	5.1	7.5	0.3
LOC and IT Asset Failure	36.6	0.08%	1.3%	0.0	0.22	5,809	1.1	14.3	21.3	1.0	0.001	27	0.0	0.07	0.10	0.005
LOC and Cyber Attack	36.1	0.02%	0.3%	0.001	0.22	5,757	1.1	14.4	20.8	0.9	0.0003	7	0.0	0.02	0.03	0.001
Aggregated	2	100%	100%	5.6	0.01	373	0.1	1	1	0.1	0.078	2,097	0.6	5	8	0.4

1 **C. Controls and Mitigations**

2 Tables 9-5 and 9-6 list the controls and mitigations PG&E included in its
3 2017 RAMP, 2019 GT&S Rate Case, 2020 General Rate Case (GRC), and 2020
4 RAMP (2020-2022 and 2023-2026). The tables provide a view of controls and
5 mitigations that are: on-going; no longer in place; and, changes to controls and
6 mitigations.

7 In the following sections PG&E describes the controls and mitigations in
8 place in 2019, how the controls and mitigations have changed since the
9 2017 RAMP, and the significant changes expected for the controls and
10 mitigations during the 2020-2022 and 2023-2026 periods.

**TABLE 9-5
CONTROLS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Control Name and Number	2017 RAMP	2019 GT&S/2020 GR 2019-2022 Controls(a)	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 Controls	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 Controls
1	C1 – Corrective Maintenance	X	X	X	X
2	C2 – Gas Quality Assessment	X	X	X	Will become part of C4
3	C3 – Preventive Maintenance	X	X	X	X
4	C4 – Regulator Station Component Replacements and Routine Work (formerly Regulator Station Component Replacement)	X	X	X	X
5	C5 – Regulator Station Rebuilds (formerly Regulator Station Replacement)	X	X	X	X
6	C6 – Other Operations and Maintenance			X	X
7	C7 – Foundational Activities Programs		X	X	X

(a) The controls PG&E proposed in the 2017 RAMP were incorporated by reference in the 2019 GT&S Rate Case. See, A.17-11-009, PG&E Prepared Testimony, p. 4 34, fn. 14.

**TABLE 9-6
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY^(a)**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	2017 RAMP 2017-2019 Mitigations	2019 GT&S/2020 GRC 2019-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 Mitigations
1	M1 – Critical Documents Program	X	X	X	
2	M2 – HPR Replacement	X	X	X	X
3	M3 – Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Visibility	X	X	X	X
4	M4 – Station OPP Enhancements ^(b)	X	X	X	X

Notes:

(a) In the 2017 RAMP, the mitigations were numbered sequentially (M1, M2, M3, etc.) and then a letter was appended to the mitigation number to indicate the period during which certain work associated with that mitigation would occur. For example, M1A described the 2016 work, M1B described the 2017-2019 work, and M1C described the 2020-2022 work. In this table and the following sections, P G&E refers to the mitigation number without the letter (year) designation, as the description of the work did not change, only the volume of work.

(b) Only the Transmission program was included in the 2017 RAMP. The Distribution program was in development at the time of the 2017 RAMP.

1 **1. 2017-2019 Controls and Mitigations**

2 **a. Controls**

3 **C1 – Corrective Maintenance:** Corrective Maintenance includes work
4 required to repair failed, damaged or inoperative gas station facilities. In
5 many cases, the need for such restoration is identified during preventive
6 maintenance inspections. This control addresses the Equipment
7 Related driver.

8 **C2 – Gas Quality Assessment:** The purpose of this control is to
9 address gas quality issues such as particulates and liquids so that
10 station equipment operates correctly, materials do not degrade due to
11 corrosion, and gas entering the PG&E system meets gas quality
12 requirements. This control addresses the Equipment Related driver.

13 **C3 – Preventive Maintenance:** Preventive Maintenance includes
14 inspection and maintenance of station equipment to ensure it remains in
15 working order. Preventive maintenance also includes work that may be
16 required to comply with pipeline safety regulations. This control
17 addresses the Equipment Related driver.

18 **C4 – Regulator Station Component Replacements and Routine**
19 **Work:** This control includes replacement of equipment within a
20 regulator station that has exceeded its useful life or is experiencing
21 performance problems. This control ensures the station equipment and
22 components are operating properly and it reduces the risk of failure by
23 managing equipment obsolescence. This control addresses the
24 Equipment Related driver.

25 **C5 – Regulator Station Rebuilds:** This program includes the complete
26 or partial rebuilds of transmission and distribution stations (above or
27 below ground) to replace old and obsolete equipment and piping, to
28 upgrade configurations to meet current design standards and system
29 operating needs, and to address any issues with station operation and
30 maintenance. Rebuilding can also involve relocating stations as
31 appropriate to improve employee safety. This control addresses the
32 Equipment Related and Incorrect Operations drivers.

1 **C6 – Other Operations and Maintenance:** This control consists of
2 activities required to control the supply and flow of gas in the
3 transmission and distribution systems that are not otherwise considered
4 preventive or corrective maintenance. The activities of this control
5 address the Equipment Related and Incorrect Operations drivers.

6 **C7 – Foundational Activities Programs:** This control includes
7 foundational activities required to drive improvements in Facilities
8 Integrity Management. Examples of activities include: benchmarking
9 activities to identify industry best practices; pilot programs (such as
10 pressure vessel inspections and seismic reviews); and, development of
11 station-specific risk analysis capabilities.

12 **b. Mitigations**

13 **M1 – Critical Documents Program:** This program consists of revising
14 and/or developing new critical drawings and documents for transmission
15 stations. These drawings and documents will better assist operating
16 and maintenance personnel in understanding and troubleshooting
17 systems and equipment. This mitigation ensures that the drawings and
18 documents used to operate and maintain the facility are commensurate
19 with the complexity of the facility. This mitigation addresses the
20 Incorrect Operations driver.

21 The Critical Documents Program was proposed as a mitigation in
22 the 2017 RAMP. This is a non-unitized program. To incorporate this
23 mitigation into the 2017 RAMP model, PG&E developed representative
24 units of work (i.e., number of stations) for the years 2017, 2018 and
25 2019.¹⁰ The Critical Documents program was also forecast as a
26 non-unitized program in the 2019 GT&S Rate Case, with a targeted
27 program completion date in 2021. The program is on track to complete
28 all site visits by end of 2021, with the close out of some projects
29 extending into 2022.

30 **M2 – HPR Replacement:** This program is intended to replace
31 distribution system HPR stations that have exceeded their useful life or

¹⁰ See, I.17-11-003, WP 3-3, fn. 1, for a description of how PG&E developed its units of work estimates.

1 are experiencing performance problems. This mitigation ensures the
2 equipment and components are operating properly and reduces the risk
3 of a failure by addressing aging and obsolete equipment. This
4 mitigation also reduces the likelihood of incorrect operations due to the
5 ease of operations on newly replaced HPRs. This mitigation addresses
6 the Incorrect Operations and Equipment related drivers.

7 The HPR Replacement Program was proposed as a mitigation in
8 the 2017 RAMP and was also forecasted in the 2020 GRC. In PG&E's
9 2017 RAMP, it forecasted HPR replacements at 375 stations in 2017,
10 405 stations in 2018, and 440 stations in 2019, for a total of
11 1,220 stations. PG&E addressed 1,047 HPRs between 2017-2019 and
12 is on track to complete the program by the end of next GRC period. By
13 that time, PG&E anticipates this program will become a control.

14 **M3 – SCADA Visibility:** To monitor and operate the gas system and
15 mitigate potentially abnormal conditions, Gas Control Center (GCC)
16 personnel must be able to view pressure and flow data from key
17 locations within the gas system. Regulator stations that have SCADA
18 visibility typically have pressure transducers installed at multiple points
19 within the station, both upstream and downstream of regulation.
20 SCADA devices may also be installed elsewhere on the system, for
21 low-point monitoring as well as overpressure monitoring. SCADA
22 devices provide required visibility to GCC personnel. If the devices
23 detect conditions that are out of the normal range, they send an alarm to
24 the GCC, and operators can investigate and take necessary measures.

25 The SCADA Visibility program includes installing different types of
26 SCADA devices on the gas system: gas transmission SCADA devices
27 on long segments of backbone and other major pipeline (MAT 76M);
28 electronic recorder-transmitter (ERX) devices on the gas distribution
29 system that record pressure and transmit recorded data (MAT 4AF);
30 and, gas distribution RTU Pressure Monitoring Devices (MAT 4AM) that
31 feature multiple sensing capabilities and the ability to relay significant
32 amounts of data in real time. This mitigation addresses the Equipment
33 Related and Incorrect Operations drivers.

1 PG&E planned to complete SCADA installations at 530 distribution
2 locations (237 in 2017, 144 in 2018 and 149 in 2019) and 24
3 transmission stations (3 in 2017, 13 in 2018, and 8 in 2019). PG&E
4 completed work at 548 distribution locations and 16 transmission
5 locations. The program is on pace to be fully implemented by 2025.
6 **M4 – Station OPP Enhancements:**¹¹ This program is intended to
7 prevent large OP events at transmission and distribution regulator
8 stations. PG&E has performed investigations on its large OP events to
9 determine causes and to define actions that can prevent recurrence.
10 These investigations have identified some common causes for a number
11 of these events, including common failure modes in pilot-operated
12 regulator stations and systems that have intermittent flow. PG&E has
13 also conducted benchmarking surveys, reviewed industry best practices,
14 and evaluated potential options through the execution of pilot studies.
15 Based on these actions, PG&E is pursuing the strategy of initially
16 installing secondary OPP (e.g., slam-shuts) at pilot-operated regulator
17 stations and performing rebuilds of the large volume customer primary
18 regulator sets. This mitigation addresses the Equipment Related and
19 Incorrect Operations driver.

20 PG&E only included the Station OPP Enhancements Program for
21 transmission stations in the 2017 RAMP. The Station OPP
22 Enhancements Program for distribution stations was proposed initially in
23 the 2020 GRC.

24 The Station OPP Enhancements Program was a non-unitized
25 program in the 2019 GT&S Rate Case but for the purposes of
26 incorporating this mitigation into the 2017 RAMP risk model, PG&E
27 developed representative units of work. PG&E completed 18 LVCR
28 rebuilds from 2018-2019. Between 2020 and 2022 PG&E will also focus
29 on rebuilding and retrofitting the remaining LVCRs and other pilot
30 operated transmission stations.

¹¹ The Station OPP Enhancements mitigation includes both capital and expense cost components.

1 **D. 2020-2022 Mitigation Plan**

2 **1. Changes to Controls**

3 PG&E is making the following changes to its control programs:

4 **C4** – The name of this control is changing to Regulator Station Component
 5 Replacements and Routine Work (formerly Regulator Station Component
 6 Replacement). The new name more accurately reflects the work in this
 7 control.

8 **C5** – The name of this control is changing to Regulator Station Rebuilds
 9 (formerly Regulator Station Replacements). The new name more accurately
 10 reflects the work in this control.

11 **C6 – Other Operations and Maintenance:** This control consists of
 12 activities required to control the supply and flow of gas in the transmission
 13 and distribution systems that are not otherwise considered preventive or
 14 corrective maintenance.

15 **2. Changes to Mitigations**

16 PG&E will continue to implement the four mitigations proposed in the
 17 2017 RAMP. PG&E is not proposing any new mitigations. The Critical
 18 Documents Program will be completed in 2022 but all other mitigations will
 19 continue into 2023-2026. The volume of work that PG&E plans to complete
 20 in 2020-2022 is shown in Table 9-7 below.

**TABLE 9-7
 PLANNED MITIGATIONS 2020-2022**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	Rate Case Units ^(a)	Planned Units of Work			
			2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M1 – Critical Documents Program (LU1)	Non-unitized	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2	M2 – HPR Replacement (2K)	HPR	340	340	340	1,020
3	M3 – SCADA Visibility (76M)	Non-unitized	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
4	M3 – SCADA Visibility (4AF)	Locations	28	28	10	66
5	M3 – SCADA Visibility (4AM)	Locations	124	124	124	372
6	M4 – Station OPP Enhancements (76G)	Non-unitized	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
7	M4 – Station OPP Enhancements (50N)	Stations	200	200	200	600

Notes:

(a) Units of work are presented for programs that are unitized in PG&E’s gas transmission and distribution rate cases.

1 Tables 9-8 and 9-9 below show the forecast costs, the RSEs and the
 2 risk reduction scores for the mitigation work planned during the 2020-2022
 3 period.

**TABLE 9-8
 FORECAST COSTS^(a)
 EXPENSE (\$000) 2020-2022**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MAT	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M1	Critical Documents Program	LU1	\$7,623	\$8,268	\$7,998	\$23,890
2	M4	Station OPP Enhancements	FHQ, JTX	4,464	4,834	4,954	14,252
3		Total		\$12,088	\$13,101	\$12,953	\$38,142

(a) See WP 9-1.

**TABLE 9-9
 FORECAST COSTS^(a)
 CAPITAL (\$000) 2020-2022**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MAT	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M2	HPR Replacement	2K#, 2KA, 2KB, 2KC	\$55,201	\$57,800	\$59,245	\$172,246
2	M3	SCADA Visibility	4AF, 4AM, 76M	32,990	34,160	34,646	101,796
3	M4	Station OPP Enhancements	50N, 76G	34,823	28,160	21,484	84,467
4		Total		\$123,014	\$120,120	\$115,375	\$358,509

(a) See WP 9-1.

4 **E. 2023 – 2026 Proposed Plan**

5 **1. Changes to Controls**

6 PG&E is making the following change to its control programs:
 7 **C2 – Gas Quality Assessment:** This control will not be a separate control
 8 starting in 2023 but it will instead become part of Control C4.

9 **2. Mitigation Plan**

10 PG&E is not proposing any new mitigations in 2023-2026. The volume
 11 of work PG&E plans to complete in 2023-2026 is shown in Table 9-10
 12 below.

**TABLE 9-10
PLANNED MITIGATIONS 2023-2026**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	Rate Case Units ^(a)	Planned Units of Work				
			2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	M2 – HPR Replacement (2K)	HPR	100	100	100	100	400
2	M3 – SCADA Visibility (76M)	Non-unitized	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
3	M3 – SCADA Visibility (4AF)	Locations	10	10	10	10	40
4	M3 – SCADA Visibility (4AM)	Locations	101	101	100	0	302
5	M4 – Station OPP Enhancements (76G)	Non-unitized	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
6	M4 – Station OPP Enhancements (50N) ^(b)	Stations	200	150	150	0	500

Notes:

- (a) Units of work are presented for programs that are unitized in PG&E's gas transmission and distribution rate cases.
- (b) The Station OPP Enhancements Program as presented in the 2020 GRC addressed only high-pressure regulator stations; the 2023-2026 program as proposed in the 2020 RAMP also includes only units and dollars associated with high-pressure regulator stations. PG&E is currently evaluating mitigations for low-pressure stations, and additional dollars and units will be proposed in the 2023 GRC.

1 Tables 9-11 and 9-12 below show the forecast costs, the RSEs and the
2 risk reduction scores for the mitigation work planned during the 2023-2026
3 period.

**TABLE 9-11
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION^(b)
EXPENSE (\$000) 2023-2026**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MAT	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M1	Critical Documents Program	LU1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2	M4	Station OPP Enhancements	FHQ, JTX	\$5,078	\$5,205	\$5,335	\$5,469	\$21,087	(a)	(a)
3		Total		\$5,078	\$5,205	\$5,335	\$5,469	\$21,087	-	-

Note:

(a) See Table 9-12.

(b) See WP 9-1.

**TABLE 9-12
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION^(b)
CAPITAL (\$000) 2023-2026**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MAT	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M2	HPR Replacement	2K#, 2KA, 2KB, 2KC	\$17,861	\$18,307	\$18,765	\$19,234	\$74,167	0.029	1.6
2	M3	SCADA Visibility	4AF, 4AM, 76M	29,714	30,458	30,955	4,345	95,471	0.025	1.9
3	M4	Station OPP Enhancements	50N, 76G	23,281	19,744	19,922	8,405	71,352	0.197	14.9
4		Total		\$70,855	\$68,509	\$69,642	\$31,984	\$240,990	-	-

Note:

(a) See Mitigation Effectiveness worksheets (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

(b) See WP 9-1.

1 The risk model results in Tables 9-11 and 9-12 above show that the
2 SCADA Visibility (4AM) Program has the lowest RSE score of the proposed
3 mitigations for this risk. PG&E installs SCADA devices in key locations
4 within the gas system including regulator stations due to the regulator
5 station's importance in operating the gas system. SCADA devices allow the
6 Gas Control Center (GCC) personnel to monitor and operate the gas system
7 and to mitigate potentially abnormal conditions, such as overpressure
8 alarms and valve position indicators. PG&E started installing SCADA
9 devices on its system in 2015 and plans to complete installation of SCADA
10 devices on the gas system by 2025. This program is an enabler for many
11 other programs that allow PG&E to have insight into real-time operations
12 and response protocols. Even though the RSE for this program is lower than
13 other mitigation programs, PG&E believes it is important to complete the
14 SCADA visibility program in order to provide visibility and control of the
15 entire gas system.

16 The HPR Replacement Program has the second lowest RSE score of
17 the proposed mitigations for this risk. In this instance PG&E believes that
18 continuing to replace HPRs is reasonable given the history of performance
19 issues with this type of equipment. In February 2011, PG&E reported that
20 most of the leaks on the transmission system were on the HPR facilities.¹²
21 Subsequently, PG&E began a program to rebuild or replace HPR-type
22 facilities in order to address equipment deterioration, obsolescence and
23 legacy designs. PG&E developed its HPR program to address gas leaks
24 and facility conditions associated with High Pressure Regulator facilities that
25 are experiencing performance problems. As of January 1, 2018, PG&E
26 estimated that there were approximately 2,700 HPRs that still needed to be
27 replaced or rebuilt. Based on the pace of work proposed in the 2020 GRC,
28 PG&E estimates that it can complete the HPR program during the 2023
29 GRC period.¹³

12 PG&E's report, Accelerated Gas Transmission System Aerial and Ground Leak Survey Trends, was submitted to Paul Clanon, CPUC Executive Director, on February 1, 2011.

13 A.18-12-009, Exhibit (PG&E-3), WP 5-13 and WP 5-14.

1 **F. Alternative Analysis**

2 In addition to the proposed mitigations described in Section E above, PG&E
3 considered alternative mitigations as well. The mitigations described in Section
4 E constitute the Proposed Plan. The Alternative Plans consist of a combination
5 of some or all of the proposed mitigations along with the alternative mitigation(s).
6 PG&E describes each of the alternative mitigations it considered below and then
7 provides a table showing the forecast costs, RSEs and risk reduction scores for
8 each of the Alternative Plans.

9 Of the four mitigation programs proposed for this risk, the Station OPP
10 Enhancements Program for distribution stations is the program for which the
11 consideration of alternatives is the most appropriate. It is the newest program
12 amongst the mitigations for this risk, and it is also a mitigation that is specific to
13 the Large OP Event Downstream of M&C Facility risk, whereas other mitigation
14 programs can be considered to mitigate other risks presented in Other Safety
15 Risks or not included in the 2020 RAMP.

16 **1. Alternative Plan 1: Rebuild and Retrofit Single-Run Stations**

17 The development of the Station OPP Enhancements Program was
18 informed in part through the review of benchmarking surveys and evaluation
19 of potential options through the execution of pilot studies. Based on these
20 actions, PG&E arrived at the strategy to install secondary OPP (e.g., slam-
21 shuts) at pilot-operated distribution regulator stations. These stations are
22 represented by the Distribution District Regulator Stations (Non-HPR-Type)
23 tranche.

24 The current goal for the Station OPP Enhancements Program is to have
25 retrofitted all pilot-operated (i.e., Non-HPR-Type) distribution stations with
26 secondary overpressure protection by the end of 2025. PG&E will install
27 slam-shut devices at the majority of these stations. There are, however,
28 some stations where it may not be appropriate to install such devices
29 because of potential negative impacts on reliability. These stations include
30 those that meet all of the following criteria: they are considered critical from
31 a reliability or customer perspective, they feed over 5,000 customers, and
32 they are single-run stations. These critical, single-run stations that serve
33 many customers would currently require separate projects to be initiated to
34 investigate viable secondary overpressure protection options because of

1 potential reliability impacts associated with slam-shut devices at these
2 stations. An alternative to the installation of slam-shut devices is to rebuild
3 all single-run distribution pilot-operated regulator stations to be dual-run
4 stations as required by current regulator station design standards. Dual-run
5 pilot-operated stations built to current regulator design standards would
6 include secondary overpressure protection devices that are acceptable for a
7 dual-run station.

8 Alternative Plan 1 to the Station OPP Enhancements Program for
9 distribution stations consists of rebuilding the approximately 640 single-run
10 stations as dual-run stations and retrofitting the remainder (460 stations)
11 with slam-shut devices. This alternative assumes that rebuilds for the
12 single-run stations would begin in 2023 after the retrofits of the dual-run
13 stations have been completed. A realistic pace of 30 single-run stations
14 rebuilt per year from 2023-2026 is part of Alternative Plan 1. Station
15 rebuilds already occur within the scope of controls for this risk; the station
16 rebuilds that are included in Alternative Plan 1 would be incremental to the
17 existing station rebuilds in C5 – Regulator Station Rebuilds. Because PG&E
18 has demonstrated that it can execute on the pace of the incremental station
19 rebuilds of 30 per year, the scope and pace of this alternative are
20 considered realistic.

21 PG&E did not choose this alternative because based on the proposed
22 pace of this work, PG&E would not meet its goal for the Station OPP
23 Enhancements Program - have all distribution pilot-operated stations
24 addressed by the end of the next rate case period (2027). At the end of
25 2026, there would still be 520 single-run stations that require rebuild.

**TABLE 9-15
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION^(c)
EXPENSE (\$000) 2023-2026**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A1	Rebuild or Retrofit DREG Stations	\$3,405	\$3,490	\$3,578	\$3,667	\$14,140	(b)	(b)
2		Total	\$3,405	\$3,490	\$3,578	\$3,667	\$14,140		

Note:

- (a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
- (b) See Table 9-16.
- (c) See WP 9-1.

**TABLE 9-16
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION^(b)
CAPITAL (\$000) 2023-2026**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A1	Rebuild or Retrofit DREG Stations	\$44,674	\$44,674	\$44,674	\$44,674	\$178,694	0.02	1.9
2		Total	\$44,674	\$44,674	\$44,674	\$44,674	\$178,694		

Note:

- (a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
- (b) See WP 9-1.

2. Alternative Plan 2: Rebuild and Retrofit Subset of Single-Run Stations

Alternative 2 is similar to Alternative 1 in that it includes station rebuilds for the single-run stations. However, under Alternative 2, the Station OPP Enhancements Program would meet its goal of addressing all distribution pilot-operated regulator station by the end of the next rate case period. This would be accomplished by reducing the number of single-run station rebuilds and addressing the remainder with retrofits. This alternative has a lower RSE than the proposed plan.

**TABLE 9-17
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION^(c)
EXPENSE (\$000) 2023-2026**

<u>Line No.</u>	<u>Mit. No.</u>	<u>Mitigation Name</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>RSE(a)</u>	<u>Risk Reduction</u>
1	A2	Rebuild or Retrofit Certain DREG Stations	\$3,405	\$3,490	\$3,578	\$3,667	\$14,140	(b)	(b)
		Total	\$3,405	\$3,490	\$3,578	\$3,667	\$14,140		

Note:

- (a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
- (b) See Table 9-18.
- (c) See, WP 9-1.

**TABLE 9-18
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION^(b)
CAPITAL (\$000) 2023-2026**

<u>Line No.</u>	<u>Mit. No.</u>	<u>Mitigation Name</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>RSE^(a)</u>	<u>Risk Reduction</u>
1	A2	Rebuild or Retrofit Certain DREG Stations	\$55,087	\$53,823	\$54,051	\$44,674	\$207,634	0.04	6.4
2		Total	\$55,087	\$53,823	\$54,051	\$44,674	\$207,634		

Note:

- (a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
- (b) See, WP 9-1.

1 Table 9-19 compares the proposed and alternative mitigation plans.

TABLE 9-19
MITIGATION PLAN ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS^(d)
(\$000)

Line No.	Risk Mitigation Plan	Plan Components ^(a)	Total Expense (2023-2026) ^(b)	Total Capital (2023-2026)	Risk Reduction (NPV)	Total Spend (NPV) ^(c)	RSE
1	Proposed	M1, M2, M3, M4	\$21,087	\$240,990	17.5	\$198,051	0.09
2	Alternative 1	M1, M2, M3, M4 (Transmission) + A1	\$6,974	\$381,650	13.0	\$290,161	0.04
3	Alternative 2	M1, M2, M3, M4 (Transmission) + A2	\$21,087	\$410,590	17.3	\$322,640	0.05

(a) Plan Components refers to the Mitigations presented in Table 9-6.

(b) The total spend (NPV) and RSE includes certain costs that were incurred before 2023 because the spend reduces risk during the 2023-2026 period.

(c) Information presented in terms of Net Present Value (NPV) to account for the discounting of benefits.

(d) See, WP 9-2.

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5 **A. Executive Summary**

6 Over the past few years, California has experienced an unprecedented
7 number of catastrophic wildfires due to climate change. Many of these fires
8 have occurred in Pacific Gas and Electric Company’s (PG&E) service territory in
9 Northern California, over half of which lies in High Fire Threat District (HFTD)
10 areas as identified by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC or
11 Commission).¹ PG&E recognizes the urgent need to address this challenge and
12 protect the safety of the customers and communities we serve.

13 The Wildfire risk is defined as PG&E assets or activities that may initiate a
14 fire that is not easily contained and endangers the public, private property,
15 sensitive lands, or the environment. The drivers for this risk event are
16 equipment failure, vegetation, third party, animal, unknown or other, and seismic
17 scenario. Wildfire has the highest safety score of PG&E’s 12 Risk Assessment
18 and Mitigation Phase (RAMP) risks.

19 Wildfire has the highest 2023 test year (TY) baseline safety score (9,865)
20 and the highest 2023 TY baseline total risk score (24,343) of PG&E’s 12 RAMP
21 risks. The 2020 baseline risk score (26,072) improves by 28 percent from 2020
22 to 2026 (i.e., risk is reduced) when PG&E’s planned and proposed mitigations
23 are applied: the 2023 TY baseline risk score is 24,343 and the 2026
24 post-mitigation risk score is 18,871.²

1 The HFTD Map, adopted by the Commission in January 2018, designates three types of fire threat area: Tier 3 (“extreme risk”), Tier 2 (“elevated risk”), and a much smaller Zone 1 (made up of areas on the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)/U.S. Forest Service High Hazard Zones map that are not subsumed with the Tier 2 and Tier 3 HFTD areas). See Decision (D.) 17-12-024, p. 158, Ordering Paragraph 12, and Appendix D. The 2017 RAMP used an earlier fire threat map because the Commission had not yet finalized the HFTD Map.

2 PG&E’s model assumes that baseline risk will increase in 2023-2026, relative to 2020-2022, due to climate factors increasing the number of Red Flag Warning (RFW) days and areas in the future. See Section B.6 below for further discussion.

1 Exposure to the Wildfire risk is modeled based on the approximately
2 99,000 overhead primary circuit miles in PG&E's electric distribution and
3 transmission system. The risk includes approximately 443 risk events
4 (ignitions)³ each year. The equipment failure driver accounts for the highest
5 number of risk events (38 percent); the vegetation driver accounts for the
6 second highest number of risk events systemwide (26 percent). About
7 32 percent of risk events take place in HFTD areas; these risk events accounted
8 for 99 percent of the overall risk. 88 percent of the consequences of Wildfire risk
9 events are due to the small number of ignitions that result in catastrophic fires
10 (defined as fires that burn 100 or more structures and result in a serious injury or
11 fatality). The mitigations PG&E will implement from 2020-2026 are designed to
12 address these key risk drivers and consequences.

13 PG&E identified eight tranches for the Wildfire risk that reflect similar risk
14 profiles within each tranche. The tranches are based on ignitions in HFTD areas
15 versus non-HFTD areas, and further breaking those ignitions down into those
16 associated with distribution, transmission, and substation facilities. The
17 distribution system in HFTD areas is further broken down into areas where
18 PG&E has already performed system hardening work, areas where PG&E plans
19 to perform system hardening work, and areas where PG&E does not currently
20 plan to perform system hardening work. The highest tranche-level risk is
21 associated with HFTD – Distribution (To Be Hardened) which accounts for
22 7 percent of system mileage and 45 percent of the risk.

23 PG&E is proposing a broad suite of controls and mitigations to address the
24 key wildfire risk drivers. Recent improvements to controls include an enhanced
25 inspection process and a new program to assess pole loading in HFTD areas.
26 PG&E's proposed mitigations include four broad strategies for understanding
27 and responding to Wildfire risk.

- 28 1) Reduce risk through several asset management programs, including a
29 long-term program to harden the distribution system in HFTD areas to lower
30 ignition risk and improve fire resilience.

³ 443 ignitions is PG&E's forecast for 2023 ignitions, based on historical ignitions, plus several adjustments, which are described in Section B.5 below.

- 1 2) Reduce risk from the vegetation driver by significantly expanding vegetation
2 management activities in HFTD areas beyond compliance requirements.
- 3 3) Target the highest risk wildfire conditions (days with high fire threat and high
4 wind in HFTD areas) through the Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS)
5 Program.⁴ PG&E recognizes that PSPS, while very effective at mitigating
6 ignitions associated with PG&E assets, is also extremely disruptive for
7 customers and is making significant investments to reduce the impact of
8 future PSPS events on customers.
- 9 4) Enhance situational awareness with improvements in meteorology, high
10 definition cameras for fire monitoring, field weather stations and satellite
11 monitoring for better weather tracking and forecasting, and sensors in HFTD
12 areas.

13 The PSPS and System Hardening mitigation programs have the highest
14 Risk Spend Efficiency (RSE) scores and the highest total risk reduction scores.⁵
15 The RSE score for PSPS includes the cost of programs that PG&E is
16 undertaking to reduce the impact of PSPS on customers by reducing the PSPS
17 footprint and shortening restoration times.

18 PG&E's programs to address Wildfire risk will continue to evolve as its
19 understanding of the wildfire threat improves, and as PG&E incorporates
20 lessons learned from its ongoing efforts, as well as information from customers,
21 communities, and government entities about how to improve the programs'
22 effectiveness and impact. These programs, and PG&E's risk modeling efforts,
23 are dynamic; in response to new information, PG&E may adjust the scope of the
24 programs presented here and/or introduce new programs as part of its funding
25 request in the 2023 General Rate Case (GRC).

⁴ The mitigations described here are much more extensive than the mitigations proposed in the 2017 RAMP, which was filed before the impacts of the catastrophic wildfires in PG&E's service territory in 2017 and 2018 had been assessed. PG&E's analysis of its Wildfire risk in the wake of those fires, and almost all the programs described here, have been previously discussed in PG&E's 2020 GRC testimony. (See e.g., Application (A.) 18-12-009, Exhibit (PG&E-4), Chapter 2A (Wildfire Risk Policy and Overview)) and/or in PG&E's 2020 Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP) Report. See Rulemaking (R.18-10-007).

⁵ The information herein is subject to those limitations described in Chapter 2, Section D.

**TABLE 10-1
RISK OVERVIEW**

Line No.	Risk Name	Wildfire
1	In Scope	PG&E assets or activities that may initiate a fire that is not easily contained, endangers the public, private property, sensitive lands or environment.
2	Out of Scope	Fire ignitions and associated impacts not related to PG&E electric system assets.
3	Data Quantification Sources	CPUC-reportable ignitions, CAL FIRE, National Weather Service (NWS), other PG&E data (Outage data, Geographic Information System (GIS) data, PG&E System Earthquake Risk Assessment model, Integrated Logging Information Systems, Transmission Operation Tracking and Logging).
<hr/> (a) Source documents will be provided with the workpapers on July 17, 2020.		

1 **1. Risk Overview**

2 Changes in weather, vegetation growth, and tree mortality patterns
 3 brought on by climate change, coupled with increased development in
 4 formerly wildland areas have led to increased consequences related to
 5 wildfire ignitions in recent years. As discussed in PG&E’s 2020 GRC
 6 testimony on the Wildfire risk, 15 of the 20 most destructive wildfires in
 7 California’s history have occurred since 2000, including 10 since 2015.⁶
 8 PG&E’s overhead electrical transmission and distribution assets are
 9 potential sources of wildfire ignition. PG&E faces significant wildfire
 10 challenges because of the size and geography of its service area. PG&E
 11 serves approximately 5.5 million electric customers across a service territory
 12 of approximately 70,000 square miles, more than half of which is included in
 13 HFTD areas.⁷ PG&E’s system has approximately 81,000 miles of
 14 distribution primary overhead circuits (more than 25,000 of which are in
 15 HFTD areas) and approximately 18,000 miles of transmission overhead
 16 circuits (more than 5,000 of which are in HFTD areas).

⁶ A.18-12-009, Exhibit (PG&E-4), p. 2A-3, Figure 2A-1.

⁷ Order Instituting Rulemaking 18-10-007 (Oct. 25, 2018), 2020 WMP Report, R.18-10-007, (Feb. 7, 2020), Executive Summary, Section B, and GIS verification in June 2020.

1 Over the last five years (2015-2019), there have been an average of
2 440 ignitions per year⁸ associated with PG&E's facilities, the vast majority of
3 which have been small, and did not result in damage to structures. The
4 leading causes of these ignitions have been equipment failure, vegetation
5 contact with overhead lines, animal contact, and third-party contacts (such
6 as vehicles running into utility poles).

7 **2. Risk Definition**

8 The Wildfire risk is defined as PG&E assets or activities that may initiate
9 a fire that is not easily contained, endangers the public, private property,
10 sensitive lands or environment.

11 **B. Risk Assessment**

12 **1. Background and Evolution**

13 Managing wildfire risk is, and has been, a high priority for PG&E.
14 Wildfire risk has been designated a top enterprise and safety risk since
15 2006, and the Wildfire risk was included in the 2017 RAMP. As discussed in
16 the 2017 RAMP Report, PG&E's total expenditure for 2016 for all wildfire
17 risk-related activities was approximately \$750 million.⁹ In the wake of the
18 catastrophic wildfires in PG&E's service territory in 2017 and 2018, and an
19 increasing awareness that the conditions that lead to wildfires are increasing
20 throughout the state, PG&E's Electric Operations line of business conducted
21 a thorough re-examination of its Wildfire risk, which led to the significantly
22 expanded mitigation plan proposed in the 2020 GRC. PG&E continues to
23 update its analysis of Wildfire risk and reports to the CPUC on its risk
24 management efforts in several different venues, including RAMP reports,
25 GRC proceedings, and annual WMP.

26 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E described 12 controls for the Wildfire risk,
27 including vegetation management in high fire-threat areas and a variety of
28 other expenditures and infrastructure replacement programs, including the

⁸ 440 is the historical average number of ignitions per year for 2015-2019. For modeling baseline risk, PG&E has made several adjustments to this historical average as described in Section B.5 below.

⁹ PG&E's RAMP Report, Investigation 17-11-003 (Nov. 30, 2017), p. 11-2, and p. 11-15, Table 11-1.

1 following: patrols and inspections of PG&E's overhead electric facilities;
2 preventive maintenance of equipment and poles; replacement of conductor,
3 overhead equipment, or poles that have failed or are at risk of failing; and
4 installation of protective equipment.¹⁰ These same controls were presented
5 in the 2020 GRC, though in some cases PG&E forecasted increased
6 spending on these controls. For the 2020 RAMP, PG&E proposes a
7 reorganized list of 17 controls. These revised controls generally relate to the
8 same activities as the previous controls but are streamlined and organized
9 to better reflect the organization of PG&E's WMP. For several of the revised
10 controls, PG&E has significantly changed planned expenditure levels.
11 Table 10-6 at the beginning of Section C below maps the evolution of
12 PG&E's controls for the Wildfire risk from the 2017 RAMP to the 2020 GRC
13 to the 2020 RAMP.

14 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E proposed six mitigations for the Wildfire risk,
15 consisting of two additional vegetation management activities, two changes
16 to recloser operations in high fire risk areas, and targeted replacement of
17 two types of assets (overhead conductor and non-exempt surge arresters) in
18 high fire risk areas. In the 2020 GRC, PG&E proposed a significantly
19 expanded set of 19 mitigations as part of its new Community Wildfire Safety
20 Program (CWSP). These mitigations included an expanded Enhanced
21 Vegetation Management (EVM) program and a comprehensive System
22 Hardening program in HFTD areas. They also included several programs
23 designed to enhance PG&E's situational awareness (e.g., cameras, weather
24 stations, and meteorological modeling). The 2020 GRC also included PSPS
25 as a mitigation, as well as some programs designed to lessen the impact of
26 PSPS.

27 PG&E is presenting 10 mitigations in the 2020 RAMP. These
28 mitigations are very similar to the mitigations presented in the 2020 GRC,
29 except that in the 2020 RAMP PG&E has created two mitigations—M6 –
30 PSPS Impact Reduction Initiatives and M7 – Situational Awareness and
31 Forecasting Initiatives—that contain multiple programs that were classified
32 as separate mitigations in the 2020 GRC. Table 10-7 at the beginning of

¹⁰ See Section C.2 below for a list of the controls presented in the 2017 RAMP.

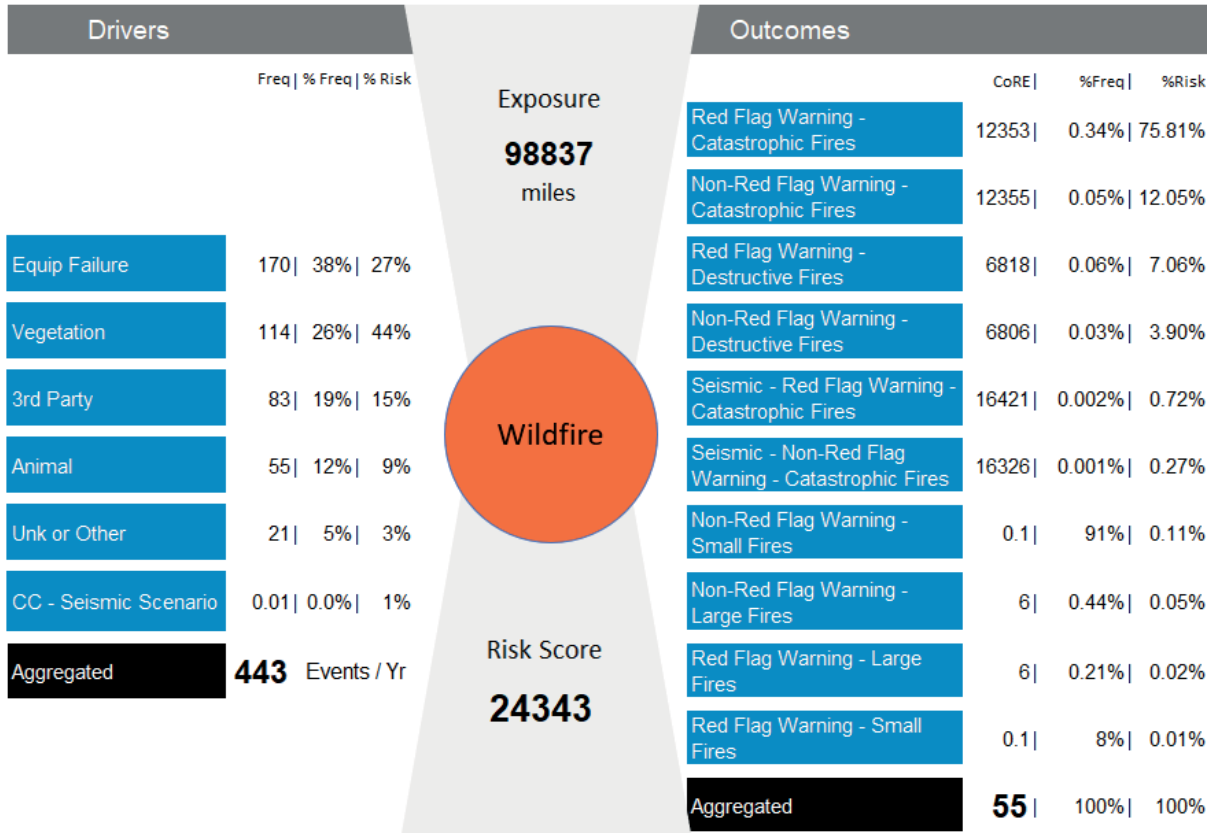
1 Section C below maps the evolution of PG&E’s mitigations for the Wildfire
2 risk from the 2017 RAMP to the 2020 GRC to the 2020 RAMP.

3 PG&E discussed its Wildfire risk reduction activities in its 2019 and 2020
4 WMPs though these plans use a very different organizational schema from
5 either the RAMP or GRC. On May 7, 2020, the CPUC’s Wildfire Safety
6 Division (WSD) provided a Draft Guidance Resolution to all California
7 investor-owned utilities and a Draft Resolution specific to PG&E providing
8 conditional approval of and feedback on the utilities’ 2020 WMPs. See Draft
9 Guidance Resolution WSD-002 and Draft Resolution WSD-003 in
10 R.18-10-007. The CPUC ratified the Draft Resolutions on June 11, 2020.
11 Given the June 30 filing deadline for the 2020 RAMP, PG&E will not be able
12 to substantively respond to WSD’s feedback in this report. However, PG&E
13 will respond in the WMP proceeding and will also incorporate WSD’s
14 feedback into its presentation of the Wildfire risk in the 2023 GRC.

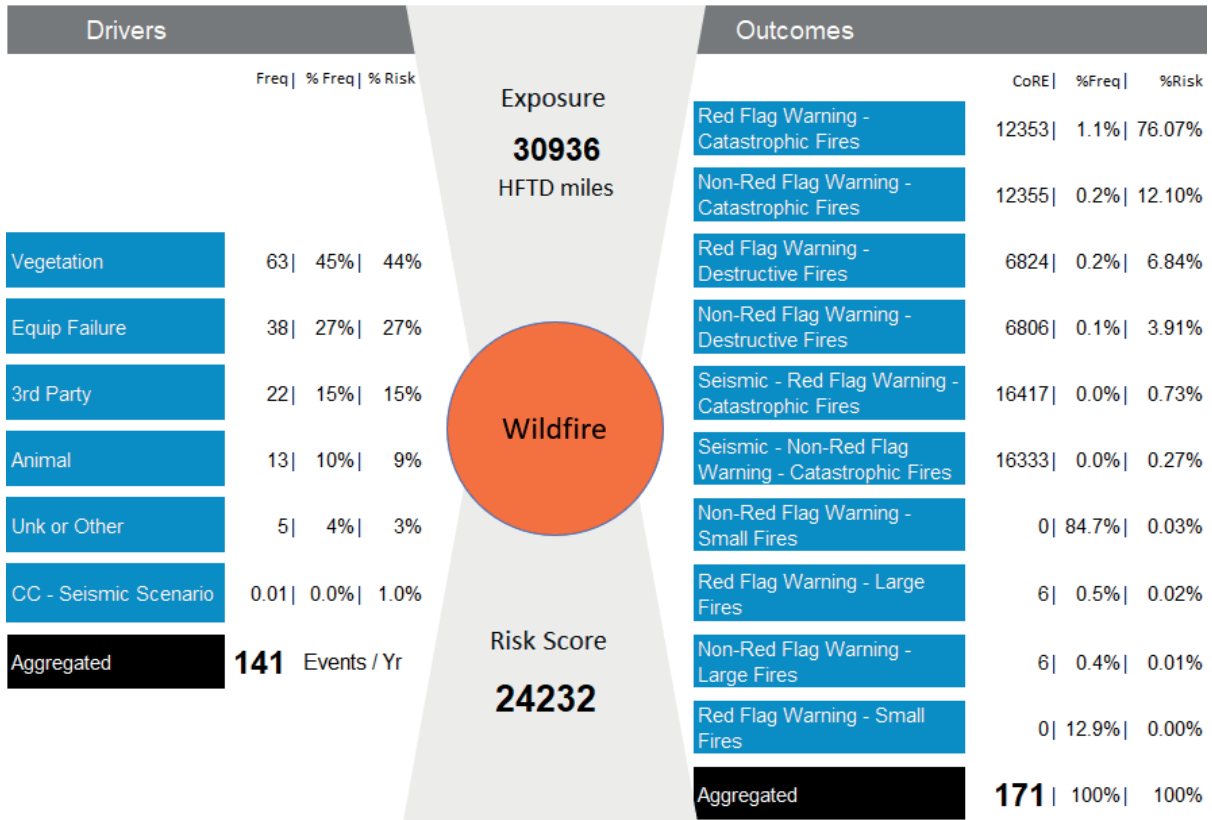
15 **2. Risk Bow Tie**

16 Figures 10-1 and 10-2 below show the Wildfire risk bow ties for
17 (1) PG&E’s entire transmission and distribution overhead electric system
18 and (2) the portion of PG&E’s system that lies in HFTD areas. PG&E is
19 including the HFTD-specific bow tie to show how Wildfire risk characteristics
20 differ between HFTD and non-HFTD areas. PG&E’s tranche analysis,
21 discussed in Section B.4 below, shows that HFTD areas account for
22 99 percent of the Wildfire risk. All the terms used in the bow ties are defined
23 below.

**FIGURE 10-1
RISK BOW TIE, PG&E SYSTEMWIDE**



**FIGURE 10-2
RISK BOW TIE – HFTD ONLY**



Note: Vegetation is the most significant risk driver within HFTD areas.

a. Difference from 2017 Risk Bow Tie

The 2020 RAMP risk bow tie above differs from the bow tie presented in the 2017 RAMP in several important ways. In terms of exposure, the 2020 bow tie considers PG&E’s entire overhead transmission and distribution system instead of just the Fire Index Areas (FIA) considered in the 2017 bow tie. See Section B.3, below. The frequencies in the 2017 bow tie were based on 2015-2016 ignitions reported to the CPUC; the frequencies in the 2020 bow tie are based on reportable ignitions data¹¹ for 2015-2019, including data from seven additional fires that were not included in PG&E’s annual report of ignitions to the CPUC because they were under investigation at the time the report was submitted. See Section B.5, below. The 2017 bow tie had several drivers related to equipment failure; the 2020 bow tie has

¹¹ Guidelines based on D.14-02-015.

1 one equipment failure driver but continues to capture the different types
2 of equipment failure as sub-drivers. The 2020 bow tie also includes a
3 Seismic Scenario driver that was not present in the 2017 bow tie.
4 See Section B.5, below. In the 2017 bow tie, PG&E considered
5 consequences based on categories of overall impact (e.g., Safety,
6 Reliability, Financial). The 2020 bow tie considers consequences with
7 more granularity based on eight individual tranches in terms of the
8 frequency and risk impact attributable to ten different combinations of
9 fire size and weather conditions, including fires associated with a
10 potential seismic event, all in combination for an aggregated risk score.

11 **3. Exposure to Risk**

12 PG&E has approximately 81,000 distribution overhead circuit miles and
13 approximately 18,000 transmission overhead circuit miles in its service
14 territory. All these circuit miles are included in the current Wildfire
15 operational risk model as required by the enabling legislation for the
16 WMP.¹² Prior to the WMP, PG&E's operational risk model only included
17 circuit miles in areas designated by the Commission as high fire risk; the
18 2017 RAMP measured Wildfire risk exposure measured based on FIA and
19 the 2020 GRC modeled risk exposure based on HFTD areas. In the current
20 model, PG&E accounts for the different risk profiles of HFTD and non-HFTD
21 areas through the tranching process, as discussed below.

22 **4. Tranches**

23 To better understand the causes and consequences of ignitions
24 depending on type of facility and location, PG&E is looking separately at
25 ignitions in HFTD and non-HFTD areas, and further breaking those ignitions
26 down into those associated with distribution, transmission, and substation

12 Public Utilities Code Section 8386(c) (11) (the WMP shall include a list that identifies, describes, and prioritizes all wildfire risks, and drivers for those risks, throughout the electrical corporation's service territory, including all relevant wildfire risk and risk mitigation information that is part of Safety Model Assessment Proceeding and RAMP filings).

1 facilities.¹³ In response to feedback from intervenors requesting that
2 PG&E's tranches reflect whether assets have been upgraded (i.e., whether
3 system hardening has been performed), PG&E has further divided
4 distribution circuits in HFTD areas into separate tranches for: (1) areas that
5 have already been hardened; (2) areas that have not yet been hardened
6 that PG&E plans to harden; and (3) other HFTD distribution miles. This
7 results in eight proposed tranches that reflect similar risk profiles within each
8 tranche:

9 **HFTD Areas – Distribution (Hardened):** Distribution lines in HFTD areas
10 that have already been hardened as of the end of 2019 (171 circuit miles or
11 <1 percent of system mileage).

12 **HFTD Areas – Distribution (To Be Hardened):** Distribution lines in HFTD
13 areas that will ultimately be in the scope of the System Hardening Program
14 as currently planned, but have not yet been hardened as of the end of 2019
15 (6,929 circuit miles or 7 percent of system mileage).

16 **HFTD Areas – Distribution (Remainder):** Distribution lines in HFTD areas
17 that are outside the current scope of the System Hardening Program
18 (18,310 circuit miles or 19 percent of system mileage).

19 **HFTD Areas – Transmission:** Transmission lines in HFTD areas
20 (5,525 circuit miles or 6 percent of system mileage).

21 **HFTD Areas – Substation:** 203 of PG&E's 942 substations (includes
22 switching stations and other facilities) are located in HFTD areas (and
23 assigned one circuit mile of lines for modeling purposes).

24 **Non-HFTD Areas – Distribution:** Distribution lines in non-HFTD areas
25 (55,300 circuit miles or 56 percent of system mileage).

26 **Non-HFTD Areas – Transmission:** Transmission lines in non-HFTD areas
27 (12,600 circuit miles or 13 percent of system mileage).

28 **Non-HFTD Areas – Substation:** 739 of PG&E's 942 substations (includes
29 switching stations and other facilities) are located in non-HFTD areas (and
30 assigned one circuit mile of lines for modeling purposes).

13 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E's model was based only on ignitions that occurred in FIAs, and did not differentiate between ignitions caused by distribution, transmission, and substation assets. FIAs were superseded by HFTD areas in the Commission's most recent update of its fire threat map in 2018. PG&E incorporates the new HFTD boundaries in its tranching analysis and in its targeting of mitigations.

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Table 10-2 below shows the tranche-level results of the risk analysis.

**TABLE 10-2
TRANSCHE LEVEL RISK ANALYSIS RESULTS**

Line No.	Tranche	Percent Exposure	Safety Risk Score	Reliability Risk Score	Financial Risk Score	Total Risk Score	Percent Risk
1	HFTD Areas – Distribution (Hardened)	0.17%	58.64	0.78	85.82	145.25	0.60%
2	HFTD Areas – Distribution (To Be Hardened)	7.01%	4,536.68	61.32	6,460.20	11,058.20	45.43%
3	HFTD Areas – Distribution (Remainder)	18.53%	4,607.80	66.19	6,768.48	11,442.46	47.00%
4	HFTD Areas – Transmission	5.59%	636.08	8.92	938.86	1,583.85	6.51%
5	HFTD Areas – Substation	0.00%	–	–	–	–	–
6	Non-HFTD Areas – Distribution	55.95%	25.34	8.83	75.06	109.23	0.45%
7	Non-HFTD Areas – Transmission	12.75%	0.91	0.35	2.87	4.14	0.02%
8	Non-HFTD Areas – Substation	0.00%	0.02	0.01	0.05	0.07	0.00%
9	Total	100%	9,865.47	146.40	14,331.34	24,343.20	100%

Note: Amount of System Hardening is as of December 31, 2019.

1 **5. Drivers and Associated Frequency**

2 Historically, there were 2,202 fire ignitions associated with PG&E
3 facilities that occurred in PG&E’s service territory during the 5-year period
4 2015-2019, 691 of which were in HFTD areas.¹⁴ This number includes
5 2,195 ignitions reported in annual fire incident reports to the CPUC, plus
6 seven additional ignitions associated with known historical fires which were
7 not included in annual fire incident reports because their causes were still
8 under investigation at the time the reports were submitted, but which have
9 subsequently been determined to be associated with PG&E equipment.

10 In order to better represent the driver frequency looking forward, PG&E
11 made adjustments to this historical ignition count for risk modeling purposes.

12 To forecast 2020 baseline number of ignitions, PG&E made
13 three adjustments:

- 14 1) Added 56 ignitions to account for its estimate of ignitions avoided in
15 2019 due to PSPS;¹⁵
- 16 2) Added 3 ignitions to account for its estimate of possible ignitions due to
17 a Seismic Scenario; and¹⁶
- 18 3) Subtracted 6 ignitions to account for its estimate of the reduction in
19 ignition frequency due to 2019 mitigation programs.¹⁷

20 These adjustments result in a net 53 additional ignitions. Adding these
21 53 ignitions to 2,202 historical ignitions results in adjusted five-year total of
22 2,255 ignitions, or 451 ignitions per year.

14 A fire ignition is defined, based on the CPUC’s reportable fire ignition definition in D.14-02-015, as an ignition resulting a fire that traveled more than one meter from the ignition point and burnt something other than PG&E facilities. PG&E’s current Wildfire risk model uses all reportable ignitions systemwide; previous versions of the model were limited to high fire risk areas (FIAs in the 2017 RAMP and HFTD areas in the 2020 GRC).

15 The methodology for estimating ignitions avoided in 2019 due to PSPS is discussed in the modeling workpapers which will be provided on July 17, 2020. The 56 ignitions were proportionally distributed against all drivers so as not to change driver percentages.

16 The calculations underlying this estimate will be included in workpapers on July 17, 2020.

17 *Id.*

1 To forecast 2023 TY baseline number of ignitions, PG&E subtracted an
2 additional eight ignitions from the 2020 forecast baseline number of ignitions
3 per year to reflect its estimate of the annual reduction in ignitions, due to the
4 implementation of PG&E’s 2020-2022 mitigation programs.¹⁸

5 These ignitions were categorized into 6 top level risk drivers and
6 35 sub-drivers. Each driver and its associated 2023 TY baseline number of
7 ignitions are discussed below,¹⁹ and a complete list of sub-drivers is shown
8 in the workpapers.

9 **D1 – Equipment Failure:** This driver is defined as events where failure of a
10 PG&E asset such as a conductor, arrester, insulator, breaker, transformer,
11 etc., caused a reportable ignition. Overall, the Equipment Failure risk driver
12 accounts for 170 (38 percent) of the 443 expected annual number of
13 ignitions systemwide and 38 (27 percent) of the 141 expected annual
14 number of ignitions in HFTD areas. Conductor and splice/clamp/connector
15 failures account for slightly more than half of the equipment failure incidents
16 in the Wildfire model.

17 **D2 – Vegetation:** This driver is defined as events where trees, tree limbs,
18 and other vegetation came in contact with a PG&E asset, resulting in a
19 reportable ignition. Overall, the Vegetation risk driver accounts for
20 114 (26 percent) of the 443 expected annual number of ignitions
21 systemwide, and 63 (45 percent) of the 141 expected annual number of
22 ignitions in HFTD areas.

23 **D3 – Third-Party Contact:** This driver is defined as events where
24 member(s) of the public or an object under their control came in contact with

¹⁸ The calculations underlying this estimate will be included in workpapers on July 17, 2020.

¹⁹ In a February 19, 2020 letter to PG&E providing feedback on information that PG&E provided in workshops held on January 13, 2020 and February 4, 2020, The Utility Reform Network (TURN) recommended that PG&E include “wind speed, or some specification of weather conditions” as a driver. Since weather conditions do not create ignitions by themselves, PG&E does not consider them a driver. However, PG&E considered weather by separating the likelihood of failure that leads to outcomes by RFW and non-RFW weather conditions (as explained in Section B.7, below). In this way, PG&E can track how adverse weather conditions can lead to different ignition risk profiles. In addition, PG&E incorporated long term projections of climate change by increasing the likelihood of RFW conditions over time in line with the California Fourth Climate Assessment, highlighting the growth in wildfire risk due to changing weather and climate conditions.

1 a PG&E asset, resulting in a reportable ignition. Examples of third-party
2 contact include a vehicle hitting a distribution or transmission pole or a Mylar
3 balloon hitting equipment or conductor. The Third-Party Contact risk driver
4 accounts for 83 (19 percent) of the 443 expected annual number of ignitions
5 systemwide and 22 (15 percent) of the 141 expected annual number of
6 ignitions in HFTD areas.

7 **D4 – Animal:** This driver is defined as events where animals such as birds
8 or squirrels came in contact with a PG&E asset, resulting in a reportable
9 ignition. The Animal risk driver accounts for 55 (12 percent) of the
10 443 expected annual number of ignitions systemwide and 13 (10 percent)
11 of the 141 expected annual number of ignitions in HFTD areas.

12 **D5 – Unknown or Other:** Events associated with PG&E assets, which led
13 a reportable ignition, where evidence of the root cause of the ignition was
14 not available. The Unknown or Other risk driver accounts for 21 (5 percent)
15 of the 443 expected annual number of ignitions systemwide and
16 5 (4 percent) of the 141 expected annual number of ignitions in HFTD areas.

17 **D6 – Seismic Scenario (Cross-Cutting):** Failure events caused by seismic
18 activity. This risk is described further in Chapter 20 of this report. The
19 Seismic risk driver is estimated to account for 0.01 (<1 percent) of the
20 443 expected annual number of ignitions.

21 **6. Cross-Cutting Factors**

22 A cross-cutting factor is a driver or control that is related to multiple
23 risks. PG&E is presenting eight cross-cutting factors in the 2020 RAMP.
24 The cross-cutting factors that impact the Wildfire risk are shown in
25 Table 10-3 below. The cross-cutting factors and the mitigations and controls
26 that PG&E is proposing to mitigate the cross-cutting factors are described in
27 Chapter 20.

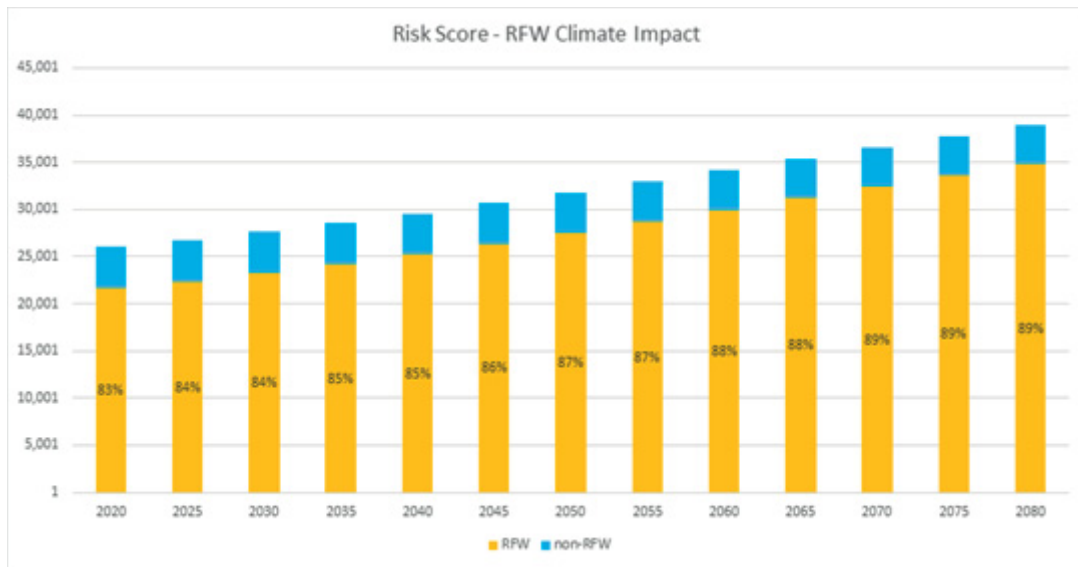
**TABLE 10-3
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY**

Line No.	Cross-Cutting Factor	Impacts Likelihood	Impacts Consequence
1	Climate Change		X
2	Emergency Preparedness and Response		X
3	Records and Information Management		X
4	Seismic	X	X

1 Climate change is accounted for in PG&E’s Wildfire risk model on the
2 consequence side of the model by correlating projected future changes in
3 PG&E territory burned with the change in frequency of ignitions that occur
4 during RFWs. This modifies the consequences of an ignition consistent with
5 expected climate-driven changes in the underlying factors that determine the
6 spread and intensity of wildfire.²⁰ The below graph shows that over time
7 there is an increase in the proportion of ignitions that occur during RFWs, as
8 well as an overall increase in Wildfire risk due to climate change.

20 Data for the projected change in future area burned comes from wildfire scenario projections for the California Fourth Climate Assessment, produced by Dr. LeRoy Westerling at the University of California Merced. This uses a statistical model based on historical data on climate, vegetation, population density, and fire history coupled with regionally down-scaled Localized Constructed Analogs climate projections. The data is based on a “business as usual” emissions scenario, Representative Concentration Pathway 8.5.

**FIGURE 10-3
RISK SCORE – RFW CLIMATE IMPACT**



1 PG&E is continuing to evaluate the impact that Information Technology
 2 (IT) Asset Failure and Cyber Attack have on all its RAMP risks and may
 3 present IT Asset Failure and Cyber Attack as cross-cutting factors relative to
 4 the Wildfire risk in the 2023 GRC.

5 **7. Consequences**

6 There is a wide range of potential public safety risks resulting from a fire
 7 ignition associated with PG&E assets. In the overwhelming majority of
 8 cases, fire ignitions do not end up a large wildfire because they are
 9 extinguished quickly and/or do not propagate far.²¹ However, in some
 10 cases, ignitions can result in larger wildfires.

11 PG&E uses fire incidents from the CAL FIRE database²² to estimate the
 12 safety and financial consequences of wildfire. For each fire incident, the
 13 CAL FIRE dataset provides the location, size, number of
 14 destroyed/damaged structures, and the number of fatalities/injuries.
 15 Reliability consequences are estimated by using distribution customer
 16 minutes for outages that were associated with CPUC reportable ignitions
 17 and known fires associated with those outages.

21 More than 95 percent of the reportable ignitions in PG&E’s service territory between 2015 and 2019 burned 300 or fewer acres.

22 Based on CAL FIRE Redbook data.

1 In its discussion of consequences in the 2017 RAMP, PG&E considered
2 all ignitions as a single category. For the 2020 RAMP, PG&E is providing a
3 more granular discussion of ignitions in terms of three variables:

4 1) The size/destructiveness of the fire that resulted from the ignition.

5 PG&E’s categorization of fire size is based on the following definitions:

6 a. Catastrophic: A fire that destroys 100 or more structures and results
7 in a serious injury and/or fatality.

8 b. Destructive: A fire that destroys 100 or more structures but does not
9 result in a serious injury or fatality.

10 c. Large: A fire that burns 300 or more acres but does not meet the
11 definition of a Destructive or Catastrophic fire.

12 d. Small: A fire that burns fewer than 300 acres.

13 2) Whether the ignition took place on a day and in an area in which a RFW
14 was in place or not. RFW is a forecast warning issued by the NWS in
15 the United States to inform the public, firefighters, and land
16 management agencies that conditions are ideal for wildland fire
17 combustion and rapid spread.²³ The potential consequences of
18 ignitions are higher when a RFW is in effect.²⁴

19 3) For catastrophic fires, only, whether the catastrophic fire is associated
20 with a seismic event.

- 21 • Table 10-4 shows the frequency and risk consequences associated with
22 these different types of ignitions.

23 Precise temporal and spatial mapping analysis of RFW conditions is conducted by utilizing RFW GIS shapefiles from: <https://mesonet.agron.iastate.edu/request/gis/watchwarn.phtml>. (as of June 16, 2020).

In a February 19, 2020 letter to PG&E providing feedback on information that PG&E provided in workshops held on January 13, 2020 and February 4, 2020, TURN recommended that “for clarity” PG&E use “Fire Weather *Conditions* instead of *Warning*” when classifying outcomes. At the time of the workshop, PG&E used the term “Fire Weather Warning” to refer to elements of the NWS Red Flag Warning. PG&E’s use of RFWs to categorize outcomes is appropriate because it is a simple, objective metric from a trusted third-party (NWS) that serves as a reasonable proxy for fire weather conditions.

24 Starting in 2023, PG&E’s Wildfire risk model assumes that the probability that an ignition occurs at a location and day that RFW is in effect will increase in 5-year increments based on the Cal-Adapt Wildfire Data.

**TABLE 10-4
RISK EVENT CONSEQUENCES**

Line No.	Fire Type	RFW	Seismic Event	Frequency	Risk
1	Catastrophic	Yes	No	0.34%	75.81%
2	Catastrophic	No	No	<0.10%	12.05%
3	Catastrophic	Yes	Yes	<0.10%	0.72%
4	Catastrophic	No	Yes	<0.10%	0.27%
5	Destructive	Yes	N/A	<0.10%	7.06%
6	Destructive	No	N/A	<0.10%	3.90%
7	Large	Yes	N/A	0.21%	0.02%
8	Large	No	N/A	0.44%	0.05%
9	Small	Yes	N/A	7.83%	0.01%
10	Small	No	N/A	91.04%	0.11%

1 This risk analysis shows that 83 percent of the total Wildfire risk is from
2 ignitions on RFW days that lead to catastrophic or destructive fires. This
3 supports PG&E’s decision to invest in the PSPS mitigation, which is targeted
4 at reducing ignitions when these conditions are present. It also supports
5 PG&E’s investment in situational awareness mitigations, such as
6 improvements in meteorology that will improve PG&E’s ability to predict and
7 respond to conditions that have the greatest potential for ignitions to turn
8 into more dangerous fires.

9 Table 10-5 below shows the consequences from the risk model in detail.
10 Model attributes are described in Chapter 3, “Risk Modeling and Risk
11 Spending Efficiency.”

**TABLE 10-5
RISK EVENT CONSEQUENCES**

	CoRE %Freq %Risk Freq			Natural Units Per Event			CoRE			Natural Units per Year			Attribute Risk Score			
	Safety EF/event	Electric Reliability MCM/event	Financial \$M/event	Safety EF/event	Electric Reliability MCM/event	Financial \$M/event	Safety	Electric Reliability	Financial	Safety EF/yr	Electric Reliability MCM/yr	Financial \$M/yr	Safety	Electric Reliability	Financial	
Red Flag Warning - Catastrophic Fires	12,353	0.3%	76%	1.5	16	39	2,028	5,617	64	6,672	23	59	3,030	8,393	95	9,968
Non-Red Flag Warning - Catastrophic Fires	12,355	0.1%	12%	0.2	16	38	2,035	5,648	59	6,648	4	9	483	1,341	14	1,578
Red Flag Warning - Destructive Fires	6,818	0.1%	7%	0.3	-	38	2,056	-	56	6,762	-	10	519	-	14	1,705
Non-Red Flag Warning - Destructive Fires	6,806	0.0%	4%	0.1	-	37	2,050	-	59	6,747	-	5	286	-	8	941
Seismic - Red Flag Warning - Catastrophic Fires	16,421	0.0%	0.7%	0.0	20	56	3,037	7,289	104	9,027	0.2	1	33	78	1	97
Seismic - Non-Red Flag Warning - Catastrophic Fires	16,326	0.0%	0.3%	0.0	20	58	2,989	7,377	113	8,836	0.1	0	12	29	0	35
Non-Red Flag Warning - Small Fires	0.1	91.0%	0.1%	403	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	1	16	10	1
Non-Red Flag Warning - Large Fires	6	0.4%	0.05%	2.0	0	2	4	2	1	2	0	4	8	5	2	5
Red Flag Warning - Large Fires	6	0.2%	0.02%	0.9	0	2	4	2	1	2	0	2	4	2	1	2
Red Flag Warning - Small Fires	0.07	7.8%	0.01%	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	0
Aggregated	55	100%	100%	443	0	0	10	22	0	32	28	110	4,376	9,865	146	14,331

1 **C. Controls and Mitigations**

2 Tables 10-6 and 10-7 list all the controls and mitigations PG&E included in
3 its 2017 RAMP, 2020 GRC and 2020 RAMP (2020-2022 and 2023-2026). The
4 tables provide a view as to those controls and mitigations that are ongoing,
5 those that are no longer in place, and new mitigations. In the following sections
6 PG&E describes the controls and mitigations in place in 2019, changes to the
7 2019 mitigations and controls presented in the 2017 RAMP, and then discusses
8 new mitigations and/or significant changes to mitigations and/or controls during
9 the 2020-2022 and 2023-2026 periods.

**TABLE 10-6
CONTROLS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Control Name and Number	2017 RAMP (2016 Controls)	2020 GRC (2017-2019)	2020 GRC (2020-2022)	2020 RAMP (2020-2022)	2020 RAMP (2023-2026)
1	C1 (2017) – Overhead Patrols and Inspections	X	X	X	Split into C1-C3	
2	C2 (2017) – Vegetation Management	X	X	X	Split into C4-C6	
3	C3 (2017) – Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account - Vegetation Management	X	X	X	Becomes C7	
4	C4 (2017) – Non-Exempt Equipment Replacement	X	X	X	Becomes M4	
5	C5 (2017) – Overhead Conductor Replacement	X	X	X	Replaced by M2	
6	C6 (2017) – Animal Abatement	X	X	X	Becomes C11	
7	C7 (2017) – Protective Equipment	X	X	X	Included in C14	
8	C8 (2017) – Overhead Equipment Replacement	X	X	X	Split into C8-C10	
9	C9 (2017) – Pole Replacement	X	X	X	Becomes C12	
10	C10 (2017) – Wood Pole Bridging	X	X	X	Incorporated into C12	
11	C11 (2017) – Design Standards	X	X	X	Becomes C16	
12	C12 (2017) – Restoration, Operational Procedures and Timing	X	X	X	Becomes C17	
13	C1 – Patrols and Inspections – Distribution Overhead (was part of C1 (2017))				X	X
14	C2 – Patrols and Inspections – Transmission Overhead (was part of C1 (2017))				X	X
15	C3 – Patrols and Inspections – Substation (was part of C1 (2017))				X	X

**TABLE 10-6
CONTROLS SUMMARY
(CONTINUED)**

Line No.	Control Name and Number	2017 RAMP (2016 Controls)	2020 GRC (2017-2019)	2020 GRC (2020-2022)	2020 RAMP (2020-2022)	2020 RAMP (2023-2026)
16	C4 – Vegetation Management – Distribution Overhead (was part of C2 (2017))				X	X
17	C5 – Vegetation Management – Transmission Overhead (was part of C2 (2017))				X	X
18	C6 – Vegetation Management – Substation (was part of C2 (2017))				X	X
19	C7 – Vegetation Management –CEMA (was C3 (2017))				X	X
20	C8 – Equipment Maintenance and Replacement – Distribution Overhead (was part of C8 (2017))				X	X
21	C9 – Equipment Maintenance and Replacement – Transmission Overhead (was part of C8 (2017)) confirm				X	X
22	C10 – Equipment Maintenance and Replacement – Substation (was part of C8 (2017))				X	X
23	C11 – Animal Abatement (was C6 (2017))				X	X
25	C12 – Pole Programs (was C9 (2017))				X	X
26	C13 – Transmission Structure Maintenance and Replacement				X	X
27	C14 – System Automation and Protection (was C7 2017 and part of M15 2020 GRC))				X	X
28	C15 – Reclose Blocking (was M1 and part of M2 in the 2017 RAMP and M14 in the 2020 GRC)				X	X
29	C16 – Design Standards (was C11 (2017))				X	X
30	C17 – Restoration, Operational Procedures, and Training (was C12 2017)				X	X

**TABLE 10-7
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	2017 RAMP (2017-2019)	2020 GRC (2017-2019)	2020 GRC (2020-2022)	2020 RAMP (2020-2022)	2020 RAMP (2023-2026)
1	M1 (2017) – Wildfire Reclosing Operation Program (System Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Programming)	X	Becomes part of M14 (2020 GRC)			
2	M2 (2017) – Wildfire Reclosing Operation Program (SCADA Capability Upgrades)	X	Becomes part of M15 (2020 GRC)			
3	M3 (2017) – Fuel Reduction and Powerline Corridor Management	X	Becomes part of M16 (2020 GRC)			
4	M4 (2017) Overhang Clearing	X	Becomes part of M16 (2020 GRC)			
5	M5 (2017) Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement	X	X	X	Becomes M3	
6	M7 (2017) – Targeted Conductor Replacement (WF)	X	Becomes part of M12 (2020 GRC)			
7	M10 (2020 GRC) – Resilience Zones		X	X	Becomes part of M6	
8	M11 (2020 GRC) – Light Duty Steel Poles for Transmission Lines		X	X	Becomes part of C13	
9	M12 (2020 GRC) Wildfire System Hardening		X	X	Becomes M2	
10	M13 (2020 GRC) – Public Safety Power Shut Off		X	X	Becomes M5	
11	M14 (2020 GRC) – Reclose Blocking		X	X	Becomes C-15	
12	M15 (2020 GRC) – Automation and Protection		X	X	Some of this becomes M6, some becomes M10 and some becomes part of C15	

**TABLE 10-7
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY
(CONTINUED)**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	2017 RAMP (2017-2019)	2020 GRC (2017-2019)	2020 GRC (2020-2022)	2020 RAMP (2020-2022)	2020 RAMP (2023-2026)
13	M16 (2020 GRC) – EVM		X	X	Becomes M1	
14	M17 (2020 GRC) – Vegetation Increased Line Clearances		X	Becomes part of the Vegetation Management control		
15	M18 (2020 GRC) – Wildfire Safety Operations Center		X	X	Becomes part of M7	
16	M19 (2020 GRC) – Expanded Weather Station Deployment		X	X	Becomes part of M7	
17	M20 (2020 GRC) – Storm Outage Prediction Project (SOPP) Model		X	X	Becomes part of M7	
18	M21 (2020 GRC) – Advanced Fire Model		X	X	Becomes part of M7	
19	M22 (2020 GRC) – Wildfire Cameras		X	X	Becomes part of M7	
20	M23 (2020 GRC) – Satellite Fire Detection System		X	X	Becomes part of M7	
21	M24 (2020 GRC) – Enhanced Wire Down Detection		X	X	Becomes part of M7	
22	M25 (2020 GRC) – Wildfire and Infrastructure Protection Teams		X	X	Becomes M8	
23	M26 (2020 GRC) – Aviation Resources		X	X	Not modeled ^(a)	
24	M27 (2020 GRC) – Employee Engagement, Training, and Tools		X	X	Becomes part of C16 and C17	
25	M28 (2020 GRC) – CWSP Program Management Office (PMO)		X	X	Becomes M9	

**TABLE 10-7
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY
(CONTINUED)**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	2017 RAMP (2017-2019)	2020 GRC (2017-2019)	2020 GRC (2020-2022)	2020 RAMP (2020-2022)	2020 RAMP (2023-2026)
26	M1 – EVM (was M16 (2020 GRC))				X	X
27	M2 – System Hardening (was M12 (2020 GRC))				X	X
28	M3 – Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement (was M5 (2017))				X	X
29	M4 – Expulsion Fuse Replacement (was C4 (2017))				X	X
30	M5 – PSPS (was M13 (2020 GRC))				X	X
31	M6 – PSPS Impact Reduction Initiatives (includes 2020 GRC mitigations M10 and M15) (Foundational)				X	X
32	M7 – Situational Awareness and Forecasting Initiatives (includes 2020 GRC mitigations M18, M19, M20, M21, M22, M23 and M24) (Foundational)				X	X
33	M8 – Safety and Infrastructure Protection Teams (SIPT) (was M25 (2020 GRC)) (Foundational)				X	X
34	M9 – CWSP PMO (was M28 (2020 GRC)) (Foundational)				X	X
35	M10 – Additional System Automation and Protection (Foundational)				X	X
36	M11 – Remote Grid (2020-2022)				X	

(a) See footnote 39 below.

1 **1. 2019 Controls and Mitigations**

2 **a. Controls**

3 **C1 – Patrols and Inspections – Distribution Overhead:**²⁵ PG&E
4 patrols and inspects its electric distribution facilities to identify damaged
5 facilities, compelling abnormal conditions, regulatory conditions, and
6 third-party-caused infractions that may negatively impact safety or
7 reliability, including conditions that could cause a wildfire ignition. The
8 pre-2019 baseline inspection program was designed in accordance with
9 General Order (GO) 165.

10 In 2019, PG&E performed supplemental inspections, using
11 enhanced inspection criteria and expanded documentation
12 requirements, of all its overhead distribution facilities located in Tier 2
13 and Tier 3 HFTD areas—more than 690,000 poles and associated
14 assets—as part of its Wildfire Safety Inspection Program (WSIP).
15 PG&E refined inspection procedures and developed enhanced WSIP
16 inspection criteria using a risk-based approach, including using Failure
17 Modes and Effects Analysis or “FMEA” to identify single points of failure
18 of electric system components that could lead to fire ignition. The WSIP
19 supplemental assessment used mobile applications, instead of paper
20 maps, and collected of additional asset condition data and photographs.

21 Going forward, PG&E will integrate WSIP criteria, tools, and process
22 controls into its routine overhead inspection process for PG&E’s entire
23 distribution system. In addition, PG&E will adjust the cadence of
24 inspection in alignment with wildfire risk and other risks. This control
25 has the potential to reduce the Equipment Failure driver.

26 **C2 – Patrols and Inspections – Transmission Overhead:** As with its
27 distribution facilities, PG&E patrols and inspects its overhead
28 transmission facilities to identify damaged facilities and other conditions
29 that may pose risks, including the risk of a wildfire ignition.

25 PG&E identified Patrols and Inspections as a single control in the 2017 RAMP. For the 2020 RAMP, PG&E is dividing the control between overhead distribution, transmission, and substation facilities to facilitate the tracking of the relationship of inspections of different types of facilities to the most prevalent operational risks and fire ignition drivers for those facilities.

1 Transmission overhead facilities were included in the WSIP process
2 described above; from late 2018 through 2019, PG&E performed
3 supplemental aerial and/or visual inspections of more than
4 49,000 transmission structures located in or near HFTD areas. Going
5 forward, PG&E will integrate WSIP practices into its routine inspection
6 processes. In addition, facility risk will now inform inspection cadence.
7 This control has the potential to reduce the Equipment Failure driver.

8 **C3 – Inspections – Substation:** In accordance with GO 174, PG&E
9 inspects its substations (includes switching stations and other facilities)
10 on a monthly or every other month basis, to identify damaged facilities,
11 compelling abnormal conditions, regulatory conditions, and third-party
12 caused infractions that may negatively impact safety or reliability,
13 including conditions that could cause a wildfire ignition.

14 In addition to these inspections, substations were included in the WSIP
15 process. In 2019 PG&E performed enhanced visual and infrared
16 inspections of 222 substations (including switching stations and other
17 facilities) located in Tier 2 and 3 HFTD areas. Going forward, PG&E
18 may adjust the cadence of enhanced inspections in alignment with
19 wildfire risk and other risks. This control has the potential to reduce the
20 Equipment Failure driver.

21 **C4 – Vegetation Management – Distribution Overhead:** PG&E's
22 Vegetation Management Program was developed in coordination with
23 GO 95, Rule 35 and California Public Resources Code (PRC)
24 Sections 4292 and 4293. The program includes "routine"
25 compliance-based vegetation management, including periodic
26 inspections, clearing of vegetation around lines and around poles with
27 equipment that poses a fire risk, and quality assurance.

28 In 2018 and 2019, PG&E increased vegetation-to-conductor
29 clearances from 18 inches to 48 inches in HFTD areas as required by
30 the CPUC in D.17-12-024. The initial clearance was discussed as a
31 mitigation (M17 – Vegetation increased Line Clearances) in the 2020
32 GRC; now that the new clearance is established, its ongoing
33 maintenance becomes part of the control. This control has the potential
34 to reduce the vegetation driver.

1 **C5 – Vegetation Management – Transmission Overhead:** This
2 control covers similar routine vegetation management activities to C4,
3 but for the transmission system. The routine transmission program was
4 developed in coordination with GO 95, Rule 35, and PRC Sections 4292
5 and 4293, as well as North American Electric Reliability Corporation
6 FAC 003-4, a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission-approved
7 standard implemented to mitigate transmission outages and resulting
8 blackouts due to vegetation contact. This control has the potential to
9 reduce the vegetation driver.

10 **C6 – Vegetation Management – Substation:** This control covers
11 similar routine vegetation management activities to C4, but for
12 substations. The program includes clearing vegetation inside the
13 perimeter of the substation fence and, in HFTD Tier 2 and Tier 3 areas,
14 creating an additional zone of defensible space outside the substation.
15 This control has the potential to reduce the vegetation driver.

16 **C7 – Vegetation Management – (CEMA):** Since 2014, PG&E has
17 undertaken several initiatives to address the risks associated with tree
18 mortality stemming from prolonged drought conditions and bark beetle
19 infestation, which caused California’s Governor to declare an ongoing
20 state of emergency in 2015. These initiatives, which are funded through
21 the Catastrophic Emergency Memorandum Account (CEMA), include
22 additional inspections and tree work in areas of PG&E’s service territory
23 that are at higher risk for tree mortality or wildfire, including HFTD areas,
24 State Responsibility Areas, and Wildland-Urban Interface.

25 In 2019, PG&E removed approximately 45,600 dead or dying trees
26 close to PG&E facilities through the CEMA Tree Mortality Program. This
27 control has the potential to reduce the vegetation driver.

28 **C8 – Equipment Preventive Maintenance and Replacement –**
29 **Distribution Overhead:** Proactive identification and repair or
30 replacement of critical overhead distribution equipment, such as
31 cross-arms, transformers, capacitors, reclosers, and switches.
32 Equipment is identified through the Patrol and Inspections—Distribution
33 Overhead (C1) control or through *ad hoc* inspection.

1 In 2019, PG&E's accelerated and enhanced WSIP inspection
2 process in Tier 2 and Tier 3 HFTD areas identified a substantial amount
3 of repair and replacement work (maintenance tags) to be completed.
4 PG&E has completed the high priority corrective actions identified as
5 necessary and will complete the lower priority work over the next
6 three years. PG&E has developed a prioritization model to manage
7 maintenance tags for distribution assets in HFTD areas; that
8 prioritization reflects a calculated wildfire risk score for each
9 maintenance condition/tag based on four factors: asset failure ignition
10 risk, historical asset ignition frequency, likelihood of fire spread and
11 consequence, and potential effect of an asset failure on egress and first
12 responder access. This control has the potential to reduce the
13 Equipment Failure driver.

14 **C9 – Equipment Maintenance and Replacement – Transmission**

15 **Overhead:** Proactive identification and repair or replacement of critical
16 overhead transmission assets, such as conductors, insulators,
17 hardware, and switches. Equipment condition is assessed through
18 patrols, inspections, and high-definition images to determine if
19 equipment poses a risk of failure or is no longer able to perform required
20 functions.

21 In 2019, the inspection program was accelerated and significantly
22 improved in Tier 2 and Tier 3 HFTD areas. This enhanced scope and
23 process will continue to be used in 2020 and going forward. A
24 substantial amount of repair and replacement work (maintenance tags)
25 was identified in 2019; that work is being performed based on risk
26 prioritization. Note that transmission towers, poles, and other structures
27 are separately addressed in C13. This control has the potential to
28 reduce the Equipment Failure driver.

29 **C10 – Equipment Maintenance and Replacement – Substation:**

30 Proactive identification and repair or replacement of critical substation
31 equipment, such as transformers, circuit breakers, switches, ground
32 grids, insulators, and bus structures. Equipment is assessed through
33 inspections, functional/diagnostic testing, and condition monitoring to
34 determine if it poses a risk of failure, is no longer able to perform

1 required functions, or is not cost effective to maintain. Repair and
2 replacement work is performed based on condition assessment and risk
3 prioritization. This control has the potential to reduce the Equipment
4 Failure driver.

5 **C11 – Animal Abatement:** The installation of new equipment or
6 retrofitting of existing equipment with protection measures intended to
7 reduce animal contacts. This includes avian protection on distribution
8 and transmission poles such as jumper covers, perch guards, or
9 perching platforms. It also includes animal abatement work in
10 substations. This control has the potential to reduce the Animal driver.

11 **C12 – Pole Programs:** This control includes multiple activities related
12 to distribution poles, including intrusive testing, remediation, and loading
13 assessment. Distribution wood poles are remediated (replacement or
14 reinforcement) when necessary, based on degradation observed.

15 In addition, in 2019 PG&E initiated a new pole loading assessment
16 proof of concept to enhance the analysis of its existing distribution wood
17 poles. At the same time, PG&E has strengthened the safety factor
18 requirements included in its pole loading model parameters. For
19 example, sizing for new and replacement distribution poles now
20 considers peak historical wind speeds in areas where they exceed
21 GO 95 wind speeds. This control has the potential to reduce the
22 Equipment Failure driver.

23 **C13 – Transmission Structure Maintenance and Replacement:** This
24 control covers the maintenance repairs and targeted replacements of
25 PG&E's approximately 150,000 transmission structures (steel towers
26 and transmission wood poles). It also covers the intrusive inspection of
27 transmission wood poles; inspection of other transmission structures is
28 included in C2 – Patrols and Inspections – Transmission. This control
29 has the potential to reduce the Equipment Failure driver.

30 **C14 – System Automation and Protection:** The installation of new
31 equipment (e.g., fuses, reclosers, and SCADA installations enabling
32 remote operation) that isolates equipment when abnormal system
33 conditions are detected. This control has the potential to reduce the
34 Equipment Failure driver.

1 **C15 – Reclose Blocking:** Reclosing devices such as circuit breakers
2 and line reclosers are used to quickly and safely de-energize lines when
3 a problem is detected and re-energize lines when the problem is
4 cleared. However, the automated reclosing function of these devices
5 has the potential to cause an ignition if the device sends power to test
6 whether a fault is clear, but the fault condition (such as a wire down) still
7 exists. To reduce this ignition risk, beginning in 2018, PG&E disabled
8 the automated reclosing functionality during elevated fire conditions on
9 all reclosing devices located in protection zones that intersect with Tier 2
10 and Tier 3 HFTD areas. Most of these devices are SCADA-enabled and
11 can be disabled remotely, and the remaining devices are disabled
12 manually. If a device operates, PG&E patrols all circuit segments where
13 reclosing functionality has been disabled before re-energizing the circuit
14 to ensure that the lines and line equipment are not damaged.

15 In 2019, PG&E installed SCADA capability on additional reclosing
16 devices in HFTD areas to support Reclose Blocking; these incremental
17 installations are part of the M10 Additional Automation and Protection
18 mitigation discussed below. In 2019, PG&E began disabling reclosing
19 functionality on both manually and SCADA-controlled devices in
20 protection zones that intersect with Tier 2 and Tier 3 HFTD areas for the
21 duration of the fire season instead of using a system based on fire index
22 daily ratings. This control has the potential to reduce the Equipment
23 Failure and vegetation drivers.

24 **C16 – Design Standards:** This control relates to the general standards
25 for proper application of equipment to ensure safe and reliable operation
26 in high fire-threat areas. For example, Utility Bulletin: TD-9001B-009
27 Rev2 “Fire Rebuild Design Guidance for System Hardening,” which was
28 first published in October 2018 and continues to evolve, sets forth
29 standards to be used in new construction and system upgrades in HFTD
30 areas. This control has the potential to reduce the Equipment Failure
31 driver.

32 **C17 – Restoration, Operational Procedures and Training:** This
33 control relates to work standards for high fire-threat areas. Utility
34 Standard TD-1464S establishes requirements for PG&E employees and

1 contractors to follow when travelling over, performing work on, or
2 operating in any forest, brush, or grass-covered lands. In 2019, the
3 standard was updated to better reflect PRC Sections 4427, 4428,
4 and 4430 and to lay out specific mitigations and restrictions based on
5 the work being performed and the daily fire danger.

6 PG&E created additional training and monitoring materials to
7 facilitate compliance with the revised standard. Bulletin TD-1464B-001
8 describes reclosing device operating practices, including procedures
9 used as part of the Reclose Blocking control. Bulletin TD-1464B-002
10 describes procedures for use in implementing PSPS. This control has
11 the potential to reduce Equipment Failure and vegetation drivers.

12 **b. Mitigations**

13 **M1 – Enhanced Vegetation Management:** The EVM Program is
14 targeted at overhead distribution lines in Tier 2 and Tier 3 HFTD areas
15 and exceeds the requirements of PG&E’s annual Routine Vegetation
16 Management that maintains compliance with CPUC mandated
17 clearances (GO 95, Rule 35).²⁶ This mitigation will reduce the
18 vegetation driver. The EVM Program is a multi-year effort to perform the
19 following activities throughout the Tier 2 and Tier 3 HFTD areas of
20 PG&E’s service territory to reduce the likelihood of vegetation contacts
21 with PG&E electric equipment:

22 **Enhanced Radial Clearances:** PG&E is trimming trees and other
23 vegetation to create a 12-foot radial clearance around overhead
24 distribution lines, exceeding the 4-foot minimum radial clearance
25 required by the CPUC.

26 **Overhang Trimming:** PG&E is removing overhanging branches
27 and limbs from conductor to sky within 4 feet of either side of electric
28 distribution lines, to reduce the possibility of wildfire ignitions and/or
29 downed wires and outages due to vegetation-conductor contact.

26 EVM is a mitigation that impacts two RAMP risks—Wildfire and Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets—because it will reduce both ignitions and equipment failure. The primary benefit of the mitigation is to reduce Wildfire risk. PG&E calculated the aggregated risk reduction for both risks and divided that score by the total cost of the mitigation to calculate the overall RSE for the mitigation.

1 **Identification and Mitigation of Trees with the Potential to**

2 **Strike:** As part of the EVM Program, PG&E is evaluating all trees
3 tall enough to strike electrical lines or equipment and, based on that
4 assessment, pruning or removing trees that pose a safety risk,
5 including dead and dying trees.²⁷

6 **Fuel Reduction:** PG&E is reducing vegetative fuel in areas under
7 and adjacent to both distribution and transmission lines to further
8 reducing wildfire risk. This work is evaluated on a case-by-case
9 basis looking at factors such as type and amount of fuel, access,
10 and presence and type of vegetation in the zones around lines.

11 In 2019, in addition to its routine vegetation management activities,
12 PG&E’s EVM Program inspected and further pruned or removed
13 vegetation—as described above—along 2,498 miles (approximately
14 10 percent) of PG&E’s overhead distribution lines in Tier 2 and Tier 3
15 HFTD areas.

16 **M2 – System Hardening:** The System Hardening Program is an
17 ongoing, long-term capital investment program to rebuild portions of
18 PG&E’s overhead electric distribution system to reduce fire risk.²⁸ This
19 mitigation has the potential to reduce the Equipment Failure, Vegetation,
20 Animal, and Other drivers.

21 Under this program, PG&E plans to upgrade approximately
22 7,100 circuit miles in Tier 2 and Tier 3 HFTD areas. PG&E design
23 standards for system hardening continue to evolve, but the planned
24 upgrade work generally includes: (1) replacement of bare overhead
25 primary and secondary conductor with covered conductor;
26 (2) replacement of poles where necessary to support new, heavier
27 covered conductor; (3) replacement of existing primary line equipment

27 Removal of dead and dying trees is currently funded through CEMA, and therefore part of the C7 – CEMA Vegetation Management Control.

28 System Hardening is a mitigation that impacts three RAMP risks—Wildfire, Failure of Distribution Overhead Assets, Third-Party Safety Incident—because it will reduce both ignitions and equipment failure, and reduce the potential for third-party contact with energized conductors. The primary benefit of the mitigation is to reduce Wildfire risk. PG&E calculated the aggregated risk reduction score for all three risks and divided that score by the total cost of the mitigation to calculate the overall RSE for the mitigation.

1 such as fuses/cutouts and switches with equipment that has been
2 certified by CAL FIRE as low fire risk; and (4) replacement of existing
3 transformers with models that contain fire resistant FR3 insulation fluid
4 rather than mineral oil and that meet recent Department of Energy
5 electrical efficiency standards. PG&E may underground portions of
6 existing overhead circuits in limited circumstances, such as in locations
7 along main egress routes where a rebuilt overhead circuit could still
8 potentially fall and block evacuation routes and access for first
9 responders. PG&E may also remove some circuits or portions of
10 circuits that are no longer needed due to changes in grid configuration
11 and/or customer needs.

12 PG&E conducted some small system hardening pilot projects in
13 2018 and began work in earnest in 2019, completing 171 line miles.²⁹
14 The first projects to be included in the program were some previously
15 identified conductor replacement projects in Tier 2 and Tier 3 HFTD
16 areas which PG&E re-designed consistent with its new design guidance
17 for system hardening. Subsequently, most projects were prioritized and
18 selected based on a risk-based model. PG&E's prioritization process
19 considered likelihood of ignition (based on number, types and condition
20 of assets and historical outage and ignition data), likelihood of spread
21 (based on weather, topographical and fuel type information),
22 consequence (based on population and structure density near the circuit
23 and potential impacts to natural resources), and egress (based on
24 population density and number and types of roads). In addition, PG&E
25 has identified some projects where WSIP inspections identified a large
26 number of maintenance issues that needed to be addressed on a
27 particular circuit.

28 **M3 – Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement:** This program is
29 replacing non-exempt surge arresters with exempt surge arresters,
30 which will reduce the potential for release of electrical arcs, sparks, or

²⁹ The 171 line miles completed in 2019 includes some system hardening work performed outside the System Hardening Program (Major Work Category (MWC) 08W) including some emergency work and the rebuild of circuits in Butte County damaged in the Camp Fire to PG&E's current design standards for HFTD areas.

1 hot material during operation.³⁰ The replacements are being done in
2 conjunction with compliance work to remedy a surge arrester grounding
3 issue. PG&E is replacing non-exempt surge arresters throughout its
4 service territory, but only those replacements being performed in HFTD
5 Tier 2 and Tier 3 areas are considered mitigations to the Wildfire risk.
6 PG&E replaced 4,611 non-exempt surge arresters in 2019. PG&E
7 expects to complete non-exempt surge arrester replacements in HFTD
8 areas by 2021 and complete replacements systemwide by 2023. This
9 mitigation has the potential to reduce the Equipment Failure driver.

10 **M4 – Expulsion Fuse Replacement:** Non-exempt distribution line
11 equipment, including non-exempt fuses, has the potential to expel hot or
12 molten material upon normal operation leading to an increased risk of
13 ignition.³¹ As part of the CWSP, beginning in 2019, PG&E is targeting
14 replacement of 625 non-exempt fuses per year for seven years on poles
15 located in HFTD Tier 2 and Tier 3 areas that PG&E's Vegetation
16 Management Program considers to be high risk based on terrain
17 conditions. This mitigation has the potential to reduce the Equipment
18 Failure driver.

19 **M5 – PSPS:** PG&E's PSPS Program proactively de-energizes select
20 transmission and distribution circuit segments within Tier 2 and Tier 3
21 HFTD areas when elevated fire danger conditions occur.
22 De-energization is determined necessary to protect public safety when
23 PG&E reasonably believes there is an imminent and significant risk of
24 strong winds impacting PG&E assets, and a significant risk of a
25 catastrophic wildfire should an ignition occur. PSPS is used as a
26 measure of last resort and is only deployed when other measures are

30 Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement is a mitigation for two RAMP risks—Wildfire and Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets—because it will reduce both ignitions and equipment failure. The primary benefit of the mitigation is to reduce Wildfire risk. PG&E calculated the aggregated risk reduction score for both risks and divided that score by the total cost of the mitigation to calculate the overall RSE for the mitigation.

31 Expulsion Fuse Replacement is a mitigation for two RAMP risks—Wildfire and Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets—because it will reduce both ignitions and equipment failure. The primary benefit of the mitigation is to reduce Wildfire risk. PG&E calculated the aggregated risk reduction score for both risks and divided by the total cost of the mitigation to calculate the overall RSE for the mitigation.

1 not adequate alternatives. Before lines de-energized during PSPS can
2 be re-energized, PG&E patrols the segments of lines that experienced
3 the elevated fire danger conditions to ensure that they can be safely
4 returned to service. The cost of these patrols is considered part of the
5 cost of the PSPS mitigation. This mitigation has the potential to reduce
6 the Equipment Failure and vegetation drivers.

7 PPS was not included in the 2017 RAMP because PG&E
8 developed its de-energization strategy after the 2017 RAMP Report was
9 filed. PG&E first implemented its PPS Program in 2018 to de-energize
10 lines that traverse Tier 3 HFTD areas under extreme fire risk conditions.
11 In 2019, PG&E expanded the program scope to include high voltage
12 lines and Tier 2 HFTD areas. Extreme hazard weather conditions were
13 particularly severe during the 2019 fire season, resulting in PG&E
14 conducting nine PPS events, ranging in impact from approximately
15 10,000 to approximately 1 million customers.

16 The 2019 PPS events taught PG&E some difficult lessons.
17 Although grid de-energization is effective at reducing ignition of
18 utility-caused catastrophic wildfires in high fire risk areas, PPS events
19 are extraordinarily disruptive for our customers and communities. PG&E
20 has reached out through Listening Sessions for feedback from local
21 county agencies on how these events affect their operations and
22 communities and how PG&E can improve the execution of future
23 events. In addition, as discussed in the next section, PG&E has
24 developed several initiatives to reduce the impact of PPS events.

25 **M6 – PPS Impact Reduction Initiatives:** A key objective of the PPS
26 Program is to implement measures to reduce the customer impacts of
27 PPS events as much as possible while still getting the full fire risk
28 reduction benefits of PPS. PG&E's goal in 2020 is to reduce PPS
29 event impact so that fewer customers are affected than would have
30 been for a comparable weather event in 2019 and to restore power
31 more quickly after a PPS event (i.e., within 12 daylight hours after
32 high-risk weather clears instead of within 24 daylight hours for
33 90 percent of affected customers). PG&E will focus its efforts on
34 reducing PPS impacts on those communities that are forecast to be

1 most frequently affected by PSPS events. PG&E's PSPS Impact
2 Reduction Initiatives include:

3 **Customer and Community Outreach:** PG&E is engaging
4 customers and the public who may be directly impacted by a PSPS
5 event through various media to increase awareness of and
6 readiness for PSPS events in general and to provide advance notice
7 of specific PSPS events to all affected customers and communities.
8 PG&E is also committed to providing additional services to Access
9 and Functional Needs and Medical Baseline customers in advance
10 of and during PSPS events through partnerships with local
11 government and community-based organizations, and through
12 additional customer outreach targeted at these populations.

13 PG&E will also provide website and social media updates during
14 PSPS events and open community resource centers in potentially
15 impacted counties and tribal communities to provide residents a
16 space that is safe, energized and air-conditioned or heated.³²

17 **Transmission Line Assessments:** The PSPS Program has
18 established criteria—based on asset health, historical operating
19 performance, vegetation risks, and fire spread potential—for when
20 overhead transmission line facilities can be excluded from being
21 de-energized in PSPS events. These criteria will be applied
22 beginning in 2020. PG&E is also in the process of developing
23 similar criteria for distribution lines.

24 **Transmission Line Sectionalizing:** PG&E has installed SCADA
25 switches on transmission lines to support faster restoration during
26 outage events for the last few years. PG&E will use these
27 transmission switches to further reduce the number of customers
28 impacted by PSPS outages. In 2019, the program added 54 new
29 SCADA transmission switches.

30 **Distribution Line Segmentation:** PG&E is adding additional
31 automated sectionalizing devices, reconfiguring devices to facilitate

³² PG&E's customer outreach and other customer-related programs to mitigate the effects of PSPS are described in greater detail in PG&E's 2020 WMP Report, R.18-10-007, p. 5-288 to p. 5-292 and p. 5-298 to p. 5-306.

1 pre-PSPS event switching, and adding additional system hardening
2 to further sectionalize distribution facilities to be able to minimize the
3 number of customers whose power will be shut off during PSPS
4 events. PG&E installed 298 additional sectionalizing devices in
5 2019.

6 **Microgrids/Temporary Generation:** PG&E is pursuing resiliency
7 and reliability improvements to mitigate the customer impacts of
8 PSPS using temporary front-of-the-meter microgrid solutions.

9 Microgrids, some of which involve using a pre-installed
10 interconnection hub, temporary generation, and sectionalizing, are
11 tools that PG&E will use to provide islanded power to areas that are
12 safe to energize but would otherwise be de-energized in a PSPS
13 event. These approaches can reduce the number of customers
14 impacted by PSPS events and facilitate safe energization of shared
15 community resources that support the surrounding population. In
16 2019, PG&E implemented a pilot microgrid site (the Angwin
17 Resilience Zone in Napa County) which became operational in
18 September. PG&E successfully used temporary generation at this
19 site, as well as in three safe-to-energize substations in Calistoga,
20 Grass Valley, and Placerville to safely re-energize thousands of
21 customers during the October and November 2019 PSPS events.

22 PG&E considers these PSPS impact reduction initiatives to be
23 foundational because they do not directly reduce the risk of Wildfire
24 ignition. However, PG&E's Wildfire risk model does take the effect of
25 these initiatives on the reliability impact of PSPS into account; it
26 assumes the number of customer minutes of service interrupted due to
27 PSPS will be 30 percent less than if the impact reduction initiatives were
28 not in place.³³ Because of this, and in order to more accurately capture
29 the full range of costs associated with the risk reduction obtained

33 The assumed 30 percent reduction in customer minutes of service interrupted is based on PG&E's estimate of the reduced scope of future PSPS events due to mitigation efforts compared to 2019. Improved restoration time should also reduce customer minutes of service interrupted but that reduction is difficult to quantify with existing data so its effect was not included in the model.

1 through PSPS, PG&E is including the cost of these initiatives as part of
2 the calculation of the RSE for PSPS.³⁴

3 **M7 – Situational Awareness and Forecasting Initiatives:** In the 2020
4 GRC, PG&E proposed several mitigations related to forecasting and
5 situational awareness, including additional weather stations, cameras,
6 sensors, and advanced modeling of weather and fire conditions. Taken
7 together, these mitigations will help PG&E identify times and areas of
8 high fire risk, which will inform decisions about PSPS timing and scope
9 and provide information that will be valuable for asset management and
10 risk analysis. Another critical situational awareness mitigation is
11 PG&E’s Wildfire Safety Operations Center, a physical facility that serves
12 as PG&E’s wildfire-related information hub and monitors, assesses, and
13 directs specific wildfire prevention and response efforts throughout
14 PG&E’s service area in real time. Although many of these situational
15 awareness and forecasting activities were discussed as separate
16 mitigations in the 2020 GRC, in the 2020 RAMP PG&E is discussing
17 them together as a single mitigation. Since these programs support
18 other mitigations that reduce Wildfire risk, but do not reduce the risk
19 themselves, PG&E considers them foundational.

20 In 2019, PG&E engaged in key situational awareness and
21 forecasting activities including the following:

22 **Advanced Weather Monitoring and Weather Stations:** In 2019,
23 PG&E added more than 400 weather stations to its existing network
24 and installed more than 120 high definition cameras in HFTD areas
25 to allow real time monitoring of weather and fire conditions.
26 Additional weather stations and cameras will be added in coming
27 years. In 2019, PG&E also developed a state-of-the-art satellite fire
28 detection system that uses remote sensing data from
29 five geostationary and polar orbiting spacecraft to detect fires.

³⁴ Note that PG&E did not include the cost of PSPS impact reduction programs in its RSE calculation for PSPS in its 2020 WMP.

1 **Continuous Monitoring Sensors:** In 2019, PG&E enabled
2 single-phase SmartMeters™³⁵ to send real-time alarms when a
3 partial voltage condition is detected. This enhanced situational
4 awareness can help detect abnormal conditions—such as wires
5 down, phase loss from partial fuse operation, or an open
6 jumper/connector—more quickly to enable faster response. To
7 date, PG&E has deployed partial voltage detection capability to
8 approximately 4.5 million single-phase SmartMeters over its entire
9 service territory, including 350,000 SmartMeters on distribution
10 feeders in Tier 2 and Tier 3 HFTD areas.³⁶ PG&E is also piloting
11 several other types of technologies such as overhead line sensors,
12 early fault detection, and Distribution Fault Anticipation (DFA) to
13 detect system anomalies on both transmission and distribution lines;
14 these sensors may be deployed more broadly in the future
15 depending on the outcome of the pilots.³⁷

16 **Meteorology/Fire and Storm Modeling:** PG&E utilizes public and
17 proprietary state-of-the-art weather forecast model data and
18 operates an in-house, high-resolution meteorological modeling
19 system to forecast weather conditions, outage potential, and fire
20 potential. In 2018 and 2019, PG&E made significant improvements
21 to its existing models including: (1) successfully completing one of
22 the largest known high-resolution datasets in the utility industry, with
23 3 kilometer (km) resolution; (2) developing a new Outage Producing
24 Wind (OPW) model to supplement PG&E’s existing SOPP model;
25 and (3) significantly enhancing PG&E’s existing Fire Potential Index
26 (FPI) model. The FPI model PG&E deployed in 2019 combines
27 weather (wind, temperature and relative humidity) and vegetative

35 **SmartMeter** is a PG&E registered trademark. All further references to **SmartMeters** in PG&E’s testimony in this proceeding should be assumed to refer to the trademarked name, without continually using the ™ symbol, consistent with legally-acceptable practice.

36 In the 2020 GRC, the SmartMeter Partial Voltage Detection Program, which was known then as Enhanced Wires Down Detection, was discussed as mitigation M24.

37 PG&E sensor initiatives that may reduce Wildfire risk are discussed in detail in its 2020 WMP Report R.18-10-007, p. 5-90 to p. 5-96.

1 fuels (10-hour dead fuel moisture, live fuel moisture, and fuel type)
2 into an index that represents the probability of large fires to occur.
3 The FPI and OPW models are run on the same 3x3 km resolution
4 dataset as the high-resolution weather model.³⁸

5 **M8 – Safety and Infrastructure Protection Teams:** SIPTs consist of
6 two-person crews composed of International Brotherhood of Electrical
7 Workers-represented employees who are trained and certified safety
8 infrastructure protection personnel. They provide standby resources for
9 PG&E crews performing work in high fire hazard areas, pretreatment of
10 PG&E assets during an ongoing fire, fire protection to PG&E assets, and
11 emergency medical services. SIPT crews will also collect data and
12 provide field observations about weather and system conditions to help
13 determine the scope and timing of potential PSPS events. Since this
14 program supports other mitigations that reduce Wildfire risk, but does
15 not reduce the risk itself, PG&E considers SIPT foundational.

16 **M9 – Community Wildfire Safety Program, Program Management**
17 **Office:** The CWSP PMO was established in 2018 to oversee and
18 coordinate multiple lines of business' implementation of PG&E's wildfire
19 risk mitigation activities. The CWSP PMO is focused on project and
20 program development and management for wildfire mitigation efforts.
21 The CWSP PMO leads the overall program, monitoring progress,
22 handling resource needs, and directing workstreams. The CWSP PMO
23 supports internal and external engagement efforts, including public
24 affairs and government relations support, local customer outreach
25 support, and communications strategy for the program overall. Since it
26 supports other mitigations that reduce Wildfire risk, but does not reduce
27 the risk itself, PG&E considers the CWSP PMO as foundational.

28 **M10 – Additional System Automation and Protection:** The C14 –
29 System Automation and Protection control described above consists of
30 PG&E's continued implementation of its historic system automation
31 protection activities. The M10 mitigation consists of additional system

³⁸ In the 2020 GRC, work related to weather, outage and fire modeling was discussed as mitigations M20 (SOPP Model Automation) and M21 (Advanced Fire Modeling).

1 and protection work. In 2019, this included finishing installation of
2 SCADA capability on reclosing devices in HFTD areas to support
3 remote Reclose Blocking. This mitigation also includes evaluating new
4 system protection technologies that may reduce wildfire risk. These
5 new technologies include:

6 **Distribution Transmission Substation—Fire Action Scheme and**

7 **Technology (DTS-FAST):** The DTS-FAST system is designed to
8 reduce the fire risks associated with energized power lines and
9 associated equipment. DTS-FAST was developed internally at
10 PG&E and aims to use fraction-of-a-second technologies to detect
11 objects approaching energized power lines and respond quickly to
12 shut off power, before object impact. DTS-FAST also monitors and
13 detects failure of equipment associated with transmission and
14 distribution towers/poles and aims to use fraction-of-a-second
15 technologies to quickly shut off power. Lastly, if DTS-FAST can
16 operate as optimally modeled, it may allow some circuits to operate
17 energized during PSPS events. The program is currently in the pilot
18 phase.

19 **Rapid Earth Fault Current Limiter (REFCL):** REFCL technology
20 is a technology that may allow PG&E to automatically and rapidly
21 reduce the flow of current and risk of ignition in single phase to
22 ground faults. REFCL works by moving the neutral line to the
23 faulted phase during a fault which significantly reduces the energy
24 available for the fault. PG&E is evaluating the REFCL technology
25 through the Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC) 3.15
26 Proactive Wires Down Mitigation demonstration project. PG&E
27 began planning the project in 2019; demonstrations are planned to
28 begin in 2020 on operational assets to test REFCL’s capabilities and
29 applications within PG&E’s system.

30 **Distribution Fault Anticipation:** DFA technology captures primary
31 distribution disturbance current and voltage waveforms and may
32 allow PG&E to identify fault and arcing events more quickly than
33 existing technology, which may reduce Wildfire risk. DFA
34 technology is currently being evaluated on six distribution feeders

1 covering 718 line miles as part of an EPIC project scheduled to be
2 completed in 2020.

3 PG&E has not yet determined whether and to what extent these
4 new technologies can deliver concrete benefits and has not fully
5 evaluated the cost or feasibility of implementing these technologies at
6 scale. Depending on the results of the preliminary evaluations
7 described above, PG&E may propose broader implementation of these
8 technologies in an upcoming WMP proceeding or the 2023 GRC. At
9 least for now, PG&E considers these programs to be foundational
10 activities.

11 **2. 2017 RAMP Update**

12 In this section PG&E describes how the controls and mitigations for the
13 Wildfire risk presented in the 2017 RAMP have evolved.

14 **a. Controls**

15 PG&E described 12 controls for the Wildfire risk in the 2017 RAMP
16 Report and listed those same 12 controls in the 2020 GRC. Although
17 PG&E has reorganized its list of controls for the 2020 RAMP, in part to
18 reflect the organization of the WMP, virtually all the activities included
19 in the former controls are included in the new controls as well.
20 One exception is the C5 Overhead Conductor Replacement control from
21 the 2017 RAMP. This control replaces deteriorated spans of overhead
22 conductor with new spans. Historically, the new conductor installed as
23 part of this program has been bare wire. Although PG&E continues to
24 use bare wire for overhead conductor replacement in non-HFTD areas,
25 in HFTD areas all conductor replacement is being done with covered
26 conductor in accordance with PG&E's new System Hardening
27 standards. As a result, the C5 Overhead Conductor Replacement
28 control from the 2017 RAMP has been superseded by the M2 System
29 Hardening mitigation.

30 The mapping of the 2017 RAMP controls to the controls described in
31 the 2020 GRC and the controls PG&E is presenting in the 2020 RAMP
32 is shown in Table 10-6 above.

1 **b. Mitigations**

2 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E proposed six mitigations to reduce
3 Wildfire risk. PG&E noted in the 2017 RAMP report that it might
4 propose different or additional mitigations as a result of its analysis of
5 the October 2017 Northern California wildfires. In the 2020 GRC, PG&E
6 proposed a different, and significantly expanded, set of 19 wildfire
7 mitigations. PG&E further refined its wildfire mitigations and described
8 additional program changes in its 2020 WMP.

9 The mapping of the 2017 RAMP mitigations to the mitigations
10 described in the 2020 GRC and the mitigations PG&E is presenting in
11 the 2020 RAMP is shown in Table 10-7 above.³⁹ The current status of
12 the six mitigations proposed in the 2017 RAMP is described below:⁴⁰

13 **M1 (2017) – Wildfire Reclosing Operations Program (SCADA**
14 **Programming) and M2 (2017) – Wildfire Reclosing Operations**
15 **Program (SCADA Capability Upgrades):** In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E
16 described a program to disable reclosing functionality on certain
17 equipment located in high fire-threat areas beginning in 2017. PG&E
18 also proposed making SCADA capability upgrades to 100 reclosing
19 devices per year from 2020-2022 to allow reclosing functionality to be
20 disabled and re-enabled remotely.

21 As described above in connection with the C15 Reclosing Blocking
22 control, PG&E did implement a reclose blocking program similar to the
23 one proposed in the 2017 RAMP. PG&E also accelerated the SCADA
24 upgrades initially proposed for 2020-2022 in the 2017 RAMP; those

³⁹ The M26 – Aviation Resources mitigation described in the 2020 GRC is not modeled in the 2020 RAMP. In its 2020 GRC testimony, PG&E explained that it had purchased and was operating four heavy-lift helicopters to support utility infrastructure projects, to provide PG&E guaranteed access to heavy-lift helicopters for PG&E's operations and emergency response to restore service during and after wildfires, and to make three of the four helicopters available to CAL FIRE during the fire-fighting season to potentially aid in fire suppression efforts. PG&E is not modeling the potential fire suppression benefit as a Wildfire mitigation in the 2020 RAMP because the benefit is difficult to quantify and there is uncertainty as to the extent to which the helicopters will be used by CAL FIRE for fire suppression.

⁴⁰ The different wildfire mitigations proposed in PG&E's 2017 RAMP and 2020 GRC, and the process through which PG&E refined and expanded its proposed mitigations, are described in PG&E's 2020 GRC testimony regarding the Wildfire risk. A.18-12-009, Exhibit (PG&E-4) p. 2A-12 to p. 2A-40.

1 upgrades were completed in 2019. That work is included in the 2020
2 RAMP in the M9 Additional System Automation and Protection
3 mitigation.

4 **M3 (2017) – Fuel Reduction and Powerline Corridor Management**
5 **and M4 (2017) Overhang Clearing:** In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E
6 proposed two types of additional Vegetation Management work beyond
7 what PG&E had done in the past: (1) 24,000 miles of overhead clearing
8 work between 2018 and 2022; and (2) 3,600 miles of fuel reduction and
9 powerline corridor management work between 2018-2022.

10 Work like the work proposed in these mitigations is part of PG&E's
11 current EVM mitigation (M1). The scope of PG&E's proposed EVM
12 mitigation has been refined and expanded based on PG&E's analysis of
13 ignition drivers after the 2017 Northern California wildfires and based on
14 lessons learned from ongoing EVM work. The current work includes not
15 only overhang clearing, and ad hoc fuel reduction work, but also the
16 creation of enhanced radial clearances and the identification and
17 mitigation of trees with a potential to strike power lines. Due to the
18 expanded scope, and to the fact that program activities have proved to
19 be more difficult and costlier than initially estimated, PG&E's current
20 proposed pace for implementing the EVM mitigation is slower than was
21 estimated for the Overhang Clearing and Fuel Reduction mitigations.
22 PG&E currently estimates that it will complete approximately 8,650 miles
23 of EVM work between 2018 and 2022.

24 **M5 (2017) – Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement:** In the 2017
25 RAMP, PG&E proposed completing approximately 90,000 non-exempt
26 surge arrester replacements between 2017 and 2022. This same
27 program is still in place as a 2020 RAMP mitigation (M3) but, due to
28 some reprioritization of work in 2018 and 2019, PG&E now expects to
29 complete the program in 2023, rather than 2022.

30 **M7 (2017) – Targeted Conductor Replacement (WF):** In the 2017
31 RAMP, PG&E proposed a program to replace overhead conductor in
32 high fire risk areas with covered conductor at a rate of 190 miles per
33 year between 2020 and 2022. In the 2020 GRC, PG&E proposed a
34 Wildfire System Hardening mitigation, which included installation of not

1 only covered conductor, but also poles and other equipment in HFTD
2 areas. That expanded program is the same as the M2 System
3 Hardening mitigation in the 2020 RAMP. PG&E estimates that it will
4 complete 1,060 miles of System Hardening upgrades between 2020
5 and 2022.

6 **D. 2020-2022 Mitigation Plan**

7 **1. Changes to Controls**

8 PG&E plans to continue to implement the controls described above for
9 2019 in 2020-2023. PG&E will continue to evaluate the programs and
10 incorporate lessons learned and may adjust the scope and cadence of the
11 programs as a result. There will be significant changes to a few existing
12 controls, as described below:

13 **Patrols and Inspections – Transmission and Distribution (C1-C2):** For
14 2020 and beyond, PG&E is incorporating fire-risk considerations identified
15 as part of the WSIP process and baseline compliance guidelines into a
16 checklist-guided paperless approach for facilities inspections. PG&E will
17 perform detailed inspections of overhead distribution and transmission
18 facilities located in HFTD areas on a risk-informed cycle; in 2020 PG&E
19 plans to inspect all its facilities in HFTD Tier 3 and one-third of its facilities in
20 HFTD Tier 2.

21 PG&E's current plan for non-HFTD facilities is to continue with the
22 historical cadence of detailed inspections once every five years. Future year
23 inspection scope and cadence may be adjusted based on the results of this
24 initial cycle of enhanced inspections and shift toward more risk-informed or
25 condition-dependent cycles linked to PG&E predictive models. However, for
26 forecasting purposes, this filing assumes that PG&E will continue to inspect
27 all facilities in HFTD Tier 3 annually, and facilities in HFTD Tier 2 once every
28 three years. PG&E is also performing Field Safety Reassessments of
29 pending maintenance notifications that will not be completed before the start
30 of the upcoming fire season to verify that previously identified maintenance
31 conditions have not further deteriorated to the point that they require more
32 immediate resolution.

1 **Equipment Maintenance and Replacement – Transmission (C9) and**
2 **Transmission Structure Maintenance and Replacement (C13):** PG&E is
3 currently evaluating whether to expand the scope of the proactive
4 replacement of transmission assets in or near HFTD areas, both to reduce
5 ignitions and to potentially allow some transmission circuits that were
6 de-energized in 2019 PSPS events to remain energized. PG&E may
7 include a funding request for this work in future.

8 **Pole Programs (C12):** In 2020, PG&E will begin regular use of the new
9 pole loading infrastructure assessment that it piloted in 2019. PG&E's initial
10 goal is to assess all distribution poles located in Tier 2 and Tier 3 HFTD
11 areas by 2024 (at a rate of approximately 230,000 poles per year) to
12 determine whether existing poles are adequate under PG&E's current
13 loading criteria.

14 **Reclose Blocking (C14):** PG&E is not planning significant operational
15 changes to the Reclose Blocking Program for 2020-2022. However, PG&E
16 is continuing to evaluate the circuit segments where reclose blocking is
17 applied and may add or remove segments based on lessons learned and
18 additional analysis.

19 **Restoration, Operational Procedures and Training (C16):** In 2020,
20 PG&E will update TD-1464B-02 (PSPS procedures) to include lessons
21 learned from 2019 PSPS events and revised meteorology inputs. PG&E will
22 also begin updating the existing Fire Index based Distribution Circuit
23 Segment Guides and maps to circuit based, supporting more detailed
24 meteorology event boundaries. In later years, PG&E will continue to
25 evaluate and update as necessary to reflect lessons learned.

26 **a. Changes to Mitigations**

27 For the most part, PG&E will continue to implement the 2019
28 Wildfire risk mitigations described above in the 2020-2022 time period.
29 PG&E will continue to evaluate the programs and incorporate lessons
30 learned and may adjust the scope and cadence of the programs as a
31 result. To the extent PG&E is currently planning significant changes to
32 the mitigations for 2020-2022, those changes are described below:

33 **M1 – Enhanced Vegetation Management:** PG&E's EVM Program will
34 perform similar trimming and tree removal work in 2020-2022 to what it

1 did it 2019. However, PG&E plans to perform less EVM work on
2 distribution lines in 2020-2022 than it did in 2019 (approximately
3 1,800 miles of distribution line per year in 2020-2022 versus
4 2,498 miles in 2019).

5 Based on its assessment of routine and EVM work on the system as
6 a whole, beginning in 2020 PG&E plans to shift some EVM resources to
7 expand rights of way and remove incompatible trees around lower
8 voltage transmission lines (similar work is already performed around
9 higher voltage transmission lines as part of PG&E's routine vegetation
10 management). This work will be targeted at both reducing wildfire risk
11 and reducing the footprint of future PSPS events by allowing some
12 transmission lines to remain energized.

13 PG&E will continue to evaluate the effectiveness of the EVM
14 Program and may further adjust its scope to better mitigate risk.

15 **M2 – System Hardening:** PG&E plans to progressively increase
16 the pace of system hardening in the 2020-2022 period with a goal of
17 completing approximately 1,060 circuit miles over that period.

18 PG&E will continue to evaluate the effectiveness of the System
19 Hardening Program and may further adjust its scope to better
20 mitigate risk.

21 **M3 – Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement:** PG&E will continue
22 replacing non-exempt surge arresters in HFTD areas until all those
23 replacements are complete, which PG&E anticipates will occur
24 in 2021.⁴¹

25 **M6 – PSPS Impact Reduction Initiatives:** In 2020 and beyond, PG&E
26 will be building on lessons learned in 2019 to expand and refine its
27 initiatives to reduce the scope and duration of PSPS events. New
28 and/or expanded initiatives include:

29 **Transmission Line Assessments:** Before the 2020 fire season,
30 PG&E will be evaluating transmission lines in HFTD areas to

⁴¹ PG&E estimates that non-exempt surge arrester replacement work will continue in non-HFTD areas until 2023. Non-exempt surge arrester replacements in non-HFTD areas are not considered part of the scope of the Wildfire risk mitigation, but are considered a mitigation for the Failure of Distribution Overhead Assets risk.

1 determine which lines can be removed from future PSPS event
2 scope, including assessing whether additional inspections, repairs
3 and/or increased vegetation management would allow particular
4 lines to meet the exclusion criteria.

5 **Transmission Line Sectionalizing:** PG&E plans to install an
6 additional 23 SCADA transmission switches in 2020.

7 **Distribution Line Sectionalizing:** PG&E plans to install
8 592 additional sectionalizing devices in 2020 and 130 more devices
9 in 2021. PG&E will assess the need for additional sectionalizing
10 devices after 2021.

11 **Microgrids/Temporary Generation:** Building on the PSPS impact
12 mitigation role that front-of-the-meter microgrids played in 2019,
13 PG&E has filed and sought Commission approval to operationalize
14 additional microgrid capabilities in 2020. In addition to more
15 mid-feeder microgrid projects like the ones piloted in 2019, PG&E is
16 expanding its projects to include substation-sited microgrids
17 energized with temporary generators. PG&E will also continue to
18 evaluate the possibility installing permanent distributed generation at
19 some substation locations, though no such projects are planned for
20 2020. Substation projects involve the rental of mobile generation
21 resources and some infrastructure work to facilitate connection of
22 those resources. PG&E's target for 2020 is to prepare
23 63 substations to receive temporary generation. These are largely
24 substations that experienced more than one PSPS event in 2019
25 and had at least some customers that would have been partially or
26 entirely safe-to-energize in the two largest 2019 PSPS events.⁴²
27 Current risk modeling assumes that PG&E will continue to operate

⁴² The substations in question were impacted by PSPS events in 2019 because the transmission lines feeding them were not safe to energize due to Wildfire risk. As discussed in the 2020 WMP and its initial testimony in the Microgrid and Resiliency Strategies Rulemaking (R.19-09-009), PG&E initially planned to install permanent generation resources at 20 of these substations before the 2020 fire season. However, after further consideration, PG&E is planning to use temporary generation and serve a larger number of substations.

1 some substation-sited microgrid projects through 2026, with the ratio
2 of temporary to permanent generation varying over time.

3 Based on operational lessons learned from the 2019 fire season,
4 PG&E is adjusting some practices and increasing the resources it will
5 deploy to support PSPS restoration in 2020. In particular, PG&E plans
6 to significantly increase the number of helicopters it has available for
7 aerial assessment of lines and to use fixed wing aircraft with cameras
8 and infrared equipment to patrol assets at night to make restoration
9 faster.

10 **M7 – Situational Awareness and Forecasting Initiatives:** The 2019
11 initiatives described above will continue in the 2020-2022, with the
12 following changes:

13 **Advanced Weather Monitoring and Weather Stations:** PG&E
14 plans to install additional weather stations in 2020 and 2021, with a
15 goal of having 1,300 weather stations by 2021. PG&E also plans to
16 install additional high-definition cameras in 2020-2022, with a goal of
17 having 600 cameras by 2022.

18 **Continuous Monitoring Sensors:** PG&E is working to expand its
19 deployment of partial voltage detection capabilities to 3-phase
20 SmartMeters. PG&E plans deploy this capability to approximately
21 365,000 three-phase SmartMeters throughout its service territory.

22 **Meteorology/Fire and Storm Modeling:** In 2020, PG&E will:

- 23 • Equip a Meteorology Operations Center at an existing facility;
- 24 • Enhance the PG&E Satellite Fire Detection and Alerting system
25 by incorporating more satellite data;
- 26 • Establish a Live Fuel Moisture sampling program with the goal
27 of sampling 25 sites and uploading results to the National Fuel
28 Moisture Database;
- 29 • Partner with multiple external experts in numerical and fire
30 weather prediction to develop the next version of its weather
31 and fuel moisture modeling system. The updated version of the
32 model will have enhanced verification, greater data capabilities
33 and higher resolution (modeling 2x2 km areas, rather than the

1 current 3x3 km). PG&E also plans to reproduce its 30-year
2 historical climatological dataset at a 2x2 km resolution;

- 3 • Work with an external expert to improve fire occurrence
4 datasets in the PG&E territory using remote sensing technology
5 for enhanced historical analysis of fire events;
- 6 • Partner with external experts to build and deploy new
7 herbaceous and woody live fuel moisture models using remote
8 sensing technology;
- 9 • Partner with an academic institution to study fire weather
10 phenomena in the PG&E territory using PG&E's new 30-year
11 2-km weather climatology;
- 12 • Partner with a National Laboratory to study the occurrence of
13 dry, offshore (Diablo) wind events under various climate change
14 scenarios; and
- 15 • Work with external partner(s) to develop and deploy a Diablo
16 wind event forecasting system, which could potentially provide
17 additional time for PG&E and communities to prepare for these
18 events.

19 **M8 – SIPT:** In the 2020-2022 period, PG&E's SIPT Program will focus
20 on updating and stabilizing current technology solutions and increase
21 staffing levels to support mitigation activities. PG&E will incorporate a
22 safety observation card via SafetyNet and Quality Control Program to
23 ensure updated fire prevention and mitigation measures have been
24 adopted by personnel working on any forest, brush, or grass-covered
25 lands.

26 PG&E is piloting one new mitigation in 2020.

27 **M11 – Remote Grid:** Remote Grid is an effort to use decentralized
28 energy sources to permanently supply energy to certain remote
29 customers instead of using hardened traditional utility infrastructure for
30 electricity delivery. PG&E's service territory contains pockets of isolated
31 small customer loads that are served via long electric distribution
32 feeders; some of these feeders pass through HFTD areas and some
33 have been disconnected due to damage from recent wildfires. PG&E is
34 proposing to remove some of these long feeders and instead serve

1 customers from local, decentralized energy sources. This could reduce
2 fire ignition risk and serve as a cost-effective alternative to system
3 hardening and/or rebuilding fire-damaged infrastructure to meet new
4 HFTD design standards. Outside HFTD areas, Remote Grid could be a
5 cost-effective alternative to maintenance costs associated with long
6 feeder lines in remote areas. This mitigation addresses the Equipment
7 Failure, Vegetation, Third Party, Animal, and Other drivers.

8 In 2020, PG&E plans to deploy three Remote Grid projects at two
9 sites to validate use cases, design standards, deployment processes
10 and commercial arrangements. One project is located in Briceburg, in
11 HFTD Tier 2, and will remove 1.37 miles of line. This is the only project
12 that is modeled as a Wildfire mitigation. Two projects are located at the
13 Carrizo Plain pilot site, which is outside the HFTD but involves circuit
14 segments with high maintenance costs, and will remove 23.8 miles of
15 line. If the results of the initial projects are favorable, PG&E will
16 determine whether to propose further remote grid projects 2021 and
17 beyond.⁴³ For modeling purposes, PG&E is assuming that there will be
18 no remote grid work in 2021 or 2022 but is presenting remote grid work
19 as an alternative mitigation for 2023-2026. See Section F below.

20 The volume of mitigation work PG&E plans to complete in the
21 2020-2022 period is shown in Table 10-8 below.

43 PG&E's RAMP analysis incorporates information as of May 2020. Based on the results of the remote grid projects in 2020, PG&E will consider revising the forecast for this mitigation in 2021 and beyond. The revised forecast and corresponding RSE calculations will be included in PG&E's 2021 WMP Report and the 2023 GRC.

**TABLE 10-8
PLANNED MITIGATIONS 2020-2022**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	Units	2020 RAMP Planned Units of Work			Total
			2020	2021	2022	
1	M1 – EVM	Line miles	1,800	1,800	1,800	5,400
2	M2 – System Hardening	Line miles	241	377	442	1,060
3	M3 – Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement	Poles with Arresters in HFTD areas	16,829	16,249	0	33,078
4	M4 – Expulsion Fuse replacement	Fuses	625	625	625	1,875
5	M5 – PSPS	N/A	–	–	–	–
6	M6 – PSPS Impact Reduction Initiatives	N/A	–	–	–	–
7	M7 – Situational Awareness and Forecasting Initiatives	N/A	–	–	–	–
8	M8 – SIPT	N/A	–	–	–	–
9	M9 – CWSP Project Management Office	N/A	–	–	–	–
10	M10 – Additional System Automation and Protection	N/A	–	–	–	–
11	M11 – Remote Grid	Line miles removed	25	0	0	25

1 The forecast costs for the work planned from 2020-2022 are shown
2 in Tables 10-9 and 10-10 below.

TABLE 10-9
FORECAST COSTS
2020-2022 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS))

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC ^(a)	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M1	EVM	IG	\$494,627	\$506,993	\$519,668	\$1,521,288
2	M5	PSPS	AB, IG	170,699	174,967	179,341	525,007
3	M6	PSPS Impact Reduction Initiatives	IG	225,785	211,198	207,502	644,484
4	M7	Situational Awareness and Forecasting Initiatives	IG	30,229	32,379	31,214	93,822
5	M8	SIPT	IG	23,668	37,057	41,286	102,010
6	M9	CWSP PMO	IG	18,529	19,071	19,625	57,226
7	M10	Additional System Automation and Protection	AT, IG	5,150	130	134	5,414
8		Total		\$968,687	\$981,795	\$998,770	\$2,949,252

(a) PG&E is recording costs for certain activities in temporary MWC IG but expects to forecast costs for this work in MWC AB or HN in the 2023 GRC.

Note: See WP 10-1.

**TABLE 10-10
FORECAST COSTS
2020-2022 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M2	System Hardening	08W	\$366,725	\$565,640	\$698,360	\$1,630,725
2	M3	Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement	2AR	62,448	53,290	—	115,738
3	M4	Expulsion Fuse Replacement	2AP	5,423	5,559	5,698	16,679
4	M6	PSPS Impact Reduction Initiatives	21, 48A, 48D, 49H, 49M, 67D, 94A, 94B	159,701	142,489	123,500	425,690
5	M7	Situational Awareness and Forecasting Initiatives	21A, 49I	13,163	12,371	7,433	32,967
6	M8	SIPT	21A	676	1,152	—	1,828
7	M10	Additional System Automation and Protection	09A, 49T	10,753	17,443	17,772	45,969
8	M11	Remote Grid	49M	4,749	—	—	4,749
9		Total		\$623,638	\$797,944	\$852,763	\$2,274,345

Note: See WP 10-1.

1 **E. 2023-2026 Controls and Mitigations**

2 **1. Changes to Controls**

3 PG&E plans to continue implementing the 2019-2022 controls described
4 above in 2023-2026. PG&E is not currently planning major changes to
5 these programs for 2023-2026 but will continue to evaluate the programs
6 and incorporate lessons learned and may adjust the scope and cadence of
7 the programs as a result.

8 **2. Changes to Mitigations**

9 The M3 – Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement mitigation is not
10 considered a Wildfire mitigation for the 2023-2026 period because PG&E
11 plans to complete all non-exempt surge arrester replacements in HFTD
12 areas by 2021. PG&E plans to continue to implement the other mitigation
13 programs described above for 2019-2022 in 2023-2026, though M11 –
14 Remote Grid is considered an alternative mitigation for 2023-2026 as
15 discussed in Section F below. PG&E is not currently planning major
16 changes to these programs for 2023-2026, but PG&E will continue to
17 evaluate the programs and incorporate lessons learned and may adjust the
18 scope and cadence of the programs as a result.

19 The volume of mitigation work PG&E plans to complete in the
20 2023-2026 period is shown in Table 10-11 below.

**TABLE 10-11
PLANNED MITIGATIONS 2023-2026**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	Units	2020 RAMP Planned Units of Work				
			2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	M1 – EVM	Line Miles	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	7,200
2	M2 – System Hardening	Line Miles	504	540	538	536	2,118
3	M4 – Expulsion Fuse Replacement	Non-Exempt Fuses	625	625	625	625	2,500
4	M5 – PSPS	Non-Unitized	–	–	–	–	–
5	M6 – PSPS Impact Reduction Initiatives	Non-Unitized	–	–	–	–	–
6	M7 – Situational Awareness and Forecasting Initiatives	Non-Unitized	–	–	–	–	–
7	M8 – SIPT	Non-Unitized	–	–	–	–	–
8	M9 – CWSP PMO	Non-Unitized	–	–	–	–	–
9	M10 – Additional System Automation and Protection	Non-Unitized	–	–	–	–	–

1 Tables 10-12 and 10-13 below shows the planned cost, RSE and risk
2 reduction score for each of the Wildfire risk mitigations PG&E plans to
3 implement in the 2023-26 period. The derivation of RSEs and risk reduction
4 scores is explained in Chapter 3, “Risk Modeling.”

TABLE 10-12
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC ^(a)	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(b)	Risk Reduction
1	M1	EVM	IG	\$532,660	\$545,976	\$559,625	\$573,616	\$2,211,877	2.6 ^(c)	4,156
2	M5	PSPS	AB, IG	183,825	188,420	193,131	197,959	763,334	13.8 ^(d)	16,284 ^(d)
3	M6	PSPS Impact Reduction Initiatives	IG	185,576	141,277	97,011	98,378	522,243	^(d)	^(d)
4	M7	Situational Awareness and Forecasting Initiatives	IG	30,884	31,656	32,447	33,258	128,245	^(e)	^(d)
5	M8	SIPT	IG	42,318	43,376	44,460	45,572	175,726	^(e)	^(d)
6	M9	CWSP PMO	IG	20,116	20,619	21,134	21,663	83,532	^(e)	^(e)
7	M10	Additional System Automation and Protection	AT, IG	137	141	144	148	570	^(e)	^(e)
8		Total		\$995,515	\$971,465	\$947,954	\$970,594	\$3,885,528		

- (a) PG&E is recording costs for certain activities in temporary MWC IG but expects to forecast costs for this work in MWC AB or HN in the 2023 GRC.
 - (b) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
 - (c) The RSE includes the risk reduction for both the Wildfire risk and the Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Asset risk. See WP 10-3.
 - (d) The RSE and Risk Reduction score shown on Line 2 (M5 – PSPS) is for the combined M5 – PSPS and M6 – PSPS Impact Reduction Initiatives mitigations.
 - (e) Foundational mitigation – PG&E does not calculate RSEs for foundational mitigations.
- Note: See WP 10-1.

TABLE 10-13
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MAT	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M2	System Hardening	08W	\$796,320	\$850,040	\$868,052	\$886,390	\$3,400,802	7.3 ^(b)	17,893
2	M3	Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement	2AR							
3	M4	Expulsion Fuse Replacement	2AP	5,840	6,136	6,289	6,446	24,711	1.0 ^(b)	18
4	M6	PSPS Impact Reduction Initiatives	21, 48A, 48D, 49H, 49M, 67D, 94A, 94B	76,375	76,917	77,199	77,487	307,979	(c)	(c)
5	M7	Situational Awareness and Forecasting Initiatives	21A, 49I	7,619	7,810	8,005	8,205	31,639	(d)	(d)
6	M8	SIPT	21A	-	-	-	-	-	(d)	(d)
7	M10	Additional System Automation and Protection	09A, 49T	18,216	18,778	19,247	19,728	75,969	(d)	(d)
8	M11	Remote Grid	49M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9		Total		\$904,371	\$959,681	\$978,792	\$998,257	\$3,841,100		

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

(b) The RSE includes the risk reduction for both the Wildfire risk, the Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Asset risk, and the Third-Party Safety Incident risk. See WP 10-3.

(c) See Table 10-3, Line 3 for the RSE and Risk Reduction score for M6.

(d) Foundational activity – PG&E does not calculate RSEs for foundational activities.

Note: See WP 10-1.

1 More than 90 percent of PG&E’s proposed planned Wildfire mitigation
2 spending is for three programs – System Hardening, EVM, and PSPS
3 (including the PSPS impact mitigation initiatives). These three programs
4 each significantly reduce the risk score for Wildfire and have a relatively high
5 RSE, despite their high cost. Each of these programs approaches risk
6 reduction from a different angle, with System Hardening focused primarily
7 on equipment failure, EVM focused on vegetation drivers, and PSPS
8 focused on eliminating the potential for ignitions on higher risk circuits during
9 periods of high fire risk due to weather and wind conditions. PG&E believes
10 that this multi-front approach is the best way to address Wildfire risk in its
11 entirety.

12 System Hardening accounts for 44 percent of PG&E’s planned spending
13 on Wildfire mitigations from 2023-2026 and has an RSE of 7.3.⁴⁴ The
14 benefits of System Hardening will grow over time as PG&E upgrades a
15 larger portion of the distribution system in HFTD areas. As discussed in
16 Section F below, PG&E is evaluating two alternative, lower-cost approaches
17 to System Hardening which may be appropriate for some circuits, either
18 outside the current scope of the M2 mitigation or as part of a mix of work
19 where different circuit segments receive different levels of construction
20 upgrades based on local conditions and risk priority. PG&E will continue to
21 evaluate the scope and pace of this program and will continue to refine the
22 prioritization model it is using to decide the order in which it upgrades
23 circuits. Depending on resource availability and lessons learned, PG&E
24 may adjust its forecast in future WMP proceedings and/or the 2023 GRC.

44 The 2023-2026 RSE of 7.3 that PG&E has calculated for System Hardening here is higher than the 2020-2022 RSE of 4.12 that PG&E calculated in its 2020 WMP Report. See PG&E’s 2020 WMP Report, R.18-10-007, Public Attachments at Atch. 1-48. As part of the 2020 RAMP process, PG&E subject matter experts reviewed assumptions about how effective System Hardening will be at mitigating certain equipment failure-related ignitions. This review led to an upward revision of PG&E’s estimate of the overall mitigation effectiveness of System Hardening.

1 EVM accounts for 29 percent of PG&E's planned spending on Wildfire
2 mitigations from 2023-2026 and has an RSE of 2.6.⁴⁵ Although the EVM
3 RSE is not as high as the System Hardening RSE, PG&E believes that EVM
4 is a prudent investment because it is targeted at the vegetation driver, which
5 is the largest source of ignitions in the HFTD areas of PG&E's service
6 territory, and because it can be deployed more quickly and over a wider
7 area than System Hardening. The EVM Program continues to evolve as
8 PG&E evaluates the effectiveness of the various activities that make up the
9 program. As a result, PG&E may adjust the proposed scope and pace of
10 the program in future WMP proceeding and/or the 2023 GRC.

11 PSPS accounts for 21 percent of planned PG&E spending on Wildfire
12 mitigations from 2023-2026 and has an RSE of 13.8, the highest RSE for
13 any Electric Operations RAMP risk mitigation, even when the cost of
14 PG&E's PSPS Impact Reduction Initiatives is included in the calculation.⁴⁶
15 PSPS effectively mitigates risk by de-energizing circuits in areas and at
16 times when fire risk is especially high, almost completely eliminating the risk
17 of ignition while it is in effect. Although PSPS is effective, PG&E is unlikely
18 to significantly expand its scope because of the significant burden it places
19 on customers. Instead, PG&E is investing in initiatives to reduce the impact
20 of PSPS on customers, including sectionalizing to reduce the PSPS footprint
21 and using temporary generation to energize substations that are safe to
22 energize but are served by transmission lines which run through an area
23 where PSPS is in effect. PG&E will continue to refine its PSPS criteria and

45 The 2023-2026 RSE of 2.6 that PG&E has calculated for EVM here is significantly higher than the 2020-2022 RSE of 0.15 that PG&E calculated in its 2020 WMP Report. See PG&E's 2020 WMP Report, R.18-10-007, Public Attachments at Atch. 1-67. When calculating the RSE for EVM for the 2020 WMP Report, PG&E assumed that EVM only provided one-year benefits. PG&E has confirmed that clearances established through EVM activities will be maintained by the routine Vegetation Management Program, and will therefore provide a continuing benefit, leading to a substantial increase in the RSE.

46 The 2023-2026 RSE of 13.8 that PG&E has calculated for PSPS here is lower than the 2020-2022 RSE of 26.42 that PG&E calculated in its 2020 WMP Report. See PG&E's 2020 WMP Report, R.18-10-007, Public Attachments at Atch. 1-73. This is because, unlike the WMP Report, in the 2020 RAMP PG&E has included the cost for PSPS Impact Reduction Initiatives in its calculation of the RSE for PSPS. PG&E believes that including these costs in the RSE calculation more accurately represents the costs of obtaining the risk reduction benefits that PSPS provides.

1 PSPS impact mitigation initiatives and may adjust the scope of the program
2 in further WMP proceedings and/or in the 2023 GRC.

3 Expulsion Fuse Replacement accounts for less than 1 percent of
4 PG&E's planned spending on Wildfire mitigations from 2023-2026 and has
5 an RSE of 1.0. PG&E considers this relatively modest program to be a
6 prudent investment. Based on the results of this program, PG&E may adjust
7 its scope or pace in future years.

8 Four additional mitigations, which account for 6 percent of PG&E's
9 planned Wildfire mitigation spending in 2023-2026, do not directly reduce
10 risk but provide support for or enhance the effectiveness of other
11 mitigations. These mitigations are considered foundational activities.

- 12 • Situational Awareness and Forecasting Initiatives (2 percent of planned
13 2023-2026 Wildfire mitigation spending) provide important information
14 about weather and other conditions that contribute to fire risk, and
15 support PG&E's emergency response through the Wildfire Safety
16 Operations Center. These initiatives are prudent because they improve
17 PG&E's ability to anticipate wildfire risk levels, identify the need for and
18 scope of PSPS events, and improve emergency response to reduce the
19 consequences from any fires that do start (whether or not they are
20 associated with PG&E equipment).
- 21 • SIPT (2 percent of 2023-2026 planned Wildfire mitigation spending) will
22 support PG&E's wildfire risk reduction efforts by serving as standby
23 resources for PG&E crews working in high fire risk areas, gathering data
24 that can be used in mitigation efforts such as PSPS, protecting PG&E
25 assets in the event of a wildfire, and supporting state, county, and tribal
26 firefighting and emergency response coordination efforts. These trained
27 teams provide real-time field observations that help PG&E make more
28 informed operational decisions.
- 29 • The CWSP PMO (1 percent of 2023-2026 planned Wildfire mitigation
30 spending) provides critical coordination and oversight for all of PG&E's
31 Wildfire risk mitigations.
- 32 • Additional Automation and Protection (1 percent of 2023-2026 planned
33 Wildfire mitigation spending) is a continuing commitment to new

1 automation and protection technologies that have the potential to create
2 opportunities for further Wildfire risk reduction in the future.

3 **F. Alternative Analysis**

4 In addition to the mitigations discussed above, PG&E considered
5 four alternative mitigations:

6 **1. Alternative Plan 1: M11a – Remote Grid**

7 As discussed above, in 2020 PG&E is piloting three Remote Grid
8 projects, one of which is in an HFTD area. If the outcome of the pilots is
9 favorable, PG&E proposes to expand the mitigation to additional feeders in
10 2021-2022 and subsequently 2023-2026.⁴⁷ Since PG&E has not
11 determined the scale or future location of additional Remote Grid projects,
12 for modeling purposes PG&E assumed that remote grid work in 2023-2026
13 will continue at the same level as 2020 and allocated the mileage
14 proportionally across all tranches. The high preliminary RSE for this
15 program suggests that it is a good candidate for implementation on a larger
16 scale, though more information is required from the pilots to validate PG&E's
17 current assumptions. Regardless of its efficacy, the scope of this program is
18 inherently limited because it can only be applied to long feeders that serve a
19 small number of customers.

⁴⁷ PG&E's RAMP analysis incorporates information as of May 2020. Based on the results of the remote grid projects in 2020, PG&E will consider revising the forecast for this mitigation in 2021 and beyond. The revised forecast and corresponding RSE calculations will be included in PG&E's 2021 WMP Report and the 2023 GRC.

TABLE 10-14
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M11a	Remote Grid	\$5,110	\$5,240	\$5,370	\$5,510	\$21,230	17.6 ^(b)	269
2		Total	\$5,110	\$5,240	\$5,370	\$5,510	\$21,230		

(a) See mitigation workpapers included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
(b) The RSE includes the risk reduction for both the Wildfire risk and the Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Asset risk.
Note: See WP 10-1.

1 **2. Alternative Plan 2: A2 (M12) – Fire Retardant**

2 PG&E is evaluating the use of commercially available long-term
3 chemical fire retardants to pre-treat rights of way, areas around equipment
4 and devices, switchyards, substations, and critical facilities to reduce the
5 potential for ignition and fire spread and potentially limit the need for PSPS.
6 PG&E would apply the fire retardant in HFTD areas after the last rain of the
7 spring and before the fire season starts. This mitigation addresses the
8 Equipment Failure, Vegetation, Third Party, Animal, and Other drivers.

9 In 2020, PG&E aims to pilot application of fire retardant on 455 miles of
10 distribution lines and 274 miles of transmission lines. However, PG&E’s
11 ability to execute this pilot may be limited by various county-level
12 environmental permitting conditions. If the pilot confirms the efficacy,
13 acceptability and feasibility of fire retardant application, PG&E may deploy it
14 on a greater scale in future years. For modeling purposes, PG&E assumes
15 that fire retardant will be applied in 2023-2026 at the same annual levels,
16 and the same ratio of distribution to transmission work, as in the 2020 pilot.

TABLE 10-15
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A2	Fire Retardant	\$20,628	\$21,144	\$21,672	\$22,214	\$85,658	2.1	135
2		Total	\$20,628	\$21,144	\$21,672	\$22,214	\$85,658		

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
 Note: See WP 10-1.

3. Alternative Plan 3: A3 – Wildfire-Targeted System Upgrades

In addition to its currently proposed M2 System Hardening mitigation, PG&E is evaluating a broad spectrum of other system modifications to reduce Wildfire risk. These other options range from modest improvements, such as additional animal protection on existing lines, to system hardening packages that are only slightly less extensive than the current M2 specification. These alternatives involve less work and provide less risk reduction than the M2 mitigation, but at a lower cost. Some of the alternative system modifications under consideration may be appropriate substitutes for the M2 mitigation in some areas; they may also be an appropriate means for PG&E to reduce risk in HFTD areas currently outside the scope of the 7,100 miles of system hardening currently planned for the M2 mitigation.

PG&E is modeling two representative packages of system modifications as alternative mitigations for M2 System Hardening. The A3 – Wildfire – Targeted System Upgrades alternative mitigation, discussed in this section, involves significantly less work and a much lower per mile cost than the existing M2 mitigation. The A4 – System Hardening-Hybrid alternative mitigation, discussed in the next section, falls between the A3 alternative mitigation and the existing M2 mitigation. PG&E’s consideration of the feasibility and effectiveness of various alternatives to M2 System Hardening is still in the early stages; no pilot or workplan has been developed to operationalize any of these alternatives.

The A3 Wildfire-Targeted System Upgrades alternative is a scenario where PG&E does not replace its existing bare wire with covered conductor. Instead, PG&E will employ several system modifications to reduce the potential for outages that could result in ignitions. The upgrades include: animal protection work (e.g., installation of insulated wire covers, dead-end covers, covered jumpers, and cut-out/bushing covers); work to improve separation between phases of conductor to reduce the likelihood of wire-to-wire contact in high wind (e.g., installation of spreader brackets or reframing of cross-arms); assessment of poles under current pole loading standards; and use of trusses, guys, or pole replacement to bring poles up to current loading standard where necessary. This alternative can also

1 include the installation of additional protective devices to enable the use
2 of DCD (Downed Conductor Detection) and SGF (Sensitive Ground Fault)
3 modes. PG&E believes that this alternative may be especially effective in
4 areas with low vegetation density including HFTD areas that are currently
5 outside the scope of the approximately 7,100 miles currently planned for the
6 M2 mitigation.

7 As the consideration of the feasibility and effectiveness of this
8 alternative is still in early stages, PG&E is modeling it as part of a mitigation
9 plan that would include the currently forecast amount of M2 System
10 Hardening work, plus sufficient additional mileage of A3 – Wildfire –
11 Targeted System Upgrades work to bring the total mileage of the two
12 mitigations combined up to 1,000 miles per year.

TABLE 10-16
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A3	Wildfire Targeted System Upgrades	\$114,644	\$108,981	\$112,192	\$115,494	\$451,311	5.0	1,653
2		Total	\$114,644	\$108,981	\$112,192	\$115,494	\$451,311		

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
 Note: See WP 10-1.

4. Alternative Plan 4: A4 – System Hardening-Hybrid

The System Hardening-Hybrid alternative is a package of system modifications that falls somewhere between the existing M2 mitigation and the A3 – Wildfire – Targeted System Upgrades alternative. It entails replacing existing bare wire with covered conductor that is lighter (i.e., has a smaller cross-section) than the current M2 specification. This lighter conductor, and pole strengthening technologies such as Extended and Tapered Trusses, would allow PG&E to significantly reduce the number of poles that need to be replaced on System Hardening projects. All poles would be assessed to determine whether they need to be strengthened or replaced. Cross-arms would be replaced to improve separation of phases and the animal protection work described in the A3 – Wildfire – Targeted System Upgrades alternative would be performed. Non-exempt equipment replacement and other low impact work is not included in the scenario being modeled.

As with the Wildfire – Targeted System Upgrades alternative discussed above, because PG&E’s consideration of the feasibility and effectiveness of the System Hardening-Hybrid alternative is still in early stages, PG&E is modeling it as part of a mitigation plan that would include the currently forecast amount of M2 System Hardening work, plus sufficient additional mileage of System Hardening – Hybrid work to bring the total mileage of the two mitigations combined up to 1,000 miles per year.

As modeled, both Wildfire – Targeted System Upgrades and System Hardening-Hybrid have comparable RSEs to the existing M2 System Hardening mitigation with a potential lower cost, but less risk reduction per circuit mile. PG&E believes that it is appropriate to invest in the higher level of absolute risk reduction from M2 System Hardening Program in many cases, especially for the higher risk priority circuits that are the current focus of the System Hardening Program. PG&E will continue to evaluate a range of possible system modifications as substitutes for, or supplements to, M2 System Hardening and may include them as part of its funding request in the 2023 GRC.

TABLE 10-17
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A4	System Hardening [Hybrid]	\$544,560	\$517,661	\$532,910	\$548,597	\$2,143,728	7.3	11,581
2		Total	\$544,560	\$517,661	\$532,910	\$548,597	\$2,143,728		

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
 Note: See WP 10-1.

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Table 10-18 compares the proposed and alternative mitigation plans.

TABLE 10-18
MITIGATION PLAN ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Risk Mitigation Plan	Plan Components ^(a)	Total Expense (2023-2026)	Total Capital (2023-2026)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)	Total Spend (NPV)	RSE
1	Proposed	M1, M2, M3, M4, M5, M6	\$3,497,455	\$3,733,492	38,352	\$5,321,905	7.21
2	Alternative 1	Proposed + M11a	\$3,497,455	\$3,754,727	38,615	\$5,337,513	7.23
3	Alternative 2	Proposed + A2	\$3,583,112	\$3,733,492	38,482	\$5,384,866	7.15
4	Alternative 3	Proposed + A3	\$3,497,455	\$4,184,803	39,937	\$5,654,205	7.06
5	Alternative 4	Proposed + A4	\$3,497,455	\$5,877,220	48,180	\$6,900,330	6.98

(a) Plan Components refers to the Mitigations presented in Table 10-6.

(b) Information presented in terms of Net Present Value (NPV) to account for the discounting of benefits.

Note: See WP 10-2.

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5 **OVERHEAD ASSETS**

6 **A. Executive Summary**

7 The Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets (Failure of DOH Assets)
8 risk is defined as failure of electric distribution overhead assets or lack of remote
9 operational functionality that may result in public or employee safety issues,
10 property damage, environmental damage, or inability to deliver energy. The
11 drivers for this risk event are: Distribution Line Equipment Failure; Other;
12 Vegetation; Animal; Natural Hazard; Other Pacific Gas and Electric Company
13 (PG&E) Assets or Processes; and Human Performance. The cross-cutting
14 factors Seismic, Information Technology Asset Failure, Skilled and Qualified
15 Workforce, Climate Change, Records and Information Management, and
16 Emergency Preparedness and Response also impact this risk.

17 Exposure to this risk is based on the 80,716 circuit miles of primary
18 overhead distribution lines in PG&E’s electric system. The risk model estimates
19 approximately 24,834 risk events (outages) each year.¹ The Distribution Line
20 Equipment Failure and Vegetation drivers together account for 56 percent of the
21 risk events. The Other driver accounts for 30 percent of the risk events. The
22 mitigations PG&E will implement from 2020-2026 are designed to address these
23 key risk drivers.

24 The risk of ignitions associated with asset failures is modeled as part of
25 the Wildfire risk rather than the Failure of DOH Assets risk. See Chapter 10.
26 In terms of other types of consequence, asset failures not coincident with
27 Seismic events or IT Asset Failure account for 98 percent of the risk events
28 and 87 percent of the risk score. Asset failures associated with seismic
29 events account for less than 1 percent of the risk events but 12 percent of the
30 risk score.

1 24,834 is PG&E’s forecast for annual number of outages for 2023-26 in the absence of proposed mitigations from 2023-26.

1 PG&E identified five tranches for this risk event: two tranches for groups of
2 circuits with issues historically identified as carrying an increased risk for asset
3 failure and three tranches based on circuits' reliability performance. The highest
4 tranche-level risk is associated with circuits with poor reliability performance
5 (56 percent of the risk) and circuits with a significant amount of small copper
6 conductor (21 percent of the risk).

7 Failure of DOH Assets has the ninth highest 2023 test year baseline safety
8 score (18) and the third highest 2023 test year baseline total risk score (526) of
9 PG&E's 12 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase (RAMP) risks. The 2020
10 baseline risk score, 546, improves by 9 percent when the planned and proposed
11 mitigations are applied: the 2023 test year baseline risk score is 526 and the
12 2026 post-mitigation risk score is 500.

13 PG&E is proposing a suite of controls and mitigations to address the key risk
14 drivers. The Grasshopper/KPF Switch Replacement program has the highest
15 2023-2026 Risk Spend Efficiency (RSE) and the 3A and 4C Line Recloser
16 Controller Replacement program has the highest total 2023-2026 risk reduction
17 score of the mitigations primarily focused on Failure of DOH Assets risk.²

² The information herein is subject to those limitations described in Chapter 2, Section D.

**TABLE 11-1
RISK OVERVIEW**

Line No.	Risk Name	Failure of DOH Assets
1	In Scope	Failure of assets associated with PG&E’s overhead electrical distribution system that include: poles and support structures; primary and secondary conductor; voltage regulating equipment; protection equipment; switching equipment; transformers; and PG&E-owned streetlights. Outage incidents caused by PG&E ignitions are considered reliability consequences; such incidents are captured in the Wildfire risk.
2	Out of Scope	Consequences of any ignitions associated with the failure of the electrical distribution system assets described above (which are included in the scope of the Wildfire risk) and failure of assets due to the activities of PG&E employees, PG&E contractors, and third parties (which are included in the scope of the Employee Safety Incident, Contractor Safety Incident, Third-Party Incident and Motor Vehicle Incident risks) are not considered.
3	Data Quantification Sources ^(a)	Data associated with the drivers/source of failures and data associated with reliability impact of failures are taken from PG&E’s DOH Outage Dataset from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2019. Data associated with the safety consequences of failures is taken from PG&E’s Electric Incident Reports from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2019. Data associated with the financial impact of failures is taken from PG&E’s DOH Restoration Costs Dataset from January 1, 2017 to September 30, 2019.
<p>(a) Source documents will be provided with the workpapers on July 17, 2020.</p>		

1 **1. Risk Overview**

2 PG&E’s Electric Operations line of business manages more than
3 80,000 circuit miles of primary overhead distribution lines and associated
4 equipment. Failure of these assets can result in outages and can also have
5 significant public safety impacts.

6 **2. Risk Definition**

7 Failure of distribution overhead assets or lack of remote operational
8 functionality may result in public or employee safety issues, property
9 damage, environmental damage, or inability to deliver energy.

10 **B. Risk Assessment**

11 **1. Background and Evolution**

12 Historically, PG&E analyzed the risk of electric overhead distribution
13 system asset failures on an asset type basis, with a separate risk profile for
14 each asset type such as primary conductors, poles, transformers, etc.
15 When the 2017 RAMP was filed, the Electric Operations Risk Register had

1 eight different risks related to overhead distribution assets.³ Only one of
2 these risks, DOH Conductor – Primary, was included in the 2017 RAMP.⁴

3 In 2018, Electric Operations combined the risks associated with
4 individual overhead distribution system asset types into a consolidated
5 Failure of DOH Assets risk that includes all asset types. This is part of
6 PG&E’s migration towards an event-based risk register. The consolidation
7 supports a holistic analysis of the risk of overhead electric distribution asset
8 failure as it addresses all the drivers that may cause a failure “event.”

9 The Failure of DOH Assets risk in the 2020 RAMP includes the
10 equipment failure-related components of the DOH Conductor – Primary risk
11 from the 2017 RAMP, as well as additional scope related to failures of all the
12 other electric distribution overhead asset types (i.e., poles, voltage
13 regulating equipment, protective equipment, switching equipment,
14 transformers, secondary conductor, and streetlights).

15 In the 2017 RAMP discussion of the DOH Conductor – Primary risk,
16 PG&E noted that its risk model had “highlighted the need to differentiate
17 between the two events currently included in the Third-Party Safety Incident,
18 and Motor Vehicle Safety Incident risks, i.e., contact with intact conductor
19 and wire down events” because the two events had significantly different
20 causes and consequences. PG&E stated that it would evaluate whether to
21 separate the third-party contact with intact driver from the DOH Conductor –
22 Primary risk.⁵ PG&E performed the evaluations and concluded that safety
23 incidents involving conductors caused by PG&E employees, PG&E
24 contractors, and third-parties should be analyzed and managed separately
25 from safety incidents due to equipment failures related to conductor,
26 because the consequences and mitigations are quite different. These

3 These eight risks were: (1) Distribution Overhead Conductor – Primary; (2) Distribution Poles; (3) Distribution Overhead Line Equipment – Voltage Regulators, Booster, and Capacitors; (4) Distribution Overhead Line Equipment – Protective; (5) Distribution Overhead Conductor – Secondary; (6) Distribution Overhead Transformers; (7) Distribution Overhead Streetlight Structures; and, (8) Distribution Overhead – General.

4 2017 RAMP Report of PG&E, Investigation (I.) 17-11-003 (Nov. 30, 2017) (2017 RAMP Report), Chapter 9.

5 2017 RAMP Report, p. 9-28.

1 employee, contractor, and third-party incidents are now being managed by
2 PG&E's Safety, Health, Enterprise Corrective Action Plan (ECAP),
3 Department of Transportation (DOT) (collectively, SHED) organization in the
4 Third-Party Safety Incident, Employee Safety Incident, Contractor Safety
5 Incident, and Motor Vehicle Safety Incident risks.⁶

6 The drivers, controls, and mitigations for the DOH Conductor – Primary
7 2017 RAMP risk are broadly applicable to the other asset types as
8 described in connection with the new Failure of DOH Assets 2020 RAMP
9 risk. There have been some adjustments in drivers and consequences and
10 certain additional controls and mitigations have been considered because of
11 the additional equipment types covered by the new risk.

⁶ The Third-Party Safety Incident, Employee Safety Incident, Contractor Safety Incident, and Motor Vehicle Safety Incident risks are discussed in Chapters 14 through 18 of this report.

2. Risk Bowtie

FIGURE 11-1
RISK BOWTIE



1 **a. Difference from 2017 Risk Bowtie**

2 Failure of DOH Assets was not included as a risk in the 2017
3 RAMP.

4 **3. Exposure to Risk**

5 PG&E’s electric overhead distribution system consists of more than
6 80,000 circuit miles of primary conductor and associated assets. PG&E
7 models its exposure to the Failure of DOH Assets risk based on the number
8 of circuit miles of primary distribution conductor on its system. PG&E uses
9 outages as a proxy for electric distribution overhead asset failures.

10 **4. Tranches**

11 When PG&E presented its preliminary tranching of the Failure of DOH
12 Assets risk to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC or
13 Commission) and intervenors at the February 4, 2020 workshop, PG&E
14 used two tranches: circuits with (1) a less than 50 percent or (2) a greater
15 than 50 percent chance of conductor failure based on historical asset health
16 and other factors. PG&E received feedback that it should consider tranches
17 based on location/environmental characteristics and that it should also
18 attempt to capture failures of other asset types besides conductor as part of
19 its tranching. Based on this feedback, PG&E is now dividing the Failure of
20 DOH Assets risk into five tranches. Two of these five tranches are used to
21 separate out two groups of circuits that PG&E has historically identified as
22 carrying an increased risk for asset failure:

23 Elevated Wire-downs (Small Copper Conductors): Small copper conductor
24 (4-CU and 6-CU) contributes to many wire-down incidents and is a focus for
25 PG&E’s risk reduction efforts. Some small copper conductor is present on
26 more than 80 percent of PG&E’s distribution circuits. To create a
27 reasonable tranche that would differentiate between circuits with a small
28 amount of copper conductor and a more significant amount, PG&E set the
29 threshold for this tranche as any circuit with 7.5 percent or more of its length
30 wired with either 4-CU or 6-CU conductor, or a combination of the two. This
31 tranche includes 22,298 circuit miles or approximately 28 percent of PG&E’s
32 overhead distribution system.

1 Circuits with Aluminum Conductor Steel-Reinforced (ACSR) in Corrosion
 2 Zones: These are circuits with ACSR in designated corrosion zones in the
 3 Central Coast and Los Padres Divisions. PG&E had previously identified
 4 these circuits as having a significantly higher historical failure rate for
 5 conductor and connectors than the system average. This tranche includes
 6 4,796 circuit miles or 6 percent of PG&E's overhead distribution system.

7 After separating out the two tranches described above, PG&E further
 8 divided the remaining circuits into three additional tranches based on
 9 reliability performance:

10 Poor Reliability Performance: Circuits within the 66th to 100th percentile of
 11 the reliability scores provided in Electric Operations Work Plan 2020. This
 12 tranche includes 33,349 circuit miles or approximately 41 percent of PG&E's
 13 overhead distribution system.

14 Moderate Reliability Performance: Circuits within the 33rd to 66th percentile
 15 of reliability scores provided in Electric Operations Work Plan 2020. This
 16 tranche includes 15,798 circuit miles or approximately 20 percent of PG&E's
 17 overhead distribution system.

18 High Reliability Performance: Circuits within the 0-33rd percentile of
 19 reliability scores provided in Electric Operations Work Plan 2020. This
 20 tranche includes 4,475 circuit miles or approximately 6 percent of PG&E's
 21 overhead distribution system.

22 Table 11-2 below provides the tranche-level results of the risk analysis.

**TABLE 11-2
 TRANCHE LEVEL RISK ANALYSIS RESULTS**

Line No.	Tranche	Percent Exposure	Safety Risk Score	Reliability Risk Score	Financial Risk Score	Total Risk Score	Percent Risk
1	Elevated Wire-Downs (Small Copper Conductor)	28%	4.4	92.8	15.7	112.9	21%
2	Circuits w/ Aluminum Conductor Steel-Reinforced in Corrosion Zones	6%	1.6	48.1	6.0	55.8	11%
3	Poor Reliability Performance	41%	7.9	259.3	29.1	296.3	56%
4	Moderate Reliability Performance	20%	3.0	40.9	10.9	54.8	10%
5	High Reliability Performance	6%	0.6	3.4	2.1	6.1	1%
6	Total	100%	17.6	444.6	63.8	526.0	100%

1 **5. Cross-Cutting Factors**

2 A cross-cutting factor is a driver or control that is related to multiple
 3 risks. PG&E is presenting eight cross-cutting factors in the 2020 RAMP.
 4 The cross-cutting factors that impact the Failure of DOH Assets risk are
 5 shown in Table 11-3 below. The cross-cutting factors and the mitigations
 6 and controls that PG&E is proposing to mitigate the cross-cutting factors are
 7 described in Chapter 20.

**TABLE 11-3
 CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY**

Line No.	Cross-Cutting Factor	Impacts Likelihood	Impacts Consequence
1	Climate Change	X	
2	Emergency Preparedness and Response		X
3	Information Technology Asset Failure		X
4	Physical Attack	X	
5	Records and Information Management	X	X
6	Seismic	X	X
7	Skilled and Qualified Workforce	X	

8 When analyzing the Failure of DOH Assets risk PG&E considered the
 9 cross-cutting factor Climate Change. Climate change presents ongoing and
 10 future risks to PG&E’s assets, operations, employees, customers, and the
 11 communities it serves. Electric distribution overhead assets can be
 12 sensitive to natural hazards, including extreme heat events, major rain
 13 events, major snow/ice events, extreme wind, lightning, flooding due to
 14 extreme precipitation, subsidence, and others. To reflect the impact of
 15 changing climate conditions on this risk, PG&E used climate projections to
 16 modify the expected frequency of these natural hazard sub-drivers and
 17 thereby the frequency of risk occurrence.

18 PG&E is continuing to evaluate the impact that Cyber Attack has on
 19 RAMP risks and expects to present Cyber Attack as a cross-cutting factor
 20 relative to additional RAMP risks in the 2023 GRC.

21 **6. Drivers and Associated Frequency**

22 PG&E identified nine drivers and 61 sub-drivers for the Failure of DOH
 23 Assets risk. Each driver and its associated 2023 test-year estimated

1 frequency is discussed below. A complete list of sub-drivers is provided in
2 supporting workpapers.⁷

3 **D1 – Distribution Line (D-Line) Equipment Failure:** Failure events due to
4 transformer, conductor, connector, cross-arm, and other electric distribution
5 overhead asset failures. The D-Line Equipment Failure driver accounts for
6 8,663 (35 percent) of the 24,834 annual expected number of outages.

7 **D2 – Other:** Failure events without known causes (e.g., patrol found
8 nothing). The Other driver accounts for 7,348 (30 percent) of the
9 24,834 annual expected number of outages.

10 **D3 – Vegetation:** Failure events caused by trees, tree limbs, or other
11 vegetation. Sub-drivers for the Vegetation driver capture whether the
12 incident was due to a tree falling into lines (including whether the tree has
13 visible defects), a branch (including whether the branch was overhanging or
14 not and, if not, what distance it was from the lines), or a grow-in. The
15 Vegetation driver accounts for 5,279 (21 percent) of the 24,834 annual
16 expected number of outages.

17 **D4 – Animal:** Failure events caused by animals such as birds or squirrels.
18 The Animal driver accounts for 1,999 (8 percent) of the 24,834 annual
19 expected number of outages.

20 **D5 – Natural Hazard:** Failure events caused by natural hazards such as
21 lightning, flood, ice or snow, and heat wave. The Natural Hazard driver
22 accounts for 1,188 (5 percent) of the 24,834 annual expected number of
23 outages.

24 **D6 – Other PG&E Assets or Processes:** Failure events caused by PG&E
25 processes (e.g., return circuit normal) or non-overhead assets such as
26 generators, metering equipment, etc. The Other PG&E Assets or Processes
27 driver accounts for 149 (1 percent) of the 24,834 annual expected number of
28 outages.

29 **D7 – Human Performance:** Failure events caused by PG&E employees
30 based on improper construction, operating error or other actions. The

⁷ A list of sub-drivers will be included in the modeling workpapers that will be provided on July 17, 2020.

1 Human Performance driver accounts for 119 (less than 1 percent) of the
2 24,834 annual expected number of outages.

3 **D8 – Seismic Scenario (Cross-Cutting):** Failure events caused by seismic
4 activity. This risk is described further in Chapter 20 of this filing. The
5 Seismic Scenario driver accounts for 41 (less than 1 percent) of the
6 24,834 annual expected number of outages.

7 **D9 – Skilled and Qualified Workforce (Cross-Cutting):** Failure events
8 caused by lack of a sufficiently trained workforce. This risk is described
9 further in Chapter 20 of this filing. The Skilled and Qualified Workforce
10 driver accounts for 15 (less than 1 percent) of the 24,834 annual expected
11 number of outages.

12 7. Consequences

13 The Failure of DOH Assets bowtie includes four outcomes for an asset
14 failure:

15 Asset Failures Associated with an Ignition: If an ignition was found to be
16 associated with an outage on the electric distribution overhead system, that
17 outage is tagged as an “asset failure associated with an ignition.” Asset
18 failures associated with an ignition account for approximately 2 percent of
19 the frequency associated with the Failure of DOH Assets risk. The
20 consequences of failures associated with ignitions are considered in PG&E’s
21 Wildfire risk model, but PG&E is including them in the bowtie here so that it
22 is clear what portion of Failure of DOH Assets incidents contribute to the
23 Wildfire model. For the purposes of the Failure of DOH Assets model,
24 PG&E is setting the risk score of these incidents to zero.

25 Asset Failures Associated with a Seismic Scenario: Electric distribution
26 overhead asset failures caused by seismic activity account for less than
27 1 percent of the frequency associated with this risk but 12 percent of the
28 risk score.

29 Asset Failures Associated with an Information Technology (IT) Asset
30 Failure: These failures are estimated to account for less than 1 percent of
31 both the frequency and the risk score for this risk.

32 Failure Not Associated with an Ignition, and not Coincident with IT Asset
33 Failure: Outages on the electric distribution overhead system not

1 associated with an ignition, seismic scenario, or IT asset failure account for
2 98 percent of the frequency and 87 percent of the risk score for this risk.

3 Table 11-4 shows the consequences of this risk event. Model attributes
4 are discussed in Chapter 3, Risk Modeling and Risk Spend Efficiency.

TABLE 11-4
RISK EVENT CONSEQUENCES

	CoRE %Freq %Risk			Natural Units Per Event			CoRE			Natural Units per Year			Attribute Risk Score		
	CoRE	%Freq	%Risk	Safety EF/event	Electric Reliability MCM/event	Financial \$M/event	Safety	Electric Reliability	Financial	Safety EF/yr	Electric Reliability MCM/yr	Financial \$M/yr	Safety	Electric Reliability	Financial
Asset Failure / Not associated with Ignition / Not coincided with IT Asset Failure	0.02	98%	87%	0.00001	0.031	0.005	0.0007	0.016	0.003	0.350	756	127.1	17.5	378.1	63.6
Asset Failure / Associated with Ignition	-	1.8%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Asset Failure / Seismic scenario	1.6	0.2%	12%	0.00001	2.680	0.009	0.0007	1.592	0.004	0.001	110	0.4	0.0	65.1	0.2
Asset Failure / Not associated with Ignition / Coincided with IT Asset Failure	0.1	0.1%	0%	0.00001	0.222	0.005	0.0007	0.113	0.003	0.000	3	0.1	0	1	0
Aggregated	0.02	100%	100%	0.00001	0.035	0.005	0.0007	0.018	0.003	0.351	869	127.5	18	445	64

1 **C. Controls and Mitigations**

2 PG&E did not include Failure of DOH Assets as a 2017 RAMP risk, but it did
3 include the Distribution Overhead Conductor – Primary (DOCP) risk, most of
4 which is now integrated into the Failure of DOH Assets risk. Tables 11-5 and
5 11-6 list all the controls and mitigations for the DOCP risk that PG&E included in
6 its 2017 RAMP and 2020 GRC, and maps them to the Failure of DOH Assets
7 controls and mitigations discussed the 2020 RAMP (for 2020-2022 and 2023-
8 2026). The tables provide a view as to those controls and mitigations that are
9 ongoing, those that are no longer in place, and new mitigations. In the following
10 sections PG&E describes the controls and mitigations for Failure of DOH Assets
11 in place in 2019, changes to the 2019 mitigations and controls presented in the
12 2017 RAMP, and then discusses new mitigations and/or significant changes to
13 mitigations and/or controls during the 2020-2022 and 2023-2026 periods.

**TABLE 11-5
CONTROLS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Control Name and Number	2017 RAMP (2016 Controls)	2020 GRC (2017-2019)	2020 GRC (2020-2022)	2020 RAMP (2020-2022)	2020 RAMP (2020-2023)
1	C1 (2017) – Public Awareness Programs	X	X	X	Becomes part of C2/C3 for Third Party Safety Incident risk	
2	C2 (2017) – Vegetation Management	X	X	X	Becomes C1	
3	C3 (2017) – Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account – Vegetation Management	X	X	X	Becomes C2	
4	C4 (2017) – Overhead Electric Distribution Preventive Maintenance	X	X	X	Becomes C3	
5	C5 (2017) – Overhead Conductor Replacement	X	X	X	Becomes C4	
6	C6 (2017) – Overhead Patrols and Inspections	X	X	X	Becomes C5	
7	C7 (2017) – Overhead Infrared Inspections	X	X	X	Becomes C6	
8	C8 (2017) – Targeted Circuits Program	X	X	X	Becomes C12	
9	C9 (2017) – Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition	X	X	X	Becomes C7	
10	C10 (2017) – Annual Protection Reviews	X	X	X	Becomes C8	
11	C11 (2017) – Electric Distribution Line and Equipment Capacity	X	X	X	Becomes C9	
13	C1 – Vegetation Management (was C2 (2017))				X	X
14	C2 – Vegetation Management - Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account – (was C3 (2017))				X	X
15	C3 – Equipment Preventive Maintenance and Replacement – Distribution Overhead (was C4 (2017))				X	X

**TABLE 11-5
CONTROLS SUMMARY
(CONTINUED)**

Line No.	Control Name and Number	2017 RAMP (2016 Controls)	2020 GRC (2017-2019)	2020 GRC (2020-2022)	2020 RAMP (2020-2022)	2020 RAMP (2020-2023)
16	C4 – Overhead Conductor Replacement (was C5 (2017))				X	X
17	C5 – Patrols and Inspections – Distribution Overhead (was C6 (2017))				X	X
18	C6 – Overhead Infrared Inspections (was C7 (2017))				X	X
19	C7 – Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (was C9 (2017))				X	X
20	C8 – Annual Protection Reviews (was C10 (2017))				X	X
21	C9 – Electric Distribution Line and Equipment Capacity (was part of C8 (2017))				X	X
22	C10 – Design Standards				X	X
23	C11 – Pole Programs				X	X
24	C12 – Targeted Reliability Program (was C8 (2017))				X	X
25	C13-Enhanced Inspections-Distribution				X	X

**TABLE 11-6
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	2017 RAMP (2017-2019)	2020 GRC (2017-2019)	2020 GRC (2020-2022)	2020 RAMP (2020-2022)	2020 RAMP (2023-2026)
1	M3 (2017) – Additional Public Awareness	X	X	X	Becomes part of C2/C3 for Third Party Safety Incident risk	
2	M8 (2017) – Overhang Clearing	X	Becomes part of M8 (2020 GRC)			
3	M8 (2020 GRC) – Enhanced Vegetation Management		X	X	Becomes M1	
4	M1 – Enhanced Vegetation Management				X	X
5	M2 – System Hardening				X	X
6	M3 – Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement				X	X
7	M4 – Expulsion Fuse Replacement				X	X
8	M5 – Additional Asset Data Capture – Outage Information Reporting, Outage Cause, and Failure Analysis				X	X
9	M6 – Grasshopper/KPF Switch Replacement				X	X
10	M7 – Regulated Output (RO) Streetlight Replacement				X	X
11	M8 – Ceramic Post Insulator Replacement				X	X
12	M9 – Improved Distribution Risk Model				X	X
13	M10 – 3A and 4C Line Recloser Controller Replacement				X	X
14	M11 – Remote Grid				X	

1 **1. 2019 Controls and Mitigations**

2 **a. Controls**

3 **C1 – Vegetation Management – Distribution Overhead:** PG&E’s
4 Vegetation Management program was developed in coordination with
5 General Order (GO) 95, Rule 35 and California Public Resources Code
6 sections 4292 and 4293. The program includes “routine”
7 compliance-based vegetation management, including periodic
8 inspections, clearing of vegetation around lines and around poles with
9 equipment that poses a fire risk, and quality assurance. In 2018 and
10 2019, PG&E increased vegetation-to-conductor clearances from
11 18 inches to 48 inches in High Fire Threat District (HFTD) areas as
12 required by the CPUC in Decision 17-12-024. This control has the
13 potential to reduce the Vegetation driver.

14 **C2 – Vegetation Management – Catastrophic Emergency**
15 **Memorandum Account (CEMA):** Since 2014, PG&E has undertaken
16 several initiatives intended to address the risks associated with tree
17 mortality stemming from prolonged drought conditions and bark beetle
18 infestation, which caused California’s Governor to declare an ongoing
19 state of emergency in 2015.⁸ These initiatives, which are funded
20 through the Catastrophic Emergency Memorandum Account, include
21 additional inspections and tree work in areas of PG&E’s service territory
22 that are at higher risk for tree mortality or wildfire, including HFTD areas,
23 State Responsibility Areas, and Wildland-Urban Interface. This control
24 has the potential to reduce the Vegetation driver.

25 **C3 – Equipment Preventive Maintenance and Replacement –**
26 **Distribution Overhead:** Proactive identification and repair or
27 replacement of critical overhead distribution equipment, such as cross-
28 arms, transformers, capacitors, reclosers and switches. Equipment is
29 identified through the Patrol and Inspections – Distribution Overhead
30 (C5) control or through ad hoc inspection. This control involves both
31 expense and capital work.

⁸ Governor’s Proclamation of a State of Emergency, October 30, 2015.

1 In 2019, PG&E's accelerated and enhanced Wildfire Safety
2 Inspection Program (WSIP) inspection process in Tier 2 and Tier 3
3 HFTD areas (described below in connection with the Patrol and
4 Inspections – Distribution Overhead (C5) control) identified a substantial
5 amount of repair and replacement work (maintenance tags) to be
6 completed. PG&E has completed the high priority corrective actions
7 identified as necessary during the WSIP inspections and will complete
8 the lower priority work over the next three years, with prioritization based
9 on a risk-based approach. This control has the potential to reduce the
10 D-Line Equipment Failure driver.

11 **C4 – Overhead Conductor Replacement:** The overhead conductor
12 replacement program replaces spans of conductor that have failed or
13 are likely to fail, based on historical events and conductor attributes that
14 include number of splices, fault duty, and exposure to harsh
15 environments, such as coastal salt and fog. The program also includes
16 post-wire down event investigations and splice data reviews. Note that
17 this program involves the replacement of bare conductor with upgraded
18 bare conductor in non-HFTD areas. In HFTD areas, when PG&E
19 replaces existing bare conductor, it installs covered conductor as part of
20 the M2 System Hardening mitigation described below. The Overhead
21 Conductor Replacement control has the potential to reduce the D-Line
22 Equipment Failure driver, specifically the Conductor sub-driver.

23 **C5 – Patrols and Inspections – Distribution Overhead:** PG&E
24 regularly patrols and inspects its electric distribution overhead facilities
25 to identify damaged assets, compelling abnormal conditions, regulatory
26 conditions, and third-party caused infractions that negatively impact
27 safety or reliability, including conditions that may pose a risk of
28 equipment failure. The pre-2019 baseline inspection program was
29 designed in accordance with regulatory requirements (GO 165).

30 In 2019, PG&E performed supplemental inspections, using
31 enhanced inspection criteria and expanded documentation
32 requirements, of all its electric distribution overhead facilities located in
33 HFTD Tier 2 and Tier 3 areas as part of its WSIP. This supplemental
34 assessment included the use of mobile applications instead of paper

1 maps and the collection of additional asset condition data and
2 photographs. Going forward, PG&E will integrate WSIP criteria, tools,
3 and process controls into its routine overhead inspection process for
4 PG&E's entire distribution system. In addition, PG&E will adjust the
5 cadence of inspections in alignment with wildfire risk and other risks. As
6 discussed further in Section E.1, below, PG&E is piloting an RSE
7 calculation for the portion of this control that relates to overhead
8 inspections, which is designated as C13 – Enhanced Inspections. This
9 control has the potential to reduce the D-Line Equipment Failure driver.

10 **C6 – Overhead Infrared Inspections:** The infrared inspection program
11 targets the physical inspection of overhead conductors using
12 thermographic technology to identify damaged or deteriorated
13 conductors and connectors. Through 2019, infrared inspections
14 included a multi-year, system-wide survey to identify and record the
15 number and location of splices on electric distribution overhead primary
16 conductors for future use in the evaluation of system risk and
17 prioritization of conductor replacement projects. Going forward, infrared
18 inspections will be conducted on circuits on a risk-prioritized basis, with
19 a focus on Tier 2 and Tier 3 HFTD areas. This control has the potential
20 to reduce the D-Line Equipment Failure driver.

21 **C7 – Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition:** This program
22 includes the installation, upgrade and replacement of remotely
23 controlled automation and protection equipment in distribution
24 substations and on feeder circuits. This work improves operating
25 efficiency, enables better outage response and diagnosis, improves
26 system protection, and improves employee and public safety by
27 enabling PG&E to automatically and remotely de-energize lines in
28 response to emergencies such as wires down. This control has the
29 potential to reduce the Other driver.

30 **C8 – Annual Protection Reviews:** This engineering program primarily
31 covers electric distribution engineering and planning work which
32 supports a variety of asset management activities and is necessary to
33 safely and reliably plan, design, and operate PG&E's electric distribution
34 system. General engineering work includes reviews of distribution

1 system protection equipment and settings to ensure the devices will
2 operate correctly and in a coordinated fashion. This control has the
3 potential to reduce the D-Line Equipment Failure driver.

4 **C9 – Electric Distribution Line and Equipment Capacity:** Although
5 the primary purpose of PG&E’s capacity program is to mitigate existing
6 or projected overloads and voltage levels, these anomalies can also
7 lead to equipment failure. When overloaded line equipment and
8 conductors fail, service reliability is reduced and public safety concerns
9 (such as wires down) can be created. These effects are mitigated by
10 addressing potential overload conditions before they occur by installing
11 and/or replacing equipment to increase capacity. These projects also
12 sometimes include conductor replacement. This control has the
13 potential to reduce the D-Line Equipment Failure and Other drivers.

14 **C10 – Design Standards:** General standards for proper installation,
15 maintenance and operation of equipment to ensure safe and reliable
16 operation. PG&E is continually evolving its design standards to improve
17 efficiency and reduce risk.⁹ For example, Utility Bulletin TD-9001B-009
18 sets forth standards to be used in new construction and system
19 upgrades in HFTD areas. This control has the potential to reduce all
20 drivers.

21 **C11 – Pole Programs:** This control includes multiple activities related
22 to distribution poles, including intrusive testing, remediation, and loading
23 assessment. Distribution wood poles are remediated (through
24 replacement or reinforcement) when necessary, based on observed
25 degradation. In addition, in 2019 PG&E initiated a new pole loading
26 assessment proof of concept to enhance the analysis of its existing
27 distribution wood poles. At the same time, PG&E has strengthened the
28 safety factor requirements included in its pole loading model
29 parameters. For example, sizing for new and replacement distribution
30 poles now considers peak historical wind speeds in areas where they

⁹ PG&E Utility Bulletin TD-9001B-009, Rev. 2, Fire Rebuild Design Guidance for System Hardening (Nov. 15, 2019). The Bulletin was first published in October 2018 and continues to evolve.

1 exceed GO 95 wind speeds. This control has the potential to reduce the
2 D-Line Equipment Failure driver.

3 **C12 – Targeted Reliability Program:** This control includes targeted
4 work to improve reliability. Typically, the work involves a combination of
5 new fuse and line recloser installations, conductor replacements,
6 installation of fault indicators, reframing of poles to increase phase
7 separation, installation of bird/animal guards, and other maintenance,
8 inspection, and vegetation management work. At the time of the 2017
9 RAMP, this work was performed as part of PG&E’s Targeted Circuits
10 program. PG&E’s current program focuses more narrowly on localized
11 reliability issues rather than considering entire circuits. This control has
12 the potential to reduce the D-Line Equipment Failure driver.

13 **b. Mitigations**

14 **M1 – Enhanced Vegetation Management (EVM):** Since 2018, PG&E
15 has significantly expanded its traditional vegetation management
16 activities around distribution lines in HFTD areas to reduce the likelihood
17 of vegetation contacting lines. Though intended primarily as a mitigation
18 for the Wildfire risk, EVM also has the potential to reduce the Vegetation
19 driver of the Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets risk.¹⁰

20 **M2 – System Hardening:** The System Hardening program is an
21 ongoing, long-term capital investment program to rebuild portions of
22 PG&E’s overhead electric distribution system. Over the course of this
23 program, PG&E plans to upgrade approximately 7,100 miles of
24 overhead distribution circuit in HFTD areas. Though intended primarily
25 as a mitigation for the Wildfire risk, System Hardening also reduces the
26 D-Line Equipment Failure, Animal, Natural Hazard, Other, Other PG&E

¹⁰ The EVM mitigation is discussed in greater detail in connection with the Wildfire risk in Chapter 10. EVM is a mitigation that impacts two RAMP risks—Wildfire and Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets—because it will reduce both ignitions and equipment failure. The primary benefit of the mitigation is to reduce Wildfire risk. PG&E calculated the aggregated risk reduction for both risks and divided that score by the total cost of the mitigation to calculate the overall RSE for the mitigation.

1 Assets or Processes and Vegetation driver of the Failure of Electric
2 Overhead Assets risk.¹¹

3 **M3 – Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement:** This program, which
4 is being implemented throughout PG&E’s system, will replace non-
5 exempt surge arresters with new exempt surge arresters, and correct
6 abnormal grounding conditions where necessary. The purpose of this
7 mitigation is primarily to reduce fire risk and bring grounding into
8 compliance, but it will also reduce the likelihood of equipment failures
9 associated with surge arresters by replacing old equipment with new
10 equipment.¹² In 2019, PG&E replaced 4,611 non-exempt surge
11 arresters as part of this program. The program is expected to continue
12 through 2023. This mitigation has the potential to reduce the D-Line
13 Equipment Failure driver.

14 **M4 – Expulsion Fuse Replacement:** Beginning in 2019, PG&E is
15 targeting replacement of 625 non-exempt fuses per year for seven years
16 on poles located in HFTD areas. Although the primary purpose of this
17 program is to reduce Wildfire risk, it will also reduce the risk of
18 equipment failure associated with the fuses that are replaced.¹³

11 The System Hardening mitigation is discussed in greater detail in connection with the Wildfire risk in Chapter 10. System Hardening is a mitigation that impacts three RAMP risks—Wildfire, Failure of Distribution Overhead Assets, Third Party Safety Incident—because it will reduce both ignitions and equipment failure, and reduce the potential for third party contact with energized conductors. The primary benefit of the mitigation is to reduce Wildfire risk. PG&E calculated the aggregated risk reduction score for all three risks and divided that score by the total cost of the mitigation to calculate the overall RSE for the mitigation.

12 Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement is a mitigation for two RAMP risks—Wildfire and Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets—because it will reduce both ignitions and equipment failure. The primary benefit of the mitigation is to reduce Wildfire risk. PG&E calculated the aggregated risk reduction score for both risks and divided that score by the total cost of the mitigation to calculate the overall RSE for the mitigation.

13 The Expulsion Fuse mitigation is discussed in greater detail in connection with the Wildfire risk in Chapter 10. The Expulsion Fuse program is a mitigation for two RAMP risks—Wildfire and Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets—because it will reduce both ignitions and equipment failure. The primary benefit of the mitigation is to reduce Wildfire risk. PG&E calculated the aggregated risk reduction score for both risks and divided that score by the total cost of the mitigation to calculate the overall RSE for the mitigation.

1 This mitigation has the potential to reduce the D-Line Equipment
2 Failure driver.

3 **M5 – Additional Asset Data Capture – Outage Information**

4 **Reporting, Outage Cause, and Failure Analysis:** This mitigation
5 consists of various efforts to improve PG&E’s ability to capture
6 information about the location and cause of outages, and about the
7 reasons for equipment failures. It may include facilitating asset data
8 capture on mobile devices in the field or automatically, efforts to improve
9 PG&E’s outage database, and changes in standards and procedures to
10 expand the amount of asset failure information gathered by field
11 personnel. These improvements will facilitate PG&E’s move towards a
12 more data-driven, risk-based asset management strategy. PG&E
13 considers this to be a foundational activity because it supports other
14 controls and mitigations rather than directly reducing risk. As a result,
15 PG&E is not calculating a risk reduction score or an RSE for this
16 mitigation.

17 **M6 – Grasshopper/KPF Switch Replacement:** Grasshopper and KPF
18 switches are obsolete types of overhead distribution line switches which
19 PG&E is eliminating from its system. PG&E’s ongoing
20 Grasshopper/KPF Switch Replacement Program proactively replaces
21 obsolete switches installed between 1950 and 1970 to minimize
22 potential safety issues during routine and emergency switching
23 operations and improve reliability. In 2019, PG&E replaced eight
24 switches as part of this program. PG&E estimates that as of the end of
25 2019 there are 151 additional switches that need to be replaced. This
26 mitigation has the potential to reduce the D-Line Equipment Failure
27 driver.

28 **M7 – Regulated Output (RO) Streetlight Replacement:** This is a
29 program to replace a small number of antiquated RO streetlights that
30 PG&E owns and operates in San Francisco. These RO streetlights are
31 prone to failure and difficult to maintain; in some cases, spare parts are
32 no longer manufactured and cannot be obtained. PG&E completed
33 replacement of 22 of 24 RO loops in 2019; there are still 49 additional
34 streetlights that need to be converted to complete work on the remaining

1 2 RO loops. PG&E is not currently planning to perform any work in this
2 program in 2020-2022 because of the City and County of
3 San Francisco's (CCSF) 5-year paving moratorium, which went into
4 effect in late 2017. Instead, PG&E plans to replace the 49 remaining
5 RO streetlights in 2023 when the 5-year moratorium expires.¹⁴ This
6 mitigation has the potential to reduce the Other PG&E Assets or
7 Processes driver.

8 **M8 – Ceramic Post Insulator Replacement:** This program will replace
9 ceramic post insulators manufactured prior to 1972. Manufacturing
10 techniques for ceramic insulators in the 1960s and 1970s were not as
11 advanced as today. PG&E has determined that over time these older
12 insulators may experience failures at lower-than-rated cantilever
13 strength. PG&E linemen have expressed safety concerns regarding
14 these insulators and, depending on failure mode, a failed ceramic post
15 insulator can carry an energized conductor down to the ground creating
16 a potential safety hazard to the public and utility workers. This
17 mitigation program is targeted at replacing the existing population of
18 vintage ceramic insulators with newer post insulators made of composite
19 materials that have a lower risk of breaking. The program will focus on
20 poles that are already being targeted through PG&E's ongoing
21 Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement program. PG&E estimates
22 that it will replace older ceramic post insulators on approximately
23 4,589 poles in connection with the Non-Exempt Surge Arrester
24 Replacement program. Additional replacements will occur on an
25 ad hoc basis in other ongoing programs when they identify older
26 ceramic post insulators, but these replacements are outside the scope
27 of the mitigation considered here. As of February 2020, PG&E has
28 replaced approximately 820 older ceramic post insulators through the
29 program; the program is scheduled to end in 2023 at the same time
30 the Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement program is completed.

¹⁴ PG&E has approached CCSF about the possibility of making an exception to the paving moratorium for this work. If CCSF agrees, PG&E may complete the remaining replacements prior to 2023.

1 This program has the potential to mitigate the D-Line Equipment
2 Failure driver.

3 **c. 2017 RAMP Update**

4 With a couple of exceptions, PG&E is presenting the same controls
5 for the Failure of DOH Assets risk in the 2020 RAMP as it did for the
6 DOCP risk in the 2017 RAMP though the numbering and in some cases
7 naming of the controls is slightly different. One DOCP control from the
8 2017 RAMP, Public Awareness, has not been carried forward to the
9 Failure of DOH Assets risk because that program was designed to
10 reduce third party contact with energized conductors, which is now
11 addressed as part of the Third-Party Safety Incident RAMP risk. PG&E
12 has added two new controls – Design Standards and Pole Programs –
13 which relate to electric distribution overhead assets other than
14 conductor. Also, the scope of asset-based controls such as Equipment
15 Preventive Maintenance and Replacement now extends to all electric
16 distribution overhead line assets, not just conductor.

17 PG&E proposed two mitigations for DOCP in the 2017 RAMP. One
18 of these, Additional Public Awareness Outreach, is not carried forward
19 to the Failure of DOH Assets risk because, like the Public Awareness
20 control discussed above, it is now in the scope of the Third-Party Safety
21 Incident RAMP risk. The second mitigation, Overhang Clearing, was
22 subsumed in the Enhanced Vegetation Management mitigation
23 presented in the GRC, and that continues to be the case here. PG&E is
24 proposing several asset-based mitigations for Failure of DOH Assets in
25 the 2020 RAMP that post-date the filing of the 2017 RAMP and/or which
26 target electric distribution overhead assets other than conductor and
27 therefore would not have been mitigations for DOCP risk. These
28 mitigations include: System Hardening, Non-Exempt Surge Arrester
29 Replacement, Expulsion Fuse Replacement, Grasshopper/KPF Switch
30 Replacement, RO Streetlight Replacement, Ceramic Post Insulator
31 Replacement, and 3A and 4C Line Recloser Controller Replacement.
32 Two other proposed mitigations—Asset Data Capture and Improved
33 Distribution Risk Model—are new activities that did not exist at the time
34 the 2017 RAMP was filed.

1 **D. 2020-2022 Control and Mitigation Plan**

2 **1. Changes to Controls**

3 In general, PG&E will continue to implement the same controls in
4 2020-2022 as it did in 2019. Significant changes to existing controls are
5 discussed below.

6 **C4 – Overhead Conductor Replacement:** PG&E is evaluating a possible
7 increase in its current planned mileage of overhead conductor replacement.
8 This increase could begin as early as 2022. PG&E will discuss any such
9 proposed increase in the 2023 GRC.

10 **C5 – Overhead Patrols and Inspections:** For 2020 and beyond, PG&E is
11 incorporating fire-risk considerations identified as part of the WSIP process
12 and baseline compliance guidelines into a checklist-guided paperless
13 approach for facilities inspections. PG&E will perform detailed overhead
14 inspections of overhead electric distribution facilities located in HFTD areas
15 on a risk-informed cycle; in 2020 PG&E plans to inspect all its facilities in
16 HFTD Tier 3 and one-third of its facilities in HFTD Tier 2. PG&E’s current
17 plan for non-HFTD facilities is to continue with the historical cadence of
18 detailed inspections once every five years. Future year inspection scope
19 and cadence may be adjusted based on the results of this initial cycle of
20 enhanced inspections and may shift toward more risk-informed or
21 condition-dependent cycles linked to PG&E predictive models. However, for
22 forecasting purposes, this filing assumes that PG&E will continue to inspect
23 all facilities in HFTD Tier 3 annually and facilities in HFTD Tier 2 once every
24 three years. PG&E is also performing Field Safety Reassessments of
25 pending maintenance notifications that will not be completed before the start
26 of the upcoming fire season to verify that previously identified maintenance
27 conditions have not further deteriorated to the point that they require more
28 immediate resolution.

29 **C6 – Infrared Inspections:** PG&E completed its systemwide infrared splice
30 inventory in 2019 but will continue infrared inspections of the system on a
31 regular, risk-prioritized cadence focused primarily on HFTD areas.

32 **C11 – Pole Programs:** In 2020, PG&E will begin regular use of the new
33 pole loading infrastructure assessment that it piloted in 2019. PG&E’s initial
34 goal is to assess all poles located in Tier 2 and Tier 3 HFTD areas by 2024,

1 at a rate of approximately 230,000 poles per year, to determine whether
2 existing poles are adequate under PG&E's current loading criteria.

3 **2. Changes to Mitigations**

4 In general, PG&E plans to implement the same mitigations in 2020-2022
5 as it did in 2019. Significant changes to the mitigation plan are discussed
6 below:

7 **M1 – Enhanced Vegetation Management:** PG&E's EVM program will
8 perform similar pruning and tree removal work in 2020-2022 to what it did in
9 2019. However, PG&E plans to complete less EVM work on distribution
10 lines in 2020-2022 than it did in 2019 (approximately 1,800 miles of
11 distribution line per year in 2020-2022 versus 2,498 miles in 2019). Based
12 on its assessment of routine and enhanced vegetation management work on
13 the system as a whole, beginning in 2020 PG&E plans to shift some EVM
14 resources to expand rights of way and remove incompatible trees around
15 lower voltage transmission lines (similar work is already performed around
16 higher voltage transmission lines as part of PG&E's routine vegetation
17 management).

18 **M2 – System Hardening:** PG&E plans to progressively increase the pace
19 of system hardening in the 2020-2022 period with a goal of completing
20 approximately 1,060 circuit miles in that period.

21 **M6 – Grasshopper/KPF Switch Replacement:** PG&E estimates that, as of
22 the beginning of 2020, there are approximately 151 grasshopper and KPF
23 switches that still need to be replaced. Program management anticipates
24 completing the replacement of all 151 remaining switches between 2020
25 and 2025, including 1 switch in 2020, and 30 switches per year from
26 2021-2025.

27 **M7 – RO Streetlight Replacement:** As discussed above, PG&E is not
28 currently planning to perform any RO Streetlight Replacement work in
29 2020-2022 because of the City and County of San Francisco (CCSF) paving
30 moratorium that is in effect until 2023. Work will resume in 2023.

31 PG&E is implementing three new mitigations beginning in the
32 2020-2022 time period:

33 **M9 – Improved Distribution Risk Model:** PG&E is developing an
34 improved distribution risk model that when fully implemented will provide a

1 more risk-based framework for decisions about asset inspection,
2 maintenance, and replacement of all overhead electric distribution assets.
3 Each asset will receive a risk score, in line with the Multi-Attribute Value
4 Function Framework, that considers the probability of failure (based on
5 asset health factors) and the resulting consequences (based on the function
6 and location of the assets). PG&E believes this risk-based approach will
7 address drivers of asset failure more effectively than the traditional,
8 compliance-based approach. PG&E will be continually evolving this
9 improved model through at least 2026. PG&E considers this to be a
10 foundational activity because it supports other controls and mitigations
11 rather than directly reducing risk. As a result, PG&E is not calculating a risk
12 reduction score or an RSE for this mitigation.

13 **M10 – 3A and 4C Line Recloser Controller Replacement:** PG&E uses
14 line reclosers across its electric distribution overhead system to manage,
15 locate, and isolate faults and to re-energize circuits in the event of an
16 outage. Some of these line recloser units use older model 3A or
17 4C controllers, which have limited functionality compared to newer controller
18 models. These functional limitations increase the risk of circuit failure and
19 impact PG&E’s ability to isolate faults and re-energize circuits in the event of
20 an outage. Line reclosers are also categorized as protective devices and
21 are programmed to protect customers from safety hazards due to fault
22 conditions including wire-down incidents and sustained outages. There is a
23 high risk of such fault incidents if these devices do not operate as intended.
24 In particular, because the sensor technology in existing 3A controllers is less
25 sophisticated than in newer controllers, a line recloser equipped with a 3A
26 controller may not detect all the faults that a newer controller would, which
27 may lead to a higher incidence of energized wires down. To mitigate this
28 risk, PG&E proposes to replace all 3A and 4C line recloser controllers in its
29 system with newer models.¹⁵

¹⁵ 3A and 4C Line Recloser Controller Replacement is a mitigation for two RAMP risks— Failure of DOH Assets and Third-Party Safety Incident—because it will reduce outages and third-party contact with energized conductor. The primary benefit of the mitigation is to reduce Failure of DOH Assets risk. PG&E calculated the aggregated risk reduction score for both risks and divided that score by the total cost of the mitigation to calculate the overall RSE for the mitigation.

1 PG&E estimates that there are approximately 810 of these units that will
2 need to be replaced as part of the program.¹⁶ PG&E plans to pilot this
3 program by replacing five 3A units in both 2021 and 2022 and then launch a
4 full-scale program in 2023.

5 **M11 – Remote Grid:** Remote Grid is an effort to use decentralized energy
6 sources to permanently supply energy to certain remote customers instead
7 of using hardened traditional utility infrastructure for electricity. PG&E’s
8 service territory contains pockets of isolated small customer loads that are
9 served via long electric distribution feeders; some of these feeders pass
10 through HFTD areas and some have been disconnected due to damage
11 from recent wildfires. PG&E is proposing to remove some of these long
12 feeders and instead serve customers from local, decentralized energy
13 sources. This could reduce fire ignition risk, and will also reduce outages.
14 Remote Grid could also be a cost-effective alternative to the high
15 maintenance and restoration costs associated with these long feeder lines in
16 remote areas. This mitigation addresses the D-Line Equipment Failure,
17 Vegetation, Third Party, Animal, Natural Hazard, Human Performance,
18 Other PG&E Assets or Processes and Other drivers.

19 In 2020, PG&E plans to deploy three Remote Grid projects at two sites
20 to validate use cases, design standards, deployment processes, and
21 commercial arrangements. One project is located in Briceburg, in HFTD
22 Tier 2, and will remove 1.37 miles of line. This project is being modeled as a
23 mitigation to both the Wildfire and Failure of DOH Assets risks.

24 Two projects are located at the Carrizo Plain pilot site, which is outside the
25 HFTD but involves circuit segments with high maintenance costs, and will
26 remove 23.8 miles of line. If the results of the initial projects are favorable,
27 PG&E will determine whether to propose further remote grid projects in 2021
28 and beyond. For modeling purposes, PG&E assumes there will be no
29 remote grid work in 2021 or 2022 but is presenting remote grid work as an
30 alternative mitigation for 2023-2026. See Section D.1 below.

¹⁶ PG&E estimates that there are approximately 860 of these controllers on the system, but that approximately 50 will be replaced by other programs.

1 The volume of mitigation work PG&E plans to complete in the
 2 2020-2022 period is shown in Table 11-7 below.

**TABLE 11-7
 PLANNED MITIGATIONS 2020-2022**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	Units	2020 RAMP Planned Units of Work			
			2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M1 – Enhanced Vegetation Management	Miles	1,800	1,800	1,800	5,400
2	M2 – System Hardening	Miles	241	377	442	1,060
3	M3 – Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement	Poles with surge arresters	2,511	3,091	19,340	24,942
4	M4 – Expulsion Fuse Replacement	Fuses	625	625	625	1,875
5	M5 – Additional Asset Data Capture	N/A	–	–	–	
6	M6 – Grasshopper/ KPF Switch Replacement	Switches	1	30	30	61
7	M7 – RO Streetlight Replacement	Streetlight	0	0	0	0
8	M8 – Ceramic Post Insulator Replacement	Poles with insulators	1,410	1,048	1,048	3,506
9	M9 – Improved Distribution Risk Model	N/A	–	–	–	
10	M10 – 3A and 4C Line Recloser Controller Replacements	Controller	0	5	5	10
11	M10 – Remote Grid	Miles Removed	25	0	0	25

3 The estimated costs for the work planned in 2020-2022 are shown in
 4 Tables 11-8 and 11-9 below.

**TABLE 11-8
FORECAST COSTS^(b)
EXPENSE (\$000) 2020-2022**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M5	Additional Asset Data Capture	AB	\$4,200	\$1,230	\$1,261	\$6,691
2	M9	Improved Distribution Risk Model	AB	2,900	1,435	1,471	5,806
3		Total		\$7,100	\$2,665	\$2,732	\$12,497

- (a) Mitigation M1 (Enhanced Vegetation Management) is not shown in this table because the costs for this work are aligned to the Wildfire risk (Chapter 10).
- (b) See WP 11-1.

**TABLE 11-9
FORECAST COSTS^(b)
CAPITAL (\$000) 2020-2022**

Line No.	Mit. No. ^(a)	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M3	Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement	2AR	\$8,132	\$14,359	\$62,632	\$85,123
2	M6	Grasshopper and KPF Switch Replacement	08S	30	1,135	1,165	2,330
3	M7	Regulated Output Streetlight Replacement	2AG	–	–	–	–
4	M8	Ceramic Post Insulator Replacement	2AQ	3,440	2,620	2,686	8,746
5	M10	3A and 4C Line Recloser Replacement	49B	–	513	525	1,038
6		Total		\$11,602	\$18,627	\$67,008	\$97,237

- (a) Mitigation M2 (System Hardening) is not shown in this table because the costs for this work are aligned to the Wildfire risk (Chapter 10).
- (b) See, WP 11-1.

1 E. 2023-2026 Proposed Control and Mitigation Plan

2 1. Changes to Controls and RSE for Piloted Control

3 In general, PG&E plans to continue the same level of work for controls
4 in 2023-2026 as it has planned for the 2020-2022 period.

5 PG&E committed to piloting the calculation of a risk reduction score and
6 RSE for one Electric Operations RAMP risk control in the 2020 RAMP.
7 Electric Operations is piloting the C13 – Enhanced Inspection control for the
8 Failure of DOH Assets risk. The Enhanced Inspection control consists of
9 the inspection portion of the C5 – Overhead Patrols and Inspections control

1 and includes the changes in inspection scope and cadence that began with
2 the WSIP in 2019. For modeling purposes, PG&E assumes, based on its
3 2020 work plan, that will inspect circuits in Tier 3 HFTD areas every year
4 and circuits in Tier 2 HFTD areas every three years. However, PG&E
5 continues to assess the effectiveness of the increased cadence of the
6 program and may shift its strategy as more data is made available.
7 Enhanced Inspections, which has a preliminary RSE of 0.37 for the Failure
8 of DOH Assets risk¹⁷, will reduce the D-Line Equipment Failure risk driver
9 and provide PG&E with a better understanding of its asset conditions and
10 maintenance practices. The table below shows the forecast program
11 spending and preliminary RSE for the Enhanced Inspections control.

¹⁷ Enhanced Inspections will also reduce Wildfire risk, but PG&E has not calculated a Wildfire-related risk reduction score at this time. PG&E will calculate risk reduction related to the Wildfire risk for enhanced inspections in the 2023 GRC, either separately or as part of larger inspections control.

TABLE 11-10
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION^(b)
EXPENSE 2023-2026
(\$000)

Line No.	Ctrl No.	Control Name	MAT	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	C13	Enhanced Inspections-Distribution	BFB	\$164,367	\$168,475	\$172,688	\$177,005	\$682,535	0.37	187.5
2		Total		\$164,367	\$168,475	\$172,688	\$177,005	\$682,535		

(a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

(b) See, WP 11-1.

1 **2. Changes to Mitigations**

2 In general, PG&E plans to implement the same mitigations in 2023-2026
3 as it did in the 2020-2022. Significant changes to the mitigation plan are
4 discussed below:

5 **M2 – System Hardening:** PG&E plans to continue to increase the pace of
6 system hardening with a goal of completing approximately 2,118 circuit
7 miles in the 2023-2026 period.

8 **M3 – Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement:** PG&E expects to
9 complete all replacements in the program by 2023.

10 **M5 – Grasshopper/KPF Switch Replacement:** Based on PG&E’s current
11 work plan, PG&E expects to replace 30 switches per year from 2023-2025,
12 at which point the all replacements will be completed.

13 **M7 – RO Streetlight Replacement:** PG&E is planning to resume work in
14 this program and complete all replacements in 2023.

15 **M10 – 3A and 4C Line Recloser Controller Replacement:** PG&E plans to
16 incorporate lessons learned from the pilot replacements in 2021 and 2022 to
17 launch a full-scale replacement program in 2023. PG&E is targeting
18 replacement of all remaining 3A and 4C controllers over a 10-year period
19 beginning in 2023, replacing approximately 81 units per year.

20 The volume of mitigation work PG&E plans to complete in the
21 2023-2026 period is shown in Table 11-11 below.

**TABLE 11-11
PLANNED MITIGATIONS 2023-2026**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	Units	2020 RAMP Planned Units of Work				
			2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	M1 – Enhanced Vegetation Management	Miles	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	7,200
2	M2 – System Hardening	Miles	504	540	538	536	2,118
3	M3 – Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement	Poles with surge arresters	15,890	0	0	0	15,890
4	M4 – Expulsion Fuse Replacement	Fuses	625	625	625	625	2,500
5	M5 – Additional Asset Data Capture	N/A	–	–	–	–	–
6	M6 – Grasshopper/ KPF Switch Replacement	Switches	30	30	30	0	90
7	M7 – RO Streetlight Replacement	Streetlight	49	0	0	0	49
8	M8 – Ceramic Post Insulator Replacement	Poles with insulators	499	0	0	0	499
9	M9 – Improved Distribution Risk Model	N/A	–	–	–	–	–
10	M10 – 3A and 4C Line Recloser Replacement	Controller	81	81	81	81	324

1 **3. Mitigation Risk Spend Efficiencies**

2 Tables 11-12 and 11-13 below show the planned cost, RSE and risk
3 reduction score for each of the Failure of DOH Assets risk mitigations PG&E
4 plans to implement in the 2023-26 period.

**TABLE 11-12
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION^(e)
EXPENSE (\$000) 2023-2026**

Line No.	Mit No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M1	Enhanced Vegetation Management	HN ^(b)						(c)	16.5
2	M5	Additional Asset Data Capture	AB	\$1,292	\$1,325	\$1,358	\$1,392	\$5,366	(d)	(d)
3	M9	Improved Distribution Risk Model	AB	1,508	1,545	1,584	1,624	6,261	(d)	(d)
4		Total		\$2,800	\$2,870	\$2,942	\$3,015	\$11,627		

(a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

(b) PG&E is recording costs for this work in temporary MWC IG# but expects to forecast costs for this work in the 2023 GRC in MWC HN.

(c) The costs and RSE or this mitigation are aligned to the Wildfire risk (Chapter 10).

(d) Foundational mitigation. PG&E does not calculate an RSE or risk reduction score for foundational mitigations.

(e) WP 11-1.

TABLE 11-13
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION^(d)
CAPITAL (\$000) 2023-2026

Line No.	Mit No.	Mitigation Name	MAT	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M2	System Hardening	08W						(b)	122.0
2	M3	Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement	2AR	\$47,686	-	-	-	\$47,686	0.02	0.8
3	M4	Expulsion Fuse Replacement	2AP						(b)	0.4
4	M6	Grasshopper and KPF Switch Replacement	08S	1,195	1,224	1,255	-	3,674	3.69	10.3
5	M7	Regulated Output Streetlight Replacement	2AG	5,277	-	-	-	5,277	<0.01	<0.01
6	M8	Ceramic Post Insulator Replacement	2AQ	1,310	-	-	-	1,310	0.72	0.8
7	M10	3A and 4C Line Recloser Replacement	49B	8,723	8,941	9,164	9,394	36,222	1.54 ^(c)	37.0
8		Total		\$64,192	\$10,165	\$10,419	\$9,394	\$94,169		

(a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

(b) The costs and RSE of this mitigation are aligned to the Wildfire risk (Chapter 10).

(c) The RSE includes the risk reduction for both the Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets risk and the Third-Party Safety Incident risk.

(d) See, WP 11-1.

1 More than 95 percent of PG&E's 2023-2026 spending on mitigations
2 that reduce the Failure of DOH Assets risk is for three mitigations, EVM,
3 System Hardening, and Expulsion Fuse Replacement, that are primarily
4 targeted at reducing PG&E's Wildfire risk, but also have the secondary
5 effect of reducing the number of outages due to equipment failure in the
6 areas where they are implemented. The cost of those programs and their
7 RSEs, which aggregate risk reduction of the Wildfire and Failure of DOH
8 Assets risk, are discussed in Chapter 10. The RSEs for EVM, System
9 Hardening, and Expulsion Fuse Replacement (2.6, 7.2, and 1.0,
10 respectively) are all relatively high and demonstrate that PG&E's investment
11 in those mitigations is reasonable.

12 Non-Exempt Surge Arrester Replacement accounts for 45 percent of
13 2023-2026 spending on mitigations that are primarily focused on the Failure
14 of DOH Assets risk. The program, which will be completed in 2023, has a
15 relatively low 2023-2026 RSE of 0.02, but PG&E believes the grounding
16 portion of the work is mandatory in order to bring surge arrester installation
17 into compliance with GO 95 and that the simultaneous replacement of surge
18 arresters is prudent asset management.

19 3A and 4C Line Recloser Controller Replacements accounts for
20 34 percent of 2023-2026 spending on mitigations that are primarily for the
21 Failure of DOH Assets risk and has a 2023-2026 RSE of 1.39.
22 Grasshopper/KPF Switch Replacements accounts for 3 percent of
23 2023-2026 spending on mitigations that are primarily for the Failure of DOH
24 Asset risks and has a 2023-2026 RSE of 3.69. Ceramic Post Insulator
25 Replacement, accounting for 1 percent of 2023-2026 spending on
26 mitigations that are primarily for the Failure of DOH Assets risk, has a
27 2023-2026 RSE of 0.72. These mitigations have relatively high RSE scores
28 and address public and employee safety concerns, as well as potentially
29 reducing outages.

30 The RO Streetlight Replacement program accounts for 5 percent of
31 2023-2026 spending on mitigations that are primarily for the Failure of DOH
32 Assets risk; it has a 2023-2026 RSE of less than 0.01. PG&E believes it
33 likely that its current model significantly understates the risk reduction value
34 (and RSE) of the program because it does not differentiate between

1 “normal” streetlight outages on non-RO systems, and streetlight outages on
2 RO systems. Outages on RO systems are more complicated to resolve, as
3 one failure can lead to multiple failures in unison, and RO system outages
4 may last for extended periods of time due to the lack of availability of spare
5 parts. In any event, PG&E believes this investment is prudent from an asset
6 management perspective to eliminate the last few antiquated PG&E-owned
7 RO streetlights from its system.

8 The two foundational activities for the Failure of DOH Assets risk,
9 Additional Asset Data Capture and Improved Distribution Risk Model,
10 account for 5 percent and 6 percent, respectively, of 2023-2026 spending on
11 mitigations that are primarily for the Failure of DOH Assets risk. PG&E
12 believes it is prudent to invest in these mitigations because they will improve
13 PG&E’s ability to capture information about the location and cause of
14 outages and the reasons for equipment failures. This information will help
15 PG&E improve its more risk-based framework for decisions about asset
16 inspection, maintenance, and replacement for all overhead distribution
17 assets.

18 **F. Alternative Analysis**

19 In addition to the proposed mitigations described in Section E.2 above,
20 PG&E also considered alternative mitigations. The mitigations described in
21 Section E.2 above constitute the Proposed Plan. The Alternative Plans consist
22 of a combination of some or all of the proposed mitigations, along with the
23 alternative mitigation(s). PG&E describes each of the alternative mitigations it
24 considered below and then provides a table showing the forecast costs, RSEs
25 and risk reduction scores for each of the Alternative Plans.

26 **1. Alternative Plan 1: M11a – Remote Grid**

27 As discussed above, in 2020 PG&E is piloting three Remote Grid
28 projects, one of which is in an HFTD area. If the outcome of the pilots is
29 favorable, PG&E proposes to expand the program to additional feeders as a
30 mitigation for 2023-2026. Since PG&E has not determined the scale or
31 future location of additional Remote Grid projects, for modeling purposes
32 PG&E assumed that remote grid work in 2023-2026 will continue at the

1 same level as 2020 and allocated the mileage proportionally across all
 2 tranches.

**TABLE 11-14
 FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION^(c)
 CAPITAL (\$000) 2023-2026**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M11a	Remote Grid	(b)	5.1

- (a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
- (b) The costs and RSE of this mitigation are aligned to the Wildfire risk (Chapter 10).
- (c) See WP 11-1.

3 **2. Alternative Plan 2: A2 (M12) – Targeted Transformer Replacement to**
 4 **Mitigate Overloading**

5 Due to rising temperatures in California related to global warming,
 6 PG&E expects increasing demand for air conditioning from its customers.
 7 Increased demand is likely to overload certain elements of the overhead
 8 electric distribution system—this mitigation focuses on addressing the risk of
 9 overloaded transformers. Over the next 10 to 20 years, PG&E estimates
 10 that up to 1 percent of the approximately 750,000 overhead transformers in
 11 its electric distribution system could become susceptible to failure from
 12 overloading due to increases in demand. PG&E is currently evaluating a
 13 program to proactively identify and upgrade its most vulnerable overhead
 14 distribution transformers with higher capacity units to minimize risk of
 15 overloading. Electric Program Investment Charge programs 3.13 and 3.20
 16 are currently funding research to collect statistical data on transformer
 17 loading to help identify at-risk transformers, using remote sensing and
 18 SmartMeter™ devices. The program is in the early stages of development,
 19 and PG&E has not identified a scope or prepared risk reduction or cost
 20 estimates. As a result, PG&E has not calculated an RSE. PG&E will
 21 continue to develop this program and may present it as a mitigation in the
 22 2023 GRC.

1 **3. Alternative Plan 3: A3 – Wildfire – Targeted System Upgrades**

2 In addition to its currently proposed M2 System Hardening mitigation,
3 PG&E is evaluating a broad spectrum of other system modifications to
4 reduce Wildfire risk. These other options range from modest improvements,
5 such as additional animal protection on existing lines, to system hardening
6 packages that are only slightly less extensive than the current M2
7 specification. These alternatives involve less work and provide less risk
8 reduction than the M2 mitigation, but at a lower cost. PG&E believes that the
9 alternative system modifications under consideration may be appropriate
10 substitutes for the M2 mitigation in some areas, and may also be an
11 appropriate means for PG&E to achieve risk reduction in HFTD areas
12 currently outside the scope of the approximately 7,100 miles currently
13 planned for the M2 mitigation.

14 To show the risk reduction potential of the wide range of options under
15 consideration, PG&E is modeling two representative packages of system
16 modifications as alternative mitigations for M2 System Hardening. The A3 –
17 Wildfire – Targeted System Upgrades alternative mitigation (discussed in
18 this section) involves significantly less work and a much lower per mile cost
19 than the existing M2 mitigation. The A4 – System Hardening-Hybrid
20 alternative mitigation (discussed in the next section) falls between the A3
21 alternative mitigation and the existing M2 mitigation. PG&E’s consideration
22 of the feasibility and effectiveness of various alternatives to M2 System
23 Hardening is still in the early stages; no pilot or workplan has been
24 developed for implementation of any of these alternatives.

25 The A3 Wildfire – Targeted System Upgrades alternative is a scenario
26 whereby PG&E does not replace its existing bare wire with covered
27 conductor. Instead, PG&E will employ several system modifications to
28 reduce the potential for outages that could result in ignitions. The upgrades
29 include: animal protection work (i.e., installation of insulated wire covers,
30 dead-end covers, covered jumpers, and cut-out/bushing covers); work to
31 improve separation between phases of conductor to reduce the likelihood of
32 wire-to-wire contact in high wind (i.e., installation of spreader brackets or
33 reframing of cross-arms); assessment of poles under current pole loading
34 standards; and, use of trusses, guys or pole replacement to bring deficient

poles up to standard. This alternative can also include the installation of additional protective devices to enable the use of DCD (Downed Conductor Detection) and SGF (Sensitive Ground Fault) modes. PG&E believes that this alternative may be especially effective in areas with low vegetation density (including HFTD areas) that are currently outside the scope of the approximately 7,100 miles currently planned for the M2 mitigation.

PG&E is modeling this alternative as part of a mitigation plan that would include the currently forecast amount of M2 System Hardening work, plus sufficient additional mileage of A3 – Wildfire – Targeted System Upgrades work, to bring the total mileage of system hardening performed up to 1,000 miles per year from 2021-2026. That would result in a Wildfire – Targeted System Upgrades target of 623 miles in 2021, 558 miles in 2022, 496 miles in 2023, 460 miles in 2024, 462 miles in 2025, and 464 miles in 2026.

**TABLE 11-15
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION
CAPITAL 2023-2026
(\$000)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	RSE	Risk Reduction
1	A3	Wildfire-Targeted System Upgrades	(a)	19.6

(a) The costs and RSE for this mitigation are aligned to the Wildfire risk (Chapter 10).

4. Alternative Plan 4: A4 – System Hardening-Hybrid

The System Hardening-Hybrid alternative is a package of system modifications that falls somewhere between the existing M2 mitigation and the A3 – Wildfire-Targeted System Upgrades alternative. It entails replacing existing bare wire with covered conductor that is lighter (i.e., has a smaller cross-section) than the current M2 specification. This lighter conductor, and pole strengthening technologies such as Extended and Tapered (ET) Trusses, would allow PG&E to significantly reduce the number of poles it needs to replace on System Hardening projects. All poles would be assessed to determine whether they need to be strengthened or replaced. Cross-arms would be replaced to improve separation of phases, and animal

1 protection work (as described in the A3 – Wildfire-Targeted System
 2 Upgrades alternative) would be performed. Non-exempt equipment
 3 replacement and other low impact work is not included in the scenario being
 4 modeled.

5 As with the Wildfire–Targeted System Upgrades alternative, PG&E is
 6 modeling the System Hardening–Hybrid alternative as part of a mitigation
 7 plan that would include the currently forecast amount of M2 System
 8 Hardening work, plus sufficient additional mileage of System Hardening –
 9 Hybrid work, to bring the total mileage of system hardening performed up to
 10 1,000 miles per year from 2021-2026. That would result in a System
 11 Hardening - Hybrid target of 623 miles in 2021, 558 miles in 2022, 496 miles
 12 in 2023, 460 miles in 2024, 462 miles in 2025, and 464 miles in 2026.

13 As modeled, both Wildfire – Targeted System Upgrades and System
 14 Hardening-Hybrid have comparable RSEs to the existing M2 System
 15 Hardening mitigation, with a lower cost but less risk reduction per circuit
 16 mile. PG&E believes that it is appropriate to invest in the higher level of
 17 absolute risk reduction from M2 System Hardening program in many cases,
 18 especially for the higher-risk priority circuits that are the current focus of the
 19 System Hardening program. PG&E is continuing to evaluate a range of
 20 possible system modifications as substitutes for, or supplements to, M2
 21 System Hardening, and may include them as part of its funding request in
 22 the 2023 GRC.

**TABLE 11-16
 FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION
 CAPITAL 2023-2026
 (\$000)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	RSE	Risk Reduction
1	A3	System Hardening-Hybrid	(a)	72.5

(a) The costs and RSE for this mitigation are aligned to the Wildfire risk (Chapter 10).

23 Table 11-17 compares the proposed and alternative mitigation plans:

TABLE 11-17
MITIGATION PLAN ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS^(c)
(\$000)

Line No.	Risk Mitigation Plan	Plan Components ^(a)	Total Expense (2023-2026)	Total Capital (2023-2026)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)	Total Spend (NPV)	RSE
1	Proposed	M1, M2, M3, M4, M6, M7, M8, M10	–	\$94,169	188	\$73,597	2.55
2	Alternative 1	Proposed + M11a	–	\$94,169	193	\$73,597	2.62
3	Alternative 2	Proposed + A3	–	\$94,169	207	\$73,597	2.81
4	Alternative 3	Proposed + A4	–	\$94,169	258	\$73,597	3.50
5	Inherent	Control 13	\$682,535	–	209	\$501,683	0.37

(a) Plan Components refers to the Mitigations presented in Tables 11-5 and 11-6.

(b) Information presented in terms of Net Present Value (NPV) to account for the discounting of benefits.

(c) See, WP 11-2.

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CHAPTER 12

RISK ASSESSMENT AND MITIGATION PHASE

RISK MITIGATION PLAN: FAILURE OF ELECTRIC

DISTRIBUTION NETWORK ASSETS

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CHAPTER 12
RISK ASSESSMENT AND MITIGATION PHASE
RISK MITIGATION PLAN: FAILURE OF ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION NETWORK
ASSETS

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2 **CHAPTER 12**
3 **RISK ASSESSMENT AND MITIGATION PHASE**
4 **RISK MITIGATION PLAN: FAILURE OF ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION**
5 **NETWORK ASSETS**

6 **A. Executive Summary**

7 The Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets¹ risk is defined as the
8 failure of distribution network assets or lack of remote operation functionality that
9 may result in public or employee safety issues, property damage, environmental
10 damage, or inability to deliver energy. The drivers for this risk event are
11 underground network equipment failure, human performance, and natural
12 hazards. The cross-cutting factors, seismic, physical attack, skilled and qualified
13 workforce, and records and information management also impact this risk.

14 Exposure to this risk is based on the 188 circuit miles of networked circuits.
15 The risk model estimates approximately 10 risk events each year.² Equipment
16 failure, human performance, and the seismic scenario cross-cutting scenario
17 together account for 99 percent of the risk events. Two sub-drivers, primary
18 cable failure and primary splice failure, account for 77 percent of the equipment
19 failure risk, which is 66 percent of the risk. Catastrophic asset failures (defined
20 as failures that result in a vault explosion, manhole cover displacement, and/or a
21 fire) unrelated to a seismic scenario account for 96 percent of the risk and
22 18 percent of the risk events; asset failures associated with a seismic scenario
23 account for 1 percent of risk and 1 percent of the risk events.³ The mitigations
24 Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) will implement from 2020-2026 are
25 designed to address these key risk drivers.

26 PG&E identified three tranches for this risk event based on differences in the
27 network asset replacement strategy: circuits with a high failure rate that are a
28 current priority for replacement; circuits where older network cable has already

1 The risk name can also be referred to as Failure of Distribution Underground Network Assets.

2 10 is PG&E's forecast for the number of the risk events per year for 2023-2026 in the absence of proposed mitigations from 2023-2026.

3 The percentages are based on 2023 test year (TY) baseline frequency and risk scores.

1 been replaced; and all other circuits: The highest tranche-level risk, 89 percent,
 2 is associated with those circuits prioritized for replacement.

3 Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets has the eleventh highest 2023
 4 TY baseline safety score (6) and the lowest 2023 TY baseline total risk score (7)
 5 of PG&E’s 12 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase (RAMP) risks. The 2020
 6 baseline risk score, 15, is reduced by 61 percent when the planned mitigations
 7 are applied: the 2023 TY baseline risk score is 7 and the 2026 post-mitigation
 8 risk score is 6.

9 PG&E is presenting a suite of controls and mitigations to address the key
 10 risk drivers. The CMD-Type Network Protector Replacement and Incremental
 11 Primary Network Cable Replacement mitigation programs have the highest risk
 12 spend efficiency (RSE) scores and the highest total risk reduction scores among
 13 2023-2026 mitigations for this risk.⁴

**TABLE 12-1
 RISK OVERVIEW**

Line No.	Risk Name	Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets
1	In Scope	Failure of assets associated with urban underground electrical distribution networks (in downtown San Francisco and Oakland) including Network transformers, Network protectors and Network cables, primary and secondary.
2	Out of Scope	Failure of assets associated with underground transmission cables or the non-network aspects of the underground distribution system.
3	Data Quantification Sources ^(a)	<u>Events:</u> PG&E records of network equipment failures from February 2008 through December 2019. <u>Outcomes:</u> Safety Outcomes are estimated based on Subject Matter Expert (SME) judgment (methodology discussed in Section B.7 below); Reliability and non-Safety-related Financial consequences are based on Distribution Underground Outage Restoration Costs from January 1, 2017 through September 2019.
<hr/> (a) Source documents will be provided with the workpapers on July 17, 2020.		

14 **1. Risk Overview**

15 PG&E maintains networked distribution systems in downtown San
 16 Francisco and downtown Oakland to provide reliable service to key electric

⁴ The information herein is subject to those limitations described in Chapter 2, Section D.

1 customers. In a networked system, customers can receive power from one
2 of several sources, so that an outage on one of those sources will not result
3 in an outage for the customer. Overall, PG&E's networked distribution
4 systems consist of 188 circuit miles of cable in 12 network groups, ten in
5 San Francisco and two in Oakland. In addition to cable, associated facilities
6 include network transformers, protectors, and relays, monitoring equipment
7 including Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA), and the
8 underground vaults where most network equipment is located.

9 Because PG&E's networked distribution facilities are located in dense
10 urban areas, the consequences of asset failure may be different than for
11 other aspects of the electric distribution system. Because of this, and
12 because of the different asset mix relative to other aspects of the distribution
13 system, PG&E considers the risk of failure of network assets separately
14 from the failure of other distribution assets.

15 Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets was not included in the
16 2017 RAMP. The 2017 RAMP noted that there was a risk on the Electric
17 Operations (EO) risk register called "Network Components (in Urban/High
18 Density Areas)." This risk was equivalent to Failure of Electric Distribution
19 Network Assets risk, but did not have a high enough risk score to be
20 included as a 2017 RAMP risk. However, as discussed further in
21 Section B.7 below, at the end of 2019 PG&E changed its methodology for
22 estimating the safety consequences of the Failure of Distribution Network
23 Assets risk. As a result, its risk score went up, causing it to score high
24 enough to be included as a risk in the 2020 RAMP.

25 **2. Risk Definition**

26 The failure of distribution network assets or lack of remote operation
27 functionality may result in public or employee safety issues, property
28 damage, environmental damage, or inability to deliver energy.

29 **B. Risk Assessment**

30 **1. Background and Evolution**

31 As described above, the Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets
32 risk has been on the EO risk register since 2014 but was not included in the
33 2017 RAMP because it had a relatively low risk score. However, due to a

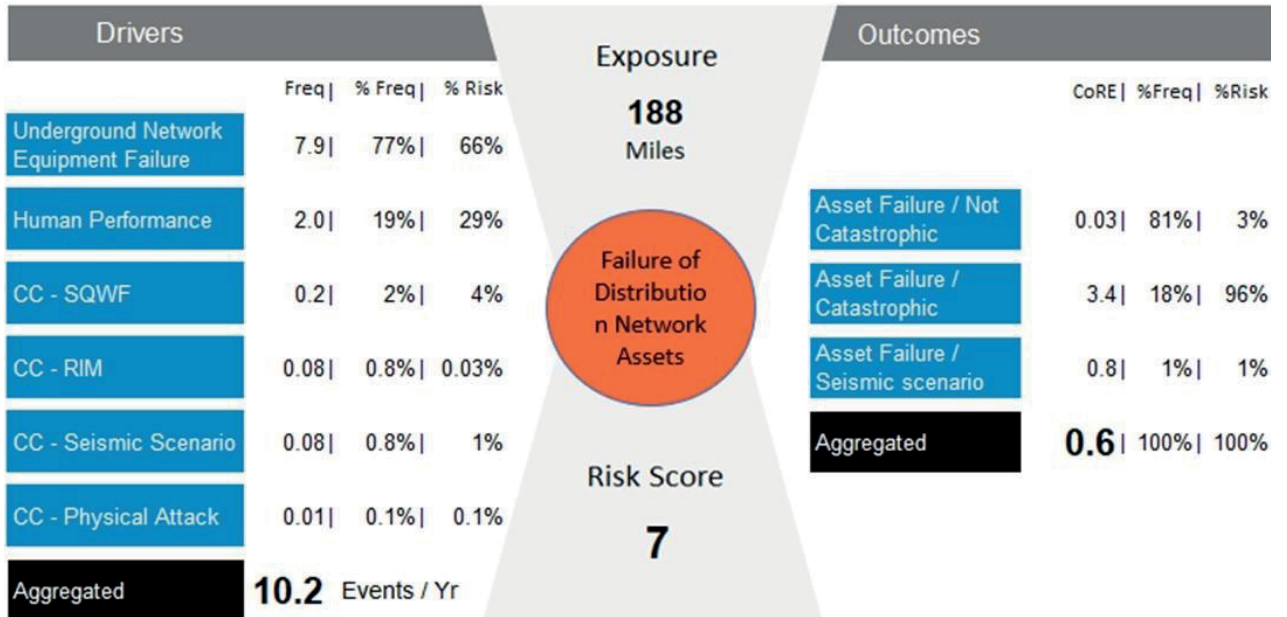
1 change in PG&E's assessment of the potential safety consequences of a
2 failure incident, the safety risk score for the Failure of Electric Distribution
3 Network Assets risk has increased and PG&E is including it in the 2020
4 RAMP.

5 Network assets such as network cable, network transformers and other
6 network transformer components can fail in the course of regular operation,
7 as the result of human error, or due to natural hazards such as earthquakes.
8 Catastrophic failures of network assets can cause fires, manhole
9 displacements, and/or vault explosions with significant public safety
10 consequences; all network asset failures potentially affect customer
11 reliability.

12 PG&E established its current Network Asset Management Plan in 2008.
13 PG&E has put in place a number of programs to mitigate both the risk and
14 consequences of network asset failure including condition-based monitoring
15 and/or testing of cable and network components, regular maintenance and
16 replacement of cable and network components, installation and
17 maintenance of a SCADA system, and a targeted program to install venting
18 manhole covers on underground vaults, including network vaults, to reduce
19 the consequences of a vault explosion.

1 **2. Risk Bow Tie**

**FIGURE 12-1
RISK BOW TIE**



2 **3. Exposure to Risk**

3 PG&E maintains approximately 188 circuit miles of networked circuits.
 4 The Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets risk exposure includes all
 5 network cable, network transformers, and other associated equipment such
 6 as network protectors and relays.

7 **4. Tranches**

8 PG&E identified three tranches for the Failure of Electric Distribution
 9 Network Assets risk based on differences in the network asset replacement
 10 strategy for:

- 11 • Circuits with a high failure rate (prioritized for replacement based on
 12 failures and cable testing⁵): These circuits make up 132 (70 percent) of
 13 the 188 circuit miles of PG&E’s network distribution system and are
 14 associated with 89 percent of network asset failure risk.

⁵ Cable testing involves an electrical process for applying voltage signals to cable to assess the integrity of the cable’s insulation (and concentric neutral when applicable).

- Reconducted circuits (circuits whose older vintage network cables have been replaced as of end of year 2019): These circuits make up 33 (18 percent) of the 188 circuit miles of PG&E’s network distribution system and are associated with 1 percent of network asset failure risk.
 - All other circuits (circuits with newer vintage ethylene propylene rubber (EPR) type cable): These circuits make up 23 (12 percent) of the 188 circuit miles of PG&E’s network distribution system and are associated with 9 percent of network asset failure risk.
- Table 12-2 below shows the risk analysis results at the tranche level.

**TABLE 12-2
TRANCHE LEVEL RISK ANALYSIS RESULTS**

Line No.	Tranche	Percent Exposure	Safety Risk Score	Reliability Risk Score	Financial Risk Score	Total Risk Score	Percent Risk
1	Circuits with a High Failure Rate	70%	5.70	0.16	0.02	5.88	89%
2	Reconducted Circuits	18%	0.00	0.08	0.01	0.09	1%
3	All Other Circuits	12%	0.59	0.02	0.00	0.61	9%
4	Total	100%	6.29	0.26	0.03	6.58	100%

5. Drivers and Associated Frequency

PG&E identified seven drivers (four of which are cross-cutting factors) and 24 sub-drivers of the Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets risk. Each driver and its associated 2023 TY estimated frequency is discussed below. A complete list of sub-drivers is provided in supporting workpapers.⁶

D1 – Underground Network Equipment Failure: Failure events due to primary cable, primary splice, secondary cable failure, or other components of the network. These events account for 7.9 (77 percent) of the 10.2 expected annual number of network asset failures.

D2 – Human Performance: Failure events caused by PG&E employees based on improper construction, operating error, or other actions. These events account for 2.0 (19 percent) of the 10.2 expected annual number of network asset failures.

⁶ Sub-drivers are listed in the modeling workpapers which will be provided on July 17, 2020.

1 **D3 – Seismic Scenario (Cross-Cutting):** Failure events caused by seismic
2 activity. This risk is described further in Chapter 20 of this report. These
3 events account for 0.08 (<1 percent) of the 10.2 expected annual number of
4 network asset failures.

5 **D4 – Skilled and Qualified Workforce (Cross-Cutting):** Failure events
6 caused by lack of a sufficiently trained workforce. This risk is described
7 further in Chapter 20 of this report. These events account for 0.2 (2 percent)
8 of the 10.2 expected annual number of network asset failures.

9 **D5 – Records and Information Management (Cross-Cutting):** Failure
10 events caused by not implementing fully an effective records and
11 information management program and controlling data quality. This risk is
12 described further in Chapter 20 of this report. These events account for less
13 than 0.08 (<1 percent) of the 10.2 expected annual number of network asset
14 failures.

15 **D6 – Physical Attack (Cross-Cutting):** Failure events caused by physical
16 attack on PG&E assets. This risk is described further in Chapter 20 of this
17 report. These events account for less than 0.01 (<1 percent) of the
18 10.2 expected annual number of network asset failures.

19 **D7 – Natural Hazards:** Failure events caused by a natural hazard event
20 such as flood, rain, etc., (but excluding earthquakes, which are the basis for
21 the seismic cross-cutting factor). These events did not account for any
22 network asset failures in the period PG&E used as the historical basis for its
23 modeling, but they do have a potential to cause network asset failures.

24 **6. Cross-Cutting Factors**

25 A cross-cutting factor is a driver or control that is interrelated to multiple
26 risks. PG&E is presenting eight cross-cutting factors in the 2020 RAMP.
27 The cross-cutting factors that impact the Failure of Electric Distribution
28 Network Assets risk are shown in Table 12-3 below. A description of the
29 cross-cutting factors and the mitigations and controls that PG&E is
30 proposing to mitigate the cross-cutting factors are described in Chapter 20.

**TABLE 12-3
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY**

Line No.	Cross-Cutting Factor	Impacts Likelihood	Impacts Consequence
1	Climate Change	X	
2	Emergency Preparedness and Response		X
3	Physical Attack	X	
4	Records and Information Management	X	X
5	Seismic	X	X
6	Skilled and Qualified Workforce	X	

1 PG&E is continuing to evaluate the impact that Cyber Attack and
 2 Information Technology (IT) Asset Failure have on RAMP risks and may
 3 present them as cross-cutting factors relative to the Failure of Electric
 4 Distribution Network Assets risk in the 2023 General Rate Case (GRC).

5 **7. Consequences**

6 Historically, PG&E estimated the safety consequences (potential injuries
 7 and/or fatalities) of the Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets risk
 8 based on historical data from PG&E’s Electric Incident Reports. However,
 9 PG&E has concluded that this approach likely understates the potential for
 10 high safety consequence incidents of network asset failure (which have
 11 been very infrequent, but have occurred on PG&E’s system). Therefore,
 12 EO decided to incorporate SME judgment regarding potential safety
 13 consequences of a network asset failure in its modeling. Specifically, EO
 14 updated the model to include SME judgment that a failure of an electric
 15 distribution network asset will result in a serious injury incident once every
 16 10 years and a fatality incident once every 15 years.

17 PG&E separately analyzed the consequences of: (1) asset failures
 18 associated with a seismic scenario; (2) asset failures associated with
 19 catastrophic outcomes (defined as failures that resulted in a vault explosion,
 20 manhole cover displacement, and/or a fire) other than those caused by a
 21 seismic scenario; and (3) asset failures not associated with catastrophic
 22 outcomes or with a seismic scenario.

- 23 • Asset failures related to a seismic scenario account for 1 percent of the
 24 frequency associated with this risk and 1 percent of the risk score.

- 1 • Catastrophic asset failures not associated with a seismic scenario
2 account for 18 percent of the frequency, but 96 percent of the risk score.
3 • Non-catastrophic asset failures not associated with a seismic scenario
4 account for 81 percent of the frequency, but 3 percent of the risk score.
5 Table 12-4 below shows the consequences of this risk event. Model
6 attributes are described in Chapter 3, “Risk Modeling and Risk Spend
7 Efficiency.”

**TABLE 12-4
RISK EVENT CONSEQUENCES**

	CoRE		%Freq		%Risk		Freq	Natural Units Per Event			CoRE			Natural Units per Year			Attribute Risk Score		
	Safety EF/event	Electric Reliability MCM/event	Financial \$M/event	Safety EF/event	Electric Reliability MCM/event	Financial \$M/event		Safety EF/event	Electric Reliability MCM/event	Financial \$M/event	Safety EF/yr	Electric Reliability MCM/yr	Financial \$M/yr	Safety EF/yr	Electric Reliability MCM/yr	Financial \$M/yr	Safety	Electric Reliability	Financial
Asset Failure / Not Catastrophic	-	0.05	0.006	0.0	81%	3%	8.3	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	0	0.05	-	-	0.2	0.02	
Asset Failure / Catastrophic	0.06	0.04	0.005	3.4	18%	96%	1.8	3.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.10	0	0.01	6	0.0	0.00	0.00	
Asset Failure / Seismic scenario	0.01	0.45	0.012	0.5	1%	1%	0.1	0.5	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.00	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Aggregated	0.01	0.05	0.006	0.6	100%	100%	10.2	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.11	1	0.1	6	0	0.0	0.0	

1 **C. Controls and Mitigations**

2 Because the Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets risk was not
3 included in the 2017 RAMP, PG&E has not previously presented a list of
4 controls and mitigations for this risk. In the following sections, PG&E describes
5 the baseline controls and mitigations in place in 2019, and then discusses any
6 new mitigations and/or significant changes to mitigations and/or controls during
7 the 2020-2022 and 2023-2026 periods.

8 **1. 2019 Controls and Mitigations**

9 **a. Controls**

10 PG&E had the following controls in place for the Failure of Electric
11 Distribution Network Assets risk as of 2019:

12 **C1 – Network Cable Replacement and Switch Installations:** This
13 control consists of the systematic replacement of network cable assets
14 and installation of switches in downtown San Francisco and Oakland
15 networks. Many of the existing network primary and secondary cables
16 date from the 1920s to the 1960s and are nearing the end of their useful
17 life. The network systems replacement program is an on-going program
18 that started in 2011. The program work includes replacing primary and
19 secondary cables, modifying network transformers to accept the new
20 primary cables, and installing switches. PG&E is installing switches at
21 the same time cables are replaced to meet operational requirements by
22 providing a switching location outside the substation to establish feeder
23 clearance points. Switch installation also improves work efficiency and
24 emergency response times by eliminating the need to involve substation
25 personnel for clearing and grounding at the station for feeder clearance
26 work that needs to be performed outside the substation. This control
27 has the potential to reduce the Underground Network Equipment Failure
28 driver.

29 **C2 – Network Maintenance and Corrective Work:** Maintenance work
30 associated with PG&E's Network Asset Management Plan includes
31 inspection and oil sampling of all major oil-filled network components of
32 transformers, inspection and testing of network protectors, maintenance
33 and routine replacement of the network SCADA system, and electric

1 corrective notification work in network vaults. This control has the
2 potential to reduce the Underground Network Equipment Failure driver.

3 **C3 – Network Component (Transformer, Protector) Replacements**

4 **Condition Based:** PG&E routinely monitors the condition of its network
5 transformers and network protectors by means of inspection, insulating
6 oil analysis, testing, and on-line sensor monitoring. PG&E replaces
7 network components identified as needing replacement due to their
8 condition with new, safer and more reliable technologies. Replacement
9 transformers are either explosion-resistant or dry-type and use a
10 single-tank design to minimize the risk of catastrophic failure. Network
11 protectors are replaced at the same time as transformers since they
12 have a similar life span. This control has the potential to reduce the
13 Underground Network Equipment Failure driver.

14 **C4 – Asset Information Improvements/Asset Data Comparison and**

15 **Updates:** This control consists of various initiatives to validate and
16 improve the quality of data in PG&E’s IT systems concerning electric
17 distribution network assets. These initiatives include automating some
18 data entry processes that are currently manual to ensure accuracy and
19 data synchronization, updating IT applications based on construction
20 change sketches, and correcting data based on discrepancy reports for
21 assets and attributes in PG&E databases. PG&E has also initiated an
22 Electric Program Investment Charge project to expand the capabilities of
23 its condition-based maintenance alarm system to use more data
24 sources. This control has the potential to reduce the Underground
25 Network Equipment Failure driver.

26 **C5 – Network Health Report (Units Offline):** This is a report used to
27 spot check the number of units offline to use as an indicator of the
28 operational health of the network to highlight any prolonged clearances
29 and increased reliability risks. This control has the potential to reduce
30 the Underground Network Equipment Failure driver.

31 **C6 – Standards, Processes, and Training:** This Includes
32 Workmanship Skills and Training, Standards, Bulletins, Guidelines,
33 Utility Procedures, and Personnel Training & Qualifications. This control

1 has the potential to reduce the Skilled and Qualified Workforce
2 cross-cutting factor.

3 **b. Mitigations**

4 PG&E had the following mitigations in place for the Failure of
5 Electric Distribution Network Assets risk in 2019:

6 **M1 – Network Component Replacements – Targeted Replacement**
7 **of Oil-Filled Transformers in High-Rise Buildings:** PG&E is currently
8 engaged in a targeted program to replace older, oil-filled transformers
9 located in high-rise buildings with dry-type units to improve reliability and
10 minimize fire risk in the event of a transformer failure. PG&E replaced
11 nine transformers in 2019 as part of the program and plans to complete
12 oil-filled high-rise replacements in 2022.⁷ This mitigation has the
13 potential to reduce the Underground Network Equipment Failure driver.

14 **M2 – Venting Manhole Cover Replacements:** This is an ongoing
15 program to replace existing solid and grated manhole covers on vaults
16 with hinged venting manhole covers designed to stay in place in the
17 event of a vault explosion. A venting cover that stays in place during a
18 vault explosion reduces the potential for exposure to hot gasses from
19 the vault, eliminates the risk of a projectile manhole cover, and reduces
20 the force of the explosion. This program began in 2010 and has been
21 focused on covers to vaults located in High Pedestrian Zones (HPZ) in
22 San Francisco and Oakland, which includes many network vaults.
23 PG&E has completed approximately 90 percent of the necessary
24 replacements in HPZs in San Francisco; most of the remaining HPZ
25 locations have non-standard vaults/covers, which have a higher cost
26 and tend to require more permitting. In 2019, PG&E replaced
27 540 manhole covers as part of this program. PG&E expects to complete
28 replacement of manhole covers on network vaults by 2022, but
29 replacements will continue on vaults that are not part of the network

7 In its 2020 GRC, PG&E forecast that oil-filled, high rise replacements would be completed by 2021. In response to a request from the Office of the Safety Advocate, PG&E agreed that it would notify the California Public Utilities Commission of any changes to that schedule and provide a new timeline for completing the project. PG&E now forecasts that it will complete all replacements in 2022 and will provide an update on the program in the 2023 GRC.

1 system after that. This mitigation has the potential to reduce the
2 consequences of a network equipment failure by reducing the likelihood
3 and negative effects of an underground vault explosion.

4 **M3 – Installation of SCADA Equipment for Safety Monitoring:** This
5 is a targeted program to upgrade PG&E’s original 1980s vintage SCADA
6 monitoring equipment on its 12 network groups. The upgraded system
7 provides additional equipment condition information, which allows PG&E
8 to identify equipment conditions that can be addressed before in-service
9 failure occurs. It also allows PG&E to operate some equipment in
10 network vaults remotely, instead of having to send crews to the vault to
11 operate the equipment manually. The new features enhance the safety,
12 reliability, and efficiency of the network systems. PG&E began its
13 targeted SCADA upgrades in 2009 and currently forecasts that they will
14 be completed by 2028. In 2019, PG&E completed work on one network
15 group and began work on another. PG&E considers SCADA upgrades
16 to be a foundational activity because they support other controls and
17 mitigations rather than directly reducing risk. As a result, PG&E is not
18 assigning a risk score or calculating an RSE for this mitigation.

19 **D. 2020-2022 Control and Mitigation Plan**

20 **1. Changes to Controls**

21 In general, PG&E plans to continue to implementing the same controls
22 in the 2020-2022 period that it did in 2019. PG&E will continue to review its
23 controls to incorporate new developments and lessons learned.

24 The M1 – Network Component Replacements – Targeted Replacement
25 of Oil-Filled Transformers in High-Rise Buildings mitigation is expected to be
26 completed in 2022. Maintenance of these new transformers will become
27 part of the C2 – Network Maintenance and Corrective Work control going
28 forward.

29 **2. Changes to Mitigations**

30 PG&E plans to continue to implement the same mitigations in the
31 2020-2022 period that it did in 2019. As discussed below, two of these
32 mitigation programs are scheduled for completion in 2022

1 **M1 – Network Component Replacements – Targeted Replacement of**
 2 **Oil-Filled Transformers in High-Rise Buildings:** PG&E plans to complete
 3 the remaining 14 replacements in this program by 2022. The current target
 4 is to replace six transformers in 2020, six more transformers in 2021, and
 5 the final two transformers in 2022.

6 **M2 – Venting Manhole Cover Replacements:** PG&E plans to complete its
 7 planned replacement of manhole covers on network vaults by 2022, with an
 8 estimated 200 replacements in 2020, 341 replacements in 2021, and
 9 241 replacements in 2022.

10 **M3 – Installation of SCADA Equipment for Safety Monitoring:** PG&E
 11 plans to continue replacing SCADA equipment on the network at a rate of
 12 approximately one network group per year.

13 The volume of mitigation work PG&E plans to complete in the
 14 2020-2022 period is shown in Table 12-5 below.

**TABLE 12-5
 PLANNED MITIGATIONS 2020-2022**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	Units	2020 RAMP Planned Units of Work			Total
			2020	2021	2022	
1	M1 – Network Component Replacements – High-Rise Oil-Filled Transformers	Transformers	6	6	2	14
2	M2 – Venting Manhole Cover Replacements	Covers	200	341	241	782
3	M3 – Installation of SCADA Equipment for Safety Monitoring	Groups	1	1	1	3

15 The forecast costs for the work PG&E plans to complete, RSEs and risk
 16 reduction scores for the work PG&E plans to complete in the 2020-2022
 17 period is shown in Table 12-6 below.

**TABLE 12-6
FORECAST COSTS
2020-2022 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	Maintenance Activity Type (MAT)	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M1	Network Component Replacements – Targeted Replacement of Oil-Filled Transformers in High-Rise Buildings	2CC	\$3,467	\$3,553	\$1,634	\$8,654
2	M2	Venting Manhole Cover Replacements	2CD	2,597	5,533	4,307	12,437
3	M3	Installation of SCADA Equipment for Safety Monitoring	2CE	8,467	8,873	9,110	26,449
4	M4	Incremental Primary Network Cable Replacements	56N	–	–	–	–
5	M5	Network Component Replacements – Targeted Replacement of Dry-Type Transformers in High-Rise Buildings	2CC	–	–	–	–
6	M6	Network Component Replacements – Targeted Replacement of CMD-Type Network Protectors	2CC	–	–	–	–
7		Total		\$14,531	\$17,959	\$15,051	\$47,541

Note See WP 12-1.

1 E. 2023-2026 Control and Mitigation Plan

2 1. Changes to Controls

3 In general, PG&E plans to continue implementing the same controls in
4 the 2023-2026 period that it did it in the 2020-2022 period. PG&E will
5 continue to review its controls to incorporate new developments and lessons
6 learned.

7 2. Changes to Mitigations

8 PG&E expects to complete replacements in the M1 – Network
9 Component Replacements – High-Rise Oil-Filled Transformers mitigation
10 and the network-related portion of the M2 – Venting Manhole Cover
11 Replacements mitigation by the end of 2022.

12 PG&E is proposing three new mitigations for 2023-2026:

1 **M4 – Incremental Primary Network Cable Replacements:** Since 2011,
2 PG&E has been proactively replacing older Paper Insulated Lead Covered
3 (PILC) cable in its electric distribution network with EPR cable. Newer EPR
4 cables are significantly less likely to fail than older PILC cables and industry
5 studies also suggest that EPR cables have higher tolerance to overload
6 conditions. Beginning in 2023, PG&E is proposing to increase the number
7 of circuit miles of network cable replaced in this existing program (described
8 in the C1 control above) by 25 percent, which would result in replacement of
9 approximately three additional miles of network cable per year from
10 2023-2026. This mitigation has the potential to reduce the Underground
11 Network Equipment Failure driver.

12 **M5 – Network Component Replacements – Targeted Replacement of**
13 **Dry-Type Transformers in High-Rise Buildings:** PG&E plans to complete
14 its replacement of oil-filled network transformers in high-rise buildings in
15 2022. In 2023-2026 period, PG&E is planning to replace some older
16 dry-type transformers also located in high-rise buildings. PG&E has
17 identified 22 of these older dry-type transformers, mostly installed in the
18 1980s, located in four high-rise buildings (three in San Francisco and one in
19 Oakland). These units are at the end of their useful lives and some of them
20 have rust and other corrosion. PG&E estimates that replacing these
21 22 transformers will take three years and cost approximately \$10 million,
22 with nine replacements per year planned for 2023 and 2024 and four
23 replacements planned for 2025. This mitigation has the potential to reduce
24 the Underground Network Equipment Failure driver.

25 **M6 – Network Component Replacements – Targeted Replacement of**
26 **CMD-Type Network Protectors:** PG&E has approximately 1,390 network
27 protectors in its electric distribution network system. There are four different
28 kinds of network protectors in service currently: GE, CM22, CM52, and
29 CMD. Based on service records, PG&E has concluded that CMD network
30 protectors are more difficult to repair and replace as they are of an older
31 style and have obsolete components. This program aims to replace all CMD
32 units in the PG&E network with more reliable network protector models.
33 PG&E estimates there are 229 CMD network protectors on its electric
34 distribution network system. PG&E is proposing an 8-year program to

1 replace these units beginning in 2023 at a rate of approximately 30 units per
 2 year.⁸ This mitigation has the potential to reduce the Underground Network
 3 Equipment Failure driver.

4 The volume of mitigation work PG&E plans to complete in the
 5 2023-2026 period is shown in Table 12-7 below.

**TABLE 12-7
 2023-2026 PLANNED MITIGATIONS**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	Units	2020 RAMP Planned Units of Work				
			2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	M3 – Installation of SCADA Equipment for Safety Monitoring (Installation)	Groups	1	1	1	1	4
2	M4 – Incremental Primary Network Cable Replacements (MAT 56N)	Circuit Miles	2.86	2.86	2.86	2.86	11.44
3	M5 – Network Component Replacements – High-Rise Dry-Type Transformers	Transformers	9	9	4	0	22
4	M6 – Network Component Replacements – Targeted Network Protector Replacement	Network Protectors	30	30	30	30	120

6 **3. Mitigation Risk Spend Efficiencies**

7 Table 12-8 below shows the planned cost, RSE and risk reduction score
 8 for each of the Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets risk mitigations
 9 PG&E plans to implement in the 2023-26 period.

⁸ PG&E assumes 225 units will be replaced in the program and four units will be replaced through other programs.

TABLE 12-8
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MAT	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M1	Network Component Replacements – Targeted Replacement of Oil-Filled Transformers in High-Rise Buildings	2CC	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
2	M2	Venting Manhole Cover Replacements	2CD	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
3	M3	Installation of SCADA Equipment for Safety Monitoring	2CE	\$9,337	\$9,571	\$9,810	\$10,055	\$38,774	(b)	(b)
4	M4	Incremental Primary Network Cable Replacements	56N	6,510	6,673	6,840	7,011	27,033	0.07	1.44
5	M5	Network Component Replacements - Targeted Replacement of Dry-Type Transformers in High-Rise Buildings	2CC	4,077	4,615	2,301	–	10,992	<0.01	<0.01
6	M6	Network Component Replacements - Targeted Replacement of CMD-Type Network Protectors	2CC	1,615	1,656	1,697	1,740	6,708	0.37	1.85
7		Total		\$21,540	\$22,514	\$20,648	\$18,806	\$83,507		

(a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE

(b) Foundational mitigation. No RSE or risk reduction calculated

Note See WP 12-1.

1 Approximately 45 percent of PG&E’s planned Failure of Electric
2 Distribution Network Assets mitigation spending for the 2023-2026 period is
3 for installation of upgraded network SCADA equipment to replace SCADA
4 installed in the 1980s which is at the end of its useful life and has less
5 capability than modern SCADA equipment. PG&E began these
6 replacements in 2009 and plans to complete all replacements by 2028.
7 PG&E considers this a foundational activity (and has not calculated a risk
8 score or RSE) because it does not directly reduce risk, but instead provides
9 information about the network system, including equipment condition, that
10 can be used to reduce risk. PG&E believes that this investment is prudent
11 because it replaces assets at the end of their useful life with assets that
12 have more extensive capabilities, and because the visibility and remote
13 operation capacity that modern SCADA provides will improve the safety,
14 reliability, and efficiency of PG&E’s electric distribution network system.

15 Two other mitigations – incremental primary network cable replacement
16 (0.07 RSE) and targeted network protector replacement (0.37 RSE) are
17 asset management programs that achieve their risk reductions by replacing
18 older equipment that is prone to failure with newer equipment. As this risk
19 focuses on work in highly-urban areas that have a wide distribution of safety
20 consequences, the mitigation programs are considered investments that
21 minimize large safety impacts.

22 The M5 mitigation – replacement of older dry-type transformers in
23 high-rise buildings – received a low RSE (less than 0.01). PG&E believes
24 that its current model understates the risk reduction of this program because
25 the model assigns the same safety and reliability consequences to all
26 potential failures of network transformers. But, for several reasons, the
27 consequences of a failure of any of the 22 dry-type, high rise transformers
28 that are the focus of this program would be much more severe than failure of
29 a “typical” network transformer. First, these transformers serve buildings
30 with critical facilities such as large data centers and transportation
31 infrastructure. Second, while most network transformers are
32 interchangeable and PG&E has an inventory of spares, the dry-type
33 transformers that are the focus of this program are custom built and require
34 substantial lead time. Third, as a general matter, replacing high rise

1 transformers requires substantial lead time because it usually involves a
2 crane and extensive permitting. PG&E believes that it is important to
3 proactively replace these units before they fail to avoid the possibility of a
4 long period of transformer downtime.

5 **F. Alternative Analysis**

6 In addition to the proposed mitigations described in Section E above, PG&E
7 also considered alternative mitigations. The mitigations described in Section E
8 constitute the Proposed Plan. The Alternative Plans consist of a combination of
9 some or all of the proposed mitigations along with the alternative mitigation(s).
10 PG&E describes each of the alternative mitigations it considered below and then
11 provides a table showing the forecast costs, RSEs and risk reduction scores for
12 each of the Alternative Plans.

13 **1. Alternative Plan 1: A1 – Install Completely Submersible SCADA** 14 **Enclosures**

15 One risk to PG&E’s electric distribution network system is that rising tide
16 levels associated with global warming will lead to more flooding of
17 underground vaults containing network equipment. PG&E considered the
18 possibility of installing completely submersible SCADA enclosures to
19 prevent SCADA system components in vaults in San Francisco and Oakland
20 from failing due to saltwater intrusion.

21 Approximately 40 manholes were already upgraded with submersible
22 SCADA enclosures in or around 2005, leaving 750 additional locations that
23 still need an upgrade. The currently available submersible enclosure is
24 large and heavy and cannot be installed in some vaults because of space
25 constraints; PG&E estimates that there are 710 locations where an
26 installation would be feasible.

27 PG&E is still in the process of modeling the risk associated with SCADA
28 system component failure since these types of failures do not directly result
29 in loss of power (as would be the case for a transformer failure), but rather
30 the ability to monitor the system real-time, which may result in higher risk of
31 asset failure due to changes in operating conditions. As a result, PG&E has
32 not calculated an RSE for this program. PG&E will continue to evaluate the

1 potential for risk reduction from installation of submersible SCADA
 2 enclosures and may present it as a mitigation program in the 2023 GRC.

**TABLE 12-9
 FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
 2023-2026 CAPITAL
 (THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE	Risk Reduction
1	A1	Install Completely Submersible SCADA Enclosures	\$8,594	\$8,808	\$9,029	\$9,254	\$35,685	(a)	(a)
2		Total	\$8,594	\$8,808	\$9,029	\$9,254	\$35,685		

(a) PG&E is not calculating an RSE or risk reduction score for this program.
 Note: See WP 12-1.

3 **2. Alternative Plan 2: M5a – Reduce Proposed Rate of Dry-Type**
 4 **Transformer Replacement**

5 PG&E is proposing the M5 mitigation to replace 22 dry-type network
 6 transformers in four high-rise buildings in San Francisco and Oakland over
 7 the course of three years. PG&E also considered an alternative mitigation
 8 that would have replaced those same transformers, but over a 6-year period
 9 (2023-2028) instead of a 3-year period (2023-25). The 6-year program was
 10 estimated to be marginally more expensive due to a larger cost escalation
 11 impact over the course of the program, resulting in a slightly lower RSE
 12 score. Although not currently modeled, PG&E also determined based on
 13 past experience with high rise projects that a 6-year program would likely
 14 have additional expenses and logistical complexity associated with lengthier
 15 labor contracts and installation permits. Ultimately, PG&E concluded that a
 16 3-year program is feasible and that completing the work in three rather than
 17 six years is preferable because it will reduce risk more quickly.

**TABLE 12-10
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION
CAPITAL 2023-2026
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M5a	Reduce Proposed Rate of Dry-Type Transformer Replacement	\$1,977	\$2,152	\$1,597	\$1,672	\$7,398	<0.001	0.002
2		Total	\$1,977	\$2,152	\$1,597	\$1,672	\$7,398		

(a) See MW included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
Note See WP 12-1.

1 **3. Alternative Plan 3: A3 – Replace Network Transformers Based on Age,**
2 **Instead of Condition**

3 As part of its regular asset maintenance programs, PG&E monitors the
4 health of the transformers in its electric distribution network system through
5 regular testing (e.g., Dissolved Gas Analysis for oil-filled transformers). This
6 condition-based assessment allows PG&E to make maintenance decisions
7 based on operating conditions (voltage, temperature etc.), which are more
8 significant drivers of transformer operating life than years in service. This
9 alternative mitigation considers the impact of changing from a
10 condition-based replacement program to an age-based asset replacement
11 program for these network transformers.

12 Switching to an age-based approach would eliminate inspections of
13 transformers below a certain age threshold but would not address the risk of
14 premature failures of “younger” transformers which would have been
15 identified and mitigated as part of a condition-based approach. The
16 incremental risk of these premature failures was estimated as the weighted
17 average of the number of transformers under the age-based replacement
18 threshold and the average failure rate associated with transformers of a
19 given age. On average, PG&E replaces approximately 12 transformers
20 annually under the condition-based replacement program. PG&E assumes
21 the same replacement rate in the age-based replacement scenario, so
22 PG&E would replace 12 transformers annually between 2023-2026, but
23 prioritize units based on age instead of condition. This would reduce

1 inspection costs by approximately \$2.4 million (the amount spent annually
 2 on oil-filled transformer testing) but increase the overall risk of transformer
 3 failure by approximately 9.3 percent. PG&E does not consider this trade-off
 4 acceptable.

5 The table below shows the proposed spending and RSE associated with
 6 each of PG&E’s proposed alternative mitigations for the electric distribution
 7 network system.

TABLE 12-11
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION^(c)
2023-2026
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total(a)	RSE ^(b)	Risk Reduction
1	A3	Replace Network Transformers Based on Age Instead of Condition	\$(2,675)	\$(2,742)	\$(2,810)	\$(2,881)	\$(11,108)	<0.001	<0.001
2		Total	\$(2,675)	\$(2,742)	\$(2,810)	\$(2,881)	\$(11,108)		

(a) Implementing this alternative mitigation would reduce inspection costs for oil-filled transformer testing.

(b) See MW included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

Note See WP 12-1.

8 Table 12-12 compares the proposed and alternative mitigation plans.

TABLE 12-12
MITIGATION PLAN ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Risk Mitigation Plan	Plan Components ^(a)	Total Expense (2023-2026)	Total Capital (2023-2026) ^(c)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)	Total Spend (NPV)	RSE
1	Proposed	M4, M5, M6	–	\$152,057	11	\$112,145	0.097
2	Alternative 1	Proposed + A1	–	\$152,057	11	\$112,145	0.097
3	Alternative 2	M4, M6 + M5a	–	\$148,462	11	\$109,173	0.100
4	Alternative 3	Proposed + A3	–	\$140,949	11	\$103,981	0.105

(a) Plan Components refers to the Mitigations described in Sections C, D and E.

(b) Information presented in terms of Net Present Value (NPV) to account for the discounting of benefits.

(c) Plan components include the risk reduction benefits and costs of C1-Network Cable Replacement and Switch Installations.

Note See WP 12-2.

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6 **A. Executive Summary**

7 The Large Uncontrolled Water Release risk represents the potential for a
8 large release of water from one of Pacific Gas and Electric Company’s (PG&E or
9 the Company) significant or high hazard dams adversely impacting the public,
10 Company, or federal lands. The drivers for this risk event are flood, seismic,
11 internal erosion, and physical attack. The cross-cutting factors Information
12 Technology (IT) Asset Failure, Cyber Attack, Physical Attack, Records and
13 Information Management, and Emergency Preparedness and Response also
14 impact the risk event. Climate is incorporated into the flood driver through the
15 conservative calculations used.

16 Exposure to this risk is derived from the 61 PG&E dams classified as high or
17 significant hazards by Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).¹ The
18 risk model includes approximately 0.015 risk events each year (one event every
19 67 years). The flood driver accounts for 86 percent of the risk events, seismic
20 accounts for 10 percent, internal erosion accounts for 4 percent, and Physical
21 attack accounts for 0.1 percent of the risk events. PG&E’s planned mitigations
22 for 2020-2026 are designed to address these key risk drivers.

23 Each of PG&E’s 61 high and significant hazard dams is its own tranche.
24 While many dams share similar characteristics, each dam is unique, and PG&E
25 evaluates potential risks for each individual dam. Spaulding No. 2, Spaulding
26 No. 3, and Belden Forebay account for 64 percent of the tranche-level risk due
27 to downstream consequences.

1 The FERC hazard potential classification is a system that categorizes dams according to the degree of adverse incremental consequences of a failure or mis-operation of a dam. The hazard potential classification does not reflect in any way on the current condition of the dam (e.g., safety, structural integrity, floor routing capacity). See Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Federal Guidelines for Dam Safety, Hazard Potential Classification System for Dams, April 2004, p. 2.

1 Large Uncontrolled Water Release has the eighth highest 2023 test year
 2 (TY) safety score (41) and ninth highest 2023 TY total risk score (70) of PG&E's
 3 12 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase (RAMP) risks. PG&E proposes a
 4 series of controls and mitigations to address the Large Uncontrolled Water
 5 Release risk. The 2020 baseline risk score of 73.0 is expected to improve by
 6 24 percent when the planned mitigations are completed, with a projected 2023
 7 TY baseline risk score of 69.8 and 2026 post-mitigation risk score of 55.9. The
 8 Spillway Remediation and Internal Erosion Mitigation programs have the highest
 9 Risk Spend Efficiency (RSE) scores and the highest total risk reduction scores.²

**TABLE 13-1
 RISK OVERVIEW**

Line No.	Risk Name	Large Uncontrolled Water Release
1	In Scope	High and significant hazard dams per the FERC classification
2	Out of Scope	Low hazard dams, canals, waterways, powerhouses, and other hydroelectric assets
3	Data Quantification Sources ^(a)	<u>Exposure</u> : FERC classifications <u>Flood</u> : Probable Maximum Flood (PMF), Potential Failure Model Analysis (PFMA) <u>Seismic</u> : FERC 2000-year design criterion <u>Internal Erosion</u> : Site specific analyses <u>Financial</u> : Average property values, quantity of structures destroyed, qualitative infrastructure factors, dam restoration costs, power replacement costs <u>Safety</u> : Inundation maps, Emergency Action Plans (EAP), FEMA flood studies
<hr/> (a) Source documents will be provided with workpapers on July 17, 2020.		

10 **1. Risk Overview**

11 PG&E's water storage and conveyance systems consist of dams,
 12 reservoirs, tunnels, canals, flumes, siphons, and penstocks which enable
 13 PG&E to store and transport water from runoff and aquifer flows for flexible
 14 generation at PG&E's hydro powerhouses. Additionally, the conveyance

² The information presented herein is subject to the limitations described in Chapter 2, Section D.

1 and storage systems are operated to provide water storage and delivery for
2 water conservation, fish and wildlife habitat protection and enhancement,
3 domestic water usage, recreational water requirements, and agricultural
4 water needs.

5 Collectively, the system consists of approximately: 96 reservoirs,
6 73 diversions, 169 dams, 168 miles of canals, 43 miles of flumes, 132 miles
7 of tunnels, 57 miles of pipe (penstocks, siphons, and low head pipes),
8 four miles of natural waterways, and 140,000 acres of fee-owned land.

9 PG&E's Power Generation organization is responsible for managing its
10 hydro portfolio. Within Power Generation, the Dam Safety Program (DSP) is
11 managed by Power Generation's Engineering Department, which is
12 responsible for ensuring the long-term safe and reliable operation of PG&E's
13 dams. PG&E's dams are regulated by both the FERC and the California
14 Department of Water Resource's Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD).
15 PG&E's DSP is aligned with FERC's Owner's DSP guidelines. Due to the
16 potentially catastrophic impact of a dam failure, this risk is overseen by the
17 Safety and Nuclear Oversight committee of PG&E's Board of Directors.
18 PG&E has also established a Dam Safety Advisory Board made up of
19 industry experts who critically evaluate the performance of the DSP.
20 Furthermore, PG&E's recent organizational optimization included expanding
21 the scope of the Nuclear Quality Verification organization to provide support
22 to the entire Generation Organization. PG&E also maintains active
23 membership and involvement with industry groups like the National
24 Hydropower Association and The Centre for Energy Advancement through
25 Technological Innovation. Further, PG&E internally applies lessons learned
26 from events in the industry such as the 2017 Oroville dam spillway incident
27 and the ongoing investigations on the Edenville and Sanford dam failures in
28 Michigan.

29 In addition to planning and implementing actions to maintain dam safety,
30 the DSP implements programs that educate the public about dam and
31 waterway safety hazards; install hazard warning signs through the hydro
32 system; and maintain prevention, preparedness, education, and outreach
33 activities.

1 Power Generation strives to continuously improve its processes, deliver
2 high quality work, and meet and exceed compliance requirements with
3 standards and procedures through its Dam Safety and Asset Management
4 programs. One critical element of the Dam Safety and Asset Management
5 programs is quantification of asset risk. PG&E's Dam Safety team is
6 enhancing its risk tools through implementation of the Vulnerability Index.
7 The Vulnerability Index was developed by the British Columbia Hydro and
8 Power Authority (BC Hydro). The Vulnerability Index, currently in the early
9 stages of development for PG&E, is an innovative risk-informed tool for
10 evaluating dam health, safety, and criticality, was used to support this RAMP
11 Report. Further, as asset risks are identified, PG&E mitigates and controls
12 the risks through: operational changes and restrictions; increased or
13 modified maintenance; monitoring and surveillance; and repair,
14 refurbishment, or replacement projects.

15 FERC and DSOD inspect PG&E's dams every 1-3 years depending on
16 the hazard classification. PG&E complies with federal regulations that
17 require an independent qualified dam safety consultant to perform an
18 inspection of its high and significant hazard dams every 5 years.³ The
19 independent consultant inspection is a comprehensive review of the physical
20 condition of the dam, dam operations, instrumentation, and confirmation of
21 the dam design relative to design-basis floods, seismic events, and static
22 conditions. The inspection also includes a PFMA that postulates ways a
23 dam could fail and provides guidance about monitoring the dams for signs of
24 potential failures. PG&E receives reports following the FERC, DSOD, and
25 independent safety consultant inspections that may include recommended
26 actions to maintain or improve dam safety. PG&E prioritizes and addresses
27 the identified issues.

28 **2. Risk Definition**

29 Given the inherent risk of owning and operating hydro assets, there is a
30 potential for a large uncontrolled water release adversely impacting the
31 public, the Company, or state and federal lands.

3 18 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 12D.

1 **B. Risk Assessment**

2 **1. Background and Evolution**

3 PG&E’s 2017 RAMP included a Hydro-System Safety – Dams risk⁴ that
4 is similar to the Large Uncontrolled Water Release included in this 2020
5 RAMP.

6 The 2020 RAMP includes 61 dams, significantly more than the
7 20 highest consequence dams included in the 2017 RAMP. The 20 dams
8 included in the 2017 RAMP were identified by PG&E’s dam safety experts
9 based on an assessment of the dams that would have the highest
10 consequences from catastrophic failure. The 61 dams included in the 2020
11 RAMP are all High and Significant Hazard dams, by FERC classification,
12 owned and operated by PG&E.

13 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E identified three dam failure drivers: seismic,
14 flood, and seepage. A fourth driver, Physical Security, has been added to
15 the 2020 RAMP risk. In the 2020 RAMP, the “seepage” driver is renamed
16 “internal erosion.” The frequency of events occurring due to seismic, flood,
17 or internal erosion events is similar in 2020 as it was presented in 2017 with
18 the flood driver being responsible for approximately 86 percent of the
19 potential event occurrences.⁵ PG&E is currently performing probabilistic
20 risk assessment studies in order to add the mis-operation driver to the
21 RAMP model, but the current planned completion is end of year 2021, so
22 the driver will not be available in the 2020 RAMP.

23 PG&E’s 2017 RAMP analyses were based on assessments informed by
24 PG&E data, industry data, and Subject Matter Experts (SME). In 2020,
25 PG&E’s analysis of its Large Uncontrolled Water Release risk is additionally
26 informed by PMF studies, FERC data, site-specific analyses, inundation
27 zone maps, and FEMA flood studies, as well as PG&E’s response to the
28 incident at Oroville Dam which resulted in many of the mitigations proposed
29 in this report.

30 Since the portfolio risk is represented by a sum of the risk of each
31 individual dam failure, and PG&E added 41 dams to this RAMP, the

4 PG&E’s RAMP Report, Investigation 17-11-003 (Nov. 30, 2017), Chapter 13.

5 PG&E’s 2017 RAMP Report, p. 13-4 to p. 13-6.

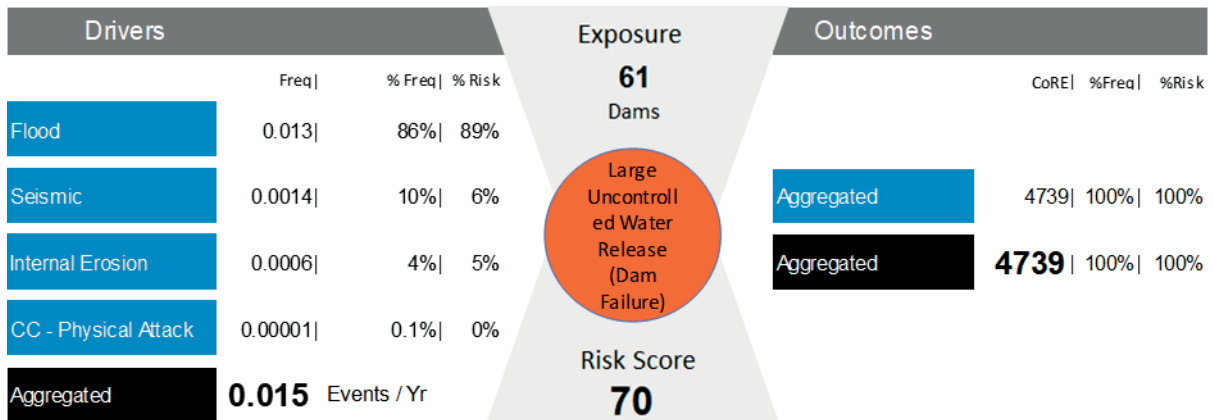
aggregated frequency of failure for the portfolio of dams increased compared to the 2017 RAMP, though the risk for each individual dam from the 2017 RAMP is relatively unchanged.

2017 RAMP = 1 failure of high consequence dam per 140 years

2020 RAMP = 1 large uncontrolled water release per 68 years

2. Risk Bow Tie

**FIGURE 13-1
RISK BOW TIE**



a. Difference from 2017 Risk Bow Tie

PG&E's use of the bow tie has evolved to better show the conceptual information that informs the results of the risk modeling. Each driver has an initiating event frequency as shown on the left side of the bow tie. As shown in the source documents referenced in WP 13-3, each dam is given a catastrophic failure likelihood for each driver expressed as a percent; combining the driver frequency by the failure likelihood results in the catastrophic failure frequency. The catastrophic failure likelihood considers characteristics of the dam. As an example, if the dam is known to have additional spillway freeboard over the flow required for the PMF, then the catastrophic failure likelihood would be used to decrease the probability of catastrophic failure of the dam as it would be expected to withstand the initiating event. Alternatively, if a dam has a known deficiency that would impact its capability to withstand the initiating event, the catastrophic failure likelihood would be used to increase the probability of catastrophic failure. For example, if a dam

1 had no additional freeboard over the PMF and a known condition
2 affecting its capability to pass water through the spillway, the
3 catastrophic failure likelihood would be over 100 percent.

4 **3. Exposure to Risk**

5 The assets in scope for PG&E's 2020 RAMP risk Large Uncontrolled
6 Water Release are the 61 PG&E dams⁶ classified as high or significant
7 hazard dams per FERC. Expanding the list of dams to the entire portfolio of
8 high and significant hazard dams greatly improves PG&E's ability to
9 compare and rank each dam's risk. Further, it reduces uncertainty as dams
10 with similar consequences and features can be compared to ensure
11 outcomes are commensurate.

12 FERC defines a significant hazard potential as:

13 ...those dams where failure or mis-operation results in no probable loss
14 of human life but can cause economic loss, environmental damage,
15 disruption of lifeline facilities, or can impact other concerns. Significant
16 hazard potential classification dams are often located in predominantly
17 rural or agricultural areas but could be located in areas with population
18 and significant infrastructure.⁷

19 FERC defines a high hazard potential as, "...those where failure or
20 mis-operation will probably cause loss of human life."⁸

21 The DSOD classifies the downstream hazard potential of all state
22 jurisdictional dams based on a sunny-day loading condition. Significant
23 hazard potential is defined as:

24 [N]o probable loss of human life but can cause economic loss,
25 environmental damage, impacts to critical facilities, or other significant
26 impacts.

27 High hazard potential is defined as, "[e]xpected to cause loss of at least
28 one human life." Extreme high hazard potential is defined as:

29 [E]xpected to cause loss of at least one human life and one of the
30 following: [r]esult in an inundation of at least 1000 persons or more, or
31 [r]esult in the inundation of facilities or infrastructure, the inundation of

6 The 61 dams in scope are listed in supporting workpapers. See WP 13-3.

7 FEMA, Federal Guidelines for Dam Safety, Hazard Potential Classification System for Dams, April 2004, p. 5.

8 FEMA, Federal Guidelines for Dam Safety, Hazard Potential Classification System for Dams, April 2004, p. 6.

1 which poses a significant threat to public safety as determined by the
2 department on a case-by-case basis.⁹

3 DSOD's extremely high and high hazard classifications are effectively
4 subdivisions of the high hazard classification used by FERC.

5 The DSP implements measures to manage and reduce the risks of
6 owning and operating PG&E's dams. In addition to well-established
7 regulatory driven deterministic approaches for evaluating the safety of dams,
8 PG&E has undertaken many initiatives to better understand and quantify
9 drivers, dam health, and potential outcomes to a catastrophic dam failure.
10 Data sources used in the 2020 RAMP model include information collected
11 during:

- 12 • Routine observations by trained Hydro operations and maintenance
13 (O&M) personnel;
- 14 • Regular inspections by qualified engineers in PG&E's DSP;
- 15 • Regular inspections by the FERC and DSOD;
- 16 • 5-year Independent Consultant Safety Inspections in accordance with
17 18 CFR Part 12D;
- 18 • Environmental assessments of each site; and
- 19 • Engineering evaluations of dam stability, seismicity, spillway design
20 capacity, and other design and operational issues as conditions and
21 engineering guidelines evolve.

22 **4. Tranches**

23 PG&E identified 61 tranches for the Large Uncontrolled Water
24 Release risk. Each of PG&E's 61 high and significant hazard dams is its
25 own tranche. While many dams share similar characteristics, each dam is
26 unique, and PG&E evaluates potential risks for each individual dam. In a
27 few instances, a dam failure may result in flows that could fail a downstream
28 dam, known as a cascading dam failure, in which case the failure of the
29 upstream dam includes the impact of failure of the downstream dam.
30 Including in these instances, each dam is modeled independently and the
31 model features dam-specific driver and consequence data. The aggregated
32 bow tie combines the modeled results of all the dam failures, though dam

⁹ California Code of Regulations, § 335.4, Section (a).

1 failures are independent events with the exception of cascading failures.
 2 A list of the 61 dams, its FERC and DSOD classifications, dam type and
 3 location is included in supporting workpapers.¹⁰

4 Table 13-2 shows the tranche-level results of the risk analysis for the top
 5 10 tranches based on total risk score.

**TABLE 13-2
 TRANCHE LEVEL RISK ANALYSIS RESULTS**

Line No.	Tranche	Percent Exposure	Safety Risk Score	Financial Risk Score	Total Risk Score	Percent of Total Risk
1	Spaulding No. 2	1.6%	7.05	15.43	22.48	32%
2	Spaulding No. 3	1.6%	3.51	7.68	11.19	16%
3	Belden Forebay	1.6%	10.92	0.20	11.12	16%
4	Fordyce	1.6%	1.21	2.35	3.56	5%
5	Spaulding No. 1	1.6%	1.16	1.66	2.82	4%
6	Salt Springs	1.6%	2.32	0.32	2.63	4%
7	McCloud	1.6%	2.45	0.12	2.57	4%
8	Bucks Lake (Storage)	1.6%	1.55	0.03	1.58	2%
9	Pit 5 Open Conduit	1.6%	1.38	0.01	1.40	2%
10	Pit 3	1.6%	0.93	0.04	0.97	1%
11	All Remaining Dams	84%	8.98	0.53	9.51	14%
12	Total	100%	41.46	28.37	69.82	100%

6 **5. Drivers and Associated Frequency**

7 PG&E identified four drivers and two sub-drivers for the Large
 8 Uncontrolled Water Release risk. Each driver and its associated 2023 TY
 9 baseline frequency is discussed below.

10 **D1 – Flood:** Flooding typically occurs as a result of heavy rain or snowmelt,
 11 or a combination of rain on snow. Equipment failure or sudden releases
 12 from upstream water control structures can also lead to flooding.
 13 Weather-related flooding events typically are easier to predict in the short
 14 term and are managed through the use of reservoir storage, releases
 15 through spillways and outlets, and coordinating high flow events with
 16 upstream and downstream dam operators. The risk model uses historic flow
 17 data that PG&E maintains for each dam to develop index-level flood
 18 frequency data combined with the deterministic Probable Maximum
 19 Precipitation/Probable Maximum Flood (PMP/PMF) analyses and rated

¹⁰ See WP 13-3.

1 spillway capacity to estimate the frequency of a flood that would exceed
2 each dam's capacity to safely pass a flood event. Climate change data is
3 inherently included in this driver as the PMP/PMF calculations consider
4 trends in recent and historical precipitation and flood data. The analyses
5 resulted in a cumulative likelihood of a catastrophic dam failure for all
6 61 high and significant hazard dams as of one possible event in 77 years.
7 Flood accounted for 0.013 (86 percent) of the 0.015 expected annual
8 number of events.

9 **D2 – Seismic:** Due to the nature of seismic events, the precise size,
10 location, and timing of earthquakes cannot be predicted. PG&E is in the
11 process of moving towards quantification of the seismic risk. In this report,
12 different methods are used for calculation of the seismic risk for concrete
13 and embankment dams.

14 In calculating seismic risk for concrete dams, the seismic risk model
15 (developed outside of the RAMP's operational risk model and used as input
16 to the RAMP operational risk model) is based on an underlying assumption
17 that, on average, the deterministic ground motions currently used to
18 evaluate PG&E's dams conservatively equate to approximately a 2000-year
19 seismic event recurrence interval. Based on the residual stability of the
20 structure evaluated for that deterministic event, a subjective catastrophic
21 failure factor was applied to determine the likelihood of a seismic induced
22 failure. Dam structures with higher residual stability received a higher
23 subjective factor; whereas, structures just meeting or near guidelines were
24 given a factor of 1.0 or no change from the 2000-year base event frequency.

25 In calculating the seismic risk for embankment dams, the seismic risk
26 model uses the entire seismic hazard curve, which defines the probability of
27 exceeding a specific ground motion level. For a given ground motion
28 loading level, the response of the embankment dam is modeled by a
29 simplified numerical model that computes the expected deformation. This
30 deformation is then related to a probability of failure using fragility curves
31 based on the relative deformation of the dam or the residual freeboard.
32 Annual failure rates are then computed by considering the probability of
33 failure over the entire range of loading levels. Additionally, uncertainty in

1 analysis (ground motion, dam response, analytical model, and fragility) are
2 considered.

3 The aggregate evaluation of the portfolio of 61 dams resulted in an
4 average likelihood that one seismic event with the potential to cause dam
5 failure could occur every 714 years. Seismic events accounted for 0.0014
6 (10 percent) of the 0.015 expected annual number of events.

7 **D3 – Internal Erosion (formerly Seepage):** All dams experience seepage,
8 which is water migration through the dam and can occur through pore
9 spaces, cracks, and joints in the dam structure, foundation, and abutments.
10 Seepage is a normal occurrence and typically presents little or no risk to the
11 integrity of the dam. However, seepage that is not properly managed or
12 controlled can lead to internal erosion potentially resulting in progressive,
13 catastrophic dam failure. For the earthfill dams, the estimated frequency of
14 such failures is based on the Association of State Dam Safety Officials
15 (ASDSO) Dam Safety Incidents Database filtered for recent failures resulting
16 from internal or foundation/abutment erosion.¹¹ For the rockfill dams, the
17 failure probability was determined by extrapolating the results of a
18 Probabilistic Risk Assessment performed for Fordyce Dam. In general, the
19 rockfill dams are less likely to fail due to internal erosion than earthfill dams.
20 Concrete dams rarely, if ever, fail due to excessive internal erosion and, as
21 a result, these dams do not contribute to the frequency of this driver.
22 Climate change data impacting this driver is not included in the model.
23 Cyclical or rapid environmental temperature changes can worsen the
24 condition of concrete and other protective features of dams, but data to
25 support trending of such temperature changes was not available. The
26 aggregate evaluation of the portfolio of 61 dams resulted in an average
27 likelihood that one internal erosion initiating event with the potential to cause
28 dam failure could occur every 1,667 years. Internal erosion events

¹¹ The ASDSO Dam Safety Incident Database (damsafety.org/incidents) provides basic information on dam safety incidents and lists the incident driver among other information. Review of the database showed a significant increase in the number of events reported starting in 2008 with 2018 being the last complete year in the dataset at the time of the analysis. For the 11 years of data, failures were filtered for those resulting from internal or foundation/abutment erosion to develop an annual failure rate for this driver.

1 accounted for 0.0006 (4 percent) of the 0.015 expected annual number
2 of events.

3 **D4 – Physical Attack:** PG&E implements the hydropower security program
4 in compliance with FERC guidance.¹² Controls and mitigations PG&E has
5 in place or plans to enact are sensitive in nature and are not discussed or
6 credited in this report. After assessing the quantification data for frequency,
7 there are no instances of a dam failure driven by Physical Attack in the
8 United States. Combining data from the Department of Homeland
9 Security¹³ and a recent study by the United States Society of Dams¹⁴ with
10 the assumption that the next dam attacked would result in dam failure gives
11 an event frequency of once per 4.4 million years. Physical Attack events
12 accounted for 0.00001 (0.1 percent) of the 0.015 expected annual number
13 of events.

14 **a. Sub-Drivers**

15 **SD1 – Information Technology Asset Failure:** An IT asset failure
16 coincident with conditions that cause a risk event (Flood, Seismic,
17 Internal Erosion, Physical Attack) will increase the likelihood that a
18 catastrophic outcome will occur. Critical System Availability goals are
19 99.9 percent and IT has mapped 39 asset categories to the dam failure
20 risk. This results in an estimated frequency of IT asset failure to be one
21 in 26 years.

22 **SD2 – Cyber Attack:** A cyber attack coincident with conditions that
23 cause a risk event (Flood, Seismic, Internal Erosion, Physical Attack)
24 will increase the likelihood that a catastrophic outcome will occur.

25 A sunny-day cyber attack has the potential to put recreators

12 FERC: Division of Dam Safety and Inspections FERC Security Program for Hydropower Projects, Revision 3A. March 30, 2016. <https://www.ferc.gov/industries/hydropower/safety/guidelines/security/security.pdf>. (as of June 17, 2020).

13 Worldwide Attacks Against Dams: A Historical Threat Resource for Owners and Operators. 2012. <https://damfailures.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Worldwide-Attacks-Against-Dams.pdf>. (as of June 17, 2020).

14 Next Generation of Dam Safety and Security Frameworks: A Big Picture. Fall 2019. <https://www.usstdams.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Fall-2019-for-web.pdf>. (as of June 17, 2020)

1 downstream of a dam at risk, however this risk event is excluded from
 2 this risk as the outcome would be significantly lower than the
 3 catastrophic dam failure modeled by this risk. Power Generation has
 4 controls in place to prevent this event; beyond controls in the IT
 5 systems, instruments measuring component status and flow would alert
 6 operators to components out of alignment. Further, at some
 7 watersheds, physical device controls are in place during recreation
 8 preventing incidental movement and some components also cannot be
 9 operated remotely. For either event, the frequency of a cyber attack
 10 event is estimated to be one in 280 years.

11 **6. Cross-Cutting Factors**

12 A cross-cutting factor is a driver or control that is interrelated to multiple
 13 risks. PG&E is presenting eight cross-cutting factors in the 2020 RAMP.
 14 The cross-cutting factors that impact the Large Uncontrolled Water Release
 15 risk are shown in Table 13-3 below and described above in Section B.5.
 16 A description of the cross-cutting factors and the mitigations and controls
 17 that PG&E is proposing to mitigate the cross-cutting factors are described in
 18 Chapter 20.

**TABLE 13-3
 CROSS-CUTTING FACTORS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Cross-Cutting Risk	Impacts Likelihood	Impacts Consequence
1	Climate Resilience	X ^(a)	–
2	Cyber Attack	X	–
3	Emergency Preparedness and Response	–	X
4	IT Asset Failure	X	–
5	Physical Attack	X	–
6	Records and Information Management	–	X
7	Seismic	X ^(b)	–

(a) Climate impacts are inherently captured in the PMF studies.

(b) Seismic events are included as an inherent driver.

19 **7. Consequences**

20 In developing consequence inputs, PG&E relied on PG&E inundation
 21 maps included in the EAP to analyze the consequences of the Large
 22 Uncontrolled Water Release risk. The inundations maps provide areas of

1 expected impact in the event of a dam failure based on FERC and DSOD
2 guidelines. The data used to evaluate this risk was supported by PG&E
3 SME judgement. The PG&E SMEs used up to date dam-specific
4 inspections, technical documents, and industry data to estimate driver,
5 mitigation, and consequence model data.

6 Safety: Fatality severity distribution was derived by applying the results
7 of the Dekay-McClelland empirical method¹⁵ with the variables of
8 Population at Risk (PAR), force of water (Fd), and warning time (Wt)
9 developed for each dam. PAR was determined by counting the number of
10 structures within the inundation zone from the flood maps for each dam and
11 estimating one person per structure: Fd is a binary value of “0” or “1” that
12 was defined as “1” when a structure was less than 30 minutes from the
13 expected time of inundation after dam failure; and Wt is measured in hours
14 and assumed to be equivalent to the front of the inundation wave arrival time
15 derived from the inundation maps for each high consequence dam. The
16 result of each dam-specific calculation is used to create a distribution
17 sample for the fatality severity input to the RAMP model for the quantity of
18 fatalities occurring in the event of dam failure. To estimate the number of
19 injuries that could result from a catastrophic failure at each dam, as the
20 Dekay-McClelland empirical method does not have a value for injury, PG&E
21 applied a ratio of 1.87 injuries per fatality based on the National Oceanic and
22 Atmospheric Administration flood data for California. Based on these safety
23 consequence inputs and the likelihood of the risk event at each dam, the
24 model results show a portfolio average annualized safety consequence of
25 0.13 equivalent fatalities expected per year.

26 Reliability: The impact to the electric grid resulting from a catastrophic
27 dam failure is expected to be negligible because in most cases, the
28 generation can be replaced quickly, and the homes of customers directly
29 impacted by the inundation would be uninhabitable. Thus, the impact of the
30 loss of generation from powerhouses in the inundation zones is included in

¹⁵ Dekay, Michael L., and McClelland, Gary H., “Predicting Loss of Life in Cases of Dam Failure and Flash Floods” 1993.

1 the Financial consequence as it does not fit the units provided in the
2 Multi-Attribute Value Function attributes for reliability.

3 Environmental: Impact to the environment due to a catastrophic dam
4 failure is included with the Financial consequence. Factors considered for
5 determining the environmental costs included the cost of clean-up and
6 remediation, which would vary based on the amount of water released, soil
7 displacement, and the duration of clean-up.

8 Financial: PG&E relied on average home prices, number of structures
9 damaged, infrastructure factors, expected dam restoration costs, and loss of
10 generation estimates to determine financial impacts. Specifically, PG&E
11 counted the number of structures inundated and estimated that 50 percent
12 of the expected average property value would be the cost necessary to
13 repair the damage. Dam restoration cost was estimated using dam size and
14 type and reservoir size as variables with an escalation factor applied.
15 Lastly, an infrastructure factor was applied to the property damage to
16 consider the cost of damages to roads, powerlines, and other infrastructure.
17 To capture the reliability impacts of dam failure, power replacement costs
18 from each powerhouse in the inundation zone of each dam is also included
19 in the financial impact. The aggregated model results provide a baseline
20 financial impact of dam failure at \$8.0 million per year.

21 Consequences of this risk event are shown in Table 13-4 below. Model
22 attributes are described in Chapter 3, "Risk Modeling and Risk Spend
23 Efficiency."

**TABLE 13-4
RISK EVENT CONSEQUENCES**

	CoRE %Freq %Risk		Freq	Natural Units Per Event		CoRE		Natural Units per Year		Attribute Risk Score	
	Safety EF/event	Financial \$M/event		Safety EF/event	Financial \$M/event	Safety EF/yr	Financial \$M/yr	Safety	Financial	Safety	Financial
Aggregated	4,739	544.9	0.0	8.8	544.9	2,814	1,925	0.13	8.0	41	28.4
Aggregated	4,739	544.9	0.0	8.8	544.9	2,814	1,925	0.13	8.0	41	28.4

1 **C. Controls and Mitigations**

2 Tables 13-5 and 13-6 list all the controls and mitigations PG&E included in
 3 its 2017 RAMP, 2020 General Rate Case (GRC), and 2020 RAMP (2020-2022
 4 and 2023-2026). The tables provide a view as to those controls and mitigations
 5 that are ongoing, those that are no longer in place or completed, and new
 6 mitigations. In the following sections, PG&E describes the controls
 7 and mitigations in place in 2019, changes to the 2019 mitigations and controls
 8 presented in the 2017 RAMP, and then discusses new mitigations and
 9 significant changes to mitigations or controls during the 2020-2022 and
 10 2023-2026 periods.

**TABLE 13-5
 CONTROLS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Control Name and Number	2017 RAMP Controls	2020-2022 GRC Controls	2020-2022 RAMP Controls	2023-2026 RAMP Controls
1	C1 – Hydro Operations Maintenance	X	X	Incorporated in C5	
2	C2 – Facility Safety Inspections	X	X	Incorporated in C5	
3	C3 – FERC and DSOD Inspections	X	X	Incorporated in C5	
4	C4 – Part 12D Inspections and Follow-Up	X	X	Incorporated in C5	
5	C5 – DSP	X	X	X	X

**TABLE 13-6
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Mitigation and Number	2017 RAMP Mitigations	2020-2022 GRC 2017-2020 Mitigations	2020-2022 RAMP Mitigations	2023-2026 RAMP Mitigations
1	M1 – Internal Erosion Mitigations	X	X	X	X
2	M1a – Lake Fordyce Dam	X	X	X	X
3	M1b – Main Strawberry Dam	X	X	X	X
4	M1c – Relief Dam	X	X		
5	M1d – Courtright Dam	X	X		
6	M2 – Spillway Remediations			X	X
7	M2a – Scott Dam	X	X	X	
8	M2b – Belden Dam	X	X	X	X
9	M2c – Salt Springs Dam	X	X	X	
10	M3 – Seismic Retrofit	X	X	X	X
11	M3a – Crane Valley Intake Tower	X	X	X	
12	M4 – Low-Level Outlet (LLO) Refurbishments	X	X	X	X
13	M4a – Pit 1 Forebay	X	X	X	
14	M4b – Relief Dam	X	X		
15	M4c – Spaulding Dam	X	X		
16	M4d – Lake Almanor	X	X	X	
17	M5 – Internal Erosion Mitigations	X	X	X	X

1 **1. 2017-2019 Controls**

2 The five 2017-2019 controls address overall dam safety, including the
3 three RAMP risk drivers, flood, seepage (internal erosion), and seismic. The
4 five 2017-2019 controls were previously separate elements of the DSP and
5 have been combined into the single DSP control for the years 2020 and
6 beyond.

7 **C1 – Hydro O&M:** Trained O&M personnel routinely observe dams. These
8 personnel are stationed in the watersheds where the PG&E dams are
9 located. During regular visits to the dams, the O&M personnel perform
10 visual observations of the dams, collect monitoring data, and report any
11 changed or unusual conditions that could potentially impact dam safety or
12 PG&E’s ability to operate the facility’s spillways and outlet structures.

1 **C2 – Facility Safety Inspections:** Facility safety engineers perform
2 inspections of PG&E’s dams at an interval between annually to triennially,
3 depending on the size and hazard classifications of each dam. These
4 inspections identify any unusual conditions that may affect dam safety and
5 develop responses to those conditions to ensure safe and reliable operation.
6 The dam safety engineers also review monitoring data for each high and
7 significant hazard dam whenever readings are above threshold levels or as
8 part of the Dam Safety Surveillance and Monitoring Plan/Report that is
9 prepared annually. PG&E’s Chief Dam Safety Engineer (CDSE) supervises
10 the work performed by the facilities safety engineers. PG&E uses
11 consultants who have expertise in dam safety to perform evaluations and
12 studies that support the facility’s safety inspections and follow-up activities
13 when issues arise to augment its internal inspection efforts.

14 **C3 – FERC and DSOD Inspections:** FERC and DSOD engineers inspect
15 PG&E’s dams at an interval of annually to triennially, depending on the
16 dams’ DSOD and FERC hazard classifications. These agencies provide
17 inspection reports that include observations, recommendations, and
18 requirements to address issues that are identified. PG&E addresses issues
19 documented in these inspections and communicates with the regulators to
20 fulfill requirements and expectations.

21 **C4 – Part 12 D Inspections and Follow-Up:** 18 CFR Part 12D requires an
22 independent consultant to perform a safety inspection every five years. This
23 inspection is a comprehensive review of the physical condition of the dam,
24 dam operations, and confirmation of the dam design relative to design-basis
25 floods, seismic events, and static conditions. This process also includes a
26 PFMA that takes a comprehensive look at ways a dam could fail and guides
27 monitoring observations to focus on signs of the potential failure modes in
28 addition to the overall observations. PG&E has implemented the Part 12D
29 inspections as required and maintains and tracks completion of
30 recommendations from those inspections.

31 **C5 –DSP:** PG&E’s CDSE is responsible for implementing the DSP. The
32 DSP includes measures to reduce the risks of owning and operating a dam.
33 FERC establishes guidelines for the DSP. PG&E’s DSP exceeds FERC
34 guidelines for an Owner’s DSP by employing an independent panel of

1 experts, the Dam Safety Advisory Board, to audit the DSP and to advise on
2 dam safety issues. For complex dam safety issues, a Board of Consultants
3 may be convened to opine and advise on issues and help guide PG&E's
4 actions to address those issues.

5 **2. 2017-2019 Mitigations**

6 **M1 – Seepage Mitigation Projects:** Multiple seepage mitigation projects
7 began in 2017-2019. Seepage mitigation projects addressed the internal
8 erosion risk driver.

9 **M1a – Fordyce Dam:** The major seepage mitigation project
10 commenced on Fordyce dam in 2016 will continue through 2023. This
11 mitigation will address seepage through the upstream toe of this rockfill
12 concrete face dam by installation of a geomembrane liner. The major
13 capital investment work began in 2018 with another significant increase
14 in spend in 2020-2023 as the foundational project work completes and
15 the geomembrane installation begins.

16 **M1b – Main Strawberry Dam:** Repeated freeze and thaw on the Main
17 Strawberry Dam face have degraded the concrete face and exposed
18 reinforcing steel through excessive spalling. Spalling is addressed by
19 removing and replacing damaged sections of spalled concrete. This
20 multi-year project began in January 2017 and is expected to continue
21 through 2024. The capital cost projections are flat as the work for each
22 year is standard concrete restoration work and often repeated
23 throughout the industry.

24 **M1c – Relief Dam:** Relief Dam is in a similar condition to Main
25 Strawberry Dam due to freeze-thaw cycles. The project was delayed in
26 2017 and an alternative analysis is ongoing.

27 **M1d – Courtright Dam:** Cracks and spalling of various concrete joints
28 were present in the Courtright Dam face as a result of compression
29 caused by dam settlement. The project was further evaluated and
30 determined to not be necessary.

31 **M2 – Spillway Remediation and Improvement Projects:** PG&E continues
32 to engage with regulators and the industry in the combined response to the
33 incident at Oroville Dam. The projects below were included in PG&E's
34 2017-2019 plans and did not include a response to Oroville Dam as

1 investigations were still ongoing. Spillway remediation and improvement
2 projects address the flood risk driver.

3 **M2a – Scott Dam:** Projects were planned at Scott Dam to remediate
4 spillways. The remediations were recommended in the 18 CFR Part 12
5 Independent Consultant Inspection report. In response to the
6 recommendations, PG&E made structural modifications and is in the
7 process of designing, procuring, and installing one mobile self-contained
8 radial gate hoist. This project is scheduled to complete by the end of
9 2020.

10 **M2b – Belden Dam:** PG&E found cracking along the base of a wall
11 panel on the Belden Spillway during unrelated excavation work.
12 Subsequent analysis found that the crack was likely caused by
13 overstress as a result of oversaturated soil surrounding the spillway
14 chute wall causing the wall to deflect inwards from the original
15 constructed position. Two potential plans to address the problem were
16 evaluated: (1) construct a cantilevered reinforced concrete retaining
17 wall extending away from the chute; or (2) construct a reinforced
18 concrete retaining wall with an anchor block element and vertical
19 post-tensioned corrosion protected anchors. PG&E further evaluated
20 these conditions in 2018 to determine which method would best address
21 the spillway base cracking. As a result of this evaluation, PG&E
22 determined the spillway had insufficient capacity based on the current
23 PMF. PG&E has hired a consultant to further advance the PMF
24 analyses and determine the final design needed for the spillway. This
25 mitigation is included in the updated 2023-2026 quantified spillway
26 mitigations.

27 **M2c – Salt Springs Dam:** By November 2019, PG&E replaced the
28 seals on all 13 radial gates at Salt Springs were replaced and repainted
29 the gates. This mitigation has been completed.

30 **M3 – Seismic Retrofit:** The seismic retrofit planned for the Crane Valley
31 Project intake tower will begin in 2022. The seismic retrofit mitigations
32 address the seismic risk driver.

33 **M3a – Crane Valley Intake Tower:** The intake tower at Crane Valley
34 services both the powerhouse and the LLO. It was identified during the

1 2014 Independent Consultant Safety Inspection at the Crane Valley
2 Project that the intake tower had not been evaluated using current
3 seismic analysis methods. PG&E performed an updated analysis and
4 determined that the intake tower is vulnerable to a brittle shear failure at
5 either the construction joint near elevation 3,321 feet or at elevation
6 3,333 feet above the location where the diagonal struts connect to the
7 main tower. PG&E's DSP engineers determined that designs provided
8 by the original vendor in 2019 were unacceptable. A new vendor has
9 been selected, but this has resulted in delays to implementing the
10 project. This mitigation is now planned to be included by 2022 and is
11 included in this RAMP Report.

12 **M4 – LLO Refurbishments:** Pit 1 LLO and radial gate retrofit, initiated as
13 part of a FERC recommendation, Relief Dam LLO bevel gear replacements,
14 and dredging in Spaulding Dam were planned to ensure reliable operation of
15 the LLOs at these three dams. LLO refurbishments address the seismic and
16 internal erosion risk drivers.

17 **M4a – Pit 1 Forebay:** During the work originally scheduled for
18 completion by 2019, it was determined the valve needed a new actuator
19 to ensure reliable operation. In order to procure and install a new
20 actuator, this project was extended through 2020 and is included in this
21 RAMP Report.

22 **M4b – Relief Dam:** Replacement of the bevel gears described in the
23 previous section was completed by the end of 2017.

24 **M4c – Spaulding Dam:** After completing some dredging at Spaulding
25 Dam in 2016 and 2017, additional dredging was determined to not be
26 necessary.

27 **M4d – Lake Almanor:** As PG&E identified in its 2020 GRC testimony,
28 additional work was determined to be necessary to complete this
29 mitigation.¹⁶ The project is still on track to complete in 2021 and is
30 included in this RAMP Report.

¹⁶ Application 18-12-009, Exhibit (PG&E-5), p. 2-13, Lines 16-26.

1 **3. 2017 RAMP Update**

2 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E proposed five controls including Control C5,
3 DSP. PG&E will continue to implement the DSP and the work previously
4 conducted as part of controls C1, C2, C3, and C4 will be incorporated into
5 C5 in 2020 and beyond.

6 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E proposed four types of mitigations with
7 individual projects assigned to each type.

8 **M1 – Seepage Mitigations:** PG&E proposed four seepage mitigation
9 projects.

10 **M1a – Fordyce Dam:** Design and preconstruction efforts for the
11 installation of a geomembrane liner were underway as of 2019.

12 **M1b – Main Strawberry Dam:** The work to remove damaged sections
13 of spalled concrete proceeded as planned during the 2017-2019 period.

14 **M1c – Relief Dam:** The work to remove damaged sections of spalled
15 concrete was delayed and an alternative analysis is being performed.

16 **M1d – Courtright Dam:** PG&E evaluated the plan to address cracks
17 and remove and replace spalled concrete sections. The project was
18 cancelled based on the results of the evaluation.

19 **M2 –Spillway Mitigations:** PG&E proposed three spillway mitigation
20 projects.

21 **M2a – Scott Dam:** Modification of the radial gates proceeded as
22 planned. Structural modifications have been implemented and PG&E
23 will install a mobile self-contained radial gate hoist by the end of 2020.

24 **M2b – Belden Dam:** PG&E has repaired joints, performed inflow
25 design flood analysis and patched concrete. PG&E continues to
26 evaluate the design of the spillway and plans to complete this project by
27 2024. This mitigation is included in the updated 2023-2026 quantified
28 spillway mitigations.

29 **M2c – Salt Springs Dam:** PG&E completed replacement of 13 radial
30 gates between 2017 and 2019. The project was expedited and is
31 complete.

32 **M3 – Seismic Mitigations:** PG&E proposed one seismic mitigation project,
33 the Crane Valley Intake Tower Seismic Retrofit. In 2019, the selected
34 vendor delivered a design that PG&E’s DSP engineers deemed

1 unacceptable. PG&E selected a replacement vendor for this project, which
2 has delayed the completion of the project until 2020.

3 **M4 – LLO Refurbishments:** PG&E proposed four LLO refurbishment
4 projects.

5 **M4a – Pit 1 Forebay:** PG&E completed painting the gate and replacing
6 seals. PG&E identified the need for a new actuator and the project
7 completion date was extended through 2020.

8 **M4b – Relief Dam:** The project to replace bevel gears proceeded as
9 planned and was completed in 2017.

10 **M4c – Spaulding Dam:** Project deemed unnecessary after initial
11 dredging in 2016 and 2017 and planned further dredging was cancelled.

12 **M4d – Lake Almanor:** The project to replace the LLO gates was
13 rescope in 2018 and is now projected to be complete in 2021.

14 **D. 2020-2022 Controls and Mitigation Plan**

15 **1. Controls**

16 PG&E will continue to implement the DSP and the work previously
17 conducted as part of controls C1, C2, C3, and C4 will be incorporated
18 into C5. The scope of the DSP is unchanged from 2017 and defined as:

19 **C5 – Dam Safety Program:** The primary responsibility of PG&E's DSP is
20 continual long-term safe and reliable operation of PG&E owned dams, which
21 is achieved by:

- 22 – Implementing inspections and programs to protect the public and the
23 Company's assets through overall management of dam safety risks,
24 including: O&M inspections; annual Dam Safety Inspections; annual
25 FERC and DSOD inspections, 5-year Independent Consultant
26 Inspections; public safety programs; EAP programs; and operations
27 reviews programs.
- 28 – Maintaining a well-trained and resourced organization with a primary
29 focus on public and employee safety as well as compliance with FERC
30 and DSOD requirements;
- 31 – Clear communication of policies and expectations regarding dam safety
32 and regulatory compliance to all DSP team members, O&M personnel,

- 1 and other stakeholders focused on maintaining and reducing the
2 inherent risk in operating a dam;
- 3 – Defined protocols for communicating and reporting dam safety issues to
4 aid in ensuring public safety and allowing the regulators to stay informed
5 of PG&E’s hydro assets; and
 - 6 – Defining the responsibilities and authority of the CDSE to be
7 accountable for achieving dam safety with support from PG&E’s senior
8 leadership.

9 **2. Mitigations**

10 PG&E is proposing four types of mitigations for the 2020-2022 period:
11 Spillway Remediations; Seismic Retrofits; Internal Erosion Mitigations; and
12 LLO Refurbishments. A list of projects by mitigation is included in
13 supporting workpapers.¹⁷

14 **M1 – Internal Erosion Mitigations:** Excessive internal erosion through
15 concrete face rockfill dams and earthfill dams can lead to a potential piping
16 of finer grained materials through a dam with graded materials. For rockfill
17 dams, this erosion is more likely with “dirty” rockfill dams (those with a larger
18 quantity of finer grained materials between the rocks) and typically develops
19 from cracking and deterioration of the concrete face or other anomalies in
20 the seepage barrier that form due to dam settlement and allow water to pass
21 through the dam. When this seepage becomes excessive, it can cause
22 migration of finer materials creating voids that can eventually lead to a
23 failure of the dam. Internal erosion mitigations address the driver through
24 three primary methods—repairing or sealing cracks and joints in the
25 upstream face, restoring spalled concrete and grouting, or less commonly,
26 providing a new liner or water barrier partially or fully covering the upstream
27 face. Repairing and sealing cracks and joints and restoring spalled concrete
28 are the primary methods common both in the industry and to PG&E as
29 proven methods effective at reducing internal erosion.

30 Installing a geomembrane liner is a longer-term resolution whereas the
31 joint repairs and concrete patching typically deteriorate over a few years and
32 require continual maintenance and re-application. However, a potential

17 See WP 13-4.

1 major cost impact of installing geomembrane liners could result from
2 additional work to install a cutoff at the toe of the dam to alleviate differential
3 hydraulic pressure in the dam created by installing the liner. Excessive
4 hydraulic pressure differential could exacerbate internal erosion. PG&E
5 measures the effectiveness of the mitigation and need for additional
6 maintenance or re-application through visual inspection of flow through the
7 downstream toe of each dam and downstream flow instrumentation. PG&E
8 is planning five internal erosion mitigation projects. The complete list of
9 internal erosion mitigation projects is provided in the supporting workpapers.

10 **M2 – Spillway Remediations:** This mitigation category ensures spillways
11 and necessary components in the spillway are available to control flow,
12 particularly during high reservoir level or other high-water flow events
13 including the flood risk driver. PG&E has categorized 43 projects as
14 spillway remediations between 2020 and 2022. The complete list of spillway
15 remediation projects is included in supporting workpapers.¹⁸

16 **M3 – Seismic Retrofits:** This mitigation category is for projects that ensure
17 the robustness of dams and reliability of components of dams after
18 postulated major seismic events. The Crane Valley Dam intake tower
19 project was included in the 2017 RAMP but the scheduled end date has
20 been extended from 2020-2022. The scope of work for this mitigation has
21 not changed. As the Crane Valley Dam intake tower project ensures
22 reliability of an LLO during a postulated seismic event, the modeling has
23 been updated to mitigate both the seismic and internal erosion drivers.
24 Further PG&E has identified radial gates requiring seismic retrofits; these
25 projects mitigate the flood driver as they ensure the reliability of radial gates
26 which are used to control flow during floods that may occur coincident with
27 or shortly after a seismic event. PG&E will conduct six seismic retrofit
28 projects. The complete list of seismic retrofit projects is included in
29 supporting workpapers.

30 **M4 – LLO Refurbishments:** Although LLOs will not directly mitigate the
31 three major drivers, maintaining reliable operation of these features is critical
32 to safely relieving the water loading on a dam during or after a seismic or

18 WP 13-4.

1 internal seepage event to potentially prevent a more catastrophic failure.
 2 PG&E has categorized eight LLO Refurbishments between 2020 and 2023.
 3 The complete list of LLO refurbishment projects is included in supporting
 4 workpapers.

5 Tables 13-7 and 13-8 below shows the estimated costs for the mitigation
 6 work planned from 2020-2022.

**TABLE 13-7
 FORECAST COSTS
 2020-2022 EXPENSE
 (THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M1	Internal Erosion Mitigations	AXR	\$1,050	\$829	–	\$1,879
2	M2	Spillway Remediations	AXR	5,714	6,286	2,345	14,345
3	M4	LLO Refurbishments	AXR	50	–	–	50
4		Total		\$6,814	\$7,115	\$2,345	\$16,274

Note: See WP 13-1.

**TABLE 13-8
 FORECAST COSTS
 2020-2022
 (THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M1	Internal Erosion Mitigations	2LR, 2NR	\$4,174	\$16,903	\$17,628	\$38,705
2	M2	Spillway Remediations	2LR, 2NR	4,033	19,802	42,059	65,893
3	M3	Seismic Retrofits	2LR	12,780	3,707	10,507	26,995
4	M4	LLO Refurbishments	2LR, 2NR	9,818	4,063	6,279	20,160
5		Total		\$30,805	\$44,474	\$76,474	\$151,753

Note: See WP 13-1.

7 E. 2023-2026 Proposed Mitigation Plan

8 PG&E is proposing four types of mitigations for the 2023-2026 period:
 9 internal erosion mitigations, spillway remediations, seismic retrofits, and LLO

1 refurbishments. A list of projects by mitigation is included in supporting
2 workpapers.¹⁹

3 **M1 – Internal Erosion Mitigations:** PG&E does not currently anticipate starting
4 any internal erosion projects between 2023 and 2026. PG&E will continue to
5 inspect the dams and continuously evaluate and prioritize the need for additional
6 mitigations during this time period. Of the five internal erosion projects in the
7 2020-2022 time period, two will continue into the 2023-2026 time period.

8 **M2 – Spillway Remediations:** PG&E does not anticipate starting any spillway
9 remediation projects between 2023 and 2026. PG&E will continue to inspect the
10 dams and continuously evaluate and prioritize the need for additional mitigations
11 during this time period. Of the 43 projects in the 2020-2022 time period, 22 will
12 continue into the 2023-2026 time period.

13 **M3 – Seismic Retrofits:** PG&E anticipates starting one seismic retrofit in the
14 2023-2026 time period. PG&E will continue to inspect the dams and
15 continuously evaluate and prioritize the need for additional mitigations during
16 this time period. Three of the six projects in the 2020-2022 time period will
17 continue into the 2023-2026 time period.

18 **M4 – LLO Refurbishments:** PG&E does not anticipate starting any LLO
19 refurbishments in the 2023-2026 time period. PG&E will continue to inspect the
20 dams and continuously evaluate and prioritize the need for additional mitigations
21 during this time period. Three of the eight projects in the 2020-2022 time period
22 will continue into the 2023-2026 time period.

23 Tables 13-9 (expense) and 13-10 (capital) below show the forecast costs for
24 the mitigation work planned from 2023-2026. The RSE and risk reduction
25 scores for each mitigation are shown in Table 13-10.

19 See WP 13-4.

**TABLE 13-9
FORECAST COSTS
2023-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2023	2024	2025	2026
1	M1	Internal Erosion Mitigations	AXR	-	-	-	-
2	M2	Spillway Remediations	AXR	\$350	-	-	-
3	M4	LLO Refurbishments	AXR	-	-	-	-
4		Total		\$350	-	-	-

Note: See WP 13-1.

TABLE 13-10
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M1	Internal Erosion Mitigations	2LR, 2NR	\$20,662	\$1,900	—	—	\$22,562	0.37	6.7
2	M2	Spillway Remediations	2LR, 2NR	78,850	107,700	40,000	40,000	266,550	0.69	139.0
3	M3	Seismic Retrofits	2LR	19,700	7,300	7,000	5,500	39,500	0.01	0.4
4	M4	LLO Refurbishments	2LR, 2NR	1,202	—	—	—	1,202	0.14	0.14
5		Total		\$120,413	\$116,900	\$47,000	\$45,500	\$329,813		

(a) See Mitigation Effectiveness worksheets (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
 Note: See WP 13-1.

1 Table 13-10 shows that the Spillway Remediation program has both the
2 greatest risk reduction and highest RSE. Commensurate with these modeling
3 results PG&E is proposing to spend approximately 80 percent of its forecast
4 costs on this high value program.

5 **F. Alternative Analysis**

6 In addition to the proposed mitigations described in Section E above, PG&E
7 considered alternative mitigations as well. The mitigations described in
8 Section E constitute the Proposed Plan. The Alternative Plans consist of a
9 combination of some or all of the proposed mitigations along with the alternative
10 mitigation(s). PG&E describes each of the alternative mitigations it considered
11 below and then provides a table showing the forecast costs, RSEs and risk
12 reduction scores for each of the Alternative Plans.

13 **1. Alternative Plan 1: Internal Erosion Mitigation, Geomembrane Liners**

14 In response to a suggestion from the Public Advocates Office at the
15 California Public Utilities Commission regarding PG&E's 2017 RAMP, PG&E
16 considered the alternative of installing geomembrane liners on all high and
17 significant hazard dams that currently have projects planned to reduce
18 internal erosion, but those projects do not include installing a geomembrane
19 liner. This mitigation would require geomembrane liners to be installed for
20 Strawberry and Spaulding No. 1. This proposed alternative would be
21 performed instead of the proposed Internal Erosion Mitigation Plan.

22 This alternative represents a significant increase in spend over the next
23 several years. Because the model does not currently have a degradation
24 curve that would better represent the lifespan of the geomembrane liner
25 (approximately 50 years) versus the lifespan of the original projects
26 (approximately 3-5 years), mitigation effectiveness is given with the standard
27 discounted rate over the 50-year impact. However, a significant risk
28 reduction is still seen in the decrease in initiating event frequency of internal
29 erosion due to the benefits of the geomembrane liners.

TABLE 13-11
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A1	Internal Erosion Mitigation, Geomembrane Liner	\$50,963	\$32,201	\$30,701	\$30,701	\$144,565	0.06	6.6
2		Total	\$50,963	\$32,201	\$30,701	\$30,701	\$144,565		

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

Note: See WP 13-1.

2. Alternative Plan 2: Geosciences Engineering and Risk Research Plan

Alternative 2 – Geosciences Engineering and Risk Research Plan:

PG&E Geosciences developed a proposal to better quantify the seismic hazards and risk to PG&E Hydro assets through applied research. This proposal should be considered supplemental to the proposed mitigation plan. The program consists of three subject areas: Seismic Source Characterization (SSC), Ground Motion Characterization (GMC), and Engineering and Risk. The SSC area focuses on identifying and characterizing seismic sources. The GMC area focuses on improving our ability to model earthquake ground motions and uncertainty. The Engineering and Risk area focuses on collecting data and developing and implementing methodologies that improve our ability to quantify seismic risk. In order to organize the research program, 5-year windows of research activities are planned and each year’s activities would be reviewed by external panels.

Notably, since this is a research project, the forecasted risk reduction cannot be quantified. Completing this study would improve the accuracy of our model and our understanding of the possible seismic impacts to PG&E’s hydro assets. This would allow for better prioritization of work and mitigation of existing, but currently unknown hazards and risks and does have the potential to decrease spend through more accurate project designs.

The expected cost of the plan is \$200,000 per year for 5 years

**TABLE 13-12
FORECAST COSTS
2023-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	A2	Geosciences Engineering and Risk Research Plan	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$800
2		Total	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$800

Note: See WP 13-1.

1 **3. Alternative Plan 3: PMF Studies**

2 Alternative 2 – PMF Studies: PG&E has piloted an updated
 3 methodology for PMP analysis and is currently working with regulators to
 4 ensure acceptability of the analysis. It would require 21 additional studies to
 5 update all of PG&E’s high and significant hazard dams. This alternative
 6 should be considered as supplemental to the proposed mitigation plan.

7 Notably, since this is a research project, the forecasted risk reduction
 8 cannot be quantified. Completing this study would improve the accuracy of
 9 our model and our understanding of the possible flood impacts to PG&E’s
 10 hydro assets. This would also allow for better prioritization of work and
 11 mitigation of existing but currently unknown hazards and risks. There is
 12 further potential this will reduce the cost of future mitigations through more
 13 accurate spillway capacity designs. This alternative is expected to cost
 14 \$6,500,000 over three years to complete the study.

**TABLE 13-13
 FORECAST COSTS
 2023-2026 EXPENSE
 (THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	A3	PMF Studies	\$2,200	\$2,200	\$2,100	–	\$6,500
2		Total	\$2,200	\$2,200	\$2,100	–	\$6,500

Note: See WP 13-1.

15 Table 13-14 compares the proposed and alternative mitigation plans.

TABLE 13-14
MITIGATION PLAN ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Risk Mitigation Plan	Plan Components ^(a)	Total Expense (2023-2026)	Total Capital (2023-2026)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)	Total Spend (NPV)	RSE
1	Proposed	M1, M2, M3, M4	\$350	\$329,813	146.21	\$250,656	0.58
2	Alternative 1	M2, M3, M4 + A1	\$350	\$451,816	146.09	\$340,481	0.43
3	Alternative 2	Proposed + A2	\$350	\$329,813	146.21	\$250,656	0.58
4	Alternative 3	Proposed +A3	\$350	\$329,813	146.21	\$250,656	0.58

(a) Plan Components refers to the Mitigations presented in Table 13-6.

(b) Information presented in terms of Net Present Value (NPV) to account for the discounting of benefits.

Note: See WP 13-1.

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CHAPTER 14

RISK ASSESSMENT AND MITIGATION PHASE

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5 **FACILITIES FAILURE**

6 **A. Executive Summary**

7 The Real Estate Facilities and Failure Risk is the risk of an event which
8 causes a building, facility or property within Pacific Gas and Electric Company’s
9 (PG&E or the Company) service area to be deemed unsafe, or inaccessible for
10 operation or occupancy, such that PG&E is unable to use the building or
11 property to support operational needs. Key risk drivers include a seismic, flood,
12 landslide, building fire, or physical security event.

13 The scope of this risk includes all PG&E-owned or leased buildings and
14 facilities. All other non-facility-related PG&E assets, such as electric and gas
15 transmission and distribution systems, dams, and substations are covered under
16 other risks.

17 Exposure to this risk is based on a tranche-level analysis of
18 50 representative buildings from the subset of facilities managed by Corporate
19 Real Estate Strategy and Services (CRESS) that included high-, mid-, and
20 low-rise office buildings, service centers, conference centers, and critical
21 facilities in predominately high seismic areas of the state. The risk model
22 analysis indicates that the expected number of events per year is approximately
23 eight for this risk. 62 percent of the risk events are seismic events while physical
24 security, flood, landslide, and building fire account for 38 percent of the risk
25 events. Seismic risk also makes up more than 99 percent of the total risk impact
26 score and physical security, flood, landslide, and building fire events comprise
27 the remaining portion of the risk score. Based on this analysis, PG&E’s
28 planned mitigations primarily address seismic risk events.

29 71 percent of the tranche-level risk is related to two high-rise,
30 highly-populated buildings located in a relatively high seismic zone
31 (San Francisco General Office (SFGO) Complex). 12 percent of the
32 tranche-level risk is related to five mid-rise buildings, and the remaining

1 17 percent is based on the sample of single story or low-rise buildings found in
2 service centers, office complexes, and other facilities.¹

3 Real Estate Facilities and Failure Risk has the seventh highest 2023
4 test year (TY) baseline safety score (69) and sixth highest 2023 TY baseline
5 total risk score (97) of PG&E's top 12 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase
6 (RAMP) risks. The 2020 baseline risk score, 103, improves by 16 percent when
7 the planned mitigations are applied: the 2023 TY baseline risk score is 97 and
8 the 2026 post-mitigation risk score is 87.²

9 Between 2020 and 2022, PG&E will conduct foundational activities, such as
10 surveying buildings that meet a certain criterion. This criterion will include
11 parameters, such as age (to determine contemporaneous codes that were
12 applied to design and construction), location (to determine local seismic activity),
13 height or stories (to determine potential building performance), and/or population
14 density (to weigh potential safety risks) that will inform the multi-year seismic
15 mitigation programs. The buildings or structures will be reviewed against a
16 seismic performance criterion to determine if the structures should be renovated
17 or replaced either by redevelopment or relocation (relocation is particularly
18 related to leased facilities). PG&E will begin renovation or replacing targeted
19 facilities identified during the foundational survey starting in 2023 or sooner
20 depending on the implementation of CRESS' Service Center Investment
21 Program currently outlined in the 2020 General Rate Case (GRC) request or
22 within PG&E's proposed regionalization plans.³

23 PG&E completed its RAMP analyses at the end of May 2020. In June 2020,
24 PG&E announced Company headquarters will move from San Francisco to
25 Oakland beginning in 2022. This upcoming move is not reflected in the risk
26 analysis presented herein, but will be incorporated into the 2023 GRC.

1 See WP 14-3.

2 During the February 4, 2020 RAMP Workshop a California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) staff member asked PG&E if the risk score for the Real Estate and Facilities failure risk is based on past events or if it is based on United States Geological Survey (USGS) data sources. PG&E's risk model considers the probability of seismic events based on rates of peak ground acceleration exceedance. The USGS Hazard Analysis used in PG&E's model does not rely solely on historical events, but rather, uses data collected from both past seismic events, models of ground motion and the potential recurrence of those events.

3 The information herein is subject to those limitations described in Chapter 2, Section D.

**TABLE 14-1
RISK OVERVIEW**

Line No.	Risk Name	Real Estate and Facilities Failure
1	In Scope	Building, facilities or property owned or leased by PG&E
2	Out of Scope	Other non-facility related PG&E assets, such as electric and gas transmission and distribution assets, power generation assets, substations.
3	Data Quantification Sources ^(a)	<p><u>Seismic Data</u> – Recent studies of three sites in October 2019; initial modeling data of 15 sites as of November 2019. Analysis includes seismic hazard developed by USGS and building damage vulnerability by risk assessment software SP3 developed by the consulting firm “Haselton Baker Risk Group (HB Risk)” using simplified Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) procedure P-58 methodology. Used available building specific information. The initial study was used as surrogate for further expansion to a sample of 50.</p> <p><u>Flood Data</u> – Current and historical FEMA Flood Zone Data, PG&E Geographic Information System Analytics Department.</p> <p><u>Landslide Data</u> – Data from PG&E Meteorology Department.</p> <p><u>Physical Attack Data</u> – Crimes-Against-Persons Index aggregated property crime evaluation Federal Bureau of Investigation crime data.</p> <p><u>Fire Data</u> – National Fire Protection Association, National Fire Incident Reporting System, Commercial Building Energy Consumption Survey.</p>
<p>(a) Source documents will be provided with the workpapers on July 17, 2020.</p>		

1 **1. Risk Overview**

2 PG&E owns more than 3,000 buildings throughout its 72,000 square
3 mile service area. PG&E continually manages the exposure of these
4 facilities to unplanned natural disasters, such as fires, floods, landslides, and
5 seismic events, and other risks, such as trespass, theft, and physical attacks
6 on PG&E property.

7 CRESS manages a subset of PG&E facilities that is primarily comprised
8 of “occupied spaces.” These facilities include office buildings, service
9 centers (including operations buildings, shops, warehouses, equipment
10 yards, and vehicle maintenance garages), data centers and other facilities
11 that house critical operating infrastructure, contact or call centers, and
12 Customer Service Offices (CSO) where customers conduct in-person
13 transactions with PG&E representatives. CRESS does not manage
14 structures or facilities, whether occupied or only housing equipment, that are
15 part of PG&E’s electric, gas, and/or information technology infrastructure.

1 For example, certain substations have buildings that were previously used
2 for substation maintenance or circuit switching. These other buildings are
3 not managed by CRESS but instead managed by other lines of business,
4 such as PG&E's Electric Distribution Operations teams.

5 **2. Risk Definition**

6 The Real Estate Facilities and Failure Risk is an event which causes a
7 building, facility or property within PG&E's territory to be deemed unsafe, or
8 inaccessible for operation or occupancy, such that PG&E is unable to use
9 the building or property to support operational needs.

10 **B. Risk Assessment**

11 **1. Background and Evolution**

12 The Real Estate and Facilities Failure risk was added to PG&E's
13 Enterprise Risk Register in 2019 and is a new risk in the 2020 RAMP.
14 Previously this risk was disaggregated into two separate risks: the Seismic
15 Vulnerability Risk and the Fire Life Safety Risk. For the 2020 RAMP, the
16 Real Estate and Facilities Failure Risk incorporates these two risks into one
17 risk which also includes additional risk drivers, such as flood, landslide and
18 physical attack, which results in a higher overall risk score than the previous
19 disaggregated seismic and fire risks.

1 **2. Risk Bow Tie**

**FIGURE 14-1
RISK BOW TIE**



2 **3. Exposure to Risk**

3 Exposure to this risk is based on an analysis of a representative sample
 4 of 50 facilities managed by CRESS and includes low-, mid-, and high-rise
 5 facilities. Most of the facilities are in higher seismic areas, primarily the
 6 San Francisco Bay Area, and/or facilities that are higher in employee
 7 density. The list also includes facilities that house crucial core computer or
 8 customer support operations, such as data centers, grid and gas control
 9 centers, emergency operations centers, telecom hubs, and customer
 10 contact centers. The risk model is based on approximately eight risk events
 11 occurring each year.

12 As discussed in more detail below, seismic event(s) account for the
 13 majority of the Real Estate and Facilities Failure risk. PG&E's facilities are
 14 in various seismic zones throughout its service territory including relatively
 15 high seismic zones in the coastal regions, most significantly the greater
 16 San Francisco Bay Area, and others located in relatively low seismic zones,
 17 such as the San Joaquin Valley and Sierra Nevada Foothills. Each PG&E
 18 facility is required to meet the seismic ordinances, codes, and/or standards
 19 promulgated by the local jurisdiction or Agency Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) at

1 the time the facilities were first permitted and constructed, or when certain
 2 levels of renovation trigger compliance with then-current building codes.
 3 While all PG&E buildings were built to contemporaneous codes and
 4 standards, some are believed to be at risk of failure during a certain design
 5 earthquake greater than the design earthquake in the building code when
 6 the building was constructed. This is mainly due to the evolution and/or
 7 maturity of seismic knowledge, mapping of faults, and experience with
 8 building performance during recent significant seismic events.

9 **4. Tranches**

10 The Real Estate and Facilities Failure risk model includes a
 11 representative sample of 50 facilities, each of which is its own tranche. The
 12 50 individual facilities are grouped into 4 groups of facilities that share
 13 similar characteristics.

- 14 • Group 1 – The SFGO Complex: High rise facilities in San Francisco
 15 making up PG&E’s Headquarters (PG&E’s only high-rise structures);
- 16 • Group 2 – Mid to High Risk Facilities Other than SFGO: Mid-rise
 17 (greater than four stories) office buildings, e.g., San Jose, San Ramon,
 18 and Concord.
- 19 • Group 3 – Low-Rise Structures: Structures typically found at service
 20 centers, office complexes, or conference centers.
- 21 • Group 4 – Critical Facilities: Critical facilities house core computer or
 22 customer support operations, such as data centers, grid and gas control
 23 centers, emergency operations centers, telecom hubs, and customer
 24 contact centers.

25 Table 14-2 below shows the results of the tranche-level analysis.

**TABLE 14-2
 RISK EXPOSURE AND PERCENT RISK BY TRANCHE**

Line No.	Tranche	Percent Exposure	Safety Risk Score	Financial Risk Score	Total Risk Score	Percent Risk Score
1	High-Rise – 2 Buildings	4%	48.19	20.37	68.56	71%
2	Mid-Rise – 5 Buildings	10%	8.28	3.34	11.62	12%
3	Low-Rise/Single-Story – 43 Buildings	86%	12.84	3.57	16.41	17%
4	Total	100%	69.31	27.28	96.59	100%

1 **5. Drivers and Associated Frequency**

2 PG&E identified five drivers for the Real Estate and Facilities Failure
3 risk. Each driver and its associated 2023 TY baseline frequency are
4 discussed below.

5 **Seismic:** This driver includes seismic events in PG&E’s service territory
6 and accounts for five (62 percent) of the eight expected number of the risk
7 events per year. There are four sub-drivers identified for this risk aligned to
8 the Seismic driver: Seismic Minor; Seismic Moderate; Seismic Strong; and
9 Seismic Severe.

10 **Physical Attack:** Physical attack includes attacks against PG&E buildings
11 or facilities, such as a bomb threat, active shooter, or other crimes against
12 PG&E’s facilities. This driver also includes theft, property vandalism,
13 trespass, and adjacent non-lawful assembly near PG&E’s facilities. This
14 driver accounts for two (27 percent) of the eight expected number of the risk
15 events per year. Although the frequency of risk events from the Physical
16 Attack driver is the second highest among the drivers, the Physical Attack
17 driver has a low impact on financial consequences due to experience with
18 resultant losses (materials theft and/or fence damage).

19 **Building Fire:** This driver includes fire-related incidents in PG&E’s
20 buildings or facilities and accounts for fewer than one incident (11 percent)
21 of the eight expected number of the risk events per year. The Fire Risk
22 driver is projected to have little effect on financial outcomes because the risk
23 impact is primarily on non-structural elements, e.g., smoke damage, water
24 damage due to sprinklers.

25 **Flood:** Includes flood-related incidents in PG&E’s buildings or facilities.
26 This driver accounts for fewer than one incident (1 percent) of the
27 eight expected number of the risk events per year. Flood is projected to
28 have little effect on financial outcomes because the risk impact is primarily
29 on non-structural elements, e.g., flooding only in parking areas.

30 **Landslide:** Includes landslide related incidents impacting PG&E’s buildings
31 or facilities. This driver accounts for fewer than one incident (1 percent) of
32 the eight expected number of the risk events per year. Landslide is
33 projected to have little effect on financial outcomes because PG&E’s

1 facilities are primarily built on flat land and not adjacent to steep terrain,
2 slopes or mountainous areas.

3 **6. Cross-Cutting Factors**

4 A cross-cutting factor is a driver or control that is interrelated to multiple
5 risks. PG&E is presenting eight cross-cutting factors in the 2020 RAMP.
6 The cross-cutting factors that impact the Real Estate and Facilities Failure
7 risk are shown in Table 14-3 below. A description of the cross-cutting
8 factors and the mitigations and controls that PG&E is proposing to mitigate
9 the cross-cutting factors are described in Chapter 20.

TABLE 14-3
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY

Line No.	Cross-Cutting Factor	Impacts Likelihood (Driver)	Impacts Consequence
1	Seismic	X	X
2	Physical Attack	X	
3	Records and Information Management		X
4	Emergency Preparedness and Response		X

10 Seismic driver accounts for more than 99 percent of the total risk score
11 and results in consequence of risk events more severe than other risk
12 drivers.

13 **7. Consequences**

14 The consequence impacts for the Real Estate and Facilities Failure risk
15 are related to safety and finance:

16 Safety: Safety consequences in the risk model are driven primarily by a
17 seismic event resulting in employee injuries and/or fatalities as a result of
18 structural and/or non-structural damage to PG&E's facilities. Injuries and
19 fatalities are influenced by the number of seated employees for those
20 buildings in the risk model. Fire, flood, and landslide events did not result in
21 potential injuries and/or employee fatalities in the risk model because the
22 consequences of these events were generally non-structural in nature
23 associated with minor damage to the building or grounds. Physical attacks
24 against PG&E facilities are rare. If they occur, they primarily consisted of
25 incidents of property theft.

1 Financial: Financial consequences in the risk model are driven by the cost
2 to rebuild a structure after a seismic event. Building costs are based on
3 typical PG&E and/or industry costs to rebuild on a cost per square foot of
4 building space.

5 – Fire, flood, and landslide events did not result in significant financial
6 costs because consequences of these events were generally
7 non-structural in nature associated with minor damage to the building or
8 grounds.

9 – Financial consequences resulting from physical attack were also low as
10 the nature of actual physical attack resulted in incidents of property theft.
11 The severity of a seismic event is the largest driver of safety and
12 financial consequences. The severity of a seismic event is divided into
13 four possible outcomes based on the measure of peak ground
14 acceleration (greater than 0.05 g)—a measure of how hard the earth
15 shakes at a given geographic point. Events causing ground shaking
16 less than 0.05 g were judged to have insignificant impact based on
17 historical experience and as such were not considered consequential.⁴

18 Each of the four possible outcomes described above results in varying
19 probabilities of building failure for the individual buildings or tranches in the
20 risk model.

- 21 • Minor (0.05g-0.20g) – Accounts for 50 percent of the risk event
22 occurrences and 22 percent of the risk.
- 23 • Moderate (0.21g-0.40g) – Accounts for 8 percent of the risk event
24 occurrences and 28 percent of the risk.
- 25 • Strong (0.41g-0.60g) – Accounts for 2 percent of the risk event
26 occurrences and 24 percent of the risk.
- 27 • Severe (>0.60g) – Accounts for 1 percent the risk event occurrences
28 and 25 percent of the risk.

4 During the February 4, 2020 RAMP Workshop, a CPUC staff member asked PG&E for a translation of seismic outcomes that were expressed as the ground shaking intensity (measured in units of gravity “g”) into Richter magnitude scale units. The potential earthquake magnitudes considered for modeling this risk range from small (~M5) to large (M7+). However, the location of the earthquake has a significant impact on the shaking levels (measured in units of gravity “g”) that will be experienced at various facilities, i.e., buildings close to the fault shake harder than buildings further away.

1 Table 14-4 shows the consequences of the risk analysis. Model
2 attributes are discussed in Chapter 3, “Risk Modeling and Risk Spend
3 Efficiency.”

**TABLE 14-4
RISK EVENT CONSEQUENCES**

	CoRE		%Freq		%Risk		Freq		Natural Units Per Event		CoRE		Natural Units per Year		Attribute Risk Score	
	Safety	Financial	Safety	Financial	Safety	Financial	Safety	Financial	Safety	Financial	Safety	Financial	Safety	Financial	Safety	Financial
	EF/event	\$M/event	EF/yr	\$M/yr	EF/event	\$M/event	EF/yr	\$M/yr	EF/event	\$M/event	EF/yr	\$M/yr	EF/yr	\$M/yr		
Seismic Moderate	40	8%	8%	28%	0.7	0.3	8.3	26	14	0.19	5.7	18	9			
Seismic Severe	200	1%	1%	25%	0.1	0.8	29.8	157	43	0.10	3.6	19	5			
Seismic Strong	135	2%	2%	24%	0.2	0.6	18.7	105	31	0.10	3.2	18	5			
Seismic Minor	5	50%	50%	22%	4.1	0.1	1.5	3	2	0.28	6.0	14	7			
Minor Damage	0.1	38%	38%	0.2%	3.1	-	0.1	-	0.1	-	0.4	-	0.2			
Aggregated	12	100%	100%	100%	8.2	0.1	2.3	8	3	0.66	18.9	69	27			

1 **C. Controls and Mitigations**

2 Tables 14-5 and 14-6 list all the controls and mitigations PG&E included in
 3 2020 GRC, as well as those planned in the 2020 RAMP (2020-2022, the design
 4 and analyze phase) and 2023-2026 (the mitigation implementation phase). The
 5 tables provide a view as to controls and mitigations that are on-going, those that
 6 are no longer in place, and new mitigations.

7 The Real Estate and Facilities Failure risk was not included in the 2017
 8 RAMP. However, PG&E did identify mitigations and controls in the 2020 GRC
 9 shown in the tables below.

**TABLE 14-5
 CONTROLS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Control Name and Number	2017 RAMP	2020-2022 GRC 2017-2020 Controls	2020-2022 RAMP	2023-2026 RAMP
1	C1 – Regional Optimization ^(a)		X	X	X
2	C2 – Service Center Optimization ^(b)		X	X	X
3	C3 – CSO Optimization		X	X	X
4	C4 – Facilities Management Preventive Maintenance Program		X	X	X
5	C5 – Site Design Structural and Engineering Reviews ^(c)		X	X	X
6	C6 – Segregation of Assets ^(c)		X	X	X
7	C7 – Facility Inspection Program		X	X	X
8	C8 – Security System Hardening		X	X	X

(a) C1 –Regional Optimization is currently paused.
 (b) C2 –Service Center Optimization is currently paused. PG&E discusses this control in Sections C.1 and D.1 below.
 (c) This control is included in PG&E’s 2020 GRC, though not always specifically identified as such.

**TABLE 14-6
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	2017 RAMP 2017-2019 Mitigations	2020 GRC 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 Mitigations
1	M1 – Seismically Risk Rank Facilities Using Tiered System			Foundational Mitigation ^(a)	
2	M2 – Identify Seismic Risk Reduction for Multistory Buildings			Foundational Mitigation	
3	M3 – Develop an Updated Seismic Standard			Foundational Mitigation	
4	M4 – Additional Fire Inspections of Older Facilities			Foundational Mitigation	
5	M5 – Refresh/Review of Key Sites Potentially Impacted by Flood/Landslide/Physical Attack			Foundational Mitigation	
6	M6 – Renovate or Relocate Facilities Other than SFGO		X		X

(a) PG&E defines foundational mitigations as activities that support risk reduction but do not reduce risk themselves. Because these activities do not directly reduce risk, PG&E does not provide a risk score or risk spend efficiency score (RSE) for them.

1 Between 2020 and 2022, PG&E will complete several foundational activities
2 that will inform the CRESS multi-year seismic mitigation programs.

3 **1. 2019 Control Work**

4 In 2019, CRESS continued to implement its Facilities Management
5 Preventive Maintenance Program, Facility Inspection Program, and to invest
6 in Security System Hardening as controls, e.g., additional security gates and
7 updated fencing. The Regional Optimization control is currently paused due
8 to affordability measures but may be reintroduced as the Company
9 implements its regionalization strategy.

10 Service Center Optimization (Control C2) incorporates two distinct
11 efforts: (1) service center investment; and (2) Service Center Optimization.
12 service center investment focuses on renovations, maintenance, compliance
13 issues and upgrades, often to resolve site safety concerns. Service Center
14 Optimization focuses on optimizing Service Center operations. Service
15 Center Optimization is currently paused as PG&E evaluates its
16 regionalization strategy.

1 As part of on-going portfolio management, PG&E continues to make
2 service center investments that may result in indirect improvements that
3 reduce risk, e.g., renovation or replacement of older facilities with newer
4 facilities. Site Design Structural and Engineering Reviews are implemented
5 as a normal course of renovating or standing up new facilities and those
6 costs are embedded within PG&E's Portfolio Budget. Segregation of
7 Assets, such as main and backup electric grid control or distribution control
8 centers have been implemented in previous years and not accounted for in
9 2019 costs.

10 **D. 2020-2022 Controls and Mitigation Plan**

11 Real Estate and Facilities Failure was not a 2017 RAMP risk. While PG&E
12 did not specifically identify programs as RAMP controls or mitigations in its 2020
13 GRC, CRESS actively develops and implements programs to mitigate facilities
14 risk, enhance safety, and/or maintain compliance. The controls and mitigations
15 described below were included in PG&E's 2020 GRC, though not always
16 specifically identified as such, and have been in place prior to 2019 with the
17 exception of the Regional Office and Service Center Optimization Programs
18 which started in 1995 but were paused in December 2018. The programs will
19 most likely restart in 2021 as part of PG&E's proposed regionalization plan.

20 **1. 2020-2022 Controls**

21 **C1 – Regional Office Optimization:** PG&E will consolidate offices, group
22 similar job functions, exit leased facilities and replace them with owned
23 facilities, and/or optimize under-utilized buildings to reduce operational costs
24 to drive affordability. When consolidating offices or exiting facilities, PG&E
25 will consider where opportunities for seismic, flood, landslide, fire, physical
26 attack, and/or climate change risk reductions exist. CRESS is assisting with
27 development of a regional office optimization strategy to support realignment
28 of Company operations to a regional structure. This strategy will also
29 consider additional or alternate workplaces to support ongoing wildfire
30 mitigation efforts. As part of these efforts, PG&E will prioritize renovation of,
31 or relocation from, buildings/workplace that present risks mentioned above.
32 This control impacts seismic, flood, landslide, fire, and physical attack
33 drivers.

1 **C2 – Service Center Optimization:** Service Center Optimization
2 addresses service centers, yards, and operational facilities throughout
3 PG&E’s service area that are core to customer support and emergency
4 response and restoration efforts. These facilities house field operations,
5 equipment, vehicles, and materials. Facility hardening efforts to reduce
6 risks at these centers include updating perimeter security and fencing to
7 current PG&E standards, upgrading site drainage capabilities and storm
8 water runoff infrastructure, and replacing non-permitted temporary or legacy
9 structures with current code compliant structures. This control impacts
10 seismic, flood, landslide, fire, and physical attack drivers.

11 **C3 – CSO Optimization:** The CSO Optimization Plan addresses all CSOs
12 throughout PG&E’s service territory. These offices are staffed by PG&E
13 employees who provide face-to-face service to customers and process bill
14 payments and other non-payment transactions. The CSO Optimization plan
15 will enable a better customer experience and drive operational efficiencies
16 and affordability by closing or re-locating underutilized CSOs to locations
17 with larger foot traffic for easier customer access.⁵ The CSO Optimization
18 Plan also considers potential seismic and physical security risks at CSO
19 facilities. This control impacts seismic, flood, landslide, fire, and physical
20 attack drivers.

21 **C4 – Facilities Management Preventive Maintenance Program:** PG&E’s
22 Facilities Management Preventive Maintenance Program includes
23 preventive maintenance services for the entire CRESS-managed portfolio
24 including specific activities in support of maintaining fire and life safety
25 systems and components. This includes facility inspections conducted by
26 PG&E building mechanics, third parties, alliance partners, and external
27 regulators to confirm that PG&E equipment is properly maintained and
28 complies with all fire and life safety laws and regulations. Preventive
29 Maintenance programs include inspections of fire alarms, protection and
30 detection systems, and validating all required maintenance and updates.
31 This control primarily impacts fire and physical attack drivers.

5 Issues related to PG&E’s Customer Service Centers are addressed in PG&E’s 2020 GRC proposed settlement.

1 **C5 – Site Design Structural and Engineering Reviews:** All new and
2 retrofitted PG&E facilities must be built to current local codes and
3 ordinances related to site and/or building design criteria promulgated by
4 AHJs. Additionally, architectural and engineering design review is
5 conducted as part of the local permit process with sign-off from local AHJs
6 prior to permits being issued for occupancy. This control impacts seismic,
7 flood, landslide, and fire drivers.

8 **C6 – Segregation of Assets:** PG&E’s critical assets, such as main and
9 backup electric grid control or distribution control centers, gas control and
10 dispatch centers, data centers, and customer call centers are placed in
11 different areas or regions ensuring a local disaster does not affect all facets
12 of critical operations. This control primarily impacts the seismic or flood
13 driver.

14 **C7 – Facility Inspection Program:** The Facility Inspection program
15 focuses on monthly visual inspections for all CRESS-managed buildings and
16 sites by CRESS facilities services personnel. Inspections include reviews of
17 safety house-keeping items including personal appliances in facilities,
18 daisy-chaining of extension cords which could start a fire, and non-structural
19 seismic issues, such as racking and vertical storage issues to reduce risks
20 during a seismic event. This control impacts seismic, fire, and physical
21 attack drivers.

22 **C8 – Security System Hardening:** CRESS works with PG&E’s Corporate
23 Security Department to identify areas for security system hardening, such as
24 installing higher fencing, automatic gates, and/or enhanced perimeter
25 surveillance devices. This control impacts the physical attack driver.

26 **2. 2020-2022 Foundational Mitigations**

27 Between 2020 and 2022, PG&E will complete several foundational
28 mitigations that will inform the CRESS multi-year seismic mitigation
29 programs.

30 **M1 – Seismically Risk Rank Facilities Using Tiered System:** The
31 CRESS Seismic Program will risk rank PG&E facilities using a tiered system
32 commensurate to the risk significance. The risk ranking will start with
33 facilities in the greater Bay Area and then be expanded to the entire PG&E

1 service area based on ranking and selection criteria. The risk ranking will
2 consist of:

- 3 – An initial effort to identify safety concerns based on key parameters,
4 such as location, type of building, occupancy levels, age of buildings,
5 previous retrofits, within certain seismic zones, structural and
6 non-structural vulnerabilities; and
- 7 – Additional efforts to provide improved risk estimates.

8 **M2 – Identify Seismic Risk Reduction for Multi-Story Buildings:**

9 Multistory buildings (>four stories) are a dominant contributor to the seismic
10 driver of the Real Estate and Facilities Failure Risk. The focus of this
11 foundational activity is to improve the risk estimates and identify potential
12 risk reduction plans for these buildings.

13 **M3 – Develop an Updated Seismic Standard:** PG&E buildings were built
14 to contemporaneous codes and standards. However, more recent seismic
15 experiences indicate that some could be at risk of failure when experiencing
16 an earthquake greater than the design earthquake at the time of
17 construction. All buildings will be assessed to determine the necessary
18 performance level and reviewed for seismic performance and potential
19 damage. CRESS' updated seismic standard will define the minimum criteria
20 by facility type and will focus first on high risk/high population density
21 buildings managed by CRESS. The standard will require:

- 22 – Mission Critical Facilities perform to the Fully Operational level
23 (no consequential damage, continuous service);
- 24 – Business Critical Facilities perform to the Operational level
25 (most operations and functions can resume immediately);
- 26 – Occupied buildings perform to the Life Safety level (structure damage
27 may occur but will not compromise safe exit from the building); and
- 28 – Non-occupied structures perform to the Collapse Prevention level
29 (structural damage may be severe, but collapse is prevented though
30 non-structural elements may fail);

31 Continued validation is required to appropriately classify buildings and
32 understand their seismic risk as business needs may be expanded,
33 buildings and systems age and may experience degradation, and/or seismic
34 modeling maturity may suggest increased resiliency.

1 **M4 – Additional Fire Inspections of Older Facilities:** Approximately
2 75 percent of the Company’s service centers are more than 45 years old
3 and certain buildings or systems may be nearing end of useful lifespan.
4 Many do not comply with current fire codes related to fire sprinklers or fire
5 dampening. This foundational activity involves conducting additional fire life
6 safety inspections for older facilities. As PG&E renovates or replaces them,
7 these facilities will be brought up to the current standards and code
8 requirements that ultimately enhance the ability to detect and extinguish a
9 workplace fire. In the meantime, CRESS has augmented its visual
10 inspections to mitigate this risk.

11 **M5 – Refresh/Review of Key Sites Potentially Impacted by**
12 **Flood/Landslide/Physical Attack:** CRESS will review certain sites that
13 could be impacted by floods and/or landslides including non-PG&E sites
14 adjacent to PG&E facilities. This review will also focus on areas that may
15 have changes in flood plains and/or experience from recent storm events.
16 Geotechnical and engineering screening may be completed through the
17 review of refreshed flood and liquefaction maps throughout the PG&E
18 service area to look for ground faulting or failure. As PG&E renovates or
19 replaces facilities, these facilities will be brought up to current standards and
20 code requirements. Any site that is identified with an immediate threat will
21 be reviewed for potential renovations to mitigate risks as required. CRESS
22 will continue to work with PG&E’s Corporate Security department to address
23 any facilities that may have a higher potential of physical attack determined
24 from recent experience or from Corporate Security’s crime incident models.

25 Table 14-7 below shows the forecast costs for the planned 2020-2022
26 mitigations.

**TABLE 14-7
FORECAST COSTS
2020-2022 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC/ MAT	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M1-M5	Foundational Mitigations	BI	\$500	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$2,500
2	Total			\$500	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$2,500

Note: See WP 14-1.

E. PG&E 2023-2026 Mitigations

PG&E’s 2023-2026 mitigation plan will focus on reducing seismic risk across its building portfolio by renovating or relocating low-, mid-, and high-rise complexes that do not meet minimum performance criteria. Planning, design, and analysis will occur in 2020-2022 (the foundational mitigations described above) with renovation or relocation efforts occurring 2023-2026 and beyond.

PG&E is proposing one mitigation that consists of two concurrent efforts:

M6 – Renovate or Relocate Facilities Other than SFGO:

Effort 1: Renovate or Relocate Low Rise Facilities

PG&E will systematically evaluate and retrofit or relocate all low-rise facilities such as service centers and office buildings that do not meet a minimum seismic performance level to reduce seismic risk. This collection of buildings is the highest number of buildings but with relatively low risk scores, as compared to mid- and high-rise structures. Renovation or relocation of buildings will also be coupled with workplace strategies driven by Company regionalization efforts.

Effort 2: Renovate or Relocate Mid Rise and High-Rise Structures (Other Than SFGO)

PG&E will review midrise and high-rise structures against the minimum seismic performance criteria and renovate or relocate facilities accordingly. This collection of buildings is a relatively low number of buildings but with relatively high-risk scores, as compared to low-rise structures. This effort will also be coordinated with Company regionalization efforts.

Tables 14-8 below shows the forecast costs for the planned 2023-2026 mitigations.

TABLE 14-8
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total ^(a)	RSE ^(b)	Risk Reduction
1	M6	Renovate or Relocate Facilities Other than SFGO	BI	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$4,000	-	-
2		Total Expense		\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$4,000	-	-
3	M6	Renovate or Relocate Facilities Other than SFGO	22	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$80,000	-	-
4		Total Capital		\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$80,000	-	-
5				-	-	-	-	-	0.83	51.14

(a) Renovation and relocation costs represented in this table may be greater depending on the number of facilities targeted.

(b) See Mitigation Effectiveness worksheets included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

Note: See WP 14-1.

1 PG&E’s risk analysis demonstrates that the combination of the proposed
2 mitigation and Alternative 2 (described below) provides the greatest overall risk
3 reduction (see Table 14-11 below). Alternative 2, Renovate or Relocate the
4 SFGO, has the highest contribution to risk impact, but is expected to have a
5 relatively high cost compared to the proposed mitigation. In early June 2020
6 PG&E announced plans to relocate the SFGO to Oakland and to sell the current
7 General Office complex.

8 PG&E believes the proposed mitigation plan is appropriate because facilities
9 that pose the greatest seismic risk to the Company are prioritized for review and
10 corrective actions.

11 Alternative 1 also has a high risk reduction score. PG&E will continue to
12 evaluate this alternative mitigation—alone and in combination with the proposed
13 mitigation—as it develops and implements its real estate and facilities strategy.

14 **F. Alternative Analysis**

15 In addition to the proposed mitigations described in Section 3 above, PG&E
16 considered alternative mitigations as well. The mitigations described in
17 Section E constitute the Proposed Plan. The Alternative Plans consist of a
18 combination of some or all of the proposed mitigations along with the alternative
19 mitigation(s). PG&E describes each of the alternative mitigations it considered
20 below and then provides a table showing the forecast costs, RSEs and risk
21 reduction scores for each of the Alternative Plans.

22 **1. Alternative Plan 1: A1 Relocate Facilities for Climate Change (Other** 23 **Than SFGO)**

24 As part of PG&E’s overall strategy to relocate facilities and employees,
25 PG&E will consider relocating buildings located in areas of potential sea
26 level rise, and/or employ local or site-specific mitigation efforts to avoid flood
27 impacts to those facilities. PG&E has certain facilities that are located in
28 areas of potential rising sea level and tides (e.g., cities along the Pacific
29 Coast—Eureka, Pismo Beach, Santa Cruz, and Point Arena) and others
30 adjacent to the San Francisco Bay (e.g., Oakland, San Carlos, Fremont, and
31 Richmond). PG&E is undertaking a multi-year Climate Vulnerability
32 Assessment that will consider the extent to which sea-level rise may impact
33 PG&E facilities and when such impacts could occur. Relocation

1 opportunities will also consider regionalization strategies as well as facility
2 optimization.

3 This alternative was not selected because the risk of flood at PG&E
4 facilities is low and relocation costs are high. This mitigation may be
5 reconsidered depending on the Climate Vulnerability Assessment findings.

TABLE 14-9
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A 1	Relocate Facilities for Climate Change (other than SFGO)	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$500,000	-	-
2		Total	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$500,000	0.13	47.08

(a) See mitigation effectiveness worksheets included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE. Forecasted costs on this table are represented by placeholders and may be adjusted depending on the number of facilities impacted.

Note: See WP 14-1.

1 **2. Alternative Plan 2: A2 Renovate or Relocate the SFGO**

2 PG&E will evaluate options related to renovating or replacing the SFGO
3 complex.⁶

4 This alternative mitigation has the highest risk reduction impact
5 (71 percent) of any of the mitigations considered. While this alternative has
6 the highest RSE, the estimated cost of this alternative is relatively high, as
7 compared to cost to reduce risks throughout the portfolio. Risk related to
8 the SFGO complex is primarily driven by the perceived performance of the
9 largest building (77 Beale) during an extreme seismic event.

10 PG&E provided high-level cost estimates for this alternative. These
11 estimates were developed solely for developing an initial RSE and should
12 not be considered actual forecasts for performing this work.

⁶ PG&E's RAMP risk analysis was complete by the end of May 2020. In June 2020 PG&E announced plans to relocate the SFGO to Oakland and to sell the current General Office complex.

TABLE 14-10
FORECAST COSTS, RSE AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A2	Renovate or Relocate the SFGO	\$187,500	\$187,500	\$187,500	\$187,500	\$750,000		
2		Total	\$187,500	\$187,500	\$187,500	\$187,500	\$750,000	1.17	645.27

(a) See mitigation effectiveness worksheets included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE. Forecasted costs on this table are represented by placeholders and may be adjusted depending whether renovation or relocation strategies are implemented.

Note: See WP 14-2.

1 Table 14-11 compares the proposed and alternative mitigation plans.

**TABLE 14-11
MITIGATION PLAN ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Risk Mitigation Plan	Plan Components ^(a)	Total Expense (2023-2026)	Total Capital (2023-2026)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)	Total Spend (NPV)	RSE
1	Proposed	M6	\$4,000	\$80,000	51	\$61,873	0.83
2	Alternative 1	M6+ A1	\$4,000	\$580,000	92	\$430,166	0.21
3	Alternative 2	M6 + A2	\$4,000	\$830,000	696	\$614,312	1.13

(a) Plan Components refers to the Mitigations presented in Table 14-6

(b) Information presented in terms of Net Present Value (NPV) to account for the discounting of benefits.

Note: See WP 14-2

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5 **A. Executive Summary**

6 Third-Party Safety Incident refers to a Pacific Gas and Electric Company
7 (PG&E or the Utility) recordable third-party injury or fatality that is due to an
8 interaction with or use of a PG&E facility or location, not involving an asset
9 failure. Recordable injuries include those which may result in a serious injury in
10 alignment with the Division of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH)—better
11 known as “Cal/OSHA”— definition or a fatality. Third party refers to a member of
12 the public who is a non-PG&E employee and is not a PG&E contractor. The
13 drivers for this risk event are car pole/guy; electric contact; others; drowning or
14 other incidents on PG&E managed/owned property; job site; slip/trip/fall; suicide;
15 falling object/vegetation; and motor vehicle incident (non-pole related).

16 Exposure to this risk is measured within the PG&E system territory and
17 divided into four tranches to facilitate the quantitative risk analysis: third-party
18 interaction with electric operations assets and job sites; third-party interaction
19 with gas operations assets and job sites; third-party interaction with PG&E
20 managed land and water; and third-party interaction with power generation
21 assets. The risk model includes approximately 3,378 risk events each year
22 based on available data which includes Electric Operations incidents only
23 (i.e., car pole/guy and electric contact). The risk outcomes include third-party
24 interaction with reliability impact and third-party interaction. The risk
25 consequences include third-party serious injuries and fatalities. The mitigations
26 PG&E will implement from 2020-2026 are designed to address the risk drivers.

27 Third-Party Safety Incident has the second highest 2023 baseline test year
28 safety (887) score and second highest 2023 baseline total risk score (944) of
29 PG&E’s 12 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase (RAMP) risks. The 2020
30 baseline risk score is 949, the 2023 baseline test year risk score is 944 and the
31 2026 post-mitigation risk score is 932.

1 Public safety within the PG&E service territory is the primary focus of the
 2 lines of business (LOB) programs and projects included in this chapter as
 3 controls and mitigations.¹

**TABLE 15-1
 RISK OVERVIEW**

Line No.	Risk Name	Third-Party Safety Incident
1	In Scope	Recordable third-party (public) injuries or fatalities due to interaction with or during the use of a PG&E facility, not involving asset failure.
2	Out of Scope	Third-party recordable injuries or fatalities resulting from the failure of an asset. Third-party gas dig-in recordable injuries or fatalities are included as key drivers for Gas Operations Loss of Containment Risks. Non-preventable motor vehicle incidents involving third-party interaction are included in the Motor Vehicle Safety Incident risk.
3	Data Quantification Sources	PG&E data including third-party initiated incidents logged in the Integrated Logging Information System, Transmission Operation Tracking & Logging tool, Serious Incidents Reports from PG&E's RiskMaster Database and Electric Incident Reports from 2012 through December 2019. ^(a)
<hr/> (a) Source documents will be provided with the workpapers on July 17, 2020.		

4 **1. Risk Overview**

5 To place greater emphasis on third-party safety incidents, which do not
 6 involve the failure of a PG&E asset, and in alignment with PG&E's transition
 7 to an event-based risk register, with mutually exclusive risks that can be
 8 clearly modeled, the Third-Party Safety Incident risk has been added to the
 9 PG&E risk register and is included as a separate chapter in the 2020 RAMP
 10 Report.

11 PG&E's 70,000 square mile service territory in northern and central
 12 California consists of approximately 106,000 circuit miles of distribution
 13 electric lines, 18,000 circuit miles of interconnected transmission lines,
 14 42,000 miles of natural gas distribution pipelines, 6,400 miles of

1 The information herein is subject to those limitations described in Chapter 2, Section D.

1 transmission pipelines, 67 powerhouses² and an extensive collection of
2 facilities that support this infrastructure. With PG&E facilities located
3 throughout northern and central California, third-party interaction with them
4 is inevitable. Third-party interaction with PG&E facilities is addressed by
5 PG&E's operating lines of business: Gas Operations, Electric Operations,
6 and Power Generation, who have developed and have implemented or are
7 continuing to implement programs to address third-party safety incidents
8 unique to their facilities.

9 Significant third-party safety incidents with impacts to Gas Operations
10 facilities include: Damage at Measurement and Control (M&C)
11 Transmission or Distribution facilities due to vandalism or vehicle incidents;
12 threats from construction and excavation activities; pipe damage through a
13 third-party dig-in (discussed further in the Gas Operations Loss of
14 Containment risks and out of scope for this risk); well failure arising from
15 third-party damage; and meter station vehicular damage. PG&E's
16 Third-Party Safety Incident risk controls and mitigation efforts for Gas
17 Operations include public awareness programs, gas safety education,
18 patrols, physical security, and the replacement, remediation, and retirement
19 of facilities.

20 Public awareness programs reduce the threat of third-party damage to
21 pipelines through educational outreach regarding safe excavation near
22 pipelines. PG&E's gas safety communication efforts use a variety of media
23 to effectively reach the greatest population possible within PG&E's service
24 territory. These efforts include sending bill inserts, e-mails, brochures or
25 letters to communicate gas safety information, providing targeted agricultural
26 excavation safety messaging, and hosting 811 "Call Before You Dig"
27 workshops. Patrols help to identify third-party threats from construction and
28 excavation activities. Vandalism is mitigated through enhanced physical
29 security efforts. Third-party safety is further enhanced with the retirement of
30 gas gathering facilities, including idle pressurized pipe, and the replacement

2 Company profile:
https://www.pge.com/en_US/about-pge/company-information/profile/profile.page
(as of June 17, 2020).

1 and remediation of exposed and shallow pipe. This work further reduces the
2 likelihood of third-party contact.

3 Significant third-party safety incidents with impacts to Electric
4 Operations facilities include: wire down events; contact with energized
5 intact conductors; pole failures due to car-pole incidents, and vandalism and
6 third-party sabotage at substations. PG&E's Third-Party Safety Incident risk
7 controls and mitigation efforts for Electric Operations are focused on public
8 awareness programs, education, outreach efforts, and physical security
9 improvements.

10 Public awareness programs to educate non-PG&E contractors and
11 non-PG&E employees about power line safety and the hazards associated
12 with wire down events and are intended to reduce the number of third-party
13 electrical contacts. Outreach efforts include social media campaigns
14 focused on increasing customer awareness of overhead lines,
15 representation at local fire safe councils and community events and the
16 automated customer notification system. Security improvements can
17 include proactive equipment replacement, security measures and intrusion
18 detection devices.

19 Significant third-party safety incidents with impacts to Power Generation
20 facilities include: drownings, suicides, and boating incidents related to
21 PG&E-managed or owned hydroelectric facilities (dams, waterways, and
22 canals); interaction with job sites; falling object or vegetation-related
23 incidents. Hydroelectric Program objectives include third-party risk
24 reduction and public safety. Procedures are in place for planning for
25 unusual water releases along with their associated safety warnings.
26 Additional Power Generation compliance programs that support these
27 objectives include Public Safety Plans (PSP) as required by PG&E
28 hydroelectric facility Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)
29 licenses and FERC required Emergency Action Plans (EAP) for all
30 significant and high hazards dams. The Plans are exercised annually with a
31 seminar and phone drill.

32 Hydroelectric public awareness programs include hydroelectric safety
33 education, patrols, physical security, and facilities review. Programs such

1 as Time-Sensitive Dams/Sudden Failure Assessments, and Canals and
2 Waterways Safety are also being implemented.

3 A sunny-day cyber-attack at a dam could potentially put recreators
4 downstream of a dam at risk. This risk event would involve a component
5 failure due to cyber-attack. This event is also discussed in the Large
6 Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure) risk chapter. Power Generation
7 has controls in place to prevent this event beyond controls in the IT systems;
8 instruments measuring component status and flow would alert operators to
9 components out of alignment. Further, at some watersheds, physical device
10 controls are in place during recreation preventing incidental movement and
11 some components also cannot be operated remotely.

12 Hydroelectric safety communication efforts use a variety of methods to
13 effectively reach the greatest population possible within PG&E's service
14 territory. These efforts include sending bill inserts, e-mails, brochures or
15 letters to communicate hydrogeneration facilities safety information. As an
16 example, in 2019, the Safe Kids Program resulted in reaching out to
17 66,000 teachers and educating 295,000 students.

18 **2. Risk Definition**

19 The definition of the Third-Party Safety incident risk is a PG&E
20 recordable third-party injury or fatality that is due to an interaction with or
21 during the use of a PG&E facility, not involving asset failure. Recordable
22 injuries include those which may result in a serious injury in alignment with
23 the DOSH definition or a fatality. Third party refers to a member of the
24 public who is a non-PG&E employee or a non-PG&E contractor.

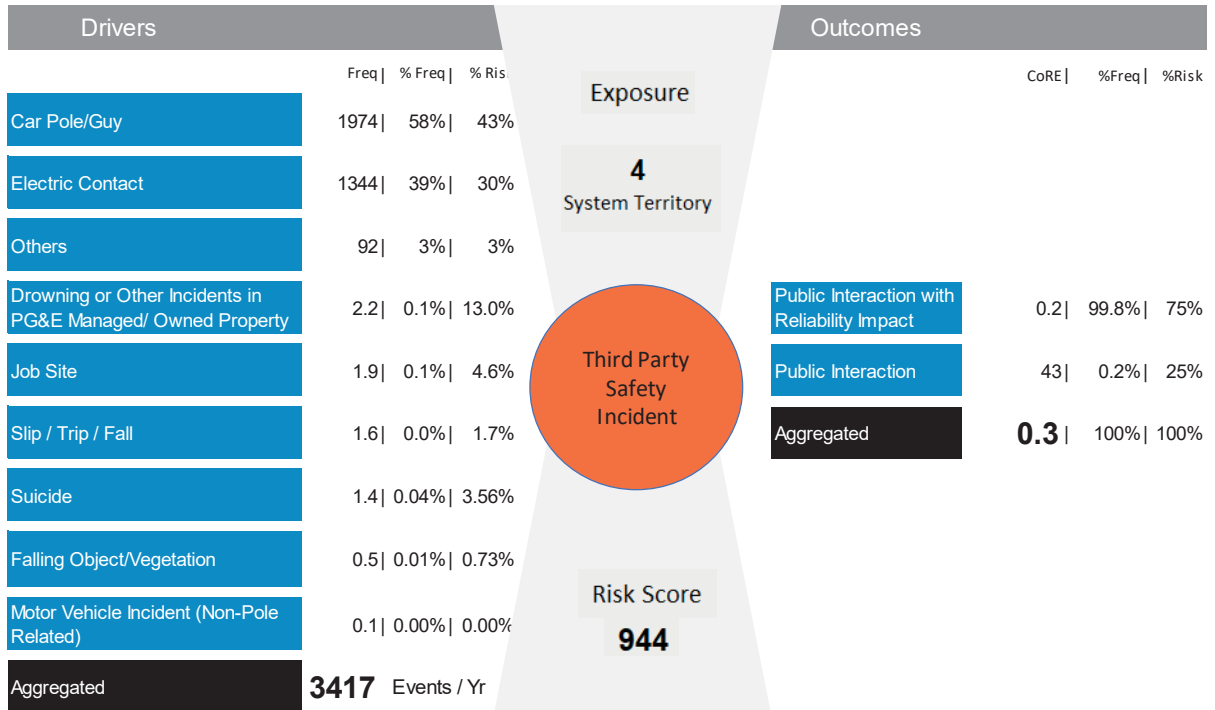
25 **B. Risk Assessment**

26 **1. Background and Evolution**

27 The Third-Party Safety Incident risk is a new risk and has been added to
28 the PG&E event-based risk register. It is included in the 2020 RAMP based
29 on its risk score. The Third-Party Safety Incident risk places greater
30 emphasis on third-party safety incidents that do not involve the failure of a
31 PG&E asset and aligns with PG&E's transition to an event-based risk
32 register with mutually exclusive risks that can be clearly modeled.

2. Risk Bow Tie

**FIGURE 15-1
RISK BOW TIE – 2023 TEST YEAR**



3. Exposure to Risk

To quantify the Third-Party Safety Incident risk exposure, PG&E’s RAMP model uses data from the PG&E Serious Incidents Reports, relevant information from PG&E’s Riskmaster database and PG&E’s Electric Incident Report (EIR). Electric Utilities must report to the CPUC any incident which results in a fatality or personal injury rising to the level of in-patient hospitalization; are the subject of significant public attention or media coverage; or, result in damage to property of the utility or others estimated to exceed \$50,000 and are attributable or allegedly attributable to utility-owned facilities. EIR data are also used to analyze reliability consequences. Annually, PG&E Electric Operations experiences approximately 3,400 incidents. Fewer than 1 percent of these result in a third-party serious injury or fatality. Note that Gas Operations reporting for dig-in incidents is out of scope for the risk.

1 **4. Tranches**

2 PG&E identified four tranches for the Third-Party Safety Incident risk.

- 3 • Third-party interaction with Electric Operations assets and job sites;
- 4 • Third-party interaction with Gas Operations assets and job sites;
- 5 • Third-party interaction with PG&E managed land and water; and
- 6 • Third-party interaction with Power Generation assets.

7 Third-party interaction with Electric Operations assets and job sites:

8 This tranche includes third-party safety incidents by driver and
9 consequences related to serious injuries and fatalities, as well as reliability
10 in Customer Minutes Interrupted, which are used to measure the duration of
11 the customer’s loss of power. Incidents that meet one or more of the electric
12 incident reporting requirements are reported to the CPUC in the EIR. These
13 incidents may also meet PG&E’s reporting requirements for serious injuries
14 or a fatality and are included in the PG&E Serious Incidents Report.

15 Third-party interaction with Gas Operations assets and job sites:

16 This tranche includes third-party safety incidents by driver and
17 consequences related to serious injury and fatality, other than third-party
18 gas dig-ins. Serious injuries and fatalities are included in the PG&E Serious
19 Incidents Report.

20 Third-party interaction with Power Generation assets and PG&E
21 managed/owned property:

22 The remaining two tranches include third-party interaction with power
23 generation assets and PG&E managed/owned property. The tranches
24 include third-party safety incidents by driver and consequences related to
25 serious injury and fatality. Serious injuries and fatalities are included in the
26 PG&E Serious Incidents Report.

27 The percent exposure and percent risk by tranche is shown in
28 Table 15-2 below.

**TABLE 15-2
EXPSOURE AND RISK BY TRANCHE**

Line No.	Tranche Description	Percent Exposure	Electric Reliability Risk Score	Safety Risk Score	Total Risk Score	Percent Risk
1	Third-Party Interaction with Electric Operations Assets and Job Sites	25%	56	652	708	75%
2	Third-Party Interaction with Gas Operations Assets and Job Sites	25%	–	59	59	6%
3	Third-Party Interaction with Power Generation Assets and Job Sites	25%	–	7	7	1%
4	Third-Party Interaction with PG&E Managed Land and Water	25%	–	170	170	18%
5	Total	100%	56	887	944	100%

1 **5. Drivers and Associated Frequency**

2 PG&E identified nine drivers and five sub-drivers for the Third-Party
3 Safety Incident risk. Each driver and its associated 2023 test year baseline
4 frequency and key sub drivers are discussed below.

5 **D1 – Car Pole/Guy:** Refers to third-party vehicular contact with a PG&E
6 pole or guy wire. Car pole/guy events accounted for 1,974 (58 percent) of
7 the 3,417 expected annual number of risk events not involving an asset
8 failure.

9 **D2 – Electrical Contact:** Refers to third-party contact with a PG&E electric
10 asset. Electrical contact events accounted for 1,344 (39 percent) of the
11 3,417 expected annual number of risk events not involving an asset failure.

12 **D3 – Others:** Refers to a third-party incident that is not addressed by any of
13 the other Third-Party Safety Incident risk drivers. Other events accounted
14 for 92 (3 percent) of the 3,417 expected annual number of risk events that
15 do not involve asset failure.

16 **D4 – Job Site:** Refers to a third-party incident resulting in a recordable
17 injury or fatality that occurs at a PG&E job site. This driver includes three
18 sub-drivers: job site slip, trip, fall-related; job site falling object/vegetation;
19 and job site motor vehicle incident related. There are two annual expected
20 interactions involving a PG&E job site included in the RAMP model dataset.
21 The data for this driver is limited to those recorded in the PG&E Serious
22 Incidents Report.

1 **D5 – Drowning or Other Incidents at PG&E Owned/Managed Property:**

2 Refers to third-party drownings or other water-related incidents resulting in a
3 recordable injury or fatality that occur at a PG&E owned or managed
4 property. This driver includes two sub-drivers: drowning or other incidents
5 in PG&E managed/owned property; and drowning or other incidents in
6 PG&E managed/owned property-hydro spill. There are two annual expected
7 drownings or other incidents in PG&E managed/owned Property interactions
8 included in the RAMP model dataset. The data for this driver is limited to
9 those recorded in the PG&E Serious Incidents Report.

10 **D6 – Slip/Trip/Fall:** Refers to third-party slips, trips or falls resulting in a
11 recordable injury or fatality that are the result of contact with a PG&E asset
12 or that occur at PG&E job site or facility. There are two annual expected slip
13 trip, or fall interactions included in the RAMP model dataset. The data for
14 this driver is limited to those recorded in the PG&E Serious Incidents Report.

15 **D7 – Suicide:** Refers to third-party suicide that occurs on or at a PG&E
16 asset or facility. There is one annual average suicide event associated with
17 interactions included in the RAMP model dataset. The data for this driver is
18 limited to those recorded in the PG&E Serious Incidents Report.

19 **D8 – Falling Object/Vegetation:** Refers to a recordable injury or fatality
20 that is the result of a PG&E asset that falls onto or otherwise contacts a
21 third party, or due to vegetation management activities (e.g., trimming or
22 removal) by PG&E or PG&E contactors and that falls onto or otherwise
23 contacts a third party. There are 0.5 annual expected interactions included
24 in the RAMP model dataset. The data for this driver is limited to those
25 recorded in the PG&E Serious Incidents Report.

26 **D9 – Motor Vehicle Incident (non-pole related):** Refers to third-party
27 vehicular contact with a PG&E asset or facility (non-pole related) resulting in
28 a recordable injury or fatality. There are 0.1 annual expected interactions in
29 this category included in the RAMP model dataset which resulted in
30 two fatalities. The data for this driver is limited to those recorded in the
31 PG&E Serious Incidents Report.

32 **6. Cross-Cutting Factors**

33 A cross-cutting factor is a driver or control that is interrelated to multiple
34 risks. PG&E is presenting eight cross-cutting factors in the 2020 RAMP.

1 There are no cross-cutting factors that directly impact Third-Party Safety
2 Incident risk.

3 When analyzing this risk PG&E considered the cross-cutting risk
4 Climate Change. Climate change presents ongoing and future risks to
5 PG&E's assets, operations, employees, customers, and the communities it
6 serves. During this RAMP period PG&E will conduct a Climate Vulnerability
7 Assessment (CVA) to further assess how its assets, operations, and
8 employees are vulnerable to the projected impacts of climate change.
9 PG&E intends to use findings from the CVA as well as developments in
10 climate science and internal data gathering to continue to advance the
11 quantification of all event-based risks, including RAMP risks, over this
12 RAMP period.

13 **7. Consequences**

14 The basis for measuring the consequences of the Third-Party Safety
15 Incident risk is: Does third-party interaction with a PG&E facility result in a
16 recordable injury or fatality.

17 The consequences of a third-party Incident risk event occurring are:

- 18 • Safety: Third-party Interaction with Injury or Fatality
- 19 • Reliability: Third-party Interaction with Reliability Impact.

20 PG&E relied on the PG&E Serious Incidents Reports and Electric
21 Incidents Reports from 2012 through 2019 to analyze the safety
22 consequences of the Third-Party Safety Incident risk. The PG&E Serious
23 Incidents Report includes serious injuries and fatalities related to third-party
24 events.

25 PG&E relied on the PG&E Electric Reliability Reports for customer
26 outage data from 2014 through 2019 to analyze the reliability consequences
27 of the Third-Party Safety Incident risk. The reported customer outage data
28 provides the duration of electric outages by circuit.

29 PG&E did not model financial consequences due to data confidentiality.

30 The consequences of the risk event are shown in Table 15-3 below.
31 Model attributes are described in Chapter 3, "Risk Modeling and Risk Spend
32 Efficiency."

**TABLE 15-3
RISK EVENT CONSEQUENCES**

	CoRE %Freq %Risk			Freq	Natural Units Per Event		CoRE		Natural Units per Year		Attribute Risk Score	
	Safety EF/event	Electric Reliability MCM/yr	Electric Reliability MCM/event		Safety EF/yr	Electric Reliability MCM/yr	Safety EF/yr	Electric Reliability MCM/yr	Safety	Electric Reliability		
Public Interaction with Reliability Impact	0.004	0.03	0.2	0.02	0.004	0.03	0.2	0.02	12.5	113	652	56
Public Interaction	0.8	-	43	-	0.8	-	43	-	4.5	-	236	-
Aggregated	0.00	0.03	0.26	0.02	0.00	0.03	0.26	0.02	17.0	113	887	56

1 **C. Controls and Mitigations**

2 Tables 15-4 and 15-5 list all the controls and mitigations PG&E included in
3 its 2017 RAMP (for the most part these are the 2019 baseline controls and
4 mitigations), 2019 Gas Transmission and Storage Rate Case (GT&S), 2020
5 General Rate Case (GRC) and 2020 RAMP (2020-2022 and 2023-2026). The
6 tables provide a view as to those controls and mitigations that are ongoing,
7 those that are no longer in place, and new mitigations. In the following sections
8 PG&E describes the controls and mitigations in place in 2019, changes to the
9 2019 mitigations and controls presented in the 2017 RAMP, and then discusses
10 new mitigations and/or significant changes to mitigations and/or controls during
11 the 2020-2022 and 2023-2026 periods.

**TABLE 15-4
CONTROLS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Control Name and Number	Line of Business and Reference to 2020 GRC ^(a)	2017 RAMP (Ref. to 2017 RAMP) ^(b)	2020-2022 GRC 2017-2020 Controls	2020-2022 RAMP	2023-2026 RAMP
1	C1 – PG&E Code of Safe Practices (CSP)	Gas Operations (GO), Electric Operations (EO), Power Generation (PGen)				X
2	C2 – Public Awareness Programs	EO (Exhibit (PG&E-4), Ch. 18)		X	X	X
3	C3 – Public Awareness Program (Bill Inserts)	EO (Exhibit (PG&E-4), Ch. 18)		X	X	X
4	C4 – Gas Operations Physical Security Controls	GO				X
5	C5 – Public Awareness Programs	GO (Exhibit (PG&E-3), Ch. 6)		X	X	X
6	C6 – Meter Protection Program	GO (Exhibit (PG&E-3), Ch. 4)		X ^(c)	X	X
7	C7 – Safe Kids Program – K-8 Safety Education	EO, GO, PGen			X	X
8	C8 – Hydroelectric FERC License PSP	PGen			X	X
9	C9 – Early Warning Systems, Signage and Alarms	PGen			X	X
10	C10 – Streetlight Conversions to LED Technology	EO (Exhibit (PG&E-4), Ch. 6)		X ^(d)		

**TABLE 15-4
CONTROLS SUMMARY
(CONTINUED)**

Line No.	Control Name and Number	Line of Business and Reference to 2020 GRC ^(a)	2017 RAMP (Ref. to 2017 RAMP) ^(b)	2020-2022 GRC 2017-2020 Controls	2020-2022 RAMP	2023-2026 RAMP
11	C11 – PG&E Electric Design Pole Location Requirements	EO			X	X
12	C12 - Visibility Strips on Electric Distribution Poles and Guy Markers	EO			X	X
13	C13 - Anti-Climbing Guard Assemblies for Steel Towers	EO			X	X
14	C14 – Hydro Facility Unusual Water Releases and Water Safety Warning Standard and accompanying procedure (PG-2727S and PG-2727P-01).	PGen			X	X
15	C15 - PG&E Dam Safety Surveillance and Monitoring Program (PG-2762S)	PGen			X	X

(a) Application (A.) 18-12-009.
(b) Investigation (I.) 17-11-003.
(c) The Meter Protection Program was a mitigation, not control, in the 2020 GRC.
(d) This program is included in the 2020 GRC but not listed as a risk mitigation.

**TABLE 15-5
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	Line of Business	2017 RAMP 2017-2019 Mitigations (Ref. to 2017 RAMP)	2019 GT&S 2020 GRC 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 Mitigations
1	M1 and M2 – Shallow and Exposed Pipe Replacement and Remediation Programs	GO (2019 GT&S, p. 4-37 ^(a))			X	X, although not included in the RAMP analysis
2	M3 – Time-Sensitive Dams/Sudden Failure Assessments	PGen			X	X, although not included in the RAMP analysis
3	M4 – Canals and Waterways Safety Barriers	PGen			X	X
4	M5 – EAPs for all significant and high hazards dams.	PGen			X	X, although not included in the RAMP analysis
5	M6 – System Hardening	EO			X	X, although not included in the RAMP analysis
6	M7 – 3A and 4C Line Recloser Controller Replacement	EO				X, although not included in the RAMP analysis

(a) A.17-11-009.

1 **1. 2019 Controls**

2 The controls and mitigations proposed in the 2017 RAMP for the
3 Third-Party Safety Incident risk were included as part of the individual lines
4 of business risks. For the purposes of aligning the controls and mitigations
5 from the 2017 RAMP with those PG&E is proposing for the 2020-2026
6 period, the Third-Party Safety Incident programs included by the lines of
7 business in their risks in 2017 are listed below.

8 **a. Controls**

9 **1) Gas Operations Controls**

10 **C1 – PG&E Code of Safe Practices (CSP) for all PG&E LOBs,**
11 **including Electric Operations, Gas Operations, and Power**

12 **Generation:** The CSP includes the requirement that for job sites on
13 or near a roadway, work area protection devices and advance
14 warning signs shall be placed and maintained in accordance with
15 the “California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets
16 and Highways, January 13, 2012,” and/or the California Joint Utility
17 Traffic Control Manual, February 2014 6th Edition. The
18 requirements apply to all employees who oversee or are directly
19 responsible for the protection of the public, PG&E employees and
20 contractors entering a PG&E working area.

21 **C4 – Physical Security:** Gas Operations physical security controls
22 protect against third-party interaction with gas facilities and include:
23 security guards at the Compression and Processing and M&C
24 facilities (e.g., McDonald Island, Topock, Los Medanos and
25 Hinkley); facility fencing, security cameras, and vegetation
26 management; security enhancements such as ballistic protection
27 around critical components such as compressor stations and tanks;
28 protection of exposed transmission pipe and valves by adding
29 anti-climbing or concrete barriers; security enhancements related to
30 communication systems such as adding visual and audible alarm
31 annunciations, and upgrading existing security technology to include
32 video analytics.

1 **C5 – Public Awareness Programs:** PG&E’s Public Awareness
2 Program: PG&E’s Public Awareness Program conducts educational
3 outreach activities for professional excavators, local public officials,
4 emergency responders, and the general public who lives and works
5 within PG&E’s service territory. The program communicates safe
6 excavation practices, required actions prior to excavating near
7 underground pipelines, availability of pipeline location information,
8 and other gas safety information throughout the year through a
9 variety of methods including bill inserts, e-mails, brochures, mass
10 media advertising, press releases, and participation in community
11 meetings and events. PG&E communicates gas safety information
12 multiple times each year. These efforts are aimed at increasing
13 public awareness about the importance of underground gas facilities
14 and the need to call 811 before an excavation project is started.³

15 **C6 – Meter Protection Program (MPP):** The purpose of the MPP
16 is to protect meters and risers that are vulnerable to vehicular
17 damage, and to install service valves where existing service valves
18 are inaccessible. Preventing damage from vehicles is required in
19 accordance with Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations –
20 Transportation, Section 192.353. Meter protection is accomplished
21 in four ways: inspections to confirm field conditions; installation of
22 bollards; installation of valves; and relocation of meter sets.
23 Alternative meter protection measures such as customer-installed
24 permanent structures are also available.⁴

25 **C7 – Safe Kids Program:** The PG&E Safe Kids Program has been
26 in place since 2001 and is also in use with Power Generation
27 Hydroelectric and Electric Operations. The program follows a robust
28 public safety outreach communications strategy including the
29 development and delivery of comprehensive electric, gas, and
30 hydroelectric public safety awareness classroom materials to all

³ The Gas Operations Public Awareness Program is included in PG&E’s 2020 GRC, A.18-12-009, Exhibit (PG&E-3), p. 6-14 to p. 6-16.

⁴ The Gas Operations MPP is described in PG&E’s 2020 GRC, A.18-12-009, Exhibit (PG&E-3), p. 4-27.

1 kindergarten through 8th grade schools throughout the PG&E
2 service territory. The overarching program objective is to Save
3 Lives and Prevent Injuries.

4 **2) Electric Operations Controls**

5 **C1 – PG&E CSP for all PG&E LOBs, including Electric**

6 **Operations, Gas Operations, and Power Generation:** The CSP
7 includes the requirement that for job sites on or near a roadway,
8 work area protection devices and advance warning signs shall be
9 placed and maintained in accordance with the “California Manual on
10 Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways,
11 January 13, 2012”, and/or the California Joint Utility Traffic Control
12 Manual, February 2014 6th Edition. The requirements apply to all
13 employees who oversee or are directly responsible for the protection
14 of the public, PG&E employees and contractors entering a PG&E
15 working area.

16 **C2 – Public Awareness Programs:** Public awareness programs
17 educate third-party workers and the public about power line safety
18 and the hazards associated with wire down events. These
19 programs are intended to reduce the number of third-party electrical
20 contacts and as a control, has the potential to reduce exposure to
21 Third-Party drivers and the consequences related to Safety Injuries
22 and Fatalities. The programs consist of outreach efforts describing
23 the hazards associated with working around power lines through
24 various delivery channels. PG&E plans to continue outreach for
25 each of the following programs, though the delivery channels may
26 vary each year:

- 27 – Worker Beware Program: Communications targeting third-party
28 contractors within PG&E’s service territory. Includes direct
29 mailings of safety material, offers of additional complimentary
30 safety and training materials.
- 31 – Logging Safety Program Outreach: Communications targeting
32 the logging industry. Includes delivery channels such as
33 brochures, social media, visor cards, safety posters, and DVDs.

- 1 – Third-Party Tree Workers Program: Communications targeting
- 2 stakeholders with operations within PG&E’s service territory.
- 3 – Orchard Worker Safety Program: Communications targeting
- 4 northern California orchards. Includes direct mailings as well as
- 5 safety training videos.
- 6 – Mind-the-Lines Program: Social media campaign focused on
- 7 increasing customer awareness of overhead lines.

8 **C3 – Public Awareness Program (Bill Inserts):** Draft and mail out
9 bill inserts that inform customers of the dangers related to wire down
10 events and the hazards associated with performing activities around
11 intact overhead conductors. The material will be distributed in paper
12 form and electronically within a monthly bill. Continuing to send bill
13 inserts increases the volume of public safety messaging with the
14 goal of making the general public more aware of the hazards
15 associated with wire down events or overhead conductor. This may
16 reduce the number of Third-Party Contact with Intact Conductor and
17 the exposure related to the Third-Party (Wire Down) contact events.

18 **C7 – Safe Kids Program:** The PG&E Safe Kids program has been
19 in place since 2001 and is also in use with Power Generation
20 Hydroelectric and Gas Operations. The program follows a robust
21 public safety outreach communications strategy including the
22 development and delivery of comprehensive electric, gas, and
23 hydroelectric public safety awareness classroom materials to all
24 kindergarten through 8th grade schools throughout the PG&E
25 service territory. The overarching program objective is to Save
26 Lives and Prevent Injuries.

27 **C10 - Streetlight Conversions to LED Technology:** Electric
28 Operations had conversion of approximately 120,000 of the
29 140,000 PG&E-owned conventional streetlights in PG&E’s service
30 territory to LED technology, which improves public safety by
31 providing brighter and more reliable lighting while reducing energy
32 usage.

33 **C11 – PG&E Electric Design Manual Pole Location**
34 **Requirements:** The PG&E Electric Design Manual includes

1 specifications for locating poles so that all portions of the line are
2 within rights-of-way and easement requirements, clearances from
3 trees and vegetation, and states that all applicable PG&E
4 requirements stipulating proper pole easements and locations must
5 be followed including compliance with CPUC General Order 95.

6 Specifications include key considerations when locating or
7 relocating poles is to avoid car pole incidents. If at all possible,
8 place poles away from high-risk locations and as far as practical
9 from traveled roadways. High-risk locations include, among others:

10 (1) The outside of roadway curves, especially curves immediately
11 downstream from long, straight sections of roadway; (2) End-of-lane
12 “drops” (where a traffic lane suddenly ends); (3) Traffic islands

13 **C12 – Visibility Strips on Electric Distribution Poles and Guy**

14 **Markers:** Emphasis on the presence of electric distribution system
15 poles is a primary consideration when determining whether to mark
16 electric distribution mark poles and guy markers. Reflective visibility
17 strips shall be installed on wood, fiberglass, steel power poles, or
18 guy poles, and guy markers as follows:

- 19 a) On poles and guy markers installed on state highways, in
20 accordance with the marking section of the Caltrans Traffic
21 Manual.
- 22 b) On poles and guy markers located within 15 feet from the paved
23 surface or 15 feet from the edge of the traveled, unpaved
24 portion of city or county roads (streets) where not protected by
25 curbs.
- 26 c) On poles and guy markers within 6 feet of an adjacent driveway,
27 private roadway (street intersection), turnaround, parking lot, or
28 thoroughfare in rural district, capable of being traversed by
29 vehicles where not protected by curbs.

30 Visibility strips should not be installed where there is no reasonable
31 expectation of traffic. For example: Cross country poles, poles
32 through waterways or wetlands, rear easement poles, poles behind
33 guardrails, or poles on embankments that are well above or below
34 the road.

1 If existing visibility strips become damaged or otherwise do not
2 serve their intended purpose, they shall be replaced in accordance
3 with PG&E documentation for the Marking, Numbering, and
4 Identification of line structures.

5 **C13 – Anti-Climbing Guard Assemblies for Steel Towers:**

6 Guards are placed in the vicinity of transmission tower legs to
7 prevent potentials climbers from getting a hand or foothold. Guards
8 must not be installed above a point on the tower leg that would
9 prevent climbing by Company employees using a 20-foot extension
10 ladder (approximately 16 feet).

11 **3) Power Generation Controls**

12 **C1 – PG&E CSP for all PG&E LOBs, including Electric**

13 **Operations, Gas Operations, and Power Generation:** The CSP
14 includes the requirement that for job sites on or near a roadway,
15 work area protection devices and advance warning signs shall be
16 placed and maintained in accordance with the “California Manual on
17 Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways,
18 January 13, 2012”, and/or the California Joint Utility Traffic Control
19 Manual, February 2014 6th Edition. The requirements apply to all
20 employees who oversee or are directly responsible for the protection
21 of the public, PG&E employees and contractors entering a PG&E
22 working area.

23 **C7 – Safe Kids Program:** The PG&E Safe Kids program has been
24 in place since 2001 and is also in use with Gas Operations and
25 Electric Operations. The program follows a robust public safety
26 outreach communications strategy including the development and
27 delivery of comprehensive electric, gas, and hydroelectric public
28 safety awareness classroom materials to all kindergarten through
29 8th grade schools throughout the PG&E service territory. The
30 overarching program objective is to Save Lives and Prevent Injuries.
31 For Power Generation, there is additionally focused outreach to
32 schools within zip codes that have our hydrogeneration facilities
33 including powerhouses and canals. The 2019 program has resulted
34 in reaching out to 66,000 teachers and educating 295,000 students.

1 **C8 – Public Safety Plans (PSP):** Per PG&E Utility Standard
2 PG-2129S, Power Generation conducts a review of each hydro
3 project’s PSP annually. PSPs are a regulatory requirement for each
4 of PG&E’s hydro FERC licenses. Each PSP must be updated and
5 filed with FERC at least once every 10 years, more frequently if
6 significant changes occur or upon request by FERC. Over the past
7 five years, PG&E has implemented significant improvements to the
8 PSP format. Currently, 16 of the 25 PSPs have been re-filed in the
9 newer formats. In 2019, the Kerkoff and Mokulumne PSPs were
10 filed. An updated Drum Spaulding PSP will be filed. Over the next
11 five years, the goal is to have all 25 PSPs filed in the newer formats.

12 **C9 – Early Warning System Signage and Alarms:** In 2019 Early
13 Warning Technologies (EWT) were identified and recommended for
14 the time-sensitive dams. Examples of EWT’s include sirens,
15 automated notification systems and increased signage. PG&E
16 Public Safety is working with the project planning team to launch
17 several projects to implement EWT’s for time-sensitive dams. The
18 initial phases of this program are in place with continued
19 improvements in progress.

20 **C14 – Hydro Facility Unusual Water Releases and Water Safety**
21 **Warning Standard and accompanying procedure (PG-2727S**
22 **and PG-2727P-01):** The documents establish PG&E Hydro facility
23 requirements for planning and making unusual water releases or
24 high flow events and their associated safety warnings.

25 **C15 – PG&E Dam Safety Surveillance and Monitoring Program**
26 **(PG-2762S):** PG-2762S establishes and defines PG&E’s Dam
27 Safety Surveillance and Monitoring Program for the continued
28 long-term safe and reliable operation of PG&E’s dams. Dam
29 surveillance involves the collection of data by various means,
30 including inspections and instrumentation, whereas monitoring
31 involves the review of the collected data as obtained and over time
32 for any adverse trends.

1 **b. Mitigations**

2 **1) Gas Operations Mitigations**

3 **M1 and M2 – Shallow and Exposed Pipe:**⁵ The Shallow and
4 Exposed Pipe Programs were established to address the risks
5 posed by shallow and exposed pipe on both land and locations of
6 water/levee crossings. The purpose of the land-based portion of the
7 Shallow and Exposed Pipe Program is to identify, prioritize, and
8 mitigate locations where pipeline: has insufficient cover; is
9 vulnerable to exposure from third parties; or has become exposed
10 due to natural forces. The depth of pipelines installed by PG&E
11 meet or exceed the minimum depth requirement in effect at the time
12 of initial construction, however, over time, initial depth of cover may
13 become reduced or the pipe may become exposed due to natural
14 forces, such as erosion or stream washouts. This program
15 enhances public safety and improves system reliability by prioritizing
16 pipe for re-burial or replacement through a risk-based engineering
17 analysis that considers the pipeline specifications manufacturing
18 details, as well as operating and maintenance history. The water
19 and levee crossing portion of this program was established to
20 organize and catalog information, maps, drawings, leases, and
21 permits regarding pipeline installations in waterways and levees.
22 PG&E’s Water and Levee Crossing Program improves system
23 safety and reliability by identifying and evaluating erosion, third-party
24 damage threats, and other hazards to trenched-in pipeline
25 installations located under waterways, and within levee structures.
26 This program assesses and monitors: 129 jurisdictional waterways;
27 177 levees; and an estimated 900 non-jurisdictional waterways
28 throughout PG&E’s service territory. Additionally, between 2019
29 and 2021, this program will assess an estimated additional
30 5,000 pipeline locations which cross intermittent or seasonal

5 See Chapter 7, “Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline,” Section C, Mitigation M5 (Shallow Pipe) and Mitigation M6 (Exposed Pipe).

1 waterways. PG&E replaced 0.5, 1.0, and 0.7 miles of shallow and
2 exposed pipe in 2017, 2018, and 2019, respectively.

3 **2) Electric Operations Mitigations**

4 PG&E identified two Electric Distribution mitigations that will
5 also mitigate third-party safety risk.

6 **M6 – System Hardening:** This program is described in Chapter 11,
7 “Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets.”

8 **M7 – 3A and 4C Line Recloser Program:** This program is
9 described in Chapter 11, “Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead
10 Assets.”

11 **3) Power Generation Mitigations**

12 **M3 – Public Outreach, Time-Sensitive Dams, Sudden Failure**

13 **Assessments:** In 2019 a sudden failure assessment was
14 performed for PG&E’s time-sensitive dams. A sudden failure
15 assessment analyzes the detection, verification, notification and
16 emergency management response time and compares it with the
17 arrival of a flood inundation wave. 33 of PG&E’s dams are classified
18 as “time-sensitive.” Time-sensitive is defined as: in the event of a
19 dam failure or large uncontrolled release of water; homes,
20 businesses, or recreation facilities could be flooded by a dam
21 inundation before being notified by local emergency management
22 agencies. In 2019 PG&E developed and mailed a general
23 information brochure to more than 7,000 recipients who could be
24 affected by a time-sensitive dam, notifying them that they live near a
25 time-sensitive area and encouraging them to plan for the unlikely
26 event of a sudden dam failure. Each brochure notifies the reader
27 that they live near a Time-Sensitive area and encourages them to
28 plan for the unlikely event of a sudden dam failure. In addition to the
29 mailer, in 2019 EWT’s were identified and recommended for the
30 time-sensitive dams. Examples of EWT’s include sirens, automated
31 notification systems and increased signage. PG&E Public Safety is
32 working with the project planning team to launch several projects to
33 implement EWT’s for time-sensitive dams. In 2020, PG&E has

1 issued a contract to have a consultant perform sudden failure
2 assessments for the remainder of the PG&E EAP dams, to confirm
3 that they are still not time-sensitive. Updated inundation maps are
4 utilized with modern flood modeling and analysis of developments
5 near PG&E dams to determine if changes exist that would make a
6 dam time-sensitive.

7 **M4 – Canals and Waterways Safety:** In 2019 Power Generation
8 installed 10,497 linear feet of barrier fencing along PG&E’s canal
9 systems. Most of these fencing projects were completed in the
10 Drum system and were identified through a systematic risk ranking
11 assessment. In 2020 PG&E is forecasting 14,000 linear feet of
12 barrier fencing installation. In 2019 PG&E also addressed the
13 positioning and design of canal escape aids. Using industry
14 benchmarking and canal attributes, PG&E determined locations for
15 escape aids, and are installing 139 ladders along the Drum system
16 canals. In 2019, Power Generation created a new brochure and
17 mailed it to approximately 1,100 customers. The brochure provides
18 safety information to property owners with canals that bisect their
19 property. In 2019, a new canal entry emergency response plan was
20 published to guide efficient and timely communications between
21 PG&E personnel and local first responders when responding to
22 emergencies resulting from public entry into PG&E-owned water
23 conveyance systems. Delays in routing these calls to the
24 appropriate hydroelectric generation switching centers can hamper
25 response efforts. This document provides PG&E with a defined
26 communications plan that helps to ensure an expedient response to
27 search and rescue/recovery efforts.

28 **M5 – Emergency Action Plans (EAP):** In accordance with State
29 and Federal regulations, PG&E maintains EAPs for all significant
30 and high hazards dams.⁶ Per FERC guidelines each EAP must be

6 FERC defines a significant hazard potential as:

1 tested annually with a seminar and phone drill. Every five years a
2 tabletop and functional exercise is required. In 2019, five EAP
3 seminars and two tabletop exercises were held. A total of
4 172 participants joined in these exercises with participants including
5 state and local emergency management agencies, state and federal
6 regulators, localities impacted by dams, and PG&E personnel.
7 Fourteen EAP phone drills were held in 2019 to verify and test
8 PG&E emergency notification flow charts for EAP dams. A total of
9 272 stakeholders participated in the phone drills.

10 The following EAP initiatives have been identified for 2020:

- 11 • Introduce web-based EAP training for appropriate PG&E staff.
- 12 • Establish and implement an Automated Notification System to
13 be used in EAP activation.
- 14 • Integrate electronic EAPs and associated files (i.e., inundation
15 maps and shapefiles) into DamWatch for stakeholder access.
- 16 • Incorporate a welcome/thanks video from Power Generation
17 leadership into EAP exercises.

18 **D. 2020-2022 Controls and Mitigations**

19 All of the controls listed in Section C.1.a above will continue from
20 2020-2022.

21 The Gas Operations and Power Generation mitigations described in
22 Section C.1.b will continue through the 2020-2022 period.

23 PG&E identified one Electric Operations mitigation – System Hardening –
24 that will also help to reduce the Third-Party Safety Incident risk, specifically the
25 Electrical Contract driver. Electric Operations describes this mitigation in
26 relation to two risks, Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets and

“those dams where failure or mis-operation results in no probably loss of human life but can cause economic loss, environmental damage, disruption of lifeline facilities, or can impact other concerns. Significant hazard potential classification dams are often located in predominantly rural or agricultural areas but could be located in areas with population and significant infrastructure.: FERC defines a high hazard potential as, “. . . those where failure or mis-operation will probably cause loss of human life.” See, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Guidelines for Dam Safety, Hazard Potential Classification System for Dams, April 2004, pp. 5-6.

1 Wildfire.⁷ System Hardening includes several activities designed to reduce
2 wildfire risk, electric outages and equipment line failure. One of the System
3 Hardening activities, replacing uninsulated wire with covered conductor, will also
4 help to reduce Third-Party Safety Incident risk by reducing third-party contacts
5 with electric wires. The System Hardening mitigation is described below.

6 **M6 – System Hardening:** PG&E is planning to upgrade approximately
7 7,000 miles of overhead distribution circuit in High Fire Thread District (HFTD)
8 Tier 2 and Tier 3 areas to reduce the risk of wildfire ignitions associated with
9 overhead equipment. The upgrades will include: replacing existing uninsulated
10 wire with covered conductor; replacing poles as necessary to support the weight
11 of the new covered conductor and/or for fire resilience; replacing non-exempt
12 line equipment with lower fire risk equipment; and replacing transformers with
13 lower fire-risk and higher efficiency models. In addition to reducing the risk of
14 wildfire ignitions, this mitigation will also reduce outages and equipment failures,
15 for example due to vegetation-conductor contact or conductor to conductor
16 contact in high winds.

17 **E. 2023-2026 Proposed Mitigation Plan**

18 PG&E will continue to implement the five mitigations described in
19 Section C.1.b above in the 2023-2026 period. The work planned for M1 and M2,
20 Shallow and Exposed Pipe, is described in Chapter 7, “Loss of Containment on
21 Gas Transmission Pipeline.” The controls listed in Section C.1.a above will
22 continue from 2023 to 2026.

23 The activities for Mitigation 3 (Public Outreach, Time-Sensitive Dams,
24 Sudden Failure Assessments) Mitigation 4 (Canals and Waterways Safety),
25 Mitigation 5 (EAP) and Mitigation 6 (System Hardening) remain as described
26 above.

27 Mitigation 4 (Canals and Waterways Safety) is directly applicable to
28 reducing injuries associated with interactions with PG&E’s facilities that do not
29 involve an asset failure. It has been included in the RAMP 2020 plan.⁸

7 See Chapter 11, Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets, Section C, Mitigation M3 and Chapter 10, Wildfire, Section C, Mitigation M2.

8 Costs for this mitigation are included in WP 15-1.

1 PG&E identified an additional Electric Operations mitigation – 3A and 4C
2 Line Recloser Controller Replacement – that will start in 2023 and will also help
3 to reduce the Third-Party Safety Incident risk, specifically the Electrical Contract
4 driver. Electric Operations describes this mitigation in relation to it Failure of
5 Electric Distribution Overhead Assets risk.⁹ Replacing older recloser controllers
6 is designed to improve PG&E’s ability to isolate faults and re-energize circuits.
7 One of the benefits of replacing the 3A safety hazards due to fault conditions
8 including wire-down incidents. The 3A and 4C Line Recloser Controller
9 Replacement mitigation is described below.

10 **M6 – 3A and 4C Line Recloser Replacement Program:** PG&E uses line
11 reclosers across its DOH system to manage, locate/isolate faults and
12 re-energize circuits in the event of an outage. Some of these line recloser units
13 use older model 3A or 4C controllers, which have limited functionality compared
14 to newer controller models. These functional limitations increase the risk of
15 circuit failure and impact PG&E’s ability to isolate faults and re-energize circuits
16 in the event of an outage. Line reclosers are also categorized as protective
17 devices, and are programmed to protect customers from safety hazards due to
18 fault conditions including wire-down incidents, sustained outages etc. There is a
19 high risk of such fault incidents if these devices do not operate as intended. To
20 mitigate this risk, PG&E proposes to replace all 3A and 4C line recloser
21 controllers in its system with newer models.

22 Table 15-6 below shows the risk reduction scores for the proposed
23 mitigations. The costs for the three mitigations are borne by the line of business
24 implementing the mitigation: System Hardening is sponsored by Electric
25 Operations, see Chapter 10, Wildfire; Canals and Waterways Safety Barriers, is
26 sponsored by Power Generation;¹⁰ and 3A and 4C Line Recloser Program is
27 sponsored by Electric Operations, See Chapter 11, Failure of Electric
28 Distribution Overhead Assets. While the costs for these mitigations are

⁹ See Chapter 11, “Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets,” Section C, Mitigation M10.

¹⁰ The forecast expense costs for Mitigation 4 are: \$675,000 (2020); \$695,250 (2021); \$716,108 (2022); \$737,501 (2023); \$759,718 (2024); \$782,510 (2025); and \$805,985 (2026). See WP 15-1.

1 sponsored by other lines of business, the benefits of these mitigations still apply
 2 to the Third-Party Safety Incident risk.

**TABLE 15-6
 RISK REDUCTION**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M2	System Hardening	–	103.0
2	M4	Canals and Waterways Safety Barriers (b)	1.7	3.8
3	M10	M10- 3A and 4C Line Replacement	–	4.0

(a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the Risk Spend Efficiency (RSE).

3 **F. Alternative Analysis**

4 In addition to the proposed mitigations described in Section E above, PG&E
 5 considered alternative mitigations as well. The mitigations described in
 6 Section E constitute the Proposed Plan. The Alternative Plans consist of a
 7 combination of some or all of the proposed mitigations along with the alternative
 8 mitigation(s). PG&E describes each of the alternative mitigations it considered
 9 below and then provides a table showing the forecast costs, RSEs and risk
 10 reduction scores for each of the Alternative Plans.

11 **1. Alternative Plan 1: Targeted Third-Party Electric Safety Pilot Program**

12 PG&E will design and conduct a pilot program to target regions or
 13 circuits that have a high number of, or high rate of,¹¹ third-party contact with
 14 electric assets incidents. PG&E will analyze its third-party electric asset
 15 contact data to identify those regions or circuits where third-party contact
 16 with electric assets is most prevalent. It will evaluate the physical locations
 17 and types of incidents to determine which of the potential mitigation options
 18 are most likely to reduce the third-party electric contact risk in each specific
 19 location.

20 The potential mitigation options include:

¹¹ PG&E will evaluate both locations with the highest number of individual incidents and areas where there are the highest incident rates – the highest number of incidents per circuit mile.

- 1 • Eliminate the Hazard – Eliminate the hazard by undergrounding a for
- 2 portion of the electric power lines.
- 3 • Engineering Control – Reduce the likelihood that a third-party vehicle
- 4 will contact a PG&E pole by relocating power poles, installing crash
- 5 barriers, and/or another type of pole diversion.
- 6 • Public Awareness – Increase public awareness as to the location and
- 7 potential danger of contacting an electric asset by installing visibility
- 8 strips, reflective paint, and/or additional signage and conducting
- 9 marketing campaigns.

10 Designing and implementing the pilot program will require close
 11 coordination with municipalities and landowners where PG&E’s assets are
 12 located. This will ensure that the mitigations PG&E is proposing meet all
 13 municipal requirements and will give PG&E an opportunity to better estimate
 14 the number and type of mitigations that reduce the most risk in different
 15 situations and are the most cost effective.

16 PG&E will provide an update about this pilot program in the 2023 GRC.

**TABLE 15-7
 FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
 2023-2026 CAPITAL
 (THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A1	Targeted Third-Party Electric Safety Pilot Program	\$250	\$256	\$263	\$269	\$1,038	147	112

(a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

Note See WP 15-1.

2. Alternative Plan 2: Delay Installation of Canals and Waterways Safety Barriers

Alternative 2 considers delaying the installation of canals and waterways safety barriers by two years. PG&E prefers to maintain the planned schedule. It is possible that this mitigation could be delayed due to resource

1 limitations and/or work planning or coordination issues. PG&E did not select
 2 this alternative because it would delay important safety work.

**TABLE 15-8
 RSE AND RISK REDUCTION
 2023-2026**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE	Risk Reduction
1	A2	Delay Canals and Waterways Barrier Installation	\$738	\$760	\$783	\$806	\$3,086	1.7	3.8

Note See WP 15-1.

3 Table 15-9 compares the proposed and alternative mitigation plans.

**TABLE 15-9
 MITIGATION PLAN ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS
 (THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Risk Mitigation Plan	Plan Components ^(a)	Total Expense (2023-2026)	Total Capital (2023-2026)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(a)	Total Spend (NPV) ^(b)	RSE
1	Proposed	M2, M4, M10	–	\$3,086	111	\$2,267	49
2	Alternative 1	Proposed + A1	\$1,038	\$3,086	222	\$3,030	73
3	Alternative 2	M2, M10 + A2	–	\$3,086	111	\$2,267	49

(a) Plan Components refers to the Mitigations presented in Table 15-5.

(b) Information presented in terms of Net Present Value (NPV) to account for the discounting of benefits.

Note See WP 15-2.

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RISK MITIGATION PLAN: EMPLOYEE SAFETY INCIDENT

A. Executive Summary

Employee Safety Incident refers to any event resulting in an Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)-recordable¹ injury or fatality, excluding events resulting from asset failure. The drivers for this risk event are: contact with objects and equipment; exposure to harmful substances or environment; falls, slips or trips; fire and explosion; bodily reaction and exertion; and violence or other injuries by persons or animals. The cross-cutting factors of Skilled and Qualified Workforce, Records and Information Management, Physical Attack, and Climate Change also impact this risk event.

Exposure to this risk is measured as the approximately 22,000 members of Pacific Gas and Electric Company’s (PG&E or the Company) workforce. The risk model includes 603 risk events each year. The drivers responsible for the most risk are: overexertion and bodily reaction, representing 18 percent of the risk events and 18 percent of the risk; typing, key-entry or mousing, representing 9 percent of the risk events and 9 percent of the risk; straining in twisting/turning, representing 8 percent of the risk events and 8 percent of the risk. The mitigations PG&E will implement from 2020 to 2026 are designed to address these key risk drivers.

PG&E identified 2 tranches for this risk event: office-based employees and field employees. The types of risk to office-based employees are significantly different than the types of risk faced by field employees. 74 percent of the risk events are associated with the field employees tranche.

Employee Safety Incident has the fifth highest 2023 test year (TY) safety score (86) and the eighth highest 2023 TY total risk score (90) of PG&E’s 12 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase (RAMP) risks. The 2020 baseline

¹ An OSHA-recordable event is defined as work related injuries or illnesses that must be reported to OSHA and that results in any of the following: medical treatment beyond first aid; loss of consciousness; one or more days away from work following the incident; restricted work or transfer to another job; any significant injury or illness diagnosed by a physician; any work-related fatality.

1 risk score of 93, improves by 28 percent when the planned mitigations are
 2 applied: the 2023 TY risk score is 90 and the 2026 post-test year risk score
 3 is 66.

4 PG&E is proposing a series of controls and mitigations to address Employee
 5 Safety Incident risk. The Enterprise Safety Management Systems (ESMS),
 6 Vehicle Ergonomics Program and the On-Site Clinics have the highest Risk
 7 Spend Efficiency (RSE) scores. The ESMS and On-Site Clinics have the
 8 highest total risk reduction scores.²

**TABLE 16-1
 RISK OVERVIEW**

Line No.	Risk Name	Employee Safety Incident
1	In Scope	PG&E employee OSHA-recordable injuries and fatalities that are not the result of an asset failure.
2	Out of Scope	PG&E employee OSHA-recordable injuries and fatalities resulting from the failure of an asset.
3	Data Quantification Sources ^(a)	PG&E data including: PG&E Human Resources Report (HR) (2008-2018). PG&E Cal-OSHA-recordable data by claim cause and claim cause category Incident Detail Report (2008-May 2019) PG&E Safety and Environmental Management System (SEMS) Database. PG&E serious employee injuries and fatalities from the Serious Incidents Report including earlier versions (2008-2019)
<hr/> (a) Source documents will be provided with the July 17, 2020 RAMP update.		

9 **1. Risk Overview**

10 PG&E has approximately 22,000 employees who provide natural gas
 11 and electric services to approximately 16 million people throughout PG&E's
 12 70,000-square-mile service area.

13 PG&E's team includes safety and health professionals who focus on
 14 preventing employee illness and injuries through: strategic planning,
 15 governance, oversight, analytics and reporting functions; expert field safety

² The information presented herein is subject to the limitations described in Chapter 2, Section D.

1 support to drive strategy, programs and continuous improvement; workers'
2 compensation case management and expertise helping our workforce stay
3 at work and return to work; serious injury and fatalities prevention, life
4 safety, regulatory compliance and governance, and workforce health
5 programs; Safety Leadership Development (SLD), field observations, and
6 assessing safety program impact; and incident investigations and human
7 factor analyses.

8 Key programs that PG&E's Safety and Health organization is
9 responsible for include:

- 10 • PG&E Occupational Health and Safety Plan (One Plan), which is a
11 comprehensive view for improving employee and contractor safety and
12 health through 2022. The One Plan is divided into Focus Areas for
13 supporting goals and strategies and incorporates best practice safety
14 programs. As such, it is dynamic in nature and is continually refreshed
15 to accommodate changes in the business. As part of 2025 strategy the
16 One Plan will transition to a foundation for performance improvement by
17 increasing leadership presence in the field, clarifying responsibilities and
18 work standards, and adopting lessons learned across the organization.
- 19 • Enterprise Safety Management System to manage risk to PG&E
20 employees and contractors. As previously discussed in the 2017
21 RAMP, planning and preparation for the ESMS took place from 2017
22 through 2019 with implementation beginning in 2020. The ESMS
23 consists of a series of capabilities (people, process, governance, and
24 technology systems) required to define, plan, implement, and
25 continuously improve workforce safety. The ESMS becomes the way
26 PG&E "delivers the business of safety" and is based on a consistent and
27 comprehensive enterprise safety controls framework reinforced with
28 system assurance. PG&E's commitment is to implement the system by
29 2022.
- 30 • Field safety operations works with the lines of business (LOB) to deliver
31 safety programs to improve safety culture, identify hazards, and reduce
32 incidents and injuries in the field. The goal of field safety is to identify
33 and reduce risk exposures through observations, supporting incident

1 investigations, training, hazard identification, safety tailboards, program
2 implementation support and emergency response.

- 3 • PG&E's Serious Injury or Fatality (SIF) Program focuses on the specific
4 exposures which have led to serious injuries and fatalities. PG&E
5 worked with Behavioral Science Technology, Inc. to analyze employee
6 incident data and identified 22 categories of exposure factors, using
7 criteria from the Herbert William Heinrich Safety Triangle Theory for
8 Industrial Accident Prevention and industry criteria and processes.

9 All injuries and reported near hits are evaluated relative to the SIF
10 exposure factors, and the team conducts in-depth Cause Evaluations for
11 all incidents classified as SIF-potential or SIF-actual. The results of
12 these investigations are monitored through the Corrective Action
13 Program (CAP) as PG&E develops corrective actions to reduce the
14 likelihood of recurrence. PG&E also observes field work groups and
15 provides immediate feedback relative to potential safety issues and
16 collects data about SIF exposure factors and risky behaviors.

- 17 • Enterprise CAP The Enterprise CAP provides a centralized,
18 standardized governance structure, and process for issue identification
19 and resolution. The CAP process enables employees and contractors
20 the ability to identify and report issues, or ideas, related to gas assets,
21 and processes. The CAP process ensures that issues are categorized,
22 assessed for risk, and assigned to the appropriate owner to resolve
23 issues and implement effective corrective actions to help prevent
24 recurrence. In 2019, PG&E employees and contractors submitted
25 approximately 40,000 CAP issues company wide. Examples of how
26 CAP improves safety:

- 27 – A PG&E employee recognized that there were potentially counterfeit
28 parts on a forklift PG&E had rented. The counterfeit part is known to
29 fail at 40 percent of the stated capacity and could have resulted in a
30 SIF. Through the CAP process, this issue was documented and
31 reviewed and resulted in a change to PG&E's equipment rental
32 process.
- 33 – A PG&E employee recognized there were brass insulators being
34 used that had a history of failing while employees were conducting

1 work, exposing employees to potential burn-related injuries.

2 Through CAP, a replacement program resulted in replacing
3 4,400 insulators at more than 100 PG&E substations.

- 4 – While reviewing PG&E’s Employee Life Safety Training courses, an
5 employee noted the absence of guidance related to active shooter
6 scenarios and submitted a CAP item, then three PG&E training
7 courses were developed and implemented to provide employees
8 training on responding to an active shooter event.

9 PG&E has also instituted SLD and Operational Learning. PG&E has
10 accelerated SLD training for crew leaders (crew leaders lead teams of
11 front-line employees doing field operations and maintenance work) so they
12 have the necessary safety skills to create trust, set expectations, remove
13 barriers to safety and identify and mitigate at-risk behaviors. SLD also
14 includes reducing the administrative responsibilities on its front-line leaders
15 to enable them to spend more time in the field. Operational Learning tools
16 help drive continuous improvements in safety. For example, PG&E may
17 bring together skilled facilitators and employees to develop solutions to
18 ongoing safety issues. Operational Learning shifts the focus from blaming
19 an employee when something goes wrong to understanding what happened
20 and how to prevent it from happening again. For instance, through
21 operational learning, PG&E developed and implemented a revised vehicle
22 familiarization/driving training program to reduce preventable motor vehicle
23 incidents resulting from backing into stationary objects after learning from
24 PG&E employees that they were not adequately trained and prepared to
25 operate Company vehicles

26 **2. Risk Definition**

27 Any event resulting in an employee OSHA-recordable injury or fatality,
28 excluding events resulting from asset failure.

1 **B. Risk Assessment**

2 **1. Background and Evolution**

3 The Employee Safety risk was included in PG&E’s 2017 RAMP.³ In the
4 2020 RAMP, the Employee Safety Incident event has changed from the
5 2017 RAMP. The Employee Safety Incident risk event is now defined as
6 “Employee Safety Incident” instead of the 2017 definition, “failure to identify
7 and mitigate occupational exposures that result in an employee OSHA
8 recordable injury/illness or fatality.” The 2017 RAMP risk definition focused
9 on potential occupational exposures, whereas the 2020 RAMP risk event
10 focuses on actual employee safety incidents.

11 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E presented two risks related to employee
12 safety: Employee Safety (Chapter 15) and Lack of Fitness for Duty (FFD)
13 Program Awareness (Chapter 17). The two risks are closely aligned, and
14 FFD Program Awareness is no longer a risk on PG&E’s Enterprise Risk
15 Register. Previously, the Employee Safety risk was defined as the failure to
16 identify and mitigate occupational exposures that may result in employee
17 injuries or fatalities. The FFD Program Awareness risk was defined as
18 PG&E people leaders (directors, managers, superintendents and
19 supervisors) who fail to identify and act upon observed behaviors that
20 indicate an employee may be unable to work safely, which could result in an
21 employee injury or fatality. The mitigations and controls for both the
22 Employee Safety and FFD Program Awareness risks are now included in
23 this risk. They are discussed in detail below.

24 In the 2020 General Rate Case (GRC) PG&E explained that the FFD
25 Program Awareness risk will be transitioned to a control for the Employee
26 Safety risk in the future.

27 The risk drivers in the 2020 RAMP have also evolved. For the 2017
28 RAMP, as part of the initial quantitative risk analysis effort, PG&E
29 categorized its risk drivers according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics
30 Occupational Injury and Illness Classification Manual using PG&E California
31 Occupational Safety and Health Administration (Cal/OSHA)-reportable data
32 to determine frequencies. The 2020 RAMP analysis builds on the

3 PG&E’s RAMP Report, Investigation 17-11-003 (Nov. 30, 2017), Chapter 15.

1 categorization and includes Cal/OSHA-recordable injury claim causes and
 2 also direct causes where the data are available. Approximately 70 percent
 3 of the claim cause data include a direct cause from the supervisor
 4 investigation analysis packet.

5 **2. Risk Bow Tie**

**FIGURE 16-1
 RISK BOW TIE – 2023 TEST YEAR**



6 **3. Exposure to Risk**

7 The Employee Safety Incident risk exposure is based on an annual
 8 average of 22,265 employees—approximately 60 percent are considered
 9 office-based (i.e., work in PG&E office locations) and approximately
 10 40 percent work primarily in the field.

11 PG&E relied on its GN 801 – Employee and Non-Employee Details
 12 (Internal) Reports for developing the exposure to risk data. PG&E job
 13 classifications were used to estimate the number of office and field
 14 employees for the exposure tranches.

1 **4. Tranches**

2 PG&E identified two tranches for the Employee Safety Incident risk
3 based on a review of PG&E-recordable injuries and fatalities data:

- 4 • PG&E office-based employees including but not limited to Managers,
5 Engineers and Scientists, Analysts, Planners, Learning and
6 Development, HR, Information Technology (IT), Supply Chain, Finance,
7 and Law professionals, (60 percent of the workforce); and
- 8 • PG&E field employees including but not limited to linemen, plant
9 technicians, field analysts, system operators, mechanics, electricians,
10 materials handlers, nuclear security, and troublemen (40 percent of the
11 workforce).

12 The types of hazards, or risk exposures are different for office-based
13 and field employees. Office-based employees are more susceptible to
14 injuries such as those resulting from typing or key entry, strains, slips, trips,
15 and falls. Field employees are more susceptible to injuries resulting from
16 strains from lifting, pulling or pushing, repetitive use of tools, contact with
17 objects and equipment, falls from height, and contact with electrical current.
18 Approximately 75 percent of the PG&E employee Cal/OSHA recordables
19 included in the RAMP model analysis are field employees. Based on the
20 data, less than 1 percent of field related Cal/OSHA recordables have
21 resulted in a serious injury or a fatality. Table 16-2 shows the percent risk
22 exposure and percent risk for each tranche.

**TABLE 16-2
RISK EXPOSURE AND PERCENT RISK BY TRANCHE**

Line No.	Tranche	Percent Exposure	Safety Risk Score	Financial Risk Score	Total Risk Score	Percent Risk Score
1	Field Employees	40 percent	79.1	3.3	82.4	92 percent
2	Office Employees	60 percent	6.5	0.9	7.5	8 percent
3	Total	100 percent	85.6	4.3	89.9	100 percent

23 **5. Drivers and Associated Frequency**

24 Drivers utilize the injury categories from the RAMP 2017 analysis and
25 are further divided into 35 drivers based on injury claim cause data. Direct
26 cause data were used to support the analysis.

1 Driver Category One (1) – Contact with Objects and Equipment: This
2 driver category accounts for approximately 13 percent of PG&E
3 Cal/OSHA-recordable injuries and includes:

- 4 a) Caught in or compressed by equipment or objects;
- 5 b) Caught or crushed in collapsing materials (e.g., cave-in);
- 6 c) Contact with objects and equipment;
- 7 d) Jarred by tool, equipment, or vibration;
- 8 e) Rubbed or abraded by foreign matter in eye;
- 9 f) Stepped on object;
- 10 g) Struck against moving object;
- 11 h) Struck against stationary object;
- 12 i) Struck by falling object;
- 13 j) Struck by flying object; and
- 14 k) Struck by swinging or slipping object.

15 Driver Category Two (2) – Exposure to Harmful Substances or
16 Environment: This driver category accounts for approximately 9 percent of
17 PG&E Cal/OSHA-recordable injuries and includes:

- 18 a) Contact with electrical current;
- 19 b) Contact with hot or cold objects/substances;
- 20 c) Contact with skin or other exposed tissue;
- 21 d) Exposure to noise; and
- 22 e) Inhalation of substance.

23 Driver Category Three (3) – Falls, Slips and Trips: This driver category
24 accounts for approximately 12 percent of PG&E Cal/OSHA-recordable
25 injuries and includes:

- 26 a) Fall down stairs or steps/escalator;
- 27 b) Fall from ladder or scaffolding;
- 28 c) Fall from non-moving vehicle;
- 29 d) Fall onto or against objects;
- 30 e) Fall to floor, walkway, or other surface on same level;
- 31 f) Fall to lower level; and
- 32 g) Slip, trip, loss of balance—without fall.

33 Driver Category Four (4) – Fire and Explosion: Includes fire and
34 explosion related injuries such as burns (chemical and electrical), welder's

1 flash, and heatstroke. This driver accounts for less than 1 percent of PG&E
2 Cal/OSHA-recordable injuries.

3 Driver Category Five (5) – Bodily Reaction and Exertion, Unspecified:
4 This driver category accounts for approximately 60 percent of PG&E
5 Cal/OSHA-recordable injuries and includes:

- 6 a) Strain in twisting/turning;
- 7 b) Bodily reaction and exertion, unspecified;
- 8 c) Overexertion in holding, carrying, turning, or wielding;
- 9 d) Strain in lifting/lowering;
- 10 e) Strain in pulling or pushing;
- 11 f) Repetitive placing, grasping, moving objects, except tools;
- 12 g) Repetitive use of tools; and
- 13 h) Typing or key entry or mousing.

14 Driver Category Six (6) – Violence and Other Injuries by Persons or
15 Animal: This driver category accounts for roughly 4 percent of PG&E
16 Cal/OSHA-recordable injuries and includes:

- 17 a) Assaults and violent acts by person(s);
- 18 b) Assaults by animals; and
- 19 c) Venomous bites, stings, injections.

20 **6. Cross Cutting Factors**

21 A cross-cutting factor is a driver or control that is interrelated to multiple
22 risks. PG&E is presenting eight cross-cutting factors in the 2020 RAMP.
23 The cross-cutting factors that impact the Employee Safety Incident risk are
24 shown in Table 16-3 below. A description of the cross-cutting factors and
25 the mitigations and controls that PG&E is proposing to mitigate the
26 cross-cutting factors are described in Chapter 20.

**TABLE 16-3
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY**

Line No.	Cross-Cutting Factor	Impacts Likelihood	Impacts Consequence
1	Climate Change	X	
2	Physical Attack	X	
3	Records and Information Management		X
4	Skilled and Qualified Workforce	X	

1 **7. Consequences**

2 The basis for measuring the consequences of the Employee Safety
3 Incident risk are: (1) serious injury according to the Cal/OSHA definition or
4 fatality; or (2) financial. There are no electric or gas reliability
5 consequences.

6 The outcomes which characterize Employee Safety Incident risk event:

- 7 • Overexertion and bodily reaction (60 percent of the
8 Cal/OSHA-recordable injuries; approximately 67 percent of these are
9 field employees).
- 10 • Contact with object and equipment (13 percent of the
11 Cal/OSHA-recordable injuries; approximately 92 percent of these are
12 field employees).
- 13 • Falls, slips, or trips (12 percent of the Cal/OSHA-recordable injuries;
14 approximately 78 percent of these are field employees)
- 15 • Exposure to harmful substances or environments (9 percent of the
16 Cal/OSHA-recordable injuries; approximately 88 percent of these are
17 field employees).
- 18 • Violence and other injuries by persons or animal (4 percent of the
19 Cal/OSHA-recordable injuries; approximately 84 percent of these are
20 field employees).
- 21 • All other Cal/OSHA-recordable injuries occur approximately 1 percent of
22 the time; approximately 61 percent of these are field employees.
- 23 • Fires and explosions Cal/OSHA-recordable injuries occur less than
24 1 percent of the time; approximately 90 percent of these are field
25 employees.

1 PG&E relied on the PG&E Serious Incidents Reports from 2012 through
2 2019 and previous serious incidents reporting for 2008 through 2011 to
3 analyze the safety consequences of an employee-recordable injury. The
4 Serious Incidents Report provides details on the conditions that led to
5 incidents.

6 PG&E used the PG&E SEMS database in conjunction with the average
7 workers' compensation claim cost from the most recent GRC to evaluate the
8 financial consequences of an employee safety incident. The SEMS
9 database includes the OSHA recordables cases that were classified as
10 Days Away, Restricted or Transferred (DART) cases. Historical data were
11 used to quantify the risk baseline with the RAMP model. These same data
12 were used to assess mitigation effectiveness, along with case studies,
13 benchmarking and PG&E Subject Matter Expert judgment. Greater detail of
14 the mitigation effectiveness methodologies can be found in the workpapers.

15 Table 16-4 shows the consequences of the risk model. Model attributes
16 are described in Chapter 3, "Risk Modeling and Risk Spend Efficiency."

**TABLE 16-4
RISK EVENT CONSEQUENCES**

	CoRE %Freq %Risk			Freq	Natural Units Per Event		CoRE		Natural Units per Year		Attribute Risk Score	
	0.14 60% 59%	0.16 12% 13%	0.13 13% 12%		Safety EF/event	Financial \$M/event	Safety EF/yr	Financial \$M/yr	Safety	Financial	Safety	Financial
Overexertion and bodily reaction	0.14 60% 59%	0.16 12% 13%	0.13 13% 12%	364	0.0028	0.0140	0.1380	0.0070	1.0	5.1	50.1	2.5
Falls slips trips	0.16 12% 13%	0.16 12% 13%	0.13 13% 12%	71	0.0031	0.0143	0.1543	0.0071	0.2	1.0	11.0	0.5
Contact with object or equipment	0.13 13% 12%	0.16 12% 13%	0.13 13% 12%	81	0.0025	0.0147	0.1255	0.0073	0.2	1.2	10.2	0.6
Exposure to harmful substances or environments	0.18 9% 10%	0.16 12% 13%	0.13 13% 12%	52	0.0034	0.0146	0.1683	0.0073	0.2	0.8	8.8	0.4
Violence and other injuries by persons or animal	0.17 4% 5%	0.16 12% 13%	0.13 13% 12%	25	0.0033	0.0145	0.1635	0.0072	0.1	0.4	4.0	0.2
All Other	0.15 1% 1%	0.16 12% 13%	0.13 13% 12%	6	0.0028	0.0140	0.1384	0.0070	0.0	0.1	0.8	0.0
Fires explosions	0.18 1% 1%	0.16 12% 13%	0.13 13% 12%	4	0.0034	0.0146	0.1724	0.0073	0.0	0.1	0.6	0.0
Aggregated	0.15 100% 100%	0.16 12% 13%	0.13 13% 12%	603	0.0028	0.0142	0.1421	0.0071	1.7	8.5	85.6	4.3

1 **C. Controls and Mitigations**

2 Tables 16-5 and 16-6 list all the controls and mitigations PG&E included in
3 its 2017 RAMP for both the Employee Safety and FFD Program Awareness
4 risks, 2020 GRC, and 2020 RAMP (2020-2022 and 2023-2026). The tables
5 provide a view of the controls that are in place, the mitigations that are
6 continuing implementation, and new mitigations. It also includes controls and
7 mitigations that have been removed. In the following sections PG&E describes
8 the controls in place in 2019 as part of the 2020 RAMP baseline, changes to the
9 2017 RAMP mitigations and controls, and then discusses the 2020 RAMP
10 program which includes new mitigations and mitigations continuing to be
11 implemented during the 2020-2022 and 2023-2026 periods.

12 In the 2017 RAMP PG&E presented two risks related to employee safety:
13 Employee Safety (Chapter 15) and Lack of FFD Program Awareness
14 (Chapter 17). In this 2020 RAMP the FFD controls and mitigations are now
15 incorporated into the Employee Safety Incident risk. This is discussed more fully
16 in the Risk Background and Evolution discussion above.

**TABLE 16-5
CONTROLS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Control Name and Number (reference)	2017 RAMP Risk Category ^(a)	2017 RAMP	2020-2022 GRC 2017-2020 Controls	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 Controls	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 Controls
1	C1 – PG&E Safety and Health Compliance Standards	Emp. Safety	X	X	X	X
2	C2 –CAP	Emp. Safety	X	X	X	X
3	C3 – Employee Knowledge and Skills Assessments (Including Academy Training)	Emp. Safety	X	X	X	X
4	C4 (inc. Emp. Safety M3)– Safety Observation Program	Emp. Safety	X	X	X	X
5	C5 – Personal Protective Equipment Requirements	Emp. Safety	X	X	Removed (included with C1)	
6	C6 (inc. Emp. Safety M10) – SLD				X	X
7	C7 (inc. Emp. Safety M2) – SIF Incident Investigation Review				X	X
8	C7a (inc. Emp. Safety M2) SIF Incident Investigation Review				X	X
9	C8 (inc. Emp. Safety M9) – Learning Organization				X	X
10	C9 (inc. Emp. Safety M7) – Benchmarking				Removed as foundational	
11	C10 (inc. Emp. Safety M10) – SLD				X	X
12	C11 (inc. Emp. Safety M8) – Enterprise Safety Communication Plan				X	X
13	C12 (inc. Emp. Safety M12) – Employee Wellness (formerly FFD C2)				X	X

**TABLE 16-5
CONTROLS SUMMARY
(CONTINUED)**

Line No.	Control Name and Number (reference)	2017 RAMP Risk Category ^(a)	2017 RAMP	2020-2022 GRC 2017-2020 Controls	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 Controls	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 Controls
14	C13 – Training and Communication (formerly FFD C1)				X	X
15	C14 (inc. FFD M5) – Enhanced FFD Metrics				X	X
16	C15 (inc. FFD M9) – Benefit Plans and Policy (formerly FFD C3)				X	X
17	C16 – Nurse Care Line (NC) (inc. Emp Safety M11)				X	X
18	C17 – Return to Work Task Program (Inc. Emp. Safety M11)				X	X
19	C1 – Training and Communication	FFD	X		Updated to C13	
20	C2 (inc. M12) – Employee Wellness	FFD	X		Updated to C12	
21	C3 – Benefit Plans and Policy	FFD	X		Updated to C15	

(a) “Emp Safety” indicates a control that was listed in the Employee Safety chapter (Chapter 15) in PG&E’s 2017 RAMP. “FFD” indicates a control that was listed in the FFD Awareness chapter (Chapter 17) in PG&E’s 2017 RAMP.

**TABLE 16-6
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	2017 RAMP Risk Category ^(a)	2017 RAMP 2017-2019 Mitigations	2020 GRC 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 Mitigations
1	M1A – Safety Management System (SMS) Planning	Emp. Safety	X	Complete		
2	M1B – ESMS Implementation	Emp. Safety		X	X	
3	M2 – Serious Injury and Fatalities Incident Investigation Review	Emp. Safety	X	X	Becomes control C7	
4	M3 – Safety Observation Tool	Emp. Safety	X	Included with C4		
5	M4 – Job Hazard Analysis	Emp. Safety	X	Removed – included with M1A		
6	M5 – Safety Plan	Emp. Safety	X		X	
7	M6 – Musculoskeletal Disorder (MSD) Program	Emp. Safety	X	X	Now (M6a through M6d)	Now (M6a through M6d)
8	M6a – Office Ergonomics Program				X	X
9	M6b – Industrial Ergonomics Program				X	X
10	M6c – Industrial Athlete Program				X	X
11	M6d Vehicle Ergonomics Program				X	X
12	M7 – Benchmarking	Emp. Safety	X		Becomes control C9	
13	M8 – Enterprise Safety Communication Plan	Emp. Safety	X		Becomes control C11	
14	M9 – Learning Organization	Emp. Safety	X		Becomes control C8	
15	M10 – SLD	Emp. Safety	X	Inc. with C6		
16	M11 – On-Site Clinics	Emp. Safety	X	X	X	X
17	M12 – Health and Wellness	Emp. Safety	X	X	Becomes control C12	

**TABLE 16-6
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY
(CONTINUED)**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	2017 RAMP Risk Category ^(a)	2017 RAMP 2017-2019 Mitigations	2020 GRC 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 Mitigations
18	M2 – Identify and Track Population to Receive FFD Training (Knowledge, Mandatory Training)	FFD		X	Included in C14	
19	M3 – Redesign Time-Off Policy, Management and Union Employees	FFD	X	Combined with M9		
20	M4 – Observations – FFD Trained Field Safety Specialists	FFD	X	Removed		
21	M5 – Enhanced FFD Metrics	FFD	X	Becomes a control	Updated to C14	
22	M6 – FFD Data Sources Review	FFD	X	Complete		
23	M7 – Knowledge, Mandatory Training	FFD	X	X	Updated to C14	
24	M9 – Process Improvements, Redesign Time-Off Policy	FFD		X	Included in Employee Safety Incident C15	
25	M10 – Tools and Technology Kiosks	FFD		X	Discontinued	
26	M11 – Tools and Technology – Clinics	FFD		X (FFD risk chapter)	Now included with Emp. Safety Incident as M11	Now included with Emp. Safety Incident as M11
27	M13 – Enhancing SafetyNet Use				X	X
28	M14 – Industrial Hygiene (IH) Program Compliance Improvements – Phase 1				X	
29	M15 – IH Program Compliance Improvements – Phase 2				RAMP alternative	RAMP alternative

**TABLE 16-6
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY
(CONTINUED)**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	2017 RAMP Risk Category ^(a)	2017 RAMP 2017-2019 Mitigations	2020 GRC 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 Mitigations
30	M16 – Fit4U Pilot				X	
31	M17 – Mobile Medics				X	X
32	M18 – Employee Safety Field Inspections				RAMP alternative	RAMP alternative

(a) “Emp. Safety” indicates a control that was listed in the Employee Safety chapter (Chapter 15) in PG&E’s 2017 RAMP. FFD indicates a control that was listed in the FFD Awareness chapter (Chapter 17) in PG&E’s 2017 RAMP.

1 **1. 2019 Controls**

2 The controls and mitigations proposed in the 2017 RAMP for the
3 Employee Safety and FFD risks were primarily programmatic in nature and
4 provided the infrastructure to support strengthening the compliance and
5 safety culture. The controls for both risks address each of their respective
6 drivers. The list of controls below reflects the 2019 baseline for the
7 Employee Safety Incident risk. These controls are anticipated to remain in
8 place through 2026.

9 **C1 – PG&E Safety and Health Compliance Standards:** Safety and Health
10 Compliance Standards provide an in-depth overview of Cal/OSHA and
11 OSHA compliance requirements. In addition to the compliance
12 requirements, the Standards provide common understanding of the risks
13 across the Company regarding the exposure mitigation. The LOBs use the
14 Standards to develop and/or revise work methods and procedures. In
15 conjunction with this the Safety and Health organization has the
16 responsibility to review required compliance training and provide input to the
17 PG&E Academy on changes needed to the training materials resulting from
18 new or changed Cal/OSHA and OSHA regulatory requirements.

19 **C2 – Corrective Action Program:** The CAP is a companywide program
20 that provides employees and contractors a speak-up method to identify and
21 report issues, or ideas, related to gas assets, and processes. The CAP
22 process ensures that issues are categorized, assessed for risk, and
23 assigned to the appropriate owner to resolve issues and implement effective
24 corrective actions to help prevent recurrence. Both employees and
25 contractors have the option of submitting a CAP anonymously.

26 **C3 – Employee Knowledge and Skills Assessments:** In conjunction with
27 the PG&E Learning Academy, PG&E’s LOBs are developing specific
28 Employee Safety knowledge and skills assessments. The training provides
29 classroom and hands-on instruction by experienced instructors to teach and
30 assess the specialized skills that are critical to field employees executing
31 high risk tasks.

32 **C4 – PG&E Implemented SafetyNet Safety Observations:** LOB
33 supervisory and corporate Safety Specialists conduct worksite observations

1 using checklists developed using SafetyNet (PG&E's Safety Observation
2 database tool) as part of the SIF Program implementation.

3 **C6 – Safety Leadership Development:** All PG&E employees in leadership
4 positions, up to and including the Chief Executive Officer, who have union
5 represented employees within their reporting structure/chain of command
6 who work in a capacity that has a SIF potential are automatically profiled to
7 take the revised SLD workshop series which consists of two all-day
8 workshops. The workshops teach and focus on leadership skills and
9 practices that promote and sustain safety performance. The PG&E
10 Academy is responsible delivering, maintaining, and updating the
11 workshops. Workshops are updated annually to address areas of
12 improvement identified by the field safety observation data.

13 **C7 and C7a – PG&E's Serious Injury or Fatality Prevention Program:**
14 The SIF Prevention program focuses on SIFs at PG&E. All injuries and
15 reported near hits are evaluated to determine the hazards classification and
16 if the situation results in a SIF-actual or SIF-potential event. The SIF
17 Strategy and Prevention team conducts or coordinates in-depth cause
18 evaluations for all incidents classified as SIF-potential or SIF-actual. The
19 results of these investigations and the identified corrective actions are
20 monitored through the CAP to ensure timely completion and effectiveness.
21 Focusing its investigative resources on SIF-potential and SIF-actual
22 incidents assists with understanding these situations and the development
23 of corrective actions to eliminate or mitigate recurrence. The SIF program is
24 continuously improved through the review of existing SIF program and
25 processes for enhancements and optimization on an annual basis, ensuring
26 alignment with all LOBs for consistency and continuity enterprise-wide.

27 **C8 – Operational Learning:** PG&E's Operational Learning uses several
28 different methods that are focused on learning about how work is performed.
29 Learning Teams, a critical component of Operational Learning, are
30 facilitated discussions with representative groups of front-line employees,
31 led by a trained facilitator, about how work is performed, what works well,
32 and what are the barriers to success. Learning Teams leverage our
33 employees' extensive expertise and experience to identify best practices
34 and to develop practical and sustainable solutions to improve operating and

1 safety performance. This effort helps PG&E LOBs understand how work is
2 done and to develop approaches and solutions to reduce risk and improve
3 workplace safety. Recommended improvements are entered and evaluated
4 through the CAP.

5 **C10 – PG&E's Leader in the Field:** The Leader in the Field initiative
6 focuses on having leaders spend more time in the field and coaches them
7 on how to provide consistent feedback to workers, engage with them in
8 discussions with how they are working safely, and how to offer specific
9 guidance on how to improve.

10 **C11 – Enterprise Safety Communication Plan:** The enterprise safety
11 communication plan is part of the Corporate Communication Plan to deliver
12 a consistent safety and health communication strategy which helps
13 employees understand the risk factors for their safety and health. This
14 allows employees to understand, engage with, and appreciate the safety
15 and health programs available to them and build credibility with employees
16 and contractors by showing that PG&E is a company committed to
17 worker safety.

18 **C12 – Employee Health and Wellness:** These programs align health and
19 wellness activities with safety prevention efforts to drive better outcomes.
20 Research has shown a direct correlation between the health and well-being
21 of employees and their frequency of being injured on the job. Expanded and
22 enhanced health and wellness services/controls that promote access to
23 medical services and other programs and focus on prevention to assist
24 employees in managing their health. On-site health coaching had been
25 added and a new employee health and wellness portal was implemented
26 with tools and additional self-directed resources. There are two main
27 categories of Health and Wellness controls:

- 28 a) Emotional Health – Employee Assistance Program (EAP) and Peer
29 Volunteer Program.
- 30 b) Physical Health – Employee Health Screenings and Health Coaching.

31 **C13 – Health and Wellness Training and Communication:** Training and
32 communication controls enhance people leader awareness and
33 effectiveness in detecting behaviors that raise FFD concerns. There are
34 four controls included in this group:

- 1 a) Compliance and Ethics and Code of Conduct training. This Annual
2 mandatory training includes an FFD module to help leaders and
3 employees understand how to identify and react to observed behaviors
4 which may impact the employees' ability to perform their work safely.
- 5 b) FFD Cross Program Manager Training. Resources were identified and
6 cross trained on the program. In addition, a process was established to
7 ensure adequate coverage for the program.
- 8 c) Voluntary FFD situational awareness training for leaders. In addition to
9 mandatory FFD training for all new leaders the FFD Program Manager
10 regularly provides ad hoc FFD training to leaders upon request. These
11 sessions allow for leaders to ask questions and interact directly with the
12 FFD Program Manager.
- 13 d) A quarterly process to communicate new or changing issues during Risk
14 and Compliance Committee (RCC) meetings. Each quarter new or
15 changing regulations involving local, state or federal laws and
16 regulations affecting benefit programs are communicated to the RCC.
17 Reports include the plan in place to incorporate the new requirements.

18 **C14 – Enhanced FFD Metrics:** Enhanced FFD data tracking metrics to
19 include risk ranking, late or timely reporting. Mandatory FFD training for
20 people leaders, Directors and below, is tracked through Learning Academy.

21 **C15 – Benefit Plans and Policy:** Implemented a third party to administer
22 multiple benefit program offerings, including long-term disability, short-term
23 disability, paid family leave, the PG&E's Voluntary Disability and Paid Family
24 Leave Benefit Plan (offered in lieu of State Plan benefits) and leaves of
25 absence to improve employee access to benefit information. Having a
26 single administrator helps to ensure proper administration of benefits which
27 ensures proper and prompt delivery of benefits. New benefits provide
28 eligible employees with a financial safety net to be able to take the time off
29 needed to seek treatment and help in recovery, thus improving and/or
30 maintaining the health of the workforce and assuring quality of care and
31 fitness to return-to-work.

32 **C16 – Nurse Care Line:** This enhanced injury reporting process improves
33 the employee experience when reporting minor injuries. Early intervention is
34 the key to successfully managing physical discomfort or stress. The NCL

1 allows employees to speak up, without fear, when faced with a work-related
2 health challenge, strengthening the message that employee health is
3 essential. Employees receive medical advice, self-care information and
4 clinic referrals. Using the NCL results in a decrease of injury severity, and a
5 reduction in workers compensation claim costs. While the number of calls to
6 the NCL has increased, the percentage of those calls resulting in OSHA
7 recordables has decreased by 15 percent from 2013-2018. In addition,
8 there was a reduction in average cost per claim of approximately 50 percent
9 in 2018, as compared to 2013. It also identifies training opportunities to
10 further promote a safe working environment.

11 **C17 – Return to Work Task Program:** The enhanced return to work task
12 program provides more return to work opportunities for employees with
13 injuries or illnesses (industrial and non-industrial) whose temporary work
14 restrictions cannot be accommodated in their base classification. The
15 Program was launched in 2017. At that time, it was included in 2017 RAMP
16 with the Injury Management mitigation (M11) in the Employee Safety risk.
17 This control provides temporary assignments to help ease the transition
18 from temporary restricted status to full duty. Early return to work helps
19 injured employees recover faster and have better recovery outcomes.
20 The program has resulted in a significant reduction of lost workdays.

21 **2. 2019 Mitigations**

22 **a. Employee Safety Risk Mitigations**

23 **M1A – Safety Management System Planning:** As preparation for
24 implementation of a SMS, perform a gap analysis, prioritize gaps for
25 closure and finalize the SMS policy and guidance for publication.

26 Develop a system for managing job hazards analysis data, which is an
27 integral part of the SMS foundation, and integrate a communication and
28 education plan for hazard awareness and avoidance.

29 **M2 – Serious Injury and Fatalities – Incident Investigation Review:**

30 Align the investigations process to improve the quality of the
31 investigations/causal evaluation, documentation, and corrective actions.

32 Improve communications strategies to share learnings.

1 **M3 – Safety Observation Tool:** PG&E is improving the SafetyNet
2 safety observation tool, developed by Predictive Solutions, for use with
3 field employees and contractor safety programs. The benefits of
4 SafetyNet are that it leverages a large and comprehensive database of
5 500 million data points from completed observations throughout the
6 industry and includes algorithms to provide predictive injury analysis,
7 dashboards, and help with improving the quality of the submitted
8 observations. The prior safety observation tool, Guardian, does not
9 have a database of observations from other companies or the capability
10 to use algorithms that provide predictive injury analysis; nor does it
11 provide information regarding the quality of the observations. This
12 mitigation is an enhancement of C4.

13 **M4 – Job Hazard Analysis:** Develop a system for managing job
14 hazards analysis data which is an integral part of the SMS foundation
15 and integrate a communication and education plan for hazard
16 awareness and avoidance.

17 **M5 – Safety Plan:** Publish and implement the One PG&E One Plan to
18 establish shared accountability, ownership and commitment.

19 **M6 – Musculoskeletal Disorder Program:** 64 percent of the injuries
20 from 2014-2017 are MSDs, and sprains and strains. The ergonomics
21 program focuses on office, industrial and vehicle ergonomics by utilizing
22 early intervention activities and ergonomic assessments. The program
23 also establishes systems to utilize injury data and risk assessments to
24 target interventions at the areas of greatest need.

25 **M7 – Benchmarking:** Participation on industry roundtables with peer
26 organizations to share lessons learned and best practices and
27 implement, as applicable, at PG&E. Implementing best practices and
28 help to reduce risk of SIF.

29 **M8 – Enterprise Safety Communication Plan:** Deliver a consistent
30 safety and health communication strategy which helps employees
31 understand the risk factor for their safety and health. This will allow
32 employees to understand, engage with, and appreciate the safety and
33 health programs available to them and build credibility with employees

1 and contractors by showing that PG&E is a company committed to
2 worker safety.

3 **M9 – Learning Organization:** PG&E will use Learning Teams of
4 5-7 front-line employees led by a credible facilitator, who has the respect
5 of both front-line employees and management. These teams build on
6 employees' extensive first-hand experience and skills to develop durable
7 and practical solutions to on-going safety issues. This effort will help
8 PG&E develop approaches and solutions to this risk and ensure that
9 each LOB is accountable for implementing the Learning Teams'
10 recommendations.

11 **M10 – Safety Leadership Development:** In 2017, Corporate Safety
12 expanded the delivery of the SLD workshops under the name *Leading*
13 *Forward: Safety Leadership*. This program provides training to all
14 1,700 crew leads, planned over a 3-year timeframe, and will continue to
15 train new leaders as they are hired into these positions. Training is
16 being developed to teach a group of facilitators how to conduct
17 Learning Teams, as referenced in M9.

18 **M11 – Injury Management:** Enhance the injury reporting process to
19 improve the employee experience when reporting minor injuries.
20 Additionally, enhance the return to work program for injured employees
21 whose temporary work restrictions cannot be accommodated in their
22 base classification. The enhancements will demonstrate to employees
23 that PG&E cares about them and will promote healing and early return
24 to work.

25 **M12 – Health and Wellness:** Align health and wellness activities with
26 safety prevention efforts to drive better outcomes. Research has shown
27 a direct correlation between the health and well-being of employees and
28 their frequency of being injured on the job. Expand and enhance health
29 and wellness services by focusing on prevention and condition
30 management to assist employees in managing their health. Provide
31 additional on-site health coaching and enhance the existing platform
32 with a new user interface and tools and deploy new self-directed
33 resources.

1 **b. FFD Awareness Mitigations**

2 **M4 – Observations – Fitness for Duty trained Field Safety**

3 **Specialists Observations:** Adding FFD awareness to field
4 observations conducted by 65 Safety Specialists in 2018. The
5 checklists are already being revised, therefore no added cost for
6 including the FFD language similar to the recommendation for the driver
7 ride-along checklist. The intent of this mitigation was to improve people
8 leader awareness of the FFD Program. It was later removed as it is
9 training specific to employee supervisors.

10 **M5 – Enhanced FFD Metrics:** Enhance FFD data tracking metrics to
11 include risk ranking, late or timely reporting, and a determination of the
12 efficacy of mandatory FFD training for people leaders for all referrals.
13 This was a new mitigation for 2017 and will be continued in subsequent
14 years. This mitigation improves the ability to measure the effectiveness
15 of changes to the FFD Program since it was removed from EAP and
16 thus helps to understand the effectiveness of the program as a control.

17 **M6 – FFD Data Sources Review:** Evaluate other sources of employee
18 data for use with risk quantification, validate current results and revise
19 as necessary. This mitigation was completed in 2017 and the data was
20 reviewed during the risk model development process.

21 **D. 2020-2022 Controls and Mitigations**

22 **1. Changes to Controls**

23 PG&E will continue to implement the controls described above and
24 shown on Table 16-5.

25 **2. Changes to Mitigations**

26 This list includes updates to mitigations currently being implemented
27 and new mitigations that will become controls during 2020 through 2022.

28 **M1B – Enterprise Safety Management System Implementation:** PG&E
29 has committed to implementing an ESMS. The ESMS consists of a series
30 of capabilities (people, process, governance, and technology systems)
31 required to define, plan, implement, and continuously improve workforce
32 safety. The ESMS becomes the way PG&E "delivers the business of safety"
33 and is based on a consistent and comprehensive enterprise safety controls

1 framework reinforced with system assurance. PG&E's commitment is to
2 implement the system by 2022.

3 Key components of the system include:

- 4 a) Management of Change (MOC) Capability and MOC Software (program
5 manager and software)
- 6 b) OSHA and Cal OSHA Compliance Baseline and Workforce Safety
7 Control Program Owners Framework
- 8 c) Safety Compliance Register
- 9 d) Hazard Tracking System
- 10 e) Safety Architect for Safety (Controls) Engineering
- 11 f) Safety Certification
- 12 g) Safety Values and Actions – Governance for safety culture
13 improvements including a coordinator, surveys, and training
- 14 h) ESMS implementation (including updates to people, process,
15 technology, and governance documents)

16 More information about the ESMS is included in workpapers.⁴

17 **M13 – Enhancing SafetyNet use:** PG&E is enhancing its use of the
18 SafetyNet safety observation tool, developed by Predictive Solutions, for use
19 with field employees and contractor safety programs. The benefits of
20 SafetyNet are that it leverages a large and comprehensive database of
21 several million completed observations and includes algorithms that have
22 the potential to provide predictive analysis and dashboards regarding unsafe
23 conditions or behaviors enterprise-wide. Safety Observation Tool
24 improvements include observation data improvements and expansion of
25 training and documentation for front-line users to bolster the quality of the
26 data such that reports, and predictive modeling can be utilized by PG&E
27 leadership to improve workplace safety. PG&E anticipates that the tool will
28 be fully optimized in 2021.

29 **M14 – Industrial Hygiene Program Compliance Improvements –**
30 **Phase 1:** Develop and implement overall IH Standard that includes roles
31 and responsibilities (execution and support governance by IH team) for the

4 See WP 16-3.

1 IH program (including the current Safety and Health IH Standards). LOB
2 procedures will align with the current Standards including execution of the
3 compliance programs within their organizations. The compliance function
4 within Enterprise Safety and Health will assess the status of implementation
5 within the LOBs. Implement gap assessment findings including:

- 6 • Consolidating monitoring records and compliance recordkeeping,
7 exposure assessments, and medical surveillance program in an IH data
8 management software system that leverages current plan for evaluation
9 of a Safety and Health software solution; and
- 10 • Install monitoring equipment for IH team's use and to support program
11 execution.

12 **M16 – Fit4U Pilot:** This program focuses on improving the health and
13 well-being of employees who have sustained multiple workers compensation
14 injuries, by providing them with the resources to maintain a healthy lifestyle.
15 Access to health coaching, personal training, meditation/mindfulness, and
16 EAP services should prevent repeat injuries, provide coping skills and
17 accelerate their recovery and return to work. Long term benefits may
18 include a reduction in workers compensation claims, health plan costs,
19 work-related injuries or illnesses increasing DART rate, and health related
20 lost workdays. Analysis of pilot results will determine whether to expand this
21 mitigation past the pilot stage.

22 PG&E will implement several mitigations between 2020 and 2022 that
23 will become controls in the 2023 through 2026 period:

24 **M6a – Office Ergonomics Program:** Continue effort on change
25 management including Supervisor training within the organization for early
26 symptom recognition and action, working with facilities partners to ensure
27 furnishings meet ergonomic design specifications, enhanced reporting
28 moving toward predictive modeling.

29 **M6b – Industrial Ergonomics Program:** Continued effort in education
30 about industrial ergonomics risk factors, while making the Velocity software
31 fully operational across enterprise with prevention specialists and industrial
32 ergo teams. The Velocity software is used to assess ergonomics risk
33 factors associated with worker activities and tasks and determine possible
34 risk reduction measures. This mitigation also includes building a business

1 case for a centralized pilot to evaluate potential solutions, increase
2 partnerships with the vendor to receive products to pilot across enterprise
3 needs, robust tracking, reporting, and visibility of impacts and risk reduction
4 from solution implementation.

5 **M6c – Industrial Athlete Program:** The future state is to expand from
6 early symptom intervention to a strategic-based plan to reduce discomfort
7 cases and prevent muscle strains and sprains. Program objectives include
8 targeted interactions with an on-site prevention specialist by focusing on
9 high risk areas identified by Supervisors, Safety Net observations, brief
10 surveys, and biomechanical observations. Industrial Athlete program will
11 consider moving from external third party to internal employee positions with
12 an IT solution.

13 **M6d – Vehicle Ergonomics Program:** All PG&E-owned vehicles included
14 in PG&E’s fleet have a design review committee that includes front-line
15 workers, safety, ergonomics, and human factors. The objective is to fully
16 understand the work performed while using the vehicles—such as
17 equipment most frequently used, access, lighting, environmental concerns,
18 smart driving, ease of access, mechanical advantage—and forecast
19 potential future technology impacts, using 5-95 percent anthropometric data
20 and human factors principles.

21 **M11 – On-Site Clinics:** Establish on-site clinics available to PG&E
22 employees. The on-site clinics are expected to provide employees with
23 convenient access to health care services which will lead to a healthier
24 workforce by reducing the duration of Days Away From Work and Restricted
25 Duty cases.

26 **M15 – IH Program Compliance Improvements – Phase 2 (Alternative 1).**
27 Add consultant support and increased staff to expand program and provide
28 additional LOB support with IH Program compliance
29 assurance/implementation including surveillance.

30 **M17 – Mobile Medics:** PG&E will place Emergency Medical Technicians
31 (EMT) throughout seven territories with the highest OSHA-recordable
32 injuries over the last three years. EMTs will be available during regular
33 business hours to respond to injuries and provide immediate care which will
34 mitigate the severity of injuries and reduce OSHA and DART cases.

1 **M18 – Employee Safety Field Inspections:** Conduct Cal/OSHA employee
 2 safety field inspections across PG&E in alignment with the ESMS and the
 3 Safety and Health audit procedure. This supports increased field oversight
 4 of Cal/OSHA compliance and safe work.

5 Table 16-7 below shows the forecast costs for the mitigations planned
 6 for the 2020-2022 period.

**TABLE 16-7
 FORECAST COSTS
 2020-2022
 (THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M1B	ESMS Implementation	FL	\$1,575	\$1,725	\$925	\$4,225
2	M6a	Office Ergonomics Program	FL, ZC	2,235	2,235	2,235	6,705
3	M6b	Industrial Ergonomics Program	FL, ZC	1,050	1,050	1,050	3,150
4	M6c	Industrial Athlete Program	FL, ZC	4,274	4,274	4,274	12,822
5	M6d	Vehicle Ergonomics Program	FL, ZC	275	275	275	825
6	M11	On-Site Clinics	ZC	1,011	1,505	1,510	4,025
7	M13	Enhancing SafetyNet Use	FL	127	64	–	191
8	M14	IH Program Compliance Improvement-Phase 1	FL	100	100	–	200
9	M16	Fit4U Pilot	ZC	526	–	–	526
10	M17	Mobile Medics	ZC	1,800	1,544	1,323	4,667
11	Total			\$12,973	\$12,771	\$11,592	\$37,336

Note See WP 16-1.

7 **E. 2023-2026 Proposed Mitigation Plan**

8 PG&E will continue implementing the mitigations started in the 2020-2023
 9 period. No new mitigations are planned.

10 The ESMS, first proposed in the 2017 RAMP, is expected to be in place by
 11 year-end 2021 with ongoing refinement of LOBs implementation procedures into
 12 2023.

13 The four proposed MSD Program mitigations (M6a through M6d in
 14 Table 16-6 above) include programs to address overexertion and bodily reaction
 15 injuries which comprise 60 percent of the Cal/OSHA recordables on average
 16 based on historical data. Approximately 67 percent of the Cal/OSHA
 17 recordables are field employees. The Industrial Athlete, Industrial Ergonomics,

1 and Vehicle Ergonomics programs (M6b through M6d) are designed to focus on
2 field personnel.

3 Table 16-8 below shows the forecast cost, RSEs and risk reduction scores
4 for the mitigations planned for the 2023-2026 period.

TABLE 16-8
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M1B	ESMS Implementation	FL	\$725	\$725	\$925	\$725	\$3,100	12.99	29.6
2	M6a	Office Ergonomics Program	FL, ZC	2,410	2,410	2,410	2,410	9,640	0.37	2.6
3	M6b	Industrial Ergonomics Program	FL, ZC	1,050	1,050	1,050	1,050	4,200	1.13	3.5
4	M6c	Industrial Athlete Program	FL, ZC	4,402	4,402	4,402	4,402	17,608	0.64	8.4
5	M6d	Vehicle Ergonomics Program	FL, ZC	283	283	283	283	1,133	7.11	5.9
6	M11	On-Site Clinics	ZC	1,789	4,350	2,810	2,810	11,757	2.21	19.0
7	M13	Enhancing SafetyNet Use	FL	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	M14	IH Program Compliance Improvement-Phase 1	FL	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	M16	Fit4U Pilot	ZC	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	M17	Mobile Medics	ZC	1,103	882	882	882	3,749	0.68	1.9
11		Total		\$11,761	\$14,102	\$12,762	\$12,562	\$51,187	—	—

(a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
 Note See WP 16-1.

1 Based on the results of the risk modeling analysis shown in Table 16-8
2 above, PG&E is proposing to spend approximately one-third 2023-2026 planned
3 funding on the three programs with the highest RSEs and highest risk reduction
4 scores: MSD Program-Vehicle Ergonomics, ESMS Implementation, and On-Site
5 Clinics.

6 While MSD Program-Office Ergonomics has the lowest RSE and second
7 lowest Risk Reduction score, PG&E supports this program because it helps to
8 minimize the workers compensation injuries and injury severity.

9 **F. Alternative Analysis**

10 In addition to the proposed mitigations described in Section E above, PG&E
11 considered alternative mitigations as well. The mitigations described in Section
12 E constitute the Proposed Plan. The Alternative Plans consist of a combination
13 of all of the proposed mitigations along with the alternative mitigation(s). PG&E
14 describes each of the alternative mitigations it considered below and then
15 provides a table showing the forecast costs, RSEs, and risk reduction scores for
16 each of the Alternative Plans.

17 **1. Alternative Plan 1: IH Program Compliance Improvements – Phase 2**

18 Alternative 1 considers implementing additional IH Program Compliance
19 improvements to expand the program and provide additional LOB support
20 with compliance assurance and program implementation including IH
21 monitoring and surveillance. Field surveillance is an important part of
22 reducing work location exposures to hazardous substances and
23 environments. This alternative was not chosen because it has a lower RSE
24 and lower risk reduction score than the proposed mitigations.

**TABLE 16-9
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A1	IH Program Compliance Improvements – Phase 2	\$540	\$540	\$540	\$540	\$2,160	–	–
2		Total	\$540	\$540	\$540	\$540	\$2,160	0.14	0.2

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
Note See WP 16-1.

1 **2. Alternative Plan 2: Employee Safety Field Inspections for PG&E**
2 **Work Locations**

3 Alternative 2 considers implementing Employee Safety Field Inspections
4 for PG&E employee workplaces and locations. The inspections would be
5 compliance focused and in addition to the field safety observations with
6 SafetyNet currently taking place. This program would be similar to the
7 Contractor Safety Field Inspections and is anticipated to require additional
8 resources in order to inspect all PG&E field and office locations. Inspection
9 programs are an important part of reducing recordable injuries and fatalities
10 as they place increased attention on adhering to safety and health
11 compliance requirements and working safely. This alternative was not
12 chosen because it has a lower RSE than many of the proposed programs
13 and a higher cost.

**TABLE 16-10
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A2	Employee Safety Field Inspections	\$5,958	\$5,958	\$5,958	\$5,958	\$23,832	–	–
2		Total	\$5,958	\$5,958	\$5,958	\$5,958	\$23,832	0.13	2.3

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

Note See WP 16-1.

1 Table 16-11 compares the proposed and alternative mitigation plans.

**TABLE 16-11
MITIGATION PLAN ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Risk Mitigation Plan	Plan Components ^(a)	Total Expense (2023-2026)	Total Capital (2023-2026)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)	Total Spend (NPV) ^(b)	RSE
1	Proposed	M1B, M6a-M6d, M11, M17	\$51,187	–	70.9	\$37,672	1.88
2	Alternative 1	Proposed + A1	\$53,347	–	71.1	\$39,263	1.81
3	Alternative 2	Proposed + A2	\$75,017	–	73.1	\$55,226	1.32

(a) Plan Components refers to the Mitigations presented in Table 16-6.

(b) Information presented in terms of Net Present Value (NPV) to account for the discounting of benefits.

Note See WP 16-2.

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5 **A. Executive Summary**

6 Contractor Safety Incident refers to any event resulting in a contractor
7 Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) recordable injury or
8 fatality,¹ excluding events resulting from asset failure. Contractors included in
9 the Contractor Safety Incident Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase (RAMP)
10 are those that perform medium or high-risk work on behalf of PG&E. Events
11 related to asset failure are covered in the asset management risks within Electric
12 Operations, Gas Operations, and Power Generation. The drivers for this risk
13 event are: sprains, strains, tears; cuts and lacerations; bruises and contusions;
14 fractures; back pain, hurt back; abrasions, scratches; animal or insect bites;
15 punctures, except bites; and other. The cross-cutting factor Records and
16 Information Management also impacts this risk.

17 Exposure to this risk is measured as the approximately 26,000 contractors
18 Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) employs each year. The risk model
19 includes an annual average of approximately 185 recordable injuries divided into
20 the following workplace injury categories: other; sprains, strains, tears; cuts and
21 lacerations; bruises and contusions; fractures; back pain, hurt back; punctures,
22 except bites; abrasions, scratches; animal or insect bites. Approximately
23 2 percent of the risk events result in a serious injury or fatality (SIF). The
24 mitigations PG&E will implement from 2020-2026 are designed to address the
25 known risk drivers.

26 PG&E identified one tranche for this risk which includes contractor high and
27 medium-risk work activities. High-risk work includes activities such as:
28 excavation and trenching beyond four feet; heavy equipment operation; utility
29 tree trimming, clearance work and vegetation management; general construction

1 An OSHA-recordable-event is defined as work related injuries or illnesses that must be reported to OSHA and that results in any of the following: medical treatment beyond first aid; loss of consciousness; one or more days away from work following the incident; restricted work or transfer to another job; any significant injury or illness diagnosed by a physician; any work-related fatality.

1 activities; welding and/or hot tapping of gas lines; and fault protection/grounding.
 2 Medium-risk work includes activities such as: geotechnical investigation;
 3 surveying and field inspection; material handling and compressed natural
 4 gas/liquified natural gas handling.

5 Contractor Safety Incident has the fourth highest 2023 test year (TY) safety
 6 score (94) and the seventh highest 2023 TY total score (94) of PG&E's
 7 12 RAMP risks. The 2020 baseline risk score of 121 improves by 41 percent
 8 when the planned mitigations are applied: the 2023 TY risk score is 94 and the
 9 2026 post-TY risk score is 72.

10 PG&E is proposing a series of controls and mitigations to address the
 11 Contractor Safety Incident risk. The Work Permits and OSHA Programs
 12 Training Requirements mitigations have the highest Risk Spend Efficiency
 13 (RSE) scores. The Work Permits, Contractor On-Boarding and Tracking
 14 Contract Workers programs have the highest total risk reduction scores.²

**TABLE 17-1
 RISK OVERVIEW**

Line No.	Risk Name	Contractor Safety Incident
1	In Scope	An event resulting in a contractor ^(a) recordable injury or fatality, excluding events resulting from asset failure.
2	Out of Scope	PG&E contractor recordable injuries or fatalities resulting from the failure of an asset.
3	Data Quantification Sources ^(b)	ISNetwork (ISN) from 2017 to October 2019. ISN is a vendor that specializes in contractor safety prequalification and supplier management data. ISN's data is based on the contractor's OSHA-recordable injuries and illnesses for PG&E work.
<p>(a) Contractors in scope for this risk are those contractors who perform high risk and medium risk work for PG&E. High risk and medium risk work are defined in Section B.4 below.</p> <p>(b) Source documents will be provided with the workpapers on July 17, 2020.</p>		

15 **1. Risk Overview**

16 In 2019 PG&E employed approximately 2,200 contracting companies,
 17 which included approximately 26,000 individuals working more than
 18 44 million hours supporting PG&E's diverse efforts across its lines of

² The information herein is subject to those limitations described in Chapter 2, Section D.

1 business (LOB). PG&E's team of safety and health professionals is focused
2 on preventing illness and injuries for both PG&E team members and the
3 contractors who work with us. Beginning in 2016, PG&E implemented a
4 formal Contractor Safety Program to help our contractor partners reduce
5 illness and injuries when working with PG&E. The program was
6 implemented as required by the Kern Order Instituting Investigation
7 Settlement Agreement with California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC).

8 PG&E's Safety and Health organization develops, enables, and
9 integrates innovative, proactive safety and health solutions, including:
10 strategic planning and trending analysis; expert field safety support;
11 continuous improvement of safety programs; promoting safety culture; and
12 investigation and human factor analysis. This organization establishes the
13 framework for PG&E's safety and health programs, monitors their
14 effectiveness, identifies areas for improvement, and monitors compliance
15 with applicable regulatory requirements.

16 PG&E's Contractor Safety Program is supported by professionals with
17 specific expertise in PG&E's Contractor Safety Program, as well as with the
18 work performed by PG&E's contractors. The Contractor Safety Program
19 Manager and Analysts are responsible for the program governance and
20 mitigation enhancements, while the Field Safety Managers and Safety
21 Specialists conduct LOB and contractor assessments, observe contractor
22 work for OSHA compliance, provide feedback to contractors, and coach and
23 support LOB resources to improve safety performance.

24 PG&E's Contractor Safety Program includes all contractors and
25 subcontractors performing medium- and high-risk work on PG&E facilities
26 and assets.³ The Contractor Safety Program includes: contractor and
27 subcontractor pre-qualification prior to executing contracts and beginning
28 work; safety planning integrated into the overall job plan; oversight
29 procedures to monitor safe planning and work execution; and post-job
30 evaluations to capture contractor safety performance including lessons
31 learned, identifying quality safety programs and pursuing continuous
32 improvement.

³ High risk and medium risk work are described in Section B.4 below.

1 In 2018, PG&E strengthened the contractor pre-qualification criteria to
2 evaluate contractors that experience a significant increase in worker
3 headcount for PG&E-related work and for contractors that have been in
4 business less than three years. PG&E conducts additional evaluations of
5 these contractors' safety management systems. Contractors that are not
6 approved can no longer work for PG&E.

7 **2. Risk Definition**

8 The risk is defined as any event resulting in a contractor recordable
9 injury or fatality, excluding events resulting from asset failure. Events
10 related to asset failure are covered in the asset management risks within
11 Electric Operations, Gas Operations, and Power Generation.

12 **B. Risk Assessment**

13 **1. Background and Evolution**

14 The Contractor Safety risk was included in PG&E's 2017 RAMP⁴ and
15 was defined as "the failure to identify and mitigate occupational exposures
16 that may result in a contractor injury or illness that is fatal, life threatening or
17 life altering." In the 2020 RAMP the contractor safety risk name has
18 changed to Contractor Safety Incident and the risk definition was changed to
19 align with an event-based risk register.

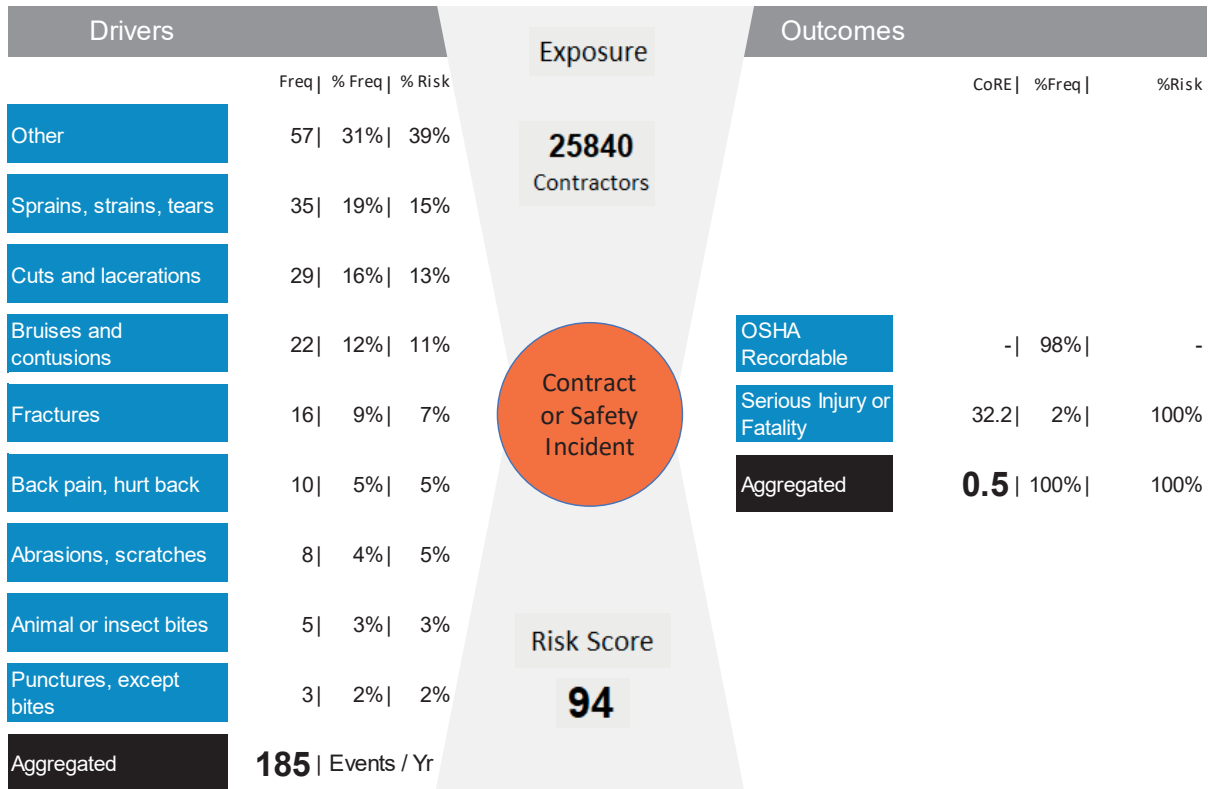
20 The risk drivers in the 2020 RAMP have also evolved. In the 2017
21 RAMP the drivers were categorized according to the Bureau of Labor
22 Statistics Occupational Injury and Illness Classification Manual and were
23 supported by PG&E employee data. In the 2020 RAMP the risk drivers are
24 based on OSHA injury classifications and supported by PG&E-specific
25 contractor ISN data. PG&E determined that the ISN classification is a better
26 way to both measure risk exposure and to define the risk drivers because
27 the ISN classification is aligned to the contractor's OSHA-recordable injuries
28 and illnesses for PG&E work. The risk drivers use the same classification
29 categories as OSHA defines for reporting.

4 PG&E's RAMP Report, Investigation 17-11-003, Nov. 30, 2017 (PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report), Chapter 14.

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2. Risk Bow Tie

**FIGURE 17-1
RISK BOW TIE – 2023 TY**



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a. Difference from the 2017 Risk Bow Tie

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The risk exposure in the 2017 RAMP bow tie and the 2020 RAMP bow tie are generally the same, however for 2020 the number of contractors is used to measure exposure rather than contractor hours. In the 2020 RAMP, consequences are measured in terms of serious injuries or fatalities whereas in the 2017 RAMP consequences were California Occupational Safety and Health Administration (Cal/OSHA)-recordable injuries and fatalities.

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3. Exposure to Risk

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Exposure to the risk is measured as number of contract employees performing high and medium risk work. The total exposure in the risk bow tie is based on an annual average of 25,840 contract employees. PG&E contractors conduct a wide variety of activities for PG&E across its LOBs. From 2018-2019 the contractor workforce population increased by

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1 11 percent. In 2019 PG&E contractors self-reported more than 44 million
2 hours for PG&E specific work.

3 The scope of this risk includes PG&E contractors who perform medium
4 and high-risk activities such as digging and trenching, vegetation
5 management or material handling that can result in a contractor safety
6 incident. Designing and implementing mitigations and controls focused on
7 the most serious and most often occurring safety events will help to reduce
8 contractor safety events and contractor safety risk.

9 PG&E relies on ISN data for developing the risk analysis. Exposure to
10 risk was modeled using data in the ISN Site Tracker reports that include
11 PG&E specific data for; OSHA-recordable injuries and contractor workplace
12 injury types, and number of PG&E contract employees in scope for the risk.

13 **4. Tranches**

14 PG&E identified one tranche for the Contractor Safety Incident risk
15 based on a review of contractor safety data. This tranche includes high- and
16 medium-risk work activities as described in the PG&E Contractor Safety
17 Program Risk Matrix that is aligned to the PG&E Utility Standard,
18 SAFE-3001S.

19 High-risk work includes activities such as: excavation and trenching
20 beyond four feet; heavy equipment operation; utility tree trimming, clearance
21 work and vegetation management; general construction activities; welding
22 and/or hot tapping of gas lines; and fault protection/grounding.

23 Medium-risk work includes activities such as: geotechnical
24 investigation; surveying and field inspection; material handling and
25 compressed natural gas/liquified natural gas handling.

26 At this time, PG&E tracks contractors by prime contractors (primes),
27 those contractors who work directly for PG&E, and sub-contractors (subs),
28 those contractors that have been retained by a prime contractor to provide
29 services on behalf of PG&E. Going forward, PG&E will consider whether
30 the collection of PG&E contractor incident information specific to the LOBs
31 will provide further insight into where Contractor Safety mitigation programs
32 should be focused.

1 **5. Drivers and Associated Frequency**

2 PG&E identified nine drivers for the Contractor Safety Incident risk.
3 Each driver and its associated 2023 TY baseline frequency is discussed
4 below. There are no sub-drivers for the Contractor Safety Incident risk. The
5 nine risk drivers are based on the OSHA-recordable classifications in ISN
6 that are aligned to the contractor’s OSHA-recordable injuries and illnesses
7 for PG&E work.

8 **D1 – Other:** Refers to a contractor safety incident other than those
9 addressed by drivers D2 through D9. Other contractor safety events
10 accounted for 57 (31 percent) of the 185 expected annual number of events
11 reportable to the Cal/OSHA.

12 **D2 – Sprains, Strains and Tears:** Refers to a contractor safety incident
13 that results in soft tissue injury such as a muscle, ligament or tendon sprain,
14 strain or tear that is reportable to Cal/OSHA. Sprain, strain or tear events
15 accounted for 35 (19 percent) of the 185 expected annual number of events.

16 **D3 – Cuts and Lacerations:** Refers to a contractor safety incident that
17 results in a cut or laceration that is reportable to Cal/OSHA. Cuts and
18 lacerations accounted for 29 (16 percent) of the 185 expected annual
19 number of events.

20 **D4 – Bruises and Contusions:** Refers to a contractor safety incident that
21 results in a bruise or contusion that is reportable to Cal/OSHA. Bruises and
22 contusions accounted for 22 (12 percent) of the 185 expected annual
23 number of events.

24 **D5 – Fractures:** Refers to a contractor safety incident resulting in a broken
25 bone that is reportable to Cal/OSHA. Fractures accounted for 16 (9 percent)
26 of the 185 expected annual number of events.

27 **D6 – Abrasions and Scratches:** Refers to a contractor safety incident
28 resulting in abrasions or scratches that is reportable to Cal/OSHA.
29 Abrasions and Scratches events accounted for 8 (4 percent) of the
30 185 expected annual number of events.

31 **D7 – Back Pain, Hurt Back:** Refers to a contractor safety incident resulting
32 in back pain or a hurt back that is reportable to Cal/OSHA. Back pain or hurt
33 back events accounted for 10 (5 percent) of the 185 expected annual
34 number of events.

1 **D8 – Animal or Insect Bites:** Refers to a contractor safety incident due to
2 an animal or insect bite that is reportable to Cal/OSHA. Animal or insect bite
3 events accounted for 5 (3 percent) of the 185 expected annual number
4 of events.

5 **D9 – Punctures (Except Bites):** Refers to a contractor safety incident due
6 to a puncture wound, excluding bites, that is reportable to Cal/OSHA.
7 Puncture events accounted for 3 (2 percent) of the 185 expected annual
8 number of events.

9 **6. Cross-Cutting Factors**

10 A cross-cutting factor is a driver or control that is interrelated to multiple
11 risks. PG&E is presenting eight cross-cutting factors in the 2020 RAMP.
12 The cross-cutting factors that impact the Contractor Safety Incident risk are
13 shown in Table 17-2 below. A description of the cross-cutting factors and
14 the mitigations and controls that PG&E is proposing to mitigate the
15 cross-cutting factors are described in Chapter 20.

**TABLE 17-2
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY**

Line No.	Cross-Cutting Factor	Impacts Likelihood	Impacts Consequence
1	Records Information Management		X

16 PG&E is continuing to evaluate the impact that Physical Attack has on
17 RAMP risks and expects to present Physical Attack as a cross-cutting factor
18 relative to additional RAMP risks in the 2023 General Rate Case (GRC).

19 **7. Consequences**

20 The basis for measuring the consequences of the Contractor Safety
21 Incident risk are a serious injury (Cal/OSHA definition) or fatality.

22 The consequences of a Contractor Safety Incident risk event occurring
23 are:

- A serious injury⁵ or fatality occurs 2 percent of the time and accounts for 100 percent of the risk consequences; and
- An OSHA-recordable event occurs 98 percent of the time but does not account for any of the risk consequences.

PG&E relied on the PG&E Serious Incidents Reports from 2012 through 2019 to analyze the safety consequences of a contractor safety incident. The Serious Incidents Report provides the details of the incident including injury type, actions taken, and the date that injury occurred consistent with Cal/OSHA reporting requirements. The review and analysis of the data was supported by PG&E Subject Matter Expert (SME) judgement to confirm the initial the incident information.

Table 17-3 below shows the risk event consequences. Model attributes are described in Chapter 3, “Risk Modeling and Risk Spend Efficiency.”

**TABLE 17-3
RISK EVENT CONSEQUENCES**

	CoRE	%Freq	%Risk	Freq	Natural Units Per Event	CoRE	Natural Units per Year	Attribute Risk Score
					Safety EF/event	Safety	Safety EF/yr	Safety
OSHA Recordable	-	98%	-	182.4	-	-	-	-
Serious Injury or Fatality	32.2	2%	100%	2.9	0.64	32.2	1.88	94
Aggregated	0.5	100%	100%	185.3	0.01	0.5	1.88	94

C. Controls and Mitigations

Tables 17-3 and 17-4 list all the controls and mitigations. PG&E included in its 2017 RAMP, 2020 GRC and 2020 RAMP (2020-2022 and 2023-2026). The tables provide a view as to those controls and mitigations that are on-going, those that are no longer in place, and new mitigations. In the following sections

⁵ A significant injury or illness is diagnosed by a physician or other licensed health care professional. OSHA believes that most significant injuries and illnesses will result in one of the criteria listed in § 1904.7(a): death, days away from work, restricted work or job transfer, medical treatment beyond first aid or loss of consciousness. OSHA believes that cancer, chronic irreversible diseases, fractured or cracked bones, and punctured eardrums are generally considered significant injuries and illnesses. . . even if medical treatment or work restrictions are not recommended, or are postponed, in a particular case. United States Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and health Administration, Standard Number 1904.7, Note to § 1904.7.

1 PG&E describes the controls in place in 2019 as part of the 2020 RAMP
2 baseline, changes to the mitigations and controls presented in the 2017 RAMP,
3 and then discusses new mitigations and mitigations continuing to be
4 implemented during the 2020-2022 and 2023-2026 periods.

**TABLE 17-4
CONTROLS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Control Name and Number	2017 RAMP 2017-2019	2020-2022 GRC 2017-2020	2020 RAMP 2020-2022	2020 RAMP 2023-2026
1	C1 – Enhanced Standard Contract Terms and Conditions	X	X	X	X
2	C2 – Contractor Safety Pre-Qualifications	X	X	X	X
3	C3 – Contractor Safety Standard and LOB Contractor Oversight Procedures	X	X	X	X
4	C4 – Contractor Safety Plans	X	X	X	X
5	C5 – Contractor Hazard Analysis	X	X	X	X
6	C6 – LOB Contractor Safety Oversight	X	X	X	X
7	C7 – LOB Compliance Assessments	X	X	X	X
8	C8 – Corrective Action Program (CAP) for Contractor Issues	X	X	X	X
9	C9 – Contractor Post-Job Safety Performance Review	X	X	X	X
10	C10 (M1B) – SIF Incident Governance and Oversight		X	X	X
11	C11 (M2) – Contractor Safety Officer Criteria		X	Being Enhanced as M18	X
12	C12 (M3) –CAP Issues Criteria		X	Removed as Ineffective	
13	C13 (M4) – ISN Rapid Growth Tracking		X	X	X
14	C14 (M6) – OSHA Program Training Requirements		X	Being Enhanced as M17	
15	C15 (M7) – Standardized Safety Plan and Job Safety Analysis (JSA) Templates		X	X	X
16	C16 (M8) – PG&E Specific Hazards Communication Process		X	Removed as Duplicative	
17	C17 (M12) – Tools and Technology		Mitigation Bundle	Unbundled – Removed	

**TABLE 17-4
CONTROLS SUMMARY
(CONTINUED)**

Line No.	Control Name and Number	2017 RAMP 2017-2019	2020-2022 GRC 2017-2020	2020 RAMP 2020-2022	2020 RAMP 2023-2026
18	C18 (M9 – Contractor Governance) LOB to Conduct Contractor Forums			X	X
19	C19 (M10 Contractor Knowledge bundle) – All impacted PG&E Employees Bi-Annual Program Compliance Training			X	X
20	C20 (M9 – Contractor Governance) Enhance Contractor Post-Job Performance Evaluation			X	X
21	C21 (M9 – Contractor Governance) Automated System for Improving Processes through ISN			X	X

**TABLE 17-5
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	2017 RAMP 2017-2019 Mitigations	2020 GRC 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 Mitigations
1	M1B – SIF Incident Governance and Oversight	X	Becomes a Control C10		
2	M2 – Contractor Knowledge: Contractor Safety Officer Criteria	X	Becomes a Control C11	Being Enhanced as M18	
3	M3 – CAP Issues Criteria	X	Becomes a Control	Removed as Ineffective	
4	M4 – ISN Company Rapid Growth Tracking	X	Becomes a Control C13		
5	M5 – Contractor Blocking Automation	X	Removed as infeasible		
6	M6 – Contractor Knowledge: OSHA Program Training Requirements	X	Becomes a Control	Being Enhanced as M17	
7	M7 – Standardized Safety Plan and JSA Templates	X	Becomes a Control C15		
8	M8 – PG&E Specific Hazards Communication Process	X	Becomes a Control	Removed as duplicative	
9	M9 – Contractor Governance		Mitigation Bundle	Unbundled – now C18, C19, C20	
10	M10 – Contractor Knowledge		Mitigation Bundle	Unbundled – now C10	

**TABLE 17-5
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY
(CONTINUED)**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	2017 RAMP 2017-2019 Mitigations	2020 GRC 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 Mitigations
11	M11 – Contractor Process Improvements (PI)		Mitigation Bundle`	Unbundled – now M11a and M11b	
12	M11A - Safety Scorecard		X (Inc. in M11)	X	Becomes a Control
13	M11B – Work Permits		X (Inc. in M11)		X
14	M12 – Tools and Technology		Mitigation Bundle	Unbundled – now M12a and M12b	
15	M12a – ISN's Individual Badge Feature			X	Becomes a Control
16	M12b – Establish Tool for Capturing Contractor Near-Hits and Good-Catches			X	Becomes a Control
17	M13 – Contractor On-Boarding Requirements			X	X
18	M14 – Contractor Safety Field Inspections			X	X
19	M15 – Contractor Safety Handbook			X	Becomes a Control
20	M16 – Tracking Contractor Workers				X
21	M17 (enhancement to C14) –OSHA Programs Training Requirements			X	X
22	M18 (enhancement to C11) – Contractor Safety Officer Criteria			X	Becomes a Control

1 **1. 2019 Controls and Mitigations**

2 **a. Controls**

3 PG&E identified nine controls in its 2017 RAMP that are anticipated
4 to remain in place through 2026.

5 **C1 – Enhanced Standard Contract Terms and Conditions:** The
6 enhanced Standard Contract Terms and Conditions, which are inserted
7 into each of the prime contractors’ contracts, are specific safety-related
8 expectations and conditions based on the Contractor Safety Program
9 Standard SAFE-3001S. Ongoing evaluations are conducted through the
10 LOB compliance assessment process to assess effectiveness and
11 identify any gaps.

12 **C2 – Contractor Safety Pre-Qualification:** The Contractor Safety
13 program’s pre-qualification process establishes criteria for contractors to
14 qualify in order to perform work for PG&E. The criteria include total
15 recordable injury and days away/restricted duty/transferred rates,
16 number of fatalities, and confirmed OSHA citations. Ongoing
17 evaluations are conducted through the LOB compliance assessment
18 process to assess effectiveness and identify any gaps.

19 **C3 – Contractor Safety Standard and LOB Contractor Oversight
20 Procedures:** The Contractor Safety Standard and the associated LOB
21 contractor safety oversight procedures set requirements for managing
22 medium and/or high risk contract work, including procedural steps for
23 each LOB in providing work oversight and management for their
24 contractors. These procedures include providing post-job safety
25 performance evaluation of contractor work and sharing lessons learned
26 resulting from safety incidents. Ongoing evaluations are conducted
27 through the LOB compliance assessment process to assess
28 effectiveness and identify any gaps in procedure implementation.
29 Corporate Contractor Safety has established a formal review and
30 approval process in 2019 for any new or revised procedures and
31 included an approval requirement in the Contractor Safety Standard
32 SAFE-3001S.

1 **C4 – Contractor Safety Plans:** Safety plans are developed by the
2 contractor and are reviewed and approved by PG&E prior to
3 commencing high risk work. These plans are required to address the
4 Scope of Work (SOW) to be performed and identify specific site or task
5 hazards, and mitigations of those hazards prior to beginning work.
6 Additionally, these plans include a requirement to perform a hazard
7 analysis (Refer to C5 for Job Hazard Analysis/tailboard requirements)
8 prior to beginning medium and/or high-risk work activities. Ongoing
9 evaluations are conducted through the LOB compliance assessment
10 process to assess effectiveness and identify any gaps. In 2019, this
11 process was strengthened by establishing minimum safety training
12 requirements and qualifications for safety plan approvers.

13 **C5 – Contractor Hazard Analysis:** Contractors perform a job hazard
14 analysis as part of their daily tailboard process as a method of
15 identifying, mitigating and communicating known or potential hazards to
16 their employees and subcontractors prior to commencing work. These
17 analyses are required prior to the execution of work and re-enforce the
18 requirements established in the approved safety plans (refer to C4 for
19 Contractor Safety Plans). Ongoing evaluations are conducted through
20 the LOB compliance assessment process to assess effectiveness and
21 identify any gaps.

22 **C6 – LOB Contractor Safety Oversight:** The LOBs and Corporate
23 Field Safety provide oversight of contractors by conducting field safety
24 observations of crews, using observation software, to validate
25 compliance with PG&E and regulatory safety requirements, while
26 identifying safe/unsafe behavior and/or conditions. SafetyNet® is a
27 software tool that was made available across the enterprise in 2019 to
28 capture contractor safety observations performed by the LOB. This
29 allows PG&E to aggregate large quantities of data from observed at-risk
30 behaviors and/or conditions from multiple job sites and projects.
31 Analysis of this data allows each LOB to better understand the specific
32 areas of risk exposure and to target mitigation resources to those
33 specific risks.

1 **C7 – LOB Compliance Assessments:** These assessments focus on
2 compliance with the requirements outlined in the LOB procedures,
3 including identifying any nonconformance and correcting them through
4 PG&E's CAP. The assessments also focus on PG&E work that utilizes
5 contractors performing medium and/or high-risk activities and are
6 conducted across all LOBs by members of the Corporate Contractor
7 Safety team. The assessment results, including any related findings,
8 are reported out post-assessment at the LOB level and also quarterly at
9 an enterprise level. PG&E has completed 208 Contractor Safety
10 Program LOB Compliance Assessments across the enterprise in 2019.
11 10.3 percent of these assessments resulted in one or more identified
12 non-conformances.

13 **C8 – CAP for Contractor Issues:** CAP continues to be used for
14 contractor LOB assessment non-conformances issues. CAP provides a
15 process to document non-conformances identified from the LOB
16 compliance assessments (Refer to C7 for LOB Compliance Assessment
17 Control) and track issues to closure. To enhance the visibility into the
18 issues being identified from these assessments, PG&E created a
19 dashboard in 2019 that displays all assessment findings by LOB that
20 can be accessed by any PG&E employee.

21 **C9 – Contractor Post Job Safety Performance Review:** LOBs
22 complete safety performance evaluations for contractors at the end of
23 project work or at least annually for multi-year projects. Post-job
24 performance evaluations are entered into each contractor's ISN account
25 and factor into each contractor's pre-qualification status. Ongoing
26 evaluations are conducted through the LOB compliance assessment
27 process to assess effectiveness and identify any gaps.

28 **b. Mitigations**

29 PG&E identified 8 mitigations in the 2017 RAMP for the 2017 to
30 2019 period.

31 **M1B – SIF Incident Governance and Oversight:** This mitigation is
32 broken up into three sub-mitigations and is performed by a
33 cross-functional team of PG&E SMEs. By doing this work, PG&E will be
34 able to establish a standardized framework for effectively on-boarding

1 contractors, improve identification and mitigations of hazards and
2 investigate and respond to serious injury and fatality events. The
3 sub-mitigations are:

- 4 • Implementation of an agreed-upon Safety and Health oversight
5 structure to assist in the identification and controls of hazardous
6 conditions;
- 7 • Perform end-to-end process review as part of contractor fatality
8 investigation and implement corrective actions; and
- 9 • Design the framework for a contractor on-boarding program (5-year
10 plan, contractor training requirements, and PG&E criteria for
11 on-boarding).

12 **M2 – Contractor Safety Officer Criteria:** Develop and implement
13 criteria for when contractors are required to provide a Safety Officer, or
14 a designated safety representative. This mitigation is an enhancement
15 of C6 (LOB Contractor Safety Oversight) noted in Section III above. By
16 implementing this requirement, the contractor will provide additional
17 safety oversight during the execution of work.

18 **M3 – Corrective Action Program Issues Criteria:** This mitigation will
19 provide contractors with the ability to use CAP. The program had
20 previously been available only to PG&E employees. This mitigation will
21 allow PG&E to efficiently track and review the contractor’s progress on
22 closure of corrective actions. This also includes the development and
23 implementation of criteria for requiring CAP issues to be reported when
24 there are contractor safety identified findings and/or corrective actions
25 from safety incident investigations. This mitigation is an enhancement
26 of C8 (CAP for contractor issues).

27 **M4 – ISN Company Rapid Growth Tracking:** Utilize ISN to track the
28 rapid growth of contractors that have expanded their Company
29 employee count by 20 percent or greater in a single quarter. This will
30 enable PG&E to perform a review of the contractors’ safety
31 management systems in place to support the workforce expansion. This
32 mitigation is an enhancement of C2 (Contractor Safety –
33 Pre-Qualifications).

1 **M5 – Contractor Blocking Automation:** Automate the ability to block
2 contractors who do not meet PG&Es pre-qualification requirements in
3 SAP. Implement a daily a direct feed from ISN to SAP that will block
4 contractors based on their pre-qualification status in ISN. The SAP
5 block will not allow a new contract to be executed with the contractor.
6 This will lead to a reduction in the risk associated with executing a
7 contract with an unqualified contractor. This mitigation is an
8 enhancement of C2 (Contractor Safety – Pre-Qualifications).

9 **M6 – (Contractor Knowledge) OSHA Programs Training**

10 **Requirements:** Identify safety training for contractors and PG&E
11 employees overseeing contractors to ensure they have the appropriate
12 qualifications and training required to oversee the work from a safety
13 perspective. This is in addition to any required OSHA training. This
14 mitigation is an enhancement of C6 (LOB Contractor Safety Oversight).

15 **M7 – Standardized Safety Plan and JSA Templates:** Standard
16 templates for safety plans and JSAs will allow PG&E to establish
17 baseline requirements across all LOBs. This mitigation is an
18 enhancement of C4 (Contractor Safety Plans) and C5 (Contractor
19 Hazard Analysis).

20 **M8 – PG&E Specific Hazards Communication Process:** Develop a
21 process for communicating PG&E specific hazards to enable contractors
22 to better identify and plan to mitigate those hazards associated with
23 sites, assets and facilities prior to commencing work. This mitigation is
24 an enhancement of C4 (Contractor Safety Plans) and C5 (Contractor
25 Hazard Analysis).

26 **c. 2017 RAMP Update**

27 PG&E concluded in the 2017 RAMP that the best way to mitigate
28 contractor safety risks was through mitigation bundles that focused on
29 key Contractor Safety Program objectives: Contractor Safety Program
30 PI; Governance; Knowledge; and Tools and Technology. PG&E also
31 designed and implemented controls to comply with PG&E's internal
32 contractor safety program and with applicable OSHA and CPUC
33 requirements.

1 In addition, PG&E presented eight mitigations (M1B through M8)⁶ in
2 the 2017 RAMP to further manage risk by enhancing the
3 pre-qualification contractor management process and by improving
4 contractor safety planning, training and oversight. The mitigations were
5 developed based on the results of a Contractor Safety Program gap
6 analysis that PG&E conducted. Of those eight mitigations:

- 7 • As shown in Table 17-5 above, seven mitigations (M1, M2, M3, M4,
8 M6, M7, and M8) are now controls in the 2020 RAMP and the SOW
9 presented in the 2017 RAMP remains the same; and
- 10 • One mitigation (M5) was removed because it is not possible to feed
11 data directly from ISN into PG&E's SAP.

12 In the 2020 GRC PG&E provided an update as to the state of
13 managing the Contractor Safety risk.⁷ In the 2020 GRC PG&E
14 identified three remaining mitigation bundles: Contractor Governance;
15 Contractor Knowledge; and Contractor PIs. While the individual
16 mitigations have changed, the three new mitigations proposed in the
17 2020 GRC are closely aligned to the key Contractor Safety Program
18 objectives set forth in the 2017 RAMP. The mitigations PG&E
19 presented in the 2017 RAMP became controls in the 2020 GRC as the
20 mitigations matured and became established, on-going processes for
21 managing risk.⁸

22 In the 2017 RAMP PG&E presented nine controls (C1-C9)⁹ that
23 were on-going activities for managing the risk drivers for Contractor
24 Safety risk. These same nine controls were included in PG&E's 2020
25 GRC and are again presented in the 2020 RAMP, though the scope of
26 many of the controls has been updated.

27 In the 2020 GRC identified eight new controls, most of which
28 continue into the 2020 RAMP. The additional controls and changes to
29 controls are included in Table 17-4 above.

6 PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report, p. 14-11.

7 Application (A.) 18-12-009, Exhibit (PG&E-7), Chapter 1.

8 A.18-12-009, Exhibit (PG&E-7), Table 1-4, p. 1-30.

9 PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report, p. 14-9.

1 For the 2020 RAMP, the three mitigation bundles remaining from the
2 2020 GRC; M9 (Contractor Governance), M10 (Contractor Knowledge),
3 and M11 (Contractor PI) have been removed and updated as individual
4 mitigations

5 **D. 2020-2022 Controls and Mitigations Plan**

6 **1. Changes to Controls**

7 In the 2020 RAMP PG&E continues to implement the nine controls
8 included in the 2017 RAMP and adds seven new controls that are described
9 below. Changes to controls included in PG&E's 2020 GRC are shown in
10 Table 17-4 above.

11 **C10 –SIF Incident Governance and Oversight.** PG&E has two
12 established procedures to address this: (1) The SIF Manual, SAFE-1100M,
13 that outlines the process for after a SIF occurs (PG&E employee or
14 contractor) from the necessary notifications through the full investigation
15 process; and (2) The procedure for non-SIF incidents involving contractors,
16 SAFE-1100P-2, that provides a structure for evaluating the quality of the
17 required contractor investigation and associated corrective actions,
18 determining the extent of condition throughout PG&E, and developing and
19 implementing corrective actions based on the extent of condition. Both
20 procedures have processes required for entering issues into CAP for
21 evaluation and corrective actions that were previously identified in C12
22 (CAP Issue Criteria), which has now been removed and incorporated into
23 this control.

24 **C13 – ISN Rapid Growth Tracking and Contractor Evaluations.** Utilize
25 ISN to track the rapid growth of contractors that have increased their
26 headcount significantly for PG&E work. PG&E's Corporate Contractor
27 Safety team performs Management and Organizations reviews of the
28 contractor's safety management systems in place to support the workforce
29 expansion. In 2019, 52 evaluations were completed resulting in 44 approved
30 contractors. This control is an enhancement of C2 (Contractor Safety
31 Prequalification).

32 **C15 – Standardized Safety Plan and JSA Templates.** Standard
33 templates for safety plans and JSAs will allow PG&E to establish baseline

1 requirements across all LOBs. In 2018, PG&E established minimum
2 requirements for Job Hazard Analysis templates and included these
3 requirements in the contract terms and conditions. This program is an
4 enhancement of control for C4 (Contractor Safety Plans) and C5 (Contractor
5 Hazard Analysis/Daily Tailboards). Ongoing evaluations are conducted
6 through the LOB compliance assessment process to assess effectiveness
7 and identify any gaps.

8 **C18 – LOBs to Conduct Contractor Forums.** LOBs conduct safety forums
9 with contractors to partner on safety topics, lessons learned and
10 performance feedback. Ongoing evaluations are conducted through the
11 LOB compliance assessment process to assess effectiveness and identify
12 any gaps.

13 **C19 – Contractor Safety Program Orientation.** The Contractor Safety
14 Program Orientation SAFE-0102 web-based training (WBT), was created for
15 PG&E employees who oversee contractors. This WBT was approved in
16 2018 by the Learning Academy as an optional course and does not require
17 mandatory enrollment. PG&E will re-evaluate in 2020 if this WBT needs to
18 be required and assigned to employees who oversee contracted work. This
19 control was Mitigation M9 in the 2020 GRC.

20 **C20 – Enhance Contractor Post-Job Performance Evaluation.**

21 Contractor post-job performance evaluation scorecard criteria have been in
22 place as a control since 2018. This control was Mitigation M9 in the 2020
23 GRC.

24 **C21 – Automated System for Improving Processes through ISN.** An
25 automated system for tracking, trending and generating reports to improve
26 processes through ISN has been in place as a control since 2018. This
27 control was Mitigation M9 in the 2020 GRC.

28 **2. Changes to Mitigations**

29 PG&E will implement eight new mitigations in the 2020-2022 period.
30 Certain mitigations will continue into the 2023-2026 period as well.

31 **M11a – Safety Scorecard.** Implement a safety performance evaluation
32 scorecard to determine whether contractors need improvement in their
33 performance or if they need a probationary period with a possible safety
34 improvement plan or a deep-dive safety assessment. The results may be

1 used in determining future work awards. Expected implementation year-end
2 2021 with integration into contractor work activities through 2023

3 transitioning to a control and in place through 2026 (RAMP 2020 timeline)

4 **M12a – Use ISN’s Individual Badge Feature.** Use ISN’s individual badge
5 feature to verify contractor employee training and qualifications at the job
6 site. Year end 2020 completion is estimated.

7 **M12b – Contractor Near-hits/Good-Catches.** Establish a method for
8 capturing both PG&E employee and contractor near-hits/good-catches in
9 one platform. This mitigation is expected to be implemented in 2021.

10 **M13 – Contractor Onboarding.** This is a new mitigation and an
11 enhancement related to C10 (SIF Incident Governance and Oversight). This
12 mitigation will include minimum criteria for requirements for consistently
13 onboarding contractors throughout the enterprise.

14 **M14 – Contractor Safety Field Inspections.** Corporate Safety will perform
15 unannounced field visits. This is a new mitigation and an enhancement
16 related to C6 (LOB Contractor Safety Oversight) and C7 (LOB Compliance
17 Assessments). The Contractor Safety Standard SAFE-3001S requires the
18 LOBs to perform safety observations of their contractors. Additionally, the
19 Corporate Contractor Safety team conducts LOB compliance assessment of
20 the LOBs adherence to their approved contractor oversight procedures
21 (refer to C3 Contractor Safety Standard and LOB Contractor Oversight
22 Procedures). This is an expansion to focus on contractor adherence to
23 OSHA compliance.

24 **M15 – Contractor Safety Handbook.** This mitigation is an enhancement of
25 C1 (Enhanced Standard Contract Terms and Conditions). Develop a
26 comprehensive Environmental and Health and Safety (EHS) handbook to
27 include policies, programs, procedures, and other documents that explain
28 PG&E's requirements and expectations to provide consistent guidance to
29 contractors. Integrate the EHS Handbook into contractor work activities.
30 This mitigation will be implemented 2022.

31 **M17 – OSHA Programs Training Requirements.** Identify safety training
32 for contractors and PG&E employees overseeing contractors to ensure they
33 have the appropriate qualifications and training required to oversee the work

1 from a safety perspective. This is in addition to any required OSHA training.
 2 This mitigation is an enhancement of C6 (LOB Contractor Safety Oversight).

3 **M18 – Contractor Safety Officer Criteria (enhancement to C11).**

4 Develop and implement criteria for when contractors are required to provide
 5 a Safety Officer, or a designated safety representative. This mitigation is an
 6 enhancement of C6 (LOB Contractor Safety Oversight). By implementing
 7 this requirement, the contractor will provide additional safety oversight
 8 during the execution of work. This mitigation will be evaluated in 2020 for
 9 2021 implementation.

10 Table 17-6 below shows the forecast costs for the mitigation work
 11 planned for the 2020-2022 period.

**TABLE 17-6
 FORECAST COSTS
 2020-2022 EXPENSE
 (THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M11a	Safety Scorecard	FL	–	\$181	–	\$181
2	M11b	Work Permits	FL	–	–	–	–
3	M13	Contractor On-Boarding	FL	–	–	\$1,625	1,625
4	M14	Contractor Safety Field Inspections	FL	–	3,740	3,740	7,480
5	M15	Contractor Safety Handbook	FL	–	216	–	216
6	M16	Tracking Contractor Workers	FL	–	–	–	–
7	M17	OSHA Programs Training Requirements	FL	–	492	148	640
8	M18	Contractor Safety Officer Criteria	FL	–	17	17	34
9		Total		–	\$4,646	\$5,530	\$10,176

Notes See WP 17-1.

12 **E. 2023-2026 Proposed Mitigation Plan**

13 PG&E is proposing two new mitigations between 2023 and 2026 that are
 14 described below. In addition, three mitigations started in the 2020-2022 period
 15 continue (M13, M14 and M17) and five mitigations started in the 2020-2022
 16 period become controls (M11A, M12A, M12B, M15, and M18).

17 **M11b – Work Permits:** Establish a process for PG&E to evaluate critical
 18 high-risk work activities and ensure all safety controls are in place before
 19 commencement.

1 **M16 – Tracking Contractor Workers:** Establish a platform for tracking
 2 contractor work status and crew locations. The proposed system will enhance
 3 existing processes to allow tracking of work schedules and locations. PG&E
 4 expects implementation year-end 2023 with transition to control through the
 5 RAMP 2020 timeline of 2026.

6 Table 17-7 below shows the forecast costs, RSEs and risk reduction scores
 7 for the mitigation work planned for the 2023-2026 period.

**TABLE 17-7
 FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
 2023-2026
 (THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M11a	Safety Scorecard	FL	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
2	M11b	Work Permits	FL	\$58	\$17	\$17	\$17	\$109	215.9	18.0
3	M13	Contractor On-Boarding	FL	1,625	1,625	1,625	1,625	6,500	3.8	18.0
4	M14	Contractor Safety Field Inspections	FL	3,740	3,740	3,740	3,740	14,960	1.3	14.4
5	M15	Contractor Safety Handbook	FL	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
6	M16	Tracking Contractor Workers	FL	1,501	1,501	1,501	1,501	6,005	4.1	18.0
7	M17	OSHA Programs Training Requirements	FL	148	148	148	148	591	33.0	14.4
8	M18	Contractor Safety Officer Criteria	FL	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
9		Total	–	\$7,071	\$7,031	\$7,031	\$7,031	\$28,164		

(a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

Note See WP 17-1.

8 Based on the results of the risk modeling analysis shown in Table 17-7
 9 above, PG&E is proposing to spend approximately half of its 2023-2026 funds
 10 on the Contractor Safety Field Inspections program even though it has one of
 11 the lower RSEs. The Contractor Safety Field Inspections Program is critical
 12 because it allows PG&E to confirm that its Contractors are executing high and
 13 medium risk work safely. It is the way to verify that Contractors are complying
 14 with OSHA and PG&E safety requirements and that they are adhering to the
 15 project specific safety plans approved by PG&E.

1 The proposed Work Permits mitigation has the highest RSE though PG&E is
2 proposing to spend less than one percent of its budget on it. The program is
3 available through ISN and allows for permit management on the move, through
4 phones and tablets. PG&E will look for opportunities to expand this program.

5 **F. Alternative Analysis**

6 In addition to the proposed mitigations described in Section E above,
7 PG&E considered alternative mitigations as well. The mitigations described in
8 Section E constitute the Proposed Plan. The Alternative Plans consist of a
9 combination of some or all of the proposed mitigations along with the alternative
10 mitigation(s). PG&E describes each of the alternative mitigations it considered
11 below and then provides a table showing the forecast costs, RSEs and risk
12 reduction scores for each of the Alternative Plans.

13 **1. Alternative Plan 1: Do Not Implement the Contractor Work**
14 **Management System**

15 This alternative considers removal of the Contractor Work Management
16 System for tracking contractor work status and crew locations. Because the
17 Contractor Work Management System supports increased oversight and is
18 critical to the success of the Contractor Safety Program PG&E will proceed
19 with its proposal to implement the system. This alternative was not chosen
20 because it could reduce contractor safety.

21 **2. Alternative Plan 2: Increased Contractor Safety Field Inspection**
22 **Resources**

23 This alternative would expand the Contractor Safety Field Inspections
24 program by increasing the number of PG&E resources assigned to the
25 program. As shown in Table 17-8, expanding this program would
26 significantly increase the cost without a commensurate increase in safety
27 risk reduction. PG&E chose not to pursue this alternative due to the
28 high cost.

**TABLE 17-8
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A2	Increased Contractor Safety Field Inspections	\$3,740	\$3,740	\$3,740	\$3,740	\$14,960		
2		Total	\$3,740	\$3,740	\$3,740	\$3,740	\$14,960	0.9	9.8

(a) See MW included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

Note: See WP 17-1.

1 Table 17-9 compares the proposed and alternative mitigation plans.

**TABLE 17-9
MITIGATION PLAN ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS
(THOUSAND OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Risk Mitigation Plan	Plan Components ^(a)	Total Expense (2023-2026)	Total Capital (2023-2026)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)	Total Spend (NPV) ^(b)	RSE
1	Proposed	M11b, M13, M14, M16, M17	\$28,165	–	82.9	\$20,749	4.0
2	Alternative 1	M11b, M13, M14, M17	\$22,160	–	68.2	\$16,326	4.2
3	Alternative 2	Proposed +A2	\$43,125	–	90.5	\$31,768	2.8

(a) Plan Components refers to the Mitigations presented in Table 17-4.

(b) Information presented in terms of Net Present Value (NPV) to account for the discounting of benefits.

Note: See WP 17-2.

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5 **A. Executive Summary**

6 Motor Vehicle Safety Incident (MVSIs) risk includes any motor vehicle
7 accident involving a Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E or the Company)
8 vehicle (or a personal vehicle being operated on company business) resulting in
9 injuries or fatalities to, either PG&E employees or the public, and/or property
10 damage. However, certain PG&E vehicles such as off-road vehicles and unique
11 or specialized vehicles are out of scope for this risk. The drivers for this risk
12 event are: non-preventable motor vehicle incident (NPMVI); preventable motor
13 vehicle incident (PMVI) – PG&E hit stationary object; PMVI – PG&E backing;
14 PMVI – PG&E struck third party; PMVI – rear ended third party; PMVI – PG&E
15 initiated (all others); and PMVI – PG&E hit PG&E equipment. The cross-cutting
16 factor Records and Information Management also impacts this risk.

17 Exposure to this risk is based on the approximately 141 million miles driven
18 each year. The risk model includes an Average Annual Frequency of
19 approximately 914 risk events each year. NPMVI accounts for
20 523 events/incidents or 57 percent of the risk events and 57 percent of the risk.
21 PMVI accounts for 43 percent of the risk events and 43 percent of the risk.

22 PG&E identified eight tranches for 2020 based on a review of motor vehicle
23 types and weight classes between 2016 and 2019. PG&E-owned trucks less
24 than 10,000 pounds and PG&E-owned trucks 10,000 to 26,000 pounds account
25 for 594 of the 914 risk events or 65 percent of the tranche-level risk for both
26 Preventable and Non-Preventable incidents.

27 MVSIs has the tenth highest 2023 test year baseline safety score (16.0) and
28 the tenth highest 2023 test year baseline total risk score (16.6) of PG&E's
29 12 RAMP risks. The 2020 baseline total risk score of 21.4, improves by
30 24 percent when the planned mitigations are applied: the 2023 test year
31 baseline total risk score is 16.6 and the 2026 post-mitigation risk score is 16.2.

32 PG&E is proposing a series of controls and mitigations to address MVSIs
33 risk. The Cell Phone Activity Blocking mitigation is PG&E's proposed mitigation.

1 It will be subject to further review as part of the General Rate Case (GRC)
 2 mitigation analysis using a third-party consultant (University of California, Los
 3 Angeles (UCLA)) who will incorporate the use of Bayesian Belief Networks to
 4 perform calculations considering the joint effect of factors in human error in
 5 PMVIs. Based on the current RAMP analysis, the Smith Driving and Driver
 6 Selection Program mitigations have highest risk reduction score.¹

**TABLE 18-1
 RISK OVERVIEW**

Line No.	Risk Name	Motor Vehicle Safety Incident
1	In Scope	Any recordable MVI, both preventable and non-preventable involving a PG&E vehicle (or operated on behalf of PG&E). A recordable incident requires PG&E line of business filing a report on the incident. Non-preventable motor vehicle incidents involving third party interaction are in scope.
2	Out of Scope	Motorized equipment, off-road vehicles, off-road driving, and unique or specialized vehicles (included in the Employee Safety Incident risk), as well non-staff augmentation contractors, and other drivers. ^(a)
3	Data Quantification Sources	PG&E fleet data and MVI data, from January 2016 to December 2019 ^(b)
<p>(a) Incidents associated with motorized equipment, off-road vehicles, off-road driving, and unique or specialized vehicles that are not in scope for this risk are included in the Employee Safety Incident risk, Chapter 16.</p> <p>(b) Source documents will be provided with the workpapers on July 17, 2020.</p>		

7 **1. Risk Overview**

8 PG&E’s Transportation Services (TS) organization supports more than
 9 13,800 vehicles and related equipment including construction equipment,
 10 trailers and aircraft. Annually, PG&E employees drive more than 141 million
 11 miles in PG&E vehicles to provide service to customers.

12 PG&E’s Transportation Safety organization ensures compliance with
 13 federal Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations and state
 14 requirements. The Transportation Safety team manages a centralized
 15 compliance system of driver profiles (i.e., Commercial Driver’s License
 16 (CDL), medical, drug, alcohol, clearinghouse and other compliance testing
 17 requirements) that provides PG&E with the ability to view and pair qualified

¹ The information herein is subject to those limitations described in Chapter 2, Section D.

1 drivers to vehicles they are qualified to drive and to track Drug and Alcohol
2 Program enrollment and compliance. The department also tracks
3 DOT-covered positions for the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety
4 Administration drug testing pool, for the Gas Operations.

5 The TS organization requires adherence to the MVSI controls, including
6 safe driving programs, to reduce preventable motor vehicle incidents.

7 **2. Risk Definition**

8 Any motor vehicle accident involving a PG&E vehicle (or a personal
9 vehicle being operated on company business) resulting in injuries or
10 fatalities to, either PG&E employees or the public, and/or property damage.
11 Certain PG&E vehicles such as off-road vehicles and unique or specialized
12 vehicles are out of scope for this risk and are included in the Employee
13 Safety Incident risk as part of the Serious Injury or Fatality (SIF) Prevention
14 program.

15 **B. Risk Assessment**

16 **1. Background and Evolution**

17 MVSI is an updated risk in the 2020 RAMP. PG&E's 2017 RAMP
18 included a motor vehicle risk, Motor Vehicle Safety.² For both the 2017
19 RAMP Motor Vehicle Safety and the 2020 RAMP MVSI risks, the risk event
20 is the same—MVI both preventable (43 percent of the time) and
21 non-preventable (57 percent of the time).

22 The MVSI risk definition has been updated since 2017. In the 2017
23 RAMP, this risk was defined as the failure to identify and mitigate motor
24 vehicle incident exposures that may result in serious injuries or fatalities for
25 employees or the public, property damage, and other consequences. The
26 new risk definition aligns to PG&E's transition to an event-based risk
27 register.

28 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E identified three MVSI drivers: Equipment;
29 Human Errors; and Outside Forces. Human errors, i.e., incidents resulting
30 from human mistakes, accounted for 94 percent of the 2,256 events.³

2 PG&E's RAMP Report, Investigation (I.) 17-11-003 (Nov. 30, 2017) (PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report), Chapter 16.

3 PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report, p. 16-4.

1 The seven drivers for MVSIs 2020 RAMP are classified into two groups:
2 non-preventable incidents—where the PG&E driver could not have
3 reasonably prevented the incident from occurring (which accounts for
4 57 percent of the incidents); and, preventable incidents—where the PG&E
5 driver could have reasonably prevented the incident from occurring (which
6 accounts for 43 percent of the incidents). As part of the UCLA risk analysis
7 planned for later this year (discussed in greater detail in Section 8), PG&E
8 will revisit the tranches and the data to better understand and illustrate the
9 risk areas. Two of the 2017 drivers (Equipment and Outside Forces) are no
10 longer drivers in 2020 because the data associated with these drivers did
11 not reasonably represent factors leading to MVSIs.

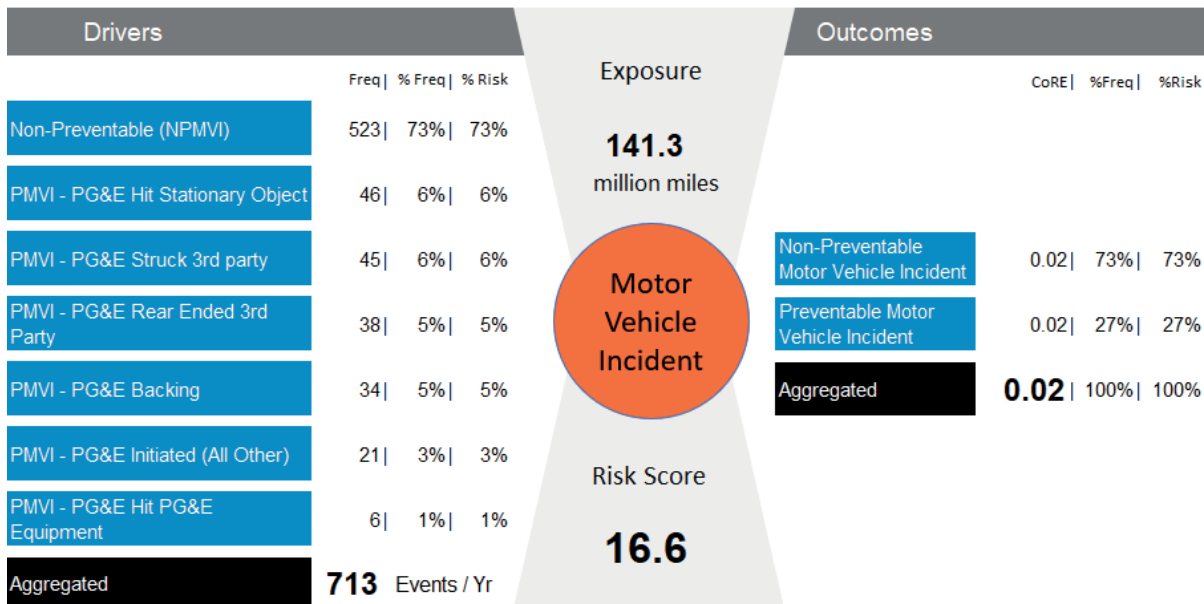
12 PG&E's 2017 RAMP relied on both PG&E and national data (from DOT)
13 to develop weightings for each risk driver.⁴ In 2020, PG&E is relying
14 exclusively on PG&E data to develop weightings for each risk driver. PG&E
15 will review the data again in 2021 and may further revise the weightings for
16 the risk drivers. The new drivers and new risk definition, which resulted from
17 the transition to using PG&E data instead of national data, provide a more
18 focused approach to PG&E-specific risk because it takes into account
19 controls that are already in place but that may not be accounted for in other
20 fleets and statistics.

⁴ PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report, p. 16-4.

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2. Risk Bow Tie

**FIGURE 18-1
RISK BOW TIE – 2023 TEST YEAR BASELINE**



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3. Exposure to Risk

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Driving or riding in a PG&E vehicle or vehicle operated on behalf of PG&E creates exposure to the MVSII risk. PG&E uses miles driven as the measure of risk relative to exposure and the number of events per vehicle miles driven as the measure of risk relative to exposure.

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PG&E’s exposure for this risk is 141.3 million miles driven per year, which is based on PG&E Transportation Services data.

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4. Tranches

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PG&E identified eight tranches for MVSII risk, based on a review of motor vehicle types and weight classes for 2020. PG&E anticipates that the number of tranches will change in 2021.

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- PG&E owned – trucks weighing less than 10,000 pounds;

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- PG&E owned – trucks weighing between 10,000 and 26,000 pounds;

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- PG&E owned – trucks weighing more than 26,000 pounds;

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- PG&E owned – passenger vehicles;

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- PG&E owned – trailers (will not apply in 2021 because trailers do not operate under their own power);

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- 1 • PG&E owned – carpool vans (will not apply in 2021 because PG&E
- 2 does not own carpool vans);
- 3 • Employee owned vehicles; and
- 4 • Rental vehicles.

**TABLE 18-2
RISK EXPOSURE AND PERCENT RISK BY TRANCHE**

Line No.	Tranche	Annualized Mileage	Percent Exposure	Safety Risk Score	Financial Risk Score	Total Risk Score	Percent Risk ^(a)
1	PG&E-Owned – Trucks Less Than 10,000 lbs.	66.5	47%	6.7	0.28	6.9	42%
2	Employee-Owned Vehicles	30.0	21	1.6	0.07	1.7	10
3	PG&E-Owned – Trucks 10,000 – 26,000 lbs.	25.0	18	3.3	0.14	3.5	21
4	PG&E-Owned – Trucks Greater Than 26,000 lbs.	11.0	8	1.2	0.05	1.2	7
5	Rental Vehicles	7.4	5	1.2	0.05	1.3	8
6	PG&E-Owned – Passenger Vehicles	1.3	1	1.8	0.07	1.9	11
7	PG&E-Owned – Trailers	0.0	0	0.1	0.01	0.1	1
8	PG&E-Owned – Carpool Vans	0.0	0	0.0	0.00	0.0	0
9	Total ^(b)	141.3	100%	16.0	0.66	16.6	100%

(a) Percent risk is calculated risk based on frequency and consequence. The percent risk is the contribution of risk for each tranche to the overall risk.

(b) Differences due to rounding.

5. Drivers and Associated Frequency

PG&E identified seven drivers and six sub-drivers for the MVSII risk. Each driver and its associated historical frequency, and key sub-drivers are discussed below.

D1 – NPMVI: Refers to a recordable MVI wherein the PG&E driver is not at fault. NPMVI events accounted for 523 (57 percent) of the 914 average annual number of events. PG&E identified six sub-drivers NPMVI sub-drivers: (1) third-party struck PG&E from behind; (2) all other; (3) third-party struck PG&E; (4) third-party struck PG&E property, parked; (5) third-party struck stopped PG&E; and (6) rock/road debris struck PG&E.

D2 – PMVI: PG&E Hit Stationary Object: Refers to a recordable MVI wherein the PG&E driver hit a stationary object. PG&E Hit Stationary Object

1 events accounted for 107 (12 percent) of the 914 average annual number
2 of events.

3 **D3 – PMVI, PG&E Backing:** Refers to a recordable MVI wherein the PG&E
4 driver backed their vehicle into an object. PG&E Backing events accounted
5 for 98 (11 percent) of the 914 average annual number of events.

6 **D4 – PMVI, PG&E Struck Third-Party:** Refers to a recordable MVI wherein
7 the PG&E driver struck a third-party vehicle. PG&E Struck Third-Party
8 events accounted for 78 (8 percent) of the 914 average annual number
9 of events.

10 **D5 – PMVI, PG&E Rear-Ended Third-Party:** Refers to a recordable MVI
11 wherein the PG&E driver struck the rear end of a third-party vehicle. PG&E
12 Rear-Ended Third-Party events accounted for 64 (7 percent) of the
13 914 average annual number of events.

14 **D6 – PMVI, PG&E Initiated (all others):** Refers to a recordable MVI
15 wherein the PG&E driver is at fault (other than as described by the PMVI
16 drivers). PG&E Initiated events accounted for 35 (4 percent) of the
17 914 average annual number of events.

18 **D7 – PMVI, PG&E Hit PG&E Equipment:** Refers to a recordable MVI
19 wherein the PG&E driver struck PG&E equipment. PG&E Hit PG&E
20 Equipment events accounted for 11 (1 percent) of the 914 average annual
21 number of events.

22 6. Cross Cutting Factors

23 A cross-cutting factor is a driver or control that is interrelated to multiple
24 risks. PG&E is presenting eight cross-cutting factors in the 2020 RAMP.
25 The cross-cutting factor that impacts the MVSII risk are shown in Table 18-3
26 below. A description of the cross-cutting factors and the mitigations and
27 controls that PG&E is proposing to mitigate the cross-cutting factors are
28 described in Chapter 20.

**TABLE 18-3
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY**

Line No.	Cross-Cutting Factor	Impacts Likelihood	Impacts Consequence
1	Records and Information Management		X

1 When analyzing this risk PG&E considered the cross-cutting risk
2 Climate Change even though it is not listed in the table above. Climate
3 change presents ongoing and future risks to PG&E’s assets, operations,
4 employees, customers, and the communities it serves. During this RAMP
5 period PG&E will conduct a Climate Vulnerability Assessment (CVA) to
6 further assess how its assets, operations, and employees are vulnerable to
7 the projected impacts of climate change. PG&E intends to use findings from
8 the CVA as well as developments in climate science and internal data
9 gathering to continue to advance the quantification of all event-based risks,
10 including RAMP risks, over this RAMP period.

11 **7. Consequences**

12 The basis for measuring the consequences of the MVSI risk is the
13 finding that a PG&E driver in a recordable MVI is either at fault or not at
14 fault.

15 The consequences of a MVSI risk event occurring are:

- 16 • An NPMVI occurs 73 percent of the time, and accounts for 73 percent of
17 the safety risk; and
- 18 • A PMVI occurs 27 percent of the time and accounts for 27 percent of the
19 safety risk.

20 Both PG&E employees and the public can be impacted by a PMVI or
21 NPMVI. There is a financial consequence for both PMVI and NPMVI.

22 To analyze the safety consequences of the MVSI risk, PG&E relied on
23 the PG&E Serious Injuries Report or the years of 2012-2019 using Fleet
24 information data. PG&E focused on the period 2016-2019 for MVS incident
25 reporting. The Serious Injuries Report provides information on serious
26 injuries and fatalities for Employee, Contractor and Third-Party Public. SIF
27 reporting incorporates a defined set of injuries that meets or exceeds
28 Cal/OSHA reporting. Incident fault is not defined in the data.

29 PG&E relied on the PG&E GRC and Cal/OSHA recorded days away
30 from work/restricted/transferred (DART) cases to analyze the financial
31 consequences of the MVSI risk. The data used to evaluate this risk was
32 supported by PG&E subject matter expertise best judgment.

33 Table 18-4 shows the consequences of the risk event. Model attributes
34 are described in Chapter 3, Risk Modeling and Risk Spend Efficiency (RSE).

**TABLE 18-4
RISK EVENT CONSEQUENCES**

	CoRE %Freq %Risk		Freq	Natural Units Per Event		CoRE		Natural Units per Year		Attribute Risk Score	
	Safety EF/event	Financial \$M/event		Safety EF/event	Financial \$M/event	Safety EF/yr	Financial \$M/yr	Safety	Financial	Safety	Financial
Non-Preventable Motor Vehicle Incident	0.0004	0.002	523	0.0223	0.001	0.2	1.0	11.7	0.5		
Preventable Motor Vehicle Incident	0.0004	0.002	190	0.0226	0.001	0.1	0.4	4.3	0.2		
Aggregated	0.0004	0.002	713	0.0224	0.001	0.3	1.3	16.0	0.7		

1 **8. Next Steps in Modeling the Motor Vehicle Safety Incident Risk**

2 PG&E has contracted with the B. John Garrick Institute for the Risk
3 Sciences at UCLA to do an assessment that will lead to PG&E's updating its
4 risk analysis so that the MVI risk drivers are expressed as accident causes
5 (distraction, fatigue, etc.) as opposed to accident types.

6 PG&E is working with UCLA to study the causes of PG&E MVIs and
7 assist in developing recommendations for mitigations. The first step in the
8 UCLA/PG&E work was to identify and understand the relative contribution of
9 causes to MVIs. The team analyzed PG&E preventable MVI investigation
10 narrative records in order to identify the primary causes of the accident.
11 Identified causes include fatigue, distraction, cellphone usage, and
12 eating/drinking. In many cases, multiple causes were contributors to a
13 single MVI. The causal analysis was performed globally and at a tranche
14 level for each of the different accident types (e.g., PG&E strikes road
15 hazard, PG&E backing etc.).

16 The second aspect of the UCLA/PG&E MVI study was to understand
17 how important each of the causes was in the likelihood and severity of MVIs.
18 This part of the study used the results from the investigative narrative causal
19 analysis to rank the importance of causes for different accidents. Results
20 from the cause ranking along with national data on MVIs was used to
21 develop some initial recommendations for risk reduction.

22 Going forward, PG&E is considering an improvement to the MVI risk
23 model such as developing event sequence models for each of the different
24 accident types. This will lead to expressing the risk drivers as accident
25 causes as opposed to accident types. Reconfiguring the bowtie in this
26 manner will improve PG&E's ability to focus mitigation efforts on the actual
27 causes of accidents. PG&E expects to update its model and include the
28 findings in the upcoming 2023 GRC.

29 **C. Controls and Mitigations**

30 Tables 18-5 and 18-6 list all the controls and mitigations PG&E included in
31 its 2017 RAMP, 2020 GRC and 2020 RAMP (2020-2022 and 2023-2026). The
32 tables provide a view as to those controls and mitigations that are on-going,
33 those that are no longer in place, and new mitigations. In the following sections

1 PG&E describes the controls and mitigations in place in 2019, changes to the
2 2019 mitigations and controls presented in the 2017 RAMP, and then discusses
3 new mitigations and/or significant changes to mitigations and/or controls during
4 the 2020-2022 and 2023-2026 periods.

**TABLE 18-5
CONTROLS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Control Name and Number	2017 RAMP	2020 GRC 2020-2022 Controls	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 Controls	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 Controls
1	C1 – Commercial Driving School	X	X	X	X
2	C2 – Driver Qualification	X	X	X	X
3	C3 – Smith Driving Courses	X	X	X	X
4	C4 – Distracted Driving	X	X	X	X
5	C5 – Smith Driving Course	X	X	Mitigation – M22	X (Alternative)
6	C6 – Defensive Driving, the Critical 5	X	X	X	X
7	C7 – Vehicle Tie Down Equipment Training	X	X	X	X
8	C8 – Reasonable Suspicion Supervisor Training	X	X	X	X
9	C9 – DMV Employee Pull Notice Program	X	X	X	X
10	C10 – Fitness for Duty Training	X	X	X	X
11	C11 – Phone Free Driving Standard	X	X	X	X
12	C12 – Company Pool Vehicle Standard	X	X	X	X
13	C13 – Commercial Driver’s Fatigue Management Procedure	X	X	X	X
14	C14 – Drug/Alcohol Testing Program (DOT and Gas Employees)	X	X	X	X
15	C15 – “How am I Driving” Hotline Reporting and Supervisor’s Review	X	X	X	X
16	C16 – Preventive Maintenance On Time Performance and Monitoring	X	X	X	X
17	C17 – Driver Visual Inspection Report (DVIR) and Audit	X	X	X	X
18	C18 (M1) – MVS Standard			X	X
19	C19 (M2A and M3)– Vehicle Safety Technology (VST) Program			X	X
20	C20 (M4) – TECH-0081WBT: Driving Expectations and New Laws			X	X
21	C21 (M5) – Standardized Employee MV Training Requirements			X	X
22	C22 (M6) – Training Acknowledgement for Valid License			X	X
23	C23 (M7) – Implement Driver Accountability			X	X

**TABLE 18-6
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	2017 RAMP 2017-2019 Mitigations	2020 GRC 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 Mitigation	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 Mitigations
1	M1 – MVS Standard	X	X	Becomes a control	
2	M2A – VST Program		X	Becomes a control	
3	M2B – 2017 and 2018 Vehicle Safety Technology Install and Activate	X		X	
4	M3 – VST Program Standardized Reporting	X			
5	M4 – Driving Expectations and New Laws		X	Becomes a control	
6	M5 – Standardized Employee MV Training Requirements		X	Becomes a control	
7	M6 – Training Acknowledgement for Valid License	X	X	Becomes a control	
8	M7 – Implement Driver Accountability	X	X	Becomes a control	
9	M8 – Revise License Verification Processes for Non-DOT Covered Drivers	X	X		
10	M9 – Deploy Vehicle Safety Technology in Personal Vehicles:			Removed as infeasible	
11	M10 – Driver Selection Program:				X (Alternative)
12	M13 – Motor Vehicle Safety Management System:			Removed – integrated into ESMS	
13	M14 – Post Incident Review			X	
14	M15 – 360 Walk Around App			X	
15	M16 – UCLA Study and Risk Analysis			X	
16	M17 – Data Enhancement/Improvement Plan				X
17	M18 – Safe Backing Training (TECH-9161)			X	

**TABLE 18-6
MITIGATIONS SUMMARY
(CONTINUED)**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	2017 RAMP 2017-2019 Mitigations	2020 GRC 2020-2022 Mitigations	2020 RAMP 2020-2022 Mitigation	2020 RAMP 2023-2026 Mitigations
18	M19 – Cell Phone Activity Blocking				X
19	M20 – Enhancement to Pool Vehicle Reservation System				X (Alternative)
20	M21 – In-Cab camera technology				X (Alternative)
21	M22 – Smith Driving Course				X (Alternative)

1 **1. 2019 Controls and Mitigations**

2 **a. Controls**

3 **C1 – Commercial Driving School:** This course (EQIP-0006) is
4 recommended for those employees that are required to obtain a CDL.
5 The Commercial Driver School will prepare successful candidates to
6 obtain a CDL. The course also includes practice on backing skills,
7 proper shifting and various driving scenarios and road conditions.

8 **C2 – Driver Qualification:** This course (EQIP-0034) is required for
9 employees that have their CDL and need to drive Commercial vehicles
10 for PG&E. The driver must demonstrate safety, knowledge of laws, six
11 step air brake check, and pre-trip inspection. The driver must also
12 demonstrate skills driving with a trailer, under various conditions and
13 scenarios. This is a three-day course.

14 **C3 – Smith Driving Courses:** These courses are designed for any
15 PG&E employee who drives a Company vehicle as part of their job
16 function. The focus of the course is to present the proper methods for
17 safe, defensive driving and provide the skills (reinforced through
18 practical application) to help the driver avoid (or reduce the severity of)
19 MVs.

20 **C4 – Distracted Driving:** This course (TECH-9164WBT) is designed to
21 deter drivers from using cell phones and other hand-held devices while
22 driving. The course explains the effects of four types of distractions,

1 including cognitive, physical, visual, and auditory, in order to mitigate the
2 impact of these distractions on drivers.

3 **C5 – Smith Driving Course:** This course (TECH-0089) is for those
4 who drive a personal vehicle for work. Training is conducted with the
5 employees’ personal vehicle.

6 **C6 – Defensive Driving – The Critical 5:** This course
7 (TECH-9162WBT) discusses common driving patterns that expose
8 motorists to unnecessary risks.

9 **C7 – Vehicle Tie-Down Equipment Training:** This course
10 (EQIP-0062) instructs participants on how to perform safe equipment
11 tie-down procedures.

12 **C8 – Reasonable Suspicion Supervisor Training:** This course
13 (TECH-0049) is designed to qualify supervisors: to recognize the
14 warning signs of alcohol abuse or drug use; to know how to handle the
15 substance abusing employee; and to follow proper procedures for
16 reasonable suspicion drug and/or alcohol testing, documentation, and
17 reporting as required by current federal regulations and Company policy.

18 **C9 – Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) Employer Pull Notice**
19 **Program:** This control confirms PG&E commercial drivers are in good
20 standing.

21 **C10 – Fitness for Duty Training:** This training (CORP-9134 VL) will
22 help supervisors recognize when they may have reason to question
23 whether or not an employee is physically or mentally able to perform
24 their work.

25 **C11 – Phone Free Driving Standard:** This standard (SAFE-1018S)
26 describes the requirements and prohibitions for using cellular phones
27 and Bluetooth® devices while driving on Company business, or while
28 driving a Company owned, leased or rented vehicle. The purpose of
29 this standard is to reduce the potential for distraction and promote
30 employee and public safety.

31 **C12 – Company Pool Vehicle Standard:** This standard
32 (TRAN-1012S) establishes requirements and responsibilities for
33 checking-out, operating, fueling performing repairs or maintenance
34 work, and returning PG&E pool vehicles. The standard requires the

1 presentation of a valid driver's license prior to rental of Company pool
2 vehicles.

3 **C13 – Commercial Driver's Fatigue Management Procedure:** This
4 procedure (TRAN- 2001P-01) provides instructions for managing driver
5 fatigue for commercial drivers.

6 **C14 – Drug/Alcohol Testing Program (DOT and Gas Employees):**
7 All DOT-covered employees are subject to drug testing managed by the
8 DOT Compliance Team (49 CFR parts 40, 199 and 382), including:
9 Pre-employment Drug Testing; Post-accident Drug Testing; Random
10 Drug Testing; Drug Testing resulting from Reasonable Suspicion and/or
11 Reasonable Cause; Return to Duty Drug Testing; and Follow-up Drug
12 Testing. The Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse affects only CDL drivers.

13 **C15 – “How Am I Driving” Hotline Reporting and Supervisor**
14 **Review:** Driver complaints are received from the “How Am I Driving”
15 hotline. Supervisors are required to investigate, take corrective
16 measures and submit the investigation report for “How Am I Driving”
17 notifications within 15 days.

18 **C16 – Preventive Maintenance On-Time Performance and**
19 **Monitoring:** Garage mechanics perform preventive maintenance and
20 inspections and record the work via work orders entered in the Fleet
21 Anywhere application. Mechanics use preventive maintenance
22 checklists as guidelines for performing maintenance and inspections.
23 Garage Supervisors run daily and monthly reports to review preventive
24 maintenance and inspections coming due and on-time rates. The target
25 is 95 percent or greater for on-time completion rates. The PM On-time
26 Performance metric is reported monthly.

27 **C17 – DVIR and Audit:** Drivers perform an inspection of their vehicles
28 at the end of the day. Any issue identified with the vehicle results in the
29 vehicle being pulled out of service until the necessary repairs are
30 completed. PG&E performs audits of these reports to ensure drivers are
31 completing them, and that repairs are completed when identified. This
32 addresses potential equipment failures that may arise between
33 scheduled preventive maintenance work.

1 **b. Mitigations**

2 **M6 – Training Acknowledgement for Valid License:** Revise all
3 employee web based training to include an acknowledgement statement
4 for positive confirmation that the employee must have a valid license for
5 the class of vehicle they drive on company business and are aware that
6 they must notify their supervisor if their license status changes for any
7 reason. The expected impact is to reduce the number of drivers
8 operating vehicles without the necessary qualifications, and out of
9 compliance.

10 **M7 – Implement Driver Accountability:** Use Vehicle Safety
11 Technology (VST) and How’s My Driving program to identify risky
12 drivers and build an automated accountability structure. The impact of
13 this mitigation is to identify risky drivers and take the appropriate
14 measures to address performance.

15 **M2B – 2017 and 2018 Vehicle Safety Technology (VST) Install and**
16 **Activate:** VST is Global Positioning System (GPS) – based, and the
17 tool provides real-time, audible feedback to the driver when risky
18 behaviors occur, such as speeding, hard acceleration and hard braking.

19 **M8 – Revise License Verification Process for Non-DOT Covered**
20 **Drivers:** Implement license and insurance verification plan for
21 employees who are not a part of the commercial driver pool. This
22 mitigation is an expansion of C9 – DMV Employer Pull Notice Program.
23 The expected impact is to ensure that drivers on the road have the
24 appropriate licenses and are compliant with California laws.

25 **c. 2017 RAMP Update**

26 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E outlined its 2017-2019 mitigation plan
27 which focused on mitigating human error, a risk driver that was the
28 source of 94 percent of motor vehicles incidents. PG&E proposed four
29 mitigations, three of which (M2B, M6, and M7) expand on the Vehicle
30 Safety Technology Program, a tool that provides real-time, audible
31 feedback to the driver when it senses risky behavior such as hard
32 braking, speeding and hard acceleration. The other mitigation related to
33 further ensuring that drivers have the minimum qualifications for safely
34 operating a PG&E or personal vehicle used for PG&E business (M8).

1 M2B, Vehicle Safety Technology (VST) Installation and Activation, is
2 an on-going mitigation. Since the 2017 RAMP PG&E has installed VST
3 in 8000 vehicles, approximately 85 percent of PG&E's fleet. By the end
4 of 2023 PG&E plans to install VST in all on-road PG&E owned vehicles,
5 approximately 10,000 vehicles, and updated to a new VST vendor
6 solution.

7 M6, Training Acknowledgement for Valid License, involved updating
8 all web-based training to include an acknowledgement by employees to
9 acknowledge that they had a valid license for the class of vehicle they
10 drive on company business or notify their supervisor if their license
11 status changes. PG&E completed this mitigation by updating the
12 web-based training to include this acknowledgement. This mitigation
13 becomes a control in the 2020 RAMP.

14 M7, Implement Driver Accountability, used VST and 1-800-How's My
15 Driving Program to identify risky drivers and build an automated
16 accountability structure. PG&E completed this mitigation by building the
17 automated accountability structure report. This mitigation becomes a
18 control in the 2020 RAMP.

19 PG&E removed M8, Revise License Verification Process for
20 Non-DOT Covered Drivers, because it is not currently desired by the TS
21 organization. This mitigation is still being considered as a future RAMP
22 mitigation and is part of Alternative 1 described in Section D below.

23 D. 2020–2022 Controls and Mitigation Plan

24 1. Changes to Controls

25 The scope of the following controls has been updated since they were
26 first included in the 2017 RAMP:

27 **C2 – Driver Qualification:** An additional course is available (EQUIP-0059)
28 for Class A Commercial Driver's License (CDLA) drivers who have a CDL
29 but require more training.

30 **C9 – Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) Employer Pull Notice**

31 **Program:** This program provides timely motor vehicle records and includes
32 reports of accidents or tickets associated with any PG&E CDL drivers
33 licenses. These accidents or tickets are documented and letters sent to the

1 employee and their leadership. This program is a requirement under
2 California Code, CVC § 1801.1.

3 **C15 – “How Am I Driving” Hotline Reporting and Supervisor Review:**

4 Driver complaint reports fed into the Safe Driver Coaching Program.

5 **C16 – Preventive Maintenance On-Time Performance and Monitoring:**

6 Garage mechanics perform preventive maintenance and inspections and
7 record the work via work orders entered in the Fleet Anywhere application.

8 Mechanics use preventive maintenance checklists as guidelines for
9 performing maintenance and inspections. Garage Supervisors run daily and
10 monthly reports to review preventive maintenance and inspections coming
11 due and on-time rates. The Preventive Maintenance On-time Performance
12 metric is reported monthly.

13 In the 2020 RAMP, six 2017 RAMP mitigations are now controls: M1,
14 M2A, M4, M5, M6, and M7. The descriptions of the former mitigations, now
15 controls, follow:

16 **C18 – Motor Vehicle Safety Standard:** This standard (SAFE-1002S)
17 describes PG&E’s MVS program, the intent of which is to minimize injuries
18 to employees and members of the public, to prevent property damage and
19 to control risks that may be caused by the operation of a motor vehicle. The
20 mitigation was completed in 2016, and the standard was most recently
21 updated in 2017.

22 **C19 – Vehicle Safety Technology Program Standardized Reporting**
23 **(hard brake, hard acceleration and speed indicators):** Data feed from
24 vendor is used to develop a rate (by vehicle) per 1,000 miles of hard brakes,
25 hard acceleration, and max speed.

26 **C20 – TECH-0081WBT Driving Expectations and New Laws:** This
27 annual training updates employees regarding new driving regulations and
28 requires employees who drive for business to certify they have a valid
29 driver’s license. This training began in 2017.

30 **C21 – Standardized Employee Motor Vehicle Training Requirements:**
31 This mitigation established standard training requirements for drivers and
32 was published as an appendix to SAFE-1002S. This mitigation provides
33 structure for several training requirements and was completed in 2016.

1 **C22 – Training Acknowledgement for Valid License:** Revise all
2 employee web-based training to include an acknowledgement statement for
3 positive confirmation that the employee must have a valid license for the
4 class of vehicle they drive on company business and are aware that they
5 must notify their supervisor if their license status changes for any reason.
6 If employee response is to decline the validation, the training will remain as
7 incomplete, Supervisor must take appropriate action.

8 **C23 – Safe Driver Coaching Program (SAFE -1002P):** Use VST and
9 How’s My Driving Program to identify risky drivers and build an automated
10 accountability structure. Utilize the How’s My Driving (vendor – Driver’s
11 Alert) observation system and process to address VST data for vehicles that
12 are over the threshold for HB, HA and Excessive Speed. VST data is fed
13 into the system.

14 **2. Changes to Mitigations**

15 PG&E is including six new mitigations in the 2020 RAMP.
16 (This includes M17.)

17 **M14 – Post Incident Review:** This procedure outlines leadership
18 requirements to perform a consistent document review and corrective
19 actions for an employee following an MVI. This procedure is designed to
20 provide employees with timely coaching and to reduce overall risk. The
21 procedure will be rolled out enterprise-wide, with a dashboard for leaders to
22 have access to a single source containing multiple data points related to
23 driver/vehicle risk.

24 **M15 – 360 Walk Around App:** Mobile application designed to require
25 360 degree walkaround prior to driving. Developed for non-regulated
26 company drivers.

27 **M16 – UCLA Study and Risk Analysis:** The TS and Transportation Safety
28 organizations are partnering with UCLA to conduct risk assessment of Motor
29 Vehicle Safety Program. Desired outcomes are to identify gaps, inform
30 future mitigations, alternatives, and develop program recommendations.

31 **M18 – Safe Backing Training (TECH-9161):** This course is for all company
32 drivers. This course reviews safe backing principles, company policies and
33 proper use of spotter/backers. Available to all PG&E employees.

1 One mitigation – M8, Revise License Verification Process for Non-DOT
 2 Covered Drivers – was removed because this action is not currently part of
 3 Transportations Services’ plans.

4 Table 18-7 below shows the estimated costs for the mitigation work
 5 planned for the 2020-2022 period.

**TABLE 18-7
 FORECAST COSTS
 2020-2022
 (THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	M2B	Update VST Installation and Activation	FL	\$2,570	\$2,570	\$2,570	\$7,710
2	M14	Post Incident Review	FL	68	68	–	136
3	M15	360 Walk Around App	FL	63	–	–	63
4	M18	Safe Backing Training TECH-9161	FL	36	–	–	36
5	M19	Cell Phone Activity Blocking	FL	–	–	–	–
6		Total		\$2,737	\$2,638	\$2,570	\$7,945

Note: See WP 18-1.

6 **E. 2023-2026 Proposed Mitigation Plan**

7 **M17 – Data enhancement/improvement plan for improved collection and**
 8 **usage of data:** Informed by UCLA Risk Assessment Study recommendations.

9 **M19 – Cell Phone Activity Blocking – Enhanced Control for Phone Free**
 10 **Driving Policy:** An engineering control to block phone activity and use while
 11 driving. The technology will not block emergency cell phone features. This
 12 mitigation is in the initial proposal phase and will be informed by information
 13 developed in the proposed UCLA analysis.

14 Table 18-8 below shows the estimated costs, RSE and risk reduction score
 15 for the mitigation work planned for the 2023-2026 period.

TABLE 18-8
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	M14	Post Incident Review	FL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2	M15	360 Walk Around App	FL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3	M18	Safe Backing Training TECH-9161	FL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	M19	Cell Phone Activity Blocking	FL	\$1,035	\$2,070	\$3,050	\$4,140	\$10,295	0.42	3.1
5	M2B	Update VST Installation and Activation	FL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6		Total		\$1,035	\$2,070	\$3,050	\$4,140	\$10,295		

(a) See Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers (MW) included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
 Note See WP 18-1.

1 **F. Alternative Analysis**

2 In addition to the proposed mitigation described in Section E above, PG&E
 3 considered alternative mitigations as well. The mitigation described in Section E
 4 constitute the Proposed Plan. The Alternative Plans consist of a combination of
 5 some or all of the proposed mitigations along with the alternative mitigation(s).
 6 PG&E describes each of the alternative mitigations it considered below and then
 7 provides a table showing the forecast costs, RSEs and risk reduction scores for
 8 each of the Alternative Plans. Each of the alternatives is in the initial proposal
 9 phase. Initial risk reduction estimates and RSE calculations will be subject to
 10 further review with the proposed UCLA analysis

11 **1. Alternative Plan 1: A1 (M10) Driver Selection Program**

12 As a part of PG&E’s driver selection process, PG&E will integrate all
 13 sources of information with respect to the driver in order to create a holistic
 14 assessment of individual driver risk. This mitigation is an expansion of the
 15 previous mitigation M8: Revise License Verification Process for Non-DOT
 16 Covered Drivers. This mitigation would include a license and insurance
 17 verification plan for employees who are not a part of the commercial driver
 18 pool.

**TABLE 18-9
 FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
 2023-2026 EXPENSE
 (THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A1	Driver Selection Program	\$81	\$81	\$81	\$81	\$324		
2		Total	\$81	\$81	\$81	\$81	\$324	15.89	3.8

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
 Note See WP 18-1.

19 **2. Alternative Plan 2: A2 (M20) Enhancement to Pool Vehicle Reservation System**

20
 21 Enhancement to existing control C12, requiring electronic proof of valid
 22 license prior to reserving pool vehicles. This mitigation is contingent on M8.

**TABLE 18-10
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A2	Enhancement to Pool Vehicle Reservation System	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$100	N/A	N/A
2		Total	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$100		

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.
Note See WP 18-1.

3. Alternative Plan 3: A3 (M21) In-Cab Camera Technology

This mitigation would install an in-cab camera that monitors both external and in-cab activities and is triggered off of specific parameters and operation of the vehicle (i.e., braking, cornering, acceleration, speeding).

**TABLE 18-11
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2023-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total	RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction
1	A3	In – Cab Camera Technology	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$400		
2		Total	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$400	19.08	5.6

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

4. Alternative Plan 4: Smith Driving (M22)

This Alternative is the Smith Driving course (TECH-0089) for those who drive a personal vehicle for work. Training is conducted in the employee’s personal vehicle. PG&E is not forecasting any costs for this work. The risk reduction value for this Alternative Mitigation is 3.8.

Table 18-12 compares the proposed and alternative mitigation plans.

TABLE 18-12
MITIGATION PLAN ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Risk Mitigation Plan	Plan Components ^(a)	Total Expense (2023-2026)	Total Capital (2023-2026)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)	Total Spend (NPV)	RSE
1	Proposed	M19	\$10,295	–	3.11	\$7,324	0.42
2	Alternative 1	A1	\$324	–	3.79	\$239	15.89
3	Alternative 2	A2B	–	–	–	–	–
4	Alternative 3	A3	\$400	–	5.62	\$295	19.08
5	Alternative 4	A4	–	–	3.79	–	–

(a) Plan Components refers to the Mitigations presented in Table 18-6.

(b) Information presented in terms of NPV to account for the discounting of benefits.

Note See WP 18-2.

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5 **A. Introduction**

6 **1. Identifying the 2020 RAMP Risks**

7 Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E or the Utility)
8 2019 Corporate Risk Register (CRR) includes 25 safety risks.¹ PG&E is
9 presenting 13 of those safety risks² in its 2020 Risk Assessment and
10 Mitigation Phase (RAMP) filing consistent with the requirements set forth in
11 the Phase Two Safety Model Assessment Proceeding Settlement
12 Agreement (the Agreement).³

13 As prescribed by the Agreement, PG&E evaluated all of the risks on its
14 CRR, identified the safety risks and computed a Safety Risk Score for each
15 risk. PG&E sorted the CRR list by the Safety Risk Score and selected the
16 top 40 percent of the CRR risks with a safety risk score greater than zero.⁴
17 PG&E also selected risks for inclusion in RAMP where the Safety Risk
18 Score was within 20 percent of the lowest top 40 percent Safety Risk Score.

19 PG&E considers all its safety risks important and, as such, monitors and
20 manages them through its normal course of business. While 13 of the
21 25 risks on the CRR are not being assessed as a 2020 RAMP risk, PG&E
22 will provide information about them in this chapter including an overview of
23 the risk, changes in the risk since the 2017 RAMP, risk mitigation efforts and
24 responses to stakeholder feedback (including feedback received at the
25 PG&E 2020 RAMP Workshop #3, held February 4, 2020, "Workshop #3").

26 The 13 safety risks presented in this chapter are:

1 PG&E recently changed the name of its risk register to CRR. It was previously known
as the Enterprise Risk Register. See Chapter 2.

2 Two individual risks – LOC, Gas Distribution Pipeline, Non-Cross Bore and LOC, Gas
Distribution, Cross Bore – are presented as a single risk in the 2020 RAMP filing. The
name of the combined risk is LOC on Distribution Main or Service

3 Decision (D.)18-12-014.

4 D.18-12-104, Attachment A, Settlement Agreement, Step 2A, Item 9.

- 1) Aviation – Fixed Wing Incident;
- 2) Aviation – Helicopter Incident;
- 3) Failure of Electric Distribution Underground Assets;
- 4) Failure of Substation Assets;
- 5) Failure of Electric Transmission Overhead Assets;
- 6) Failure of Electric Transmission Underground Assets;
- 7) Hazardous Materials Release;
- 8) Loss of Containment (LOC) on Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Station Equipment;
- 9) LOC on Gas Customer Connected Equipment;
- 10) LOC at Gas Measurement and Control (M&C) or Compression and Processing (C&P) Facility;
- 11) LOC at Natural Gas Storage Well or Reservoir;
- 12) LOC on Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)/CNG Portable Equipment; and
- 13) Nuclear Core Damaging Event.

2. PG&E’s 2020 RAMP Risks – Responding to Stakeholder Feedback

At Workshop #3 PG&E presented its proposed list of 12 safety risks that would be included in the 2020 RAMP. The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Safety Enforcement Division, the CPUC Public Advocates Office and other parties were concerned that important safety risks (such as Nuclear Core Damaging Event, and LOC, Distribution Pipeline, Cross Bore) were not included in the proposed list of risks that PG&E would include in its 2020 RAMP.

PG&E considered this feedback and agrees that all of the CRR safety risks should be presented in some way in the 2020 RAMP. To address this feedback PG&E decided to:

- Incorporate the LOC, Distribution Pipeline, Cross Bore risk into the LOC, Distribution Main or Service risk, as one of the 12 RAMP risks evaluated in this Report. The cross bore risk is incorporated as a sub-driver of the gas distribution risk that is now called, “Loss of Containment – Distribution Main and Service” risk; and
- Provide a description of the remaining 13 CRR safety risks that are not designated as one of the 12 RAMP risks. We describe these risks and the mitigations proposed or underway.

1 **B. Aviation – Fixed Wing Incident**

2 **1. Risk Overview**

3 Aviation – Fixed Wing Incident is defined as an accident associated with
4 the operation of fixed wing aircraft during the time any person boards the
5 aircraft with the intention of flight, and until all persons have disembarked.
6 This risk includes fixed wing aircraft owned or operated by PG&E that meets
7 Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 830.

8 PG&E’s Aviation Services organization is responsible for its fixed wing
9 aircraft which consists of four Cessna aircraft (that regularly survey electric
10 and gas infrastructure). Aviation Services also provides the fixed wing patrol
11 aircraft equipped with Electro-Optical/Infra-Red capable camera systems, for
12 monitoring gas transmission pipeline rights-of-way, or for potential
13 encroachment hazards.

14 **2. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

15 Aviation Fixed Wing Incident was not a 2017 RAMP risk.

16 **3. Risk Mitigations**

17 The fixed wing aircraft are maintained and operated under 14 CFR Part
18 91 General Aviation. The fixed wing pilots have Federal Aviation
19 Administration (FAA) pilots’ licenses and use a Flight Operations Manual. A
20 flight hazard assessment process and fatigue risk management program are
21 in place. Pilots undergo annual simulator training for normal and emergency
22 procedures and require upset prevention and recovery techniques training
23 every 24 months.

24 The pilots use FAA certified dispatches in Helicopter Operations and
25 have an onboard GPS tracking tool for flight following. All aircraft
26 maintenance, inspections and repairs are performed under 14 CFR Part 43
27 Maintenance and Repair by PG&E FAA certified Aviation Maintenance
28 Technicians or approved FAA certified contract technicians or an approved
29 aircraft maintenance organization under 14 CFR Part 145 Repair Station
30 Certification. PG&E aircraft maintenance uses a computerized maintenance
31 tracking tool and a General Maintenance Manual as parts of the
32 maintenance program. All maintenance, inspection, service and scheduled
33 overhaul, replacement of time-controlled components/life-limited parts are

1 accomplished with timeframes established by the manufacturer and
2 approved by applicable regulatory authorities.

3 **4. Responding to Stakeholder Feedback**

4 Stakeholders have not provided any specific feedback about the
5 Aviation – Fixed Wing Incident risk. Stakeholder feedback related to
6 PG&E’s exclusion of certain safety risks in the 2020 RAMP is addressed in
7 Section A.2. above.

8 **C. Aviation – Helicopter Incident**

9 **1. Risk Overview**

10 Aviation – Helicopter Incident is an accident associated with the
11 operation of rotary wing aircraft, during the time any person boards the
12 aircraft with the intention of flight, and until all persons have disembarked.
13 This risk includes those rotary wing aircraft owned or operated by PG&E that
14 meet the definition of Title 49 CFR 830.

15 In 2018 PG&E purchased four heavy lift helicopters to support service
16 restoration work and emergency response to wildfire threats. During the fire
17 season, the helicopters will be available for use by both PG&E and the
18 California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection for emergency
19 response. Outside of fire season, they will be available to support internal
20 PG&E heavy lift maintenance and construction work.

21 **2. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

22 Aviation – Helicopter Incident was not a 2017 RAMP risk.

23 **3. Risk Mitigations**

24 PG&E’s Helicopter Operations department is responsible for managing
25 the helicopter contractor portfolio, which includes overseeing all helicopter
26 vendors, pilots and ISNetworld qualification. The department is also
27 responsible for maintaining safe helicopter operations by ensuring that
28 vendor audits, health checks and flight safety reviews are completed.
29 PG&E’s Helicopter Operations department is also responsible for leading
30 Aviation Incident/Accident Investigations. The investigation process uses
31 the Enterprise Corrective Action Program to document and manage
32 corrective actions identified as part of the investigation.

1 All PG&E lines of business and contractors are required to use the
2 Helicopter Operations Field Manual. This manual provides detailed
3 instructions for required training, procedures and critical tasks for helicopter
4 operations. All helicopter vendors are required to have a 14 CFR Part 135
5 Air Carrier Operating Certificate and if they are lifting external loads, a
6 Part 133 External Load Certificate as well. These certificates cover pilots,
7 flight and maintenance operations. In addition, Helicopter Operations
8 requires a pilot training validation and an external loads skill assessment.
9 Helicopter Operations uses flight scheduling software and a work request
10 review process to manage operations and employs FAA certified
11 dispatchers to oversee and monitor flights. Each flight completes a Flight
12 Risk Assessment and an operations briefing with the Helicopter Dispatcher
13 in addition to preflight briefings and tailboard safety meetings at work
14 locations. Operating helicopters carry a GPS tracker onboard to support
15 flight following. Employees and Contractors who are qualified for specified
16 tasks are tracked and identified through an identification card system.

17 **4. Responding to Stakeholder Feedback**

18 Stakeholders have not provided any specific feedback about the
19 Aviation – Helicopter Incident risk. Stakeholder feedback related to PG&E's
20 exclusion of certain safety risks in the 2020 RAMP is addressed in
21 Section A.2. above.

22 **D. Failure of Electric Distribution Underground Assets**

23 **1. Risk Overview**

24 Failure of Electric Distribution Underground (UG) Assets is defined as a
25 failure of distribution UG assets or lack of remote operation functionality that
26 may result in public or employee safety issues, property damage,
27 environmental damage or an inability for PG&E to deliver power to
28 its customers.

29 PG&E manages its UG distribution assets in its Underground Asset
30 Management (UAM) Program. PG&E's UG assets include over
31 26,000 circuit miles of UG primary distribution cable. Most of the UG cables
32 are installed in urban and suburban areas.

1 The scope of this risk includes a failure of assets associated with the UG
2 electrical distribution system including primary and secondary UG cables,
3 line equipment, subsurface and pad-mount transformers.

4 **2. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

5 Failure of Electric Distribution UG Assets was not a 2017 RAMP risk.
6 Since 2017 Electric Operations (EO) has consolidated certain risks on the
7 EOs risk register and is now presenting two underground asset related risks:
8 Failure of Electric UG Assets in this Other Safety Risk Chapter and Failure
9 of Electric Distribution Network Assets in Chapter 12, one of the 12 RAMP
10 risks.

11 **3. Risk Mitigations**

12 The UAM Program generally manages risk by replacing primary
13 distribution cables and components due to reliability performance, asset age
14 and condition, compliance, and potential safety risk to the public and
15 employees.

16 PG&E has several controls in place to manage risk associated with UG
17 cable and line equipment, including: equipment replacement; equipment
18 diagnostics, testing and rejuvenation; engineering equipment standards and
19 specifications; public awareness programs such as locate and mark;
20 811 public awareness; and, inspection and maintenance programs.

21 Summarized below are the programs included in PG&E's 2020 General
22 Rate Case (GRC) designed to manage electric distribution system UG
23 asset risk.⁵

- 24 a) Reliability Related Cable Replacement: Proactive replacement of cable
25 based on age and type, reliability performance or a combination of these
26 factors and other influences. UG primary distribution failures that impact
27 reliability performance and safety issues can occur as UG cables
28 deteriorate.
- 29 b) Cable Rejuvenation and Testing: Cable testing helps identify specific
30 cables that are problematic so that they can be targeted for replacement
31 and provides a baseline of the cable's condition that is used for future
32 condition assessments. Cable rejuvenation involves injecting silicon

5 Application (A.)18-12-009, Exhibit (PG&E-4), Chapter 11.

1 fluid into certain types of cables under certain conditions with the goal of
2 extending operating life.

- 3 c) Critical Operating Equipment (COE) Cable Replacement: When failures
4 occur on primary cable UG systems with looped designs, the faulted
5 section of line is isolated and de-energized until an evaluation of its
6 operating condition and repair scope is determined. Upon evaluation
7 the failed cable sections becomes a COE Cable Replacement project.
- 8 d) Load Break Oil Rotary (LBOR) Switch Replacement: PG&E is
9 proactively replacing LBOR switches. LBOR switches lack oil inspection
10 sight glasses which poses a greater safety risk than other types of
11 switches because crews cannot visually verify the oil level and condition
12 of an LBOR switch before operating it. Recognizing the importance of
13 replacing LBOR switches, PG&E proposed replacing 90 pre-1975
14 switches per year for the 2020 GRC period as part of the 2020 GRC
15 settlement.⁶
- 16 e) Underground Patrols and Inspections: PG&E patrols its underground
17 facilities on a regular basis and conducts a more detailed examination of
18 each underground enclosure and associated facilities every three years.
19 Compliance inspectors perform minor repair and maintenance work
20 during underground inspections and patrols.
- 21 f) Underground Preventive Maintenance and Equipment Repair: PG&E's
22 Underground Notifications program is the program designed to improve
23 system reliability, improve safety and ensure regulatory compliance by
24 correcting abnormal maintenance conditions related to PG&E's
25 underground facilities.
- 26 g) Venting Manhole Cover Replacements: This is an ongoing program to
27 replace existing solid and grated manhole covers on vaults with hinged
28 venting manhole covers designed to stay in place in the event of a vault
29 explosion. A venting cover that stays in place during a vault explosion
30 reduces the potential for exposure to hot gasses from the vault,

⁶ A.18-12-009, Joint Motion for Approval of Settlement Agreement, (Dec. 20, 2019),
p. 48.

1 eliminates the risk of a projectile manhole cover, and reduces the force
2 of the explosion.

- 3 h) Design Standards Review: Supports electric designs including UG
4 assets are on a five year review process. These reviews address
5 evolving risks and issues associated with such items as supplier quality,
6 field conditions, new products, and trends in the industry.

7 **4. Responding to Stakeholder Feedback**

8 Stakeholders have not provided any specific feedback about the Failure
9 of Electric Distribution UG Assets risk. Stakeholder feedback related to
10 PG&E's exclusion of certain safety risks in the 2020 RAMP is addressed in
11 Section A.2. above.

12 **E. Failure of Substation Assets**

13 **1. Risk Overview**

14 Failure of Substation Assets is defined as the failure of substation
15 assets or lack of remote operation functionality that may result in public or
16 employee safety issues, property damage, environmental damage,
17 disruption of major generation sources or inability to deliver energy.

18 PG&E has 945 transmission and distribution substations, consisting of
19 power transformers, circuit breakers, switchgears, protective relays, bus
20 structures, and voltage regulation equipment. Each substation transforms
21 high voltage electricity from PG&E's electric transmission system to lower
22 voltage for delivery to PG&E's customers.

23 The drivers of substation risk are: equipment failure; work procedure
24 error; animal; weather; cyber attack; geomagnetic storm;⁷ sabotage;
25 seismic; and gas collocation.

26 **2. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

27 In 2017 PG&E did not consider risks associated with substations to be a
28 top safety-related risk and, as such, they were not identified as a RAMP risk.
29 PG&E did, however, discuss its risk methodology and mitigation approach to
30 substation risks in Appendix 1. Since 2017 PG&E has formally consolidated

7 A geomagnetic storm, or solar storm, is a temporary disturbance of the Earth's magnetosphere caused by a solar wind shock wave and/or cloud of magnetic field that interacts with the Earth's magnetic field.

1 the risks associated with individual substation asset categories into the
2 single Failure of Substation Asset risk. Consolidating the risk enables
3 PG&E to better analyze how the different types of substation risks interact
4 with one another and enables PG&E to compare and weigh the overall
5 contributions of each for the former risks towards a single substation failure
6 risk event.

7 **3. Risk Mitigations**

8 PG&E employs two primary mitigations to address substation asset risk.
9 The first mitigation, the Bus Reliability and Upgrade Program, includes work
10 to modify and/or replace substation buses to reduce the likelihood of bus
11 level outages that could lead to larger and prolonged substation outages.

12 The second mitigation includes projects to reduce the risk of substation
13 outages caused by potential failure of gas pipelines collocated with PG&E
14 substations. This program involves reviewing studies on collocated
15 pipelines and performing work such as pipeline/substation equipment
16 relocation, ground grid modifications, and/or fencing replacement to reduce
17 the risk and impacts of collocated pipeline failure if it were to occur.

18 Along with these two mitigations, PG&E uses controls to manage
19 substation asset risk including: proactive asset replacement; perimeter
20 vegetation clearance; lightning protection; design criteria; drawings and
21 facility markings; damage modelling and; grounding systems. PG&E also
22 employs inspection and maintenance controls (e.g., substation inspections,
23 intrusion detection, on-site security guards and gas line corrosion protection)
24 and controls to reduce the consequences of substation failure (e.g., fire
25 protection systems, oil containment/spill prevention and community outreach
26 and outage communications).

27 **4. Responding to Stakeholder Feedback**

28 Stakeholders have not provided any specific feedback about the Failure
29 of Substation Assets risk. Stakeholder feedback related to PG&E's
30 exclusion of certain safety risks in the 2020 RAMP is addressed in
31 Section A.2. above.

1 F. Failure of Electric Transmission Overhead Assets

2 1. Risk Overview

3 Failure of Electric Transmission Overhead Assets risk is defined as a
4 failure of transmission overhead assets or lack of remote operation
5 functionality that may result in public or employee safety issues, property
6 damage, environmental damage, disruption of major generation sources and
7 inability to deliver energy. The risk includes failure of assets associated with
8 transmission overhead lines including conductor, steel structure, non-steel
9 structures, and other components such as insulators, switches and other
10 hardware that form the electric transmission network.

11 Wildfire impacts from the overhead transmission assets are not included
12 in the Failure of Transmission Overhead Assets risk but are incorporated
13 into the Wildfire risk (Chapter 10).

14 Overhead transmission lines are energized at high voltages, and form
15 the backbone of PG&E's electrical system. PG&E's transmission system
16 includes approximately 18,000 circuit miles of overhead transmission lines
17 and related equipment.

18 The drivers of transmission overhead asset risk are: transmission line
19 equipment failure; natural hazard; vegetation; animal; human performance;
20 environmental factors; and other. In addition to wires down, key areas of
21 exposure include wildfire, environmental factors such as corrosion and wind
22 as well as aging infrastructure.

23 2. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP

24 The 2017 RAMP included a Transmission Overhead Conductor risk.⁸
25 As discussed in Section A.1, this risk did not score in the top 40 percent of
26 PG&E's enterprise safety risks in 2020 and, therefore, is not included as a
27 2020 RAMP risk.

28 PG&E has made significant progress understanding failure modes for
29 Transmission overhead assets, enhancing inspection methods to look for
30 these failure modes and prioritizing these enhanced inspections, repairs,
31 projects, and programs in the High Fire-Threat District (HFTD) areas.

8 PG&E's RAMP Report, Investigation (I.) 17-11-003 (Nov. 30, 2017), Chapter 10.

1 In the 2017 RAMP PG&E described a group of ten controls that were
2 designed to help control the frequency or consequence of one or more
3 drivers of the Transmission Overhead Conductor risk.⁹ PG&E plans to
4 continue implementing similar controls during the 2020 RAMP period and
5 thereafter as applicable.

6 In the 2017 RAMP PG&E listed four mitigations that it planned to
7 undertake between 2017 and 2019: overhead conductor replacement;
8 insulator replacement; Right-of-Way (ROW) expansion; and public
9 awareness outreach.¹⁰ PG&E completed work in each of those mitigation
10 programs between 2017 and 2019.

11 **3. Risk Mitigations**

12 PG&E is implementing several mitigations to reduce overhead
13 transmission asset failure risk including: enhanced maintenance program
14 (inspections and repairs), Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS), asset
15 replacement and retirements; enhanced vegetation management; system
16 configuration design (sectionalizing); seasonal insulator washing; animal
17 abatement; anti-climbing guards; bridging on underbuild; FAA line markers;
18 and tower coating.

- 19 • PG&E implemented its Wildfire Safety Inspection Program in 2019 and
20 plans to complete maintenance repair notifications generated through
21 the program during the next three years. This enhanced inspection
22 method is expected to continue going forward to drive condition-based
23 asset management decisions. Maintenance repairs can extend the
24 lifespan and ensure the safety of transmission line overhead assets.
25 Examples of repairs include structure replacement, hardware
26 replacement, and foundation crack sealing.
- 27 • The Transmission Vegetation Management Reliability (TVMR) program,
28 also known as the ROW Expansion program, focuses on circuits
29 involved in the most tree-related outages and will also help potentially
30 reduce the scope of future Public Safety Power Shutoff events. The
31 TVMR program aims to increase transmission line vegetation

⁹ PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report, p. 10-12, Table 10-1.

¹⁰ PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report, p. 10-15, Table 10-2.

1 clearances by voltage. This increased clearing improves reliability and
2 can reduce potential wildfire ignitions in HFTD areas.

- 3 • PG&E evaluates as applicable the possibility of replacement alternatives
4 as lines are identified for mitigation. These alternatives go beyond
5 standard like-for-like replacement of assets and can include UG,
6 microgrid/battery storage, line removal, and line relocation. Evaluating
7 alternate paths, redundant paths, or reduction of paths can alleviate
8 capacity, vegetation, fire spread, compliance, and reliability concerns.

9 PG&E also implements controls to manage overhead transmission asset
10 risk including: asset inventory; asset health; cathodic protection; design
11 standards; ground, climbing and aerial enhanced inspections; ground/non-
12 routine air patrols; infrared inspections; planning, simulation and capacity
13 program; product inspection; routine air patrols; routine vegetation
14 management; and wood pole intrusive inspection.

15 **4. Responding to Stakeholder Feedback**

16 Stakeholders have not provided any specific feedback about the Failure
17 of Transmission Overhead Asset risk. Stakeholder feedback related to
18 PG&E's exclusion of certain safety risks in the 2020 RAMP is addressed in
19 Section A.2. above.

20 **G. Failure of Electric Transmission Underground Assets**

21 **1. Risk Overview**

22 Failure of Electric Transmission UG Assets is defined as the failure of
23 transmission UG assets or lack of remote operational functionality that may
24 result in public or employee safety issues, property damage, environmental
25 damage, reduced operational redundancy in critical urban centers, or large-
26 scale prolonged outages. This risk includes failure of assets associated with
27 pipe type cable, including cable carrier, cross-line polyethylene cable, cable
28 terminations, pumping plant, vaults, splices, low pressure tripping system
29 and SCADA systems.

30 The transmission UG asset risk drivers are: other PG&E assets or
31 processes (e.g., substation causes, system design, etc.); PG&E activity
32 (e.g., safety clearance); human performance; other (e.g., unknown outage
33 causes); and transmission UG line equipment.

1 **2. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

2 Failure of Transmission UG Assets was not a 2017 RAMP risk.

3 **3. Risk Mitigations**

4 PG&E is executing several mitigations to reduce the risk to transmission
5 UG assets:

- 6 • Cathodic protection assessments to critical pipe type cable circuits. The
7 carrier pipe of the pipe type cable is made of carbon steel and can
8 corrode if the cathodic protection is not in place. The substance inside
9 the cable and the carrier pipe can leak out to the soil potentially
10 damaging the environment and harming the cable by keeping it from
11 properly cooling.
- 12 • Developing solutions to ensure proper inventory of pipe type cable is
13 available in case of a major disaster. Two of these solutions are:
14 (1) investigating a new design for pipe type cable systems as the
15 manufacturer of certain cable types no longer produces it; and
16 (2) ensuring the availability of cable reels and equivalent overhead
17 equipment for emergency response preparedness. This mitigation is
18 designed to ensure spare material is available for repairs to enable
19 restoration of transmission paths via both UG and/or temporary
20 overhead.
- 21 • Repairing or replacing transmission UG cables and associated
22 components as part of routine and detail inspections of UG assets.
23 These actions can reduce potential public and employee safety hazards
24 due to equipment failures, can lessen environmental impact by reducing
25 potential oil spills, and can help to maintain adequate reliability
26 performance.

27 **4. Responding to Stakeholder Feedback**

28 Stakeholders have not provided any specific feedback about the Failure
29 of Transmission UG Assets risk. Stakeholder feedback related to PG&E's
30 exclusion of certain safety risks in the 2020 RAMP is addressed in
31 Section A(2) above.

1 **H. Hazardous Materials Release**

2 **1. Risk Overview**

3 The Hazardous Materials Release risk is defined as the release of
4 hazardous materials (excluding natural gas) by PG&E or by an agent acting
5 on behalf of PG&E or under PG&E’s authority. This risk excludes transport
6 events, asset failure outcomes, and employee safety events addressed in
7 other event based risk assessments. The Environmental Management and
8 Remediation group within PG&E’s Shared Services organization is
9 responsible for managing this. This risk encompasses all the stages of the
10 hazardous materials’ lifecycle at PG&E from procurement to disposal. It
11 includes spills and air release as well as events that occurred in the past
12 and for which PG&E is now responsible for remediating.

13 **2. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

14 Hazardous Materials Release was not a 2017 RAMP risk.

15 **3. Risk Mitigations**

16 PG&E manages Hazardous Materials Release through a series of
17 existing controls that consist of:

- 18 • Engineering controls such use of proper storage containers and
19 containment to prevent the spread of a hazardous material if it is
20 released;
- 21 • Detective controls including remote monitoring and inspections; and
- 22 • Administrative controls including handling and storage procedures, spill
23 prevention, control and countermeasure plans, personnel training, and
24 procurement management to reduce or eliminate the use of hazardous
25 substances.

26 Risk control and mitigations for hazardous materials are closely aligned
27 with PG&E’s compliance program for regulatory requirements at the
28 Federal, State and Local level which specify preventive measures to be
29 taken to minimize the risk of hazardous materials release, and to assure
30 rapid and effective control should a release occur.

31 **4. Responding to Stakeholder Feedback**

32 Stakeholders have not provided any specific feedback about the
33 Hazardous Materials Release risk. Stakeholder feedback related to PG&E’s

1 exclusion of certain safety risks in the 2020 RAMP is addressed in
2 Section A.2. above.

3 **I. Loss of Containment on Compressed Natural Gas Station Equipment**

4 **1. Risk Overview**

5 LOC on CNG Station Equipment is defined as any LOC during
6 operations at a PG&E owned CNG station that can lead to significant impact
7 on public safety, employee safety, contractor safety, financial losses, and/or
8 the inability to deliver natural gas to customers.

9 The LNG/CNG asset family includes both CNG stations (defined as gas
10 distribution assets for rate case purposes) and LNG/CNG portable assets
11 (defined as gas transmission assets for rate case purposes). The LNG/CNG
12 portable equipment risk is described in Section M below.

13 PG&E's CNG Stations Program includes 32 PG&E-owned CNG
14 stations, 24 of which are accessible by third-party customers. CNG stations
15 provide fuel to over 6,500 third-party customer vehicles and more than
16 100 CNG vehicles in PG&E's fleet and are used to refill portable CNG
17 trailers.

18 PG&E also has several mobile compressor units that provide backup
19 compression for CNG stations during outages of CNG station compressors
20 and provide compression to fill portable CNG trailers.

21 The top asset-related risks identified for the CNG station assets are
22 equipment-related and are primarily associated with obsolescence and end-
23 of-service-life conditions, and in particular, third-party customer equipment
24 integrity shortfalls and code non-compliance that can result in LOC events
25 while in PG&E's stations.

26 **2. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

27 LOC on CNG Station Equipment was not a 2017 RAMP risk.

28 **3. Risk Mitigations**

29 CNG station risks are primarily monitored via information collected
30 during regular maintenance and operation, through subject matter expert
31 (SME) knowledge, and through processes designed to minimize the
32 likelihood of customers in PG&E stations with higher risk vehicles and CNG
33 system condition. PG&E complies with federal and state codes that require

1 periodic maintenance to minimize safety risks by confirming or correcting the
2 condition and function of station components and incorporates best
3 practices to manage risks that sometimes go beyond code requirements.
4 PG&E also performs station capital investment rebuild and replacement
5 work to address safety, reliability, and economic risks that typically includes
6 replacement of equipment that is assessed to involve higher performance
7 risks or that is obsolete.

8 **4. Responding to Stakeholder Feedback**

9 Stakeholders have not provided any specific feedback about the LOC on
10 CNG Station Equipment risk. Stakeholder feedback related to PG&E's
11 exclusion of certain safety risks in the 2020 RAMP is addressed in
12 Section A.2. above.

13 **J. Loss of Containment on Gas Customer Connected Equipment**

14 **1. Risk Overview**

15 LOC on Gas Customer Connected Equipment is defined as a LOC from
16 a leak or rupture, with or without ignition, that can result in significant
17 impacts to public safety, employee safety, contractor safety, property
18 damage, financial loss, and/or the inability to deliver natural gas to PG&E
19 customers.

20 Customer connected equipment includes gas meter set assemblies
21 (including regulators, valves, piping and meters). There are approximately
22 4.6 million gas meters in service in PG&E's service territory, the majority of
23 which are located above ground and outside of the facility being served.
24 The top risks related to customer connected equipment assets are:
25 (1) incorrect operation and use of unapproved materials; (2) material
26 traceability issues that would prevent accurately locating and eliminating
27 known defective material; (3) failure of indoor meter sets; (4) and equipment
28 failure due to outside forces, such as building meter interaction during an
29 earthquake.

30 The scope of this risk includes a failure of assets associated with
31 customer connected equipment, leading to a LOC.

1 **2. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

2 LOC on Gas Customer Connected Equipment was not a
3 2017 RAMP risk.

4 **3. Risk Mitigations**

5 PG&E conducts a 3-year compliance gas leak survey, along with special
6 leak surveys and leak rechecks, that covers gas distribution pipeline
7 systems, including services, mains and other gas assets. Once a leak is
8 verified and graded, PG&E schedules repair or replacement work to
9 remediate the leak. PG&E also responds to emergencies by replacing or
10 repairing damaged facilities, due to external forces.

11 **4. Responding to Stakeholder Feedback**

12 Stakeholders have not provided any specific feedback about the LOC on
13 Gas Customer Connected Equipment risk. Stakeholder feedback related to
14 PG&E’s exclusion of certain safety risks in the 2020 RAMP is addressed in
15 Section A.2. above.

16 **K. Loss of Containment at Gas Measurement and Control or Compression**
17 **and Processing Facility**

18 **1. Risk Overview**

19 The Loss of Containment at Gas Measurement and Control or
20 Compression and Processing Facility (“LOC at Gas M&C or C&P Facility”)
21 risk is defined as failure at a gas M&C or C&P facility resulting in a loss of
22 containment that can lead to significant impact on public safety, employee
23 safety, contractor safety, property damages, financial losses, and/or the
24 inability to deliver natural gas to customers.

25 The M&C assets include gas transmission and distribution regulating
26 and metering stations and associated equipment. The M&C assets also
27 include transmission large volume customer regulating and metering
28 stations, selected large customer meter sets, and equipment for monitoring
29 gas quality. The M&C assets monitor, measure, and control pressure and
30 flow within the gas transmission and distribution systems. There is
31 significant diversity in terms of design and equipment installed at these
32 stations. The age and condition of the M&C assets also varies across the
33 asset population. Condition of the assets is assessed based on age,

1 obsolescence, physical condition, functional performance, maintenance
2 history, and SME input.

3 The C&P assets include compressor units and associated equipment
4 installed at PG&E's nine compressor stations. Also included in the C&P
5 asset family are compressor units and gas processing equipment installed at
6 PG&E's three underground storage facilities. The purpose of the C&P
7 facilities is to meet customer demands by moving gas from receipt points to
8 customer delivery locations as well as providing for injection and withdrawal
9 of gas at PG&E's underground storage facilities. Gas processing equipment
10 provides gas that is free from particulates and is sufficiently dehydrated and
11 odorized to meet gas quality requirements on the transmission and
12 distribution pipeline systems. Most of the compressor and underground gas
13 storage facilities were put into service between the early 1950s and the early
14 1970s. Much of the equipment, controls and systems at these facilities
15 systemwide are more than 40 years old and are showing signs of wear and
16 deterioration.

17 Threats identified for the M&C and C&P assets include: equipment-
18 related; incorrect operations; manufacturing-related; welding/fabrication
19 defects; corrosion; weather-related and outside forces; and third-party
20 damage. The ongoing evaluation of threats and risks associated with M&C
21 and C&P assets and the identification of mitigation measures are largely
22 based on the experience and judgment of PG&E SMEs. PG&E has
23 conducted studies to collect information for monitoring threat status and
24 asset health, including: benchmarking studies to identify potential new
25 threats and assess PG&E's current performance; process safety
26 assessments to understand hazards that may apply to stations; and, causal
27 analysis for significant events to understand the underlying causes of the
28 event and to define actions to prevent recurrence. Relative to the evaluation
29 of asset health, PG&E has conducted: control assessments to assess
30 proper regulation function and identify necessary maintenance and
31 equipment replacement; reliability centered maintenance; condition
32 assessments based on age, functional performance, physical condition and
33 other metrics to assess component and overall station health.

1 **2. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

2 PG&E’s 2017 RAMP included two risks related to M&C failure and one
3 risk related to C&P failure. The two M&C risks were: M&C Failure –
4 Release of Gas with Ignition Downstream;¹¹ and, M&C Failure – Release of
5 Gas with Ignition at M&C Facility.¹² The one C&P risk was C&P Failure –
6 Release of Gas with Ignition at Manned Processing Facility.¹³

7 The M&C and C&P risks identified as 2020 RAMP risks have changed.
8 In the 2020 RAMP:

- 9 • Large Overpressure Event Downstream of Gas M&C Facility is a RAMP
10 risk (Chapter 9); and
- 11 • LOC at Gas M&C or C&P Facility is not one of the 2020 RAMP risks but
12 is included in this “Other Safety Risk” chapter.

13 **3. Risk Mitigations**

14 **a. Measurement and Control Failure – Release of Gas with Ignition at**
15 **Measurement and Control Facility**

16 For the M&C Failure – Release of Gas with Ignition at M&C Facility
17 risk, the 2017 RAMP included six mitigations: The current status of
18 each mitigation is provided below.

19 **M1B – Critical Documents Program:** The Critical Documents
20 Program was proposed as a mitigation in the 2017 RAMP. This is a
21 non-unitized program. To incorporate this mitigation into the 2017
22 RAMP model, PG&E developed representative units of work (number of
23 stations) for the years 2017, 2018 and 2019.¹⁴ The Critical Documents
24 program was also forecast as a non-unitized program in the 2019 Gas
25 Transmission and Storage (GT&S) Rate Case with a targeted program
26 completion date in 2021. The program is on track to complete all site
27 visits by end of 2021 with the close out of some projects extending
28 into 2022.

11 PG&E’s 2017 RAMP Report, Chapter 3.

12 PG&E’s 2017 RAMP Report, Chapter 4.

13 PG&E’s 2017 RAMP Report, Chapter 6.

14 See I.17-11-003, WP 3-3, footnote (fn.) 1 that describes how PG&E developed its units of work estimates.

1 **M2B – Engineering Critical Assessment (ECA) Phase 1:** This
2 program was forecast in the 2019 GT&S rate case as a non-unitized
3 program with a targeted completion in 2021. To incorporate this
4 mitigation into the 2017 RAMP model, PG&E developed representative
5 units of work (number of stations) for the years 2017, 2018 and 2019.¹⁵
6 This program is on pace to be completed by the end of 2021.

7 **M3B –ECA Phase 2:** This program was forecast in the 2019 GT&S rate
8 case as a non-unitized program with targeted completion in 2033. To
9 incorporate this mitigation into the 2017 RAMP model, PG&E developed
10 representative units of work (number of stations) for the years 2017,
11 2018 and 2019.¹⁶ PG&E has advanced the program development by
12 working with industry leaders to solidify engineering-based maximum
13 allowable operating pressure reconfirmation methods by: evaluating
14 non-destructive technologies for flaw detection and material property
15 verification; setting up a database to host the data received from the
16 inspections; developing data analysis methods; and, creating program
17 processes and procedures. This program is still on pace to be complete
18 by the end of 2033.

19 **M4B – Physical Security Upgrades:** PG&E’s 2017 RAMP forecast
20 included representative units of work (number of stations) of one M&C
21 station and one C&P station per year in the 2017 RAMP. PG&E has
22 completed a total of 6 physical security upgrades at both M&C and C&P
23 facilities between 2017 and 2019 which is consistent with the 2019
24 GT&S forecasted units.

25 **M5B – SCADA Visibility, Transmission and Distribution:** PG&E
26 committed to implementing SCADA visibility at 530 distribution stations
27 and 24 transmission stations between 2017 and 2019. PG&E is on
28 pace to complete the SCADA Visibility program by 2025.

29 **M6A –Station Strength Testing:** The Station Strength Testing
30 Program is designed to address components that cannot be addressed

15 I.17-11-003, WP 4-6, fn. 2 that describes how PG&E developed its units of work estimates.

16 I.17-11-003, WP 4-9, fn. 1 that describes how PG&E developed its units of work estimates.

1 via the non-destructive alternatives from the ECA 2 program. This
2 program was forecasted as a non-unitized program in the 2019 GT&S
3 rate case with a targeted completion in 2033. To incorporate this
4 mitigation into the 2017 RAMP model, PG&E developed representative
5 units of work (number of stations) for the years 2018 and 2019.¹⁷
6 PG&E did not perform any station strength testing during 2017-2019
7 period. Depending on the findings from the stations that are currently
8 being assessed in the ECA2 program, PG&E will perform station
9 strength testing beyond 2021.

10 PG&E will continue to the implement the six mitigations described
11 above during the 2020-2022 period.

12 **b. Compression and Processing Failure – Release of Gas with**
13 **Ignition at Manned Processing Facility**

14 For the Compression and Processing Failure – Release of Gas with
15 Ignition at Manned Processing Facility risk, the 2017 RAMP included
16 five mitigations: The current status of each mitigation is provided below.

17 **M1B – Critical Documents Program:** This mitigation is described in
18 Section G.3.a above.

19 **M2B – ECA Phase 1:** This mitigation is described in Section G.3.a
20 above.

21 **M3B – ECA Phase 2:** This mitigation is described in Section G.3.a
22 above.

23 **M4B – Physical Security Upgrades:** This mitigation is described in
24 Section G.3.a above.

25 **M5A – Station Strength Testing:** This mitigation is the same as M6A
26 in Section G.3.a above.

27 PG&E will continue to implement the five mitigations described
28 above during the 2020-2022 time period.

29 **4. Responding to Stakeholder Feedback**

30 Stakeholders have not provided any specific feedback about the Loss of
31 Containment at Gas Measurement and Control or Compression and

¹⁷ I.17-11-003, WP 4-20, fn. 1 that describes how PG&E developed its units of work estimates.

1 Processing Facility risk. Stakeholder feedback related to PG&E's exclusion
2 of certain safety risks in the 2020 RAMP is addressed in Section A.2. above.

3 **L. Loss of Containment at Natural Gas Storage Well or Reservoir**

4 **1. Risk Overview**

5 LOC at Natural Gas Storage Well or Reservoir is defined as a LOC, with
6 or without an unplanned ignition, at a gas storage well or reservoir that can
7 lead to significant impact on public safety, employee safety, contractor
8 safety, financial losses, environmental consequences, and in rare cases, the
9 inability to deliver natural gas to customers.

10 As of the end of 2019, PG&E's gas storage assets consisted of
11 three storage fields that included 111 storage wells, of which 86 wells were
12 equipped with downhole safety valves, more than 200 miles of casing and
13 tubing; approximately 14 miles of transmission pipe and ancillary equipment;
14 204 surface safety valves for pipeline isolation; and, 152 well measurement
15 meters, wellhead separators and flow controls.

16 As discussed in Section E.2. below, the gas storage assets that PG&E
17 owns and operates will be changing as set forth in D.19-09-025, in P&GE's
18 2019 GT&S Rate Case.¹⁸

19 The threats and risks to gas storage assets include: internal and
20 external corrosion and erosion; construction/fabrication threats resulting
21 from an improperly completed and poorly constructed well; equipment failure
22 or incorrect operation of one of the components.

23 PG&E manages gas storage risk through its UG Storage Risk and
24 Integrity Management Plan (referred to as WELL). PG&E's WELL provides
25 coordinated management and operation of PG&E's gas storage assets
26 consistent with the integrity management approach for other natural gas
27 assets. WELL includes several mitigation projects and programs, including:
28 reworks and retrofits; integrity inspections and surveys; engineering studies,
29 data analysis and development of gas storage emergency plans; control and
30 continuous monitoring; and, repair and replace non-storage assets.

18 A.17-11-009.

1 **2. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

2 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E outlined its proposed Natural Gas Storage
3 Strategy (NGSS).¹⁹ The proposed NGSS was developed in response to
4 several new regulations that were enacted because of the October 2015
5 leak at the Aliso Canyon Natural Gas Storage Facility.

6 PG&E evaluated the new regulations and determined that complying
7 with them would significantly increase the scope of work and cost to
8 maintain and operate gas storage wells. In response, PG&E developed its
9 NGSS and presented its proposal to change its storage assets portfolio in
10 the 2019 GT&S Rate Case. PG&E's NGSS reduced PG&E's storage risk by
11 ceasing certain operations and implementing risk mitigation efforts as
12 required by the new regulations.

13 The 2017 RAMP outlined three proposals (the proposed NGSS and
14 two alternatives). In September 2019, the CPUC issued its final decision
15 (D.19-09-025) in PG&E's 2019 GT&S Rate Case. The CPUC adopted the
16 NGSS with conditions, a two-way balancing account and reduction of the
17 storage holdings to the amount necessary to provide reliability services.
18 This involves the sale or decommissioning of the Los Medanos and
19 Pleasant Creek storage fields.²⁰

20 **3. Risk Mitigations**

21 In the 2017 RAMP PG&E identified one risk mitigation, M1B - Storage
22 Well Inspection Program. Between 2017 and 2019, PG&E planned to
23 complete baseline inspections of 64 wells (8 in 2017, 12 in 2018 and 44 in
24 2019), PG&E projected completing the baseline assessments as part of its
25 plan to mitigate the single point of failure in all storage wells by 2020 to
26 comply with proposed California Geological Energy Management
27 (CalGEM)²¹ regulations. CalGEM adopted regulations effective October 1,
28 2018 that extended the timeline for the baseline casing assessments and
29 the elimination of the single point of failure. The new regulations require this

¹⁹ PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report, Chapter 8.

²⁰ D.19-09-025, pp. 327-328, 330, Ordering Paragraphs 40, 42, 43, 44, 45, 48, 49 and 59.

²¹ CalGEM was formerly known as the California Division of Oil, Gas and Geothermal Resources.

1 work be completed by 2025. In 2017-2019, PG&E completed 31 baseline
2 assessments bringing the total to 57 (2013-2019) or 49 percent of its well
3 population. The federal PHMSA issued its final rules on January 2020 that
4 requires completing the baseline casing inspections of all the wells by 2027.
5 PG&E is on track to meet this deadline.

6 **4. Responding to Stakeholder Feedback**

7 Stakeholders have not provided any specific feedback about the LOC at
8 Natural Gas Storage Well or Reservoir risk. Stakeholder feedback related to
9 PG&E's exclusion of certain safety risks in the 2020 RAMP is addressed in
10 Section A.2. above.

11 **M. Loss of Containment on LNG/CNG Portable Equipment**

12 **1. Risk Overview**

13 LOC on LNG/CNG Portable Equipment is defined as a LOC during
14 operations that can lead to significant impact on public safety, employee
15 safety, contractor safety, financial losses, and/or the inability to deliver
16 natural gas to customers.

17 The LNG/CNG asset family includes both CNG stations (defined as gas
18 distribution assets for rate case purposes) and LNG/CNG portable assets
19 (defined as gas transmission assets for rate case purposes). CNG station
20 risk is described in Section I above.

21 Portable LNG/CNG equipment provides gas service to customers while
22 pipelines are out of service during strength testing, upgrade or repair work,
23 or emergency unplanned outages, and supplements pipeline flowing supply
24 during peak winter demand periods.

25 This equipment consists of trailers that store and transport LNG and
26 CNG, trailers that deliver portable supplies back into the pipeline system or
27 directly to customers, and portable compression equipment (and associated
28 portable electric generation) that is used to evacuate pipelines prior to
29 construction work as an environmentally preferable alternative to blowing
30 gas to atmosphere (blowdowns result in undesirable adverse environmental
31 impact).

1 **2. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

2 Loss of Containment on LNG/CNG Portable Equipment was not a 2017
3 RAMP risk.

4 **3. Risk Mitigations**

5 LNG/CNG portable risk is primarily monitored via information collected
6 during regular maintenance and operation and through SME knowledge.
7 PG&E complies with federal and state codes that require periodic
8 maintenance to minimize safety risks by confirming or correcting the
9 condition and function of portable system components and incorporates best
10 practices to manage risks that sometimes go beyond code requirements.
11 PG&E also makes portable equipment capital investment rebuilds and
12 replacements to manage safety, reliability and economic risks, that typically
13 include replacement of equipment that is assessed to involve higher
14 performance risks or that is obsolete.

15 **4. Responding to Stakeholder Feedback**

16 Stakeholders have not provided any specific feedback about the Loss of
17 Containment on LNG/CNG Portable Equipment risk. Stakeholder feedback
18 related to PG&E's exclusion of certain safety risks in the 2020 RAMP is
19 addressed in Section A.2. above.

20 **N. Nuclear Core Damaging Event**

21 **1. Risk Overview**

22 The Nuclear Core Damaging Event risk is defined as a nuclear reactor
23 core-damaging event with the potential for radiological release at the Diablo
24 Canyon Power Plant (DCPP) due to equipment failure, natural disaster or
25 some other significant event. The scope of this risk includes events caused
26 by equipment failure, seismic events, internal fires or floods that lead to core
27 damage at Diablo Canyon Units 1 and 2. This risk excludes events outside
28 of the DCPP licensing basis not caused by equipment failure, seismic
29 events, internal fires and floods that lead to core damage and events that do
30 not lead to core damage.

31 DCPP Units 1 and 2 have a combined capacity of 2,240 megawatts and
32 each year safely and reliably generate approximately 18,000 gigawatt-hours
33 of clean electricity without greenhouse gas emissions. PG&E generates

1 power safely and operates reliably by maintaining high safety standards and
2 continuously improving its operations. DCPD has an excellent operating
3 record in its 32 years of operation. PG&E's Nuclear Generation organization
4 is responsible for the overall safe and efficient operation of DCPD.

5 DCPD relies on key measures and metrics to monitor safety and
6 reliability. Safe operations are the number one priority for DCPD. Nuclear
7 Regulatory Commission (NRC) inspectors are assigned to and provide daily
8 inspection activities for all nuclear activities. The NRC's Reactor Oversight
9 Process is the program through which the NRC measures nuclear safety,
10 regulatory compliance and recognizes compliance with safety requirements.

11 In addition to public safety, PG&E is also focused on the safety of the
12 PG&E employees and contractors working at DCPD. PG&E measures
13 personal safety at DCPD by the Occupational Safety and Health
14 Administration lost work day rate.

15 PG&E measures collective radiation exposure at DCPD by Person-REM
16 (Roentgen Equivalent Man), a unit of absorbed doses of radiation or the
17 collective radiation exposure when summed across all site personnel.
18 PG&E's collective Person-REM exposure has been on the decline
19 since 2016.

20 DCPD fulfills the federal requirements of all nuclear power facilities by
21 maintaining a physical security program committed to preventing radiological
22 sabotage and the theft of special nuclear material. The DCPD security
23 program and security features are periodically inspected by the NRC to
24 confirm compliance.

25 Nuclear Generation identifies, manages and mitigates risk through
26 several programs and processes including:

- 27 • Probabilistic Risk Assessment (PRA): Based on NRC endorsed
28 regulatory guidelines, the PRA is a quantified operational risk
29 management model used to obtain insights and trends based on actual
30 plant performance that provides a more accurate assessment and
31 identification of risks;
- 32 • Risk-Informed Work Management Program: A program that manages
33 risk to plant operations during maintenance activities and monitors the
34 implementation of the risk management program. This program

1 involves use of the PRA model to assess maintenance related risk.

2 Maintenance schedules are adjusted to minimize risk impact.

- 3 • Accredited and Non-Accredited Training Programs: Accredited training
4 programs are performance-based programs that are highly integrated
5 processes involving the participation and support of line management,
6 training leaders, instructors and students. Operations, Maintenance,
7 Engineering and emergency response personnel are trained to
8 implement procedures for mitigating natural phenomena and external
9 events within the current design basis.
- 10 • Corrective Action Program (CAP): The CAP is required by NRC
11 regulation and it is the main process DCPD uses to identify, analyze,
12 and resolve plant problems. The CAP process includes identifying
13 issues, conducting significant issue reviews, causal analysis, develop
14 and implement corrective actions and performance trending and
15 monitoring. The program is used to develop corrective actions to
16 prevent recurrence of problems.
- 17 • Operating Experience Program: The purpose of the Operating
18 Experience Program is to share operating experience among nuclear
19 power plants to evaluate event precursors so actions can be
20 implemented to eliminate vulnerabilities.
- 21 • Design Control Processes: Nuclear Generation design activities are
22 controlled per NRC regulations to ensure that design, technical and
23 quality requirements are correctly translated into design documents and
24 that changes to design are properly controlled.
- 25 • Security Program: DCPD operates physical security and cyber security
26 programs based on NRC regulatory requirements.
- 27 • Long-Term Seismic Program: DCPD complies with an NRC
28 commitment to continuously study and update the state of knowledge
29 regarding seismic hazards impacting DCPD.
- 30 • Emergency Preparedness – The DCPD Emergency Planning
31 Department administers the Emergency Plan which is a condition of the
32 DCPD operating license and is heavily regulated by the NRC and the
33 United States (U.S.) CFR. The Emergency Plan includes plans,
34 processes, procedures, facilities, equipment, training and drills all in

1 support of protecting the health and safety of the public in the event of a
2 radiological emergency.

3 **2. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

4 Nuclear Core Damaging Event was a 2017 RAMP risk.²² PG&E
5 performed an updated risk evaluation in 2019 to review the key risk drivers
6 and evaluate their potential impact and to evaluate the effectiveness of
7 existing mitigations to maintain the overall level of risk within NRC
8 requirements. Through this risk evaluation process PG&E determined that
9 this risk is well below the required regulatory threshold of one event for
10 every 10,000 reactor years. The PRA modeling PG&E performed resulted
11 in one event for every 11,299 reactor years.

12 PG&E will continue conducting seismic evaluations to evaluate the core
13 damaging event risk. The NRC is evaluating if additional actions may be
14 needed based on lessons learned from the 2011 Fukushima Nuclear
15 accident.

16 Due to the impending shutdown of both DCCP Units in 2024 and 2025,
17 a new enterprise risk associated with decommissioning activities is under
18 development.

19 **3. Risk Mitigations**

20 PG&E did not propose mitigations for this risk for the 2017-2019 period
21 in the 2017 RAMP. In the 2020 GRC PG&E identified certain projects and
22 equipment purchases to mitigate risk as part of the Enterprise and
23 Operational Risk Management process. PG&E has completed: Beyond
24 Design Basis (BDB) regulatory requirements; seismic, flooding and tsunami
25 studies; portable equipment procurement used in case of a BDB event with
26 extended loss of power; staffing and communication studies to support BDB
27 strategies; upgrade spent fuel pool instrumentation; and upgrade reactor
28 cooling pump seals to prevent loss of reactor coolant.

29 PG&E will maintain current risk controls until the DCCP nuclear units are
30 closed at the end of their respective NRC licenses.²³ These controls were

²² PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report, Chapter 12.

²³ In D.18-01-022, the CPUC approve the retirement of DCCP when its NRC operating licenses expire in November 2024 for Unit 1 and August 2025 for Unit 2.

1 listed in the 2017 RAMP and the 2020 GRC. Current risk controls include:
2 maintaining plant systems; operating the facility; plant and system
3 configurations; security from external and internal threats and emergency
4 response; independent oversight and training; and regulatory requirement
5 improvements and ongoing seismic evaluations.

6 **4. Responding to Stakeholder Feedback**

7 At Workshop #3 stakeholders provided feedback about PG&E's
8 proposed list of RAMP risks. Both the Safety and Policy Division and The
9 Utility Reform Network questioned the safety score assigned to the Nuclear
10 Core Damaging Event risk and recommended that PG&E reconsider the list
11 of risks to be included in the 2020 RAMP. In particular, these groups raised
12 concerns regarding the low Safety CoRE value.

13 PG&E's first approach to estimate the safety consequences of a
14 worst-case nuclear accident at Diablo Canyon was to review safety impacts
15 from historical events and to use this data in the PG&E estimate. Data from
16 the accidents at Three Mile Island, Fukushima and Chernobyl was reviewed.
17 Ultimately, the Fukushima accident was determined to be the most closely
18 aligned when Emergency Preparedness, Radioactive source term and
19 accident severity were considered. Based on this comparison, the safety
20 consequences from a direct impact of radiation were estimated to be
21 very low.

22 Subsequent to this initial empirical approach, PG&E reviewed the results
23 of analytical studies that were performed both for Diablo Canyon and other
24 representative nuclear power plants including those performed by the U.S.
25 NRC. Two studies were assessed to determine if they would provide a
26 more accurate estimate of a severe accident. Ultimately, PG&E decided to
27 rely on the DCCP specific Severe Accident Mitigations Alternatives (SAMA)
28 analysis that is based on site specific meteorology, radiation source terms
29 and population distribution/density.

30 PG&E performed the SAMA for DCCP license renewal purposes. This
31 study includes conservative assumptions such as linear no dose threshold

1 health impacts²⁴ and does not credit beyond design basis mitigation actions
2 but was considered the most representative because of its specificity to
3 Diablo Canyon. The published results from the SAMA study did not include
4 per event safety impact numbers, rather the SAMA report included a safety
5 risk metric²⁵ that incorporated the extremely low likelihood that an event like
6 this could occur.

7 Additional information about PG&E's analysis is included in supporting
8 workpapers.²⁶

24 Linear no-threshold model is a dose-response model used in radiation protection to estimate stochastic (random) health effects such due to exposure to ionizing radiation. This model assumes that any dose greater than zero will increase risk in a linear fashion.

25 This safety risk metric is a probabilistic evaluation of the potential safety impact wherein the consequence of an event is multiplied by the frequency of event. The result of the safety risk metric is provided in safety events per year.

26 See WP 19-1, MAVF Nuclear Safety Consequence Position Paper.

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5 **A. Introduction**

6 **1. Identifying the 2020 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase**
7 **Cross-Cutting Factors**

8 To develop its list of 2020 Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase
9 (RAMP) cross-cutting factors, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E or
10 the Company) evaluated all the risks on its Corporate Risk Register (CRR).¹
11 As PG&E analyzed its CRR it identified items that were not risk events
12 themselves, but rather impacted either the likelihood or consequence of
13 other items on the CRR. Those items that were not risks themselves, but
14 impacted other risks were identified as the cross-cutting factors in this 2020
15 RAMP.

16 The eight cross-cutting factors PG&E identified and is presenting in this
17 report are:

- 18 1) Climate Change;
- 19 2) Cyber Attack;
- 20 3) Emergency Preparedness and Response (EP&R);
- 21 4) Information Technology (IT) Asset Failure;
- 22 5) Physical Attack;
- 23 6) Records and Information Management (RIM);
- 24 7) Seismic; and
- 25 8) Skilled and Qualified Workforce (SQWF).

26 Cross-cutting factors can impact RAMP risks in several ways. A
27 cross-cutting factor can be a unique risk driver or a component of an existing
28 driver, therefore impacting the likelihood of an event. It can also impact the
29 consequence of an event, increasing the impact of potential outcomes.

¹ PG&E recently changed the name of its Enterprise Risk Register to the Corporate Risk Register. See Chapter 2 of this report.

1 **Unique Driver:** The Seismic cross-cutting factor is a unique driver of the
2 Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure) risk. A dam failure risk
3 event can occur as a result of a seismic event.

4 **Component of an Existing Driver:** The RIM cross-cutting factor does not
5 cause risk events on its own but can contribute to a risk event and;
6 therefore, is represented as a component of another driver. For example,
7 the absence of important records and information or the inability to access
8 that information quickly cannot cause a Loss of Containment on Gas
9 Transmission Pipeline risk event on its own, but can contribute to the
10 likelihood of this risk event occurring through either of two risk drivers—
11 Incorrect Operations or Coordination Failure—if information is not readily
12 available. RIM is represented as a separate driver in the Loss of
13 Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline Risk Bow Tie for visibility but is
14 essentially a component of the Incorrect Operations risk driver.

15 **Consequence:** PG&E's planning for and response to emergencies,
16 included in the EP&R cross-cutting factor, impacts the consequence of a risk
17 event. If a Loss of Containment Gas Distribution Main or Service risk event
18 occurred, initiating emergency response activities could reduce the
19 consequence of the event.

20 **2. Presenting the Cross-Cutting Factors in the 2020 RAMP**

21 The cross-cutting factors appear in several locations in the 2020 RAMP
22 report.

- 23 • In this chapter (Chapter 20, “Cross-Cutting Factors”), PG&E shows how
24 the cross-cutting factors map to the RAMP risks, summarizes each
25 cross-cutting factor, and briefly discusses how the cross-cutting factors
26 impact the RAMP risks.
- 27 • In Chapter 20, Attachment A, PG&E describes each cross-cutting factor
28 in more detail, explains how it impacts the 2020 RAMP risks, discusses
29 any changes since the 2017 RAMP, describes the mitigations and
30 controls planned for the 2020 through 2026 period, and provides the
31 Risk Spend Efficiency (RSE) scores.
- 32 • In the 12 RAMP risk chapters (Chapter 7 to Chapter 18) PG&E lists the
33 cross-cutting factors that impact that RAMP risk.

- In workpapers, PG&E provides a mitigation effectiveness analysis and the forecast costs for those cross-cutting factors where PG&E calculated an RSE.

3. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP

In PG&E's 2017 RAMP, the three cross-cutting factors (RIM, SQWF, and Climate Resilience, (now Climate Change)) were aggregated across individual risk models. PG&E had developed a cross-cutting model that was dependent on the outputs from the other stand-alone risk models. The cross-cutting models were not specific risk events, but an aggregation of the associated stand-alone model. For example, for the RIM cross-cutting factor, each of the stand-alone risks estimated what portion of the risk could be attributed to a records issue. The portion attributed to records issues was an input into the RIM cross-cutting model.

For the 2020 RAMP PG&E is using a new approach for presenting and modeling cross-cutting factors. This new approach is responsive to feedback from the Safety Policy Division, formerly the Safety Enforcement Division (SED), that PG&E's approach to modelling cross-cutting factors in the RAMP lacked specificity and transparency into the impact of the drivers and how they are causally linked to the risk event.² In the 2020 RAMP, PG&E is now integrating each applicable cross-cutting factor into the appropriate RAMP risk models as a driver, driver component, or consequence of that specific risk. This new approach increases transparency and better shows how the cross-cutting factors contribute to the frequency and/or consequence of the RAMP risk events.

B. Mapping the Cross-Cutting Factors to the 2020 RAMP Risks

Tables 20-1 and 20-2 below map the eight cross-cutting factors to the 12 RAMP risks. Table 20-1 shows how the cross-cutting factors impact the likelihood of a risk event while Table 20-2 shows how the cross-cutting factor

² SED noted that PG&E's 2017 approach to modelling cross-cutting risks lacked the specificity and transparency into the impact of the drivers and how they are causally linked to the risk event. SED noted that it might be best to include the cross-cutting drivers in the appropriate stand-alone risk chapter to prevent duplication and better show how these components of risk contribute to the frequency of the risk event. (PG&E, Risk and Safety Aspects of RAMP Report I.17-11-003 (Mar. 30, 2018), p. 24).

1 impacts the consequence of a risk event. PG&E also provides an individual
2 table for each of the cross-cutting factors in Attachment A that maps the
3 cross-cutting factor to the applicable RAMP risks.

4 The risk bowties in each RAMP risk chapter show the applicable
5 cross-cutting factors on both the frequency and consequences sides. Certain
6 cross-cutting factors that impact the consequences of the risk event (right side
7 of the bow tie) will not appear on the bow tie because the cross-cutting factor
8 does not make a separate contribution to the outcome of the risk event. These
9 cross-cutting factors are considered foundational because they support other
10 mitigations rather than directly reducing the risk itself. For example, for the
11 cross-cutting factor EP&R, if a risk event occurs such as Loss of Containment
12 on Gas Transmission Pipeline and PG&E implements EP&R activities (PG&E
13 activates the Emergency Operations Center (EOC)), the EOC activities will
14 reduce the consequence of the risk event (e.g., enhanced coordination with first
15 responders), but those EOC activities do not themselves directly reduce the risk
16 associated with the loss of containment event.

**TABLE 20-1
MAPPING THE CROSS-CUTTING FACTORS TO THE RAMP RISKS
CROSS-CUTTING FACTORS IMPACT THE LIKELIHOOD OF THE RISK EVENT**

Line No.	RAMP Risk	Cross-Cutting Factor								
		Climate Change	Cyber Attack	EP&R	IT Asset Failure	Physical Attack	RIM	Seismic	SQWF	
1	Contractor Safety Incident									
2	Employee Safety Incident	(b)				X			X	
3	Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets	X				X			X	
4	Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets	(b)				X			X	
5	Large Overpressure Event Downstream of Gas Measurement and Control Facility								X	
6	Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)	(b)	X		X				X	
7	Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service	(b)				X			X	
8	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	(b)				X			X	
9	Motor Vehicle Safety (MVS) Incident									
10	Real Estate and Facilities Failure	(b)				X			X	
11	Third-Party Safety Incident									
12	Wildfire	(b)								X

(a) Given historical data, this cross-cutting factor impacts the RAMP risk, but was not extracted from the data and considered or modeled separately. This is referred to in Section B.1 as "Embedded."

(b) This cross-cutting factor is considered by PG&E to impact the RAMP risk, but data limitations precluded a statistically meaningful quantification of its impact. See Attachment A, Section A for more information.

**TABLE 20-2
MAPPING THE CROSS-CUTTING FACTORS TO THE RAMP RISKS
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR IMPACT THE CONSEQUENCE OF THE RISK EVENT**

Line No.	RAMP Risk	Cross-Cutting Factor								
		Climate Change	Cyber Attack	EP&R	IT Asset Failure	Physical Attack	RIM	Seismic	SQWF	
1	Contractor Safety Incident									
2	Employee Safety Incident						X			
3	Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets			(a)	X		X	X		
4	Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets			(a)			X	X		
5	Large Overpressure Event Downstream of Gas Measurement and Control Facility		X	(a)	X		X			
6	Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)			(a)			X			
7	Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service			(a)			X			
8	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline		X	(a)	X		X			
9	Motor Vehicle Safety (MVS) Incident						X			
10	Real Estate and Facilities Failure			(a)			X		X	
11	Third-Party Safety Incident									
12	Wildfire	X		(a)			X			X

(a) Given historical data, this cross-cutting factor impacts the RAMP risk, but was not extracted from the data and considered or modeled separately. This is referred to in Section B.1 as "Embedded."

1 C. Modeling the Cross-Cutting Factors

2 1. Incorporating Cross-Cutting Factors Into the RAMP Risk Bowties

3 PG&E describes its RAMP risk model in Chapter 3, "Risk Modeling and
4 Risk Spend Efficiency." As described in Chapter 3, the eight cross-cutting
5 factors are incorporated into the applicable RAMP risks.

6 Since the cross-cutting factors impact the RAMP risks in different ways,
7 PG&E used seven different modeling methods to incorporate them into the
8 RAMP risk models. These methods are described below and are shown in
9 the individual cross-cutting factor tables in Attachment A.

10 a) Drivers: To determine the likelihood of an event, PG&E modeled the
11 cross-cutting drivers using two methods.

- 12 • Extracted from Existing: PG&E reviewed the historical causal data
13 related to risk incidents and identified cross-cutting events that
14 impacted the RAMP risk. The cross-cutting factor events were not
15 extracted from the historical data and modeled or considered
16 separately. Extracted from Existing generally represents the impact
17 of cross-cutting factors considering the current application of
18 controls. For example, when modelling the effect of the Physical
19 Attack cross-cutting factor on the Employee Safety Incident risk,
20 PG&E relied on and applied historical data related to the different
21 types of employee safety incidents assuming the data incorporates
22 existing controls to reduce the likelihood of physical attack.

- 23 • Added Frequency: PG&E added frequencies (risk events) based on
24 separate quantification efforts. This method was generally used to
25 represent low frequency events where additional quantification was
26 added to the model to represent the potential impact of the
27 cross-cutting factor. For example, for the Failure of Electric
28 Distribution Network Assets risk, PG&E has no historical data on
29 how major seismic events impact those assets, so to model the
30 Seismic cross-cutting factor, PG&E used seismic model output
31 rather than historical observations to characterize Seismic risk.

32 b) Consequence Multiplier: Reflects an adjustment to the Consequence of
33 Risk Event, due to the impact of the cross-cutting factor. This method

1 was generally used to represent the cumulative effect of the concurrent
2 occurrence of the RAMP risk event and the cross-cutting factor. For
3 example, RIM is a consequence multiplier to several risk events. The
4 model considers that the lack of access or lack of timely access to
5 records and information can impact a risk event. This impact is
6 expressed in the model by adding a multiplying factor to an outcome.
7 The impact of RIM is modeled by adding a factor that increases the
8 financial outcome (costs) of an event.

- 9 c) Outcome: if an outcome of a Risk Event has different relationships to
10 drivers than the non-cross cutting factor outcomes (e.g., the severe
11 Seismic outcome is driven only by the Seismic driver).
- 12 d) Unique Driver/Outcome Combination: In certain instances PG&E
13 recognizes a Unique Driver/Outcome Combination for the cross-cutting
14 factors and the model introduces a unique combination of outcomes.
15 For example, for the Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline
16 risk, if an IT asset failure occurs coincidentally or immediately following a
17 risk event, it could cause loss of visibility of the system and delayed
18 response capability, resulting in a greater consequence of the risk event.
19 The model expresses this unique event by adding two outcomes related
20 to the coincident occurrence of the risk event and cross-cutting factor:
21 Transmission Pipeline Rupture Coincident with IT Asset Failure; and
22 Transmission Pipeline Leak Coincident with IT Asset Failure.
- 23 e) Escalating Frequency: Adjustment to driver frequency. This method is
24 generally used to represent a cross-cutting factor that is expected to
25 lead to an increase in the frequency of a risk event occurring. For
26 example, for the Distribution Overhead Asset Failure risk, the model
27 assumes that climate changes (cross-cutting factor: Climate Change)
28 will increase the frequency of events in the Natural Hazard sub-driver
29 category (like heatwave occurrence, lightening, fire, and flooding) over
30 time and, as such, an escalating frequency multiplier is applied to the
31 risk driver.
- 32 f) Embedded: The impact of the cross-cutting factor is already accounted
33 for in the assessment of frequency and consequence of a risk event as
34 control. For example, the model assumes that the impacts of the EP&R

1 cross-cutting factor are already accounted for in the current Loss of
2 Containment – Distribution Main or Service bowtie and no additional
3 EP&R data is added to the baseline risk assessments.

4 **2. Calculating a RSE**

5 PG&E describes the basic process by which each of the cross-cutting
6 factors is represented in the risk model in Attachment A. The source
7 documents used in each of the cross-cutting factor models is included in
8 supporting workpapers.³

9 Calculating the RSE incorporates cost estimates and the perceived
10 effectiveness of each mitigation. PG&E discusses RSEs in Chapter 3, “Risk
11 Modeling and Risk Spend Efficiency.” The cost estimates for the mitigations
12 are included in Attachment A for each cross-cutting factor and in supporting
13 workpapers.⁴ The effectiveness of each mitigation is described in the
14 Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers.⁵

15 In Attachment A PG&E describes the mitigation and control programs it
16 is proposing for each cross-cutting factor during the RAMP period. Most of
17 these programs apply to multiple risks, multiple drivers, multiple tranches,
18 and multiple outcomes. Given the number of potential combinations of risks,
19 drivers, tranches and outcomes, PG&E calculated one RSE for a
20 cross-cutting factor as opposed to an RSE for each cross-cutting factor
21 mitigation. For example, PG&E is proposing seven mitigations to address
22 RIM risks but has calculated one RSE for RIM (all mitigations).

23 **D. Introduction to the 2020 RAMP Cross-Cutting Factors**

24 In this Section PG&E introduces the eight cross-cutting factors. Additional
25 information about each one, including a discussion of the applicable risk
26 modeling, impacts to the 2020 RAMP risks, changes since the 2017 RAMP,
27 planned work and the RSE score is included in Attachment A.

3 PG&E will provide all risk model workpapers on July 17, 2020.

4 References to the financial workpaper are provided in Attachment A.

5 Chapter 3 workpapers include the mitigation effectiveness workpapers for each cross-cutting risk for which PG&E calculated a RSE value.

1 **1. Climate Change**

2 Climate change presents ongoing and future risks to PG&E’s assets,
3 operations, employees, customers, and infrastructure adjacent communities.
4 In the face of these risks, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)
5 has defined climate adaptation for energy utilities as an adjustment in utility
6 systems using strategic and data-driven consideration of actual or expected
7 climatic impacts and stimuli or their effects on utility planning, facilities
8 maintenance and construction, and communications, to maintain safe,
9 reliable, affordable, and resilient operations.⁶

10 PG&E recognizes that adapting to and becoming resilient in the face of
11 climate change is a critical responsibility and that integrating climate change
12 into the Company’s risk approach is a key step in understanding and
13 preparing for projected climate-driven natural hazards. PG&E evaluated all
14 RAMP risks for vulnerability to climate impacts. PG&E integrated available
15 climate projections into the risk bowties for Wildfire and Failure of Electric
16 Distribution Overhead Asset risks. Integrating the projected, quantitative
17 impact of climate change into the other RAMP risk models was not possible
18 for this report due to: the need for more data about the relationship between
19 climate-driven natural hazards and risk events and the need for more or more
20 specific PG&E data.

21 PG&E considers that most RAMP Risks are impacted by the climate
22 change cross-cutting factor and intends to further integrate forward-looking
23 climate data into risk analysis in future reports.

24 Because PG&E expects climate change to impact most RAMP risks
25 additional risk assessment is prudent. A key mitigation planned for the 2020
26 to 2026 period is to conduct a Climate Vulnerability Assessment (CVA).
27 PG&E will undertake a CVA to assess how its assets, operations, and
28 employees are vulnerable to the projected impacts of climate change and
29 consider how climate impacts to PG&E assets may impact customers and
30 infrastructure adjacent communities. The final scope of the CVA will be
31 determined by the forthcoming decision in Rulemaking (R.) 18-04-019.

32 Climate Change is discussed in more detail in Attachment A, Section A.

6 CPUC’s Climate Adaptation Order Instituting Rulemaking (R.)18-04-019, (May 7, 2018).

1 **2. Cyber Attack**

2 Cyber Attack is a coordinated malicious attack purposefully targeting
3 PG&E’s core business functions and resulting in a loss of control of
4 Company information or systems used for gas, electric or business
5 operations. The consequences of a cyber attack are potentially catastrophic
6 and could impact the safety and reliability of PG&E’s operational systems.
7 The Cyber Attack risk includes attacks on IT to obtain unauthorized access
8 to PG&E’s data, and attacks on operational technology to impact PG&E’s
9 ability to control the delivery of natural gas and/or electricity.

10 In the 2020 RAMP, PG&E is proposing a series of mitigations aligned to
11 the four pillars of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)
12 Cybersecurity Framework (CSF): (1) Identify – Activities that develop
13 organizational understanding in managing security risks to systems assets,
14 and data; (2) Protect – Activities that develop and implement appropriate
15 safeguards to provide secure delivery of critical infrastructure services;
16 (3) Detect – Activities that identify the occurrence of a potential security risk,
17 enabling timely discovery and reducing potential consequences; and
18 (4) Respond – Activities that enable effective evaluation of a potential
19 security risk-based event, and impact containment reducing potential
20 consequences. Although there is a fifth NIST CSF category, (5) Recover –
21 Activities that support timely recovery to normal operations following a
22 cybersecurity incident—PG&E did not map projects to this domain.

23 Cyber Attack is discussed in more detail in Attachment A, Section B.

24 **3. Emergency Preparedness and Response**

25 The EP&R cross-cutting factor examines the drivers and consequences
26 of inadequate planning or response to catastrophic emergencies.

27 Inadequate emergency planning or response could have significant safety,
28 reliability, and regulatory impacts. EP&R advances PG&E’s response to
29 emergencies by improving governance, strengthening coordination among
30 the lines of business (LOB), and improving collaboration with external
31 partners such as the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the
32 California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services.

33 EP&R is proposing 12 controls and eight mitigations in the 2020 RAMP.
34 Controls include emergency operations plans and standards, emergency

1 response technology, projects related to PG&E's EOC, and control
2 programs related to the operating LOBs. EP&R mitigations include EOC
3 Enhancements and Mutual Aid Enhancements.

4 EP&R is discussed in more detail in Attachment A, Section C.

5 **4. IT Asset Failure**

6 IT Asset Failure risk is a failure of IT systems or infrastructure, resulting
7 in outages, or system unavailability for mission critical assets impacting
8 operations or the ability to support public safety events. Technology
9 enables and supports virtually all of PG&E's day-to-day activities, including
10 work execution, grid control, customer support, emergency response, asset
11 management, and more. Because of PG&E's growing reliance on
12 technology, the need to maintain the reliability of IT assets and systems
13 becomes increasingly important for PG&E to function effectively.

14 PG&E is proposing four mitigations to address IT Asset Failure.

15 Together these mitigations will enhance IT Asset Failure risk identification,
16 failure detection and response capabilities; add IT asset capacity to support
17 increased demand; remove single points of failure for improved continuity
18 and resiliency; and replace end-of-life, at-risk and high failure rate IT assets.

19 IT Asset Failure is discussed in more detail in Attachment A, Section D.

20 **5. Physical Attack**

21 Physical Attack is defined as incidents related to break-ins, vandalism,
22 theft, fraud, assault, and threats against PG&E's workforce and assets.

23 PG&E is continuing to develop a detailed work plan for the 2020 RAMP
24 period. One of the mitigations PG&E is considering is a program to mitigate
25 identified risks via an internally developed process called the Security
26 Defined Protection Levels (SDPL). Using the SDPL risk framework,
27 Corporate Security has assigned a risk level to approximately 2,600 PG&E
28 facilities. Each risk level corresponds to a standard security package to
29 counter the risk level at each location. Starting with the risk level "elevated"
30 sites, the Corporate Security team will work towards closing any gaps in the
31 security package at that facility.

32 Physical Attack is discussed in more detail in Attachment A, Section E.

1 **6. Records and Information Management**

2 PG&E identified RIM as a cross-cutting factor because the risk of not
3 having an effective RIM program may result in the failure to construct,
4 operate and maintain a safe system and may lead to property damage
5 and/or loss of life. Managing records and information inconsistently can
6 lead to an operational incident or adverse business result if records that are
7 needed cannot be located in a timely fashion.

8 In the 2020 RAMP period the Enterprise Records and Information
9 Management team will continue to implement existing mitigations and begin
10 new mitigations in the areas of records and information compliance,
11 retention, availability, governance, disposition, and integrity.

12 RIM is discussed in more detail in Attachment A, Section F.

13 **7. Seismic**

14 Seismic events can be a significant driver of failure in all LOB assets.
15 PG&E's service territory is in an active seismic zone and as such PG&E
16 assets from all LOBs are subject to the potential for damaging ground
17 shaking and related ground failure that ranges from minor to catastrophic
18 from a single event. Damaging effects may occur without warning over a
19 large geographic area and impact PG&E's ability to serve its customers and
20 respond to the event. Seismic events contribute to the likelihood of asset
21 failure events and to the associated safety, reliability, and financial
22 consequences of those events.

23 During the 2020 RAMP period PG&E's Geosciences team collaborated
24 with LOB asset owners and risk managers to develop the means to
25 consistently quantify seismic risk and to propose risk mitigations tailored to
26 those LOB assets.

27 Seismic Scenario is discussed in more detail in Attachment A,
28 Section G.

29 **8. Skilled and Qualified Workforce**

30 PG&E's Human Resources Department develops and delivers technical,
31 leadership and other training that helps to maintain a skilled, safe and
32 qualified workforce. Failing to maintain a SQWF is one of PG&E's top
33 cross-cutting factors than can impact safety.

1 The SQWF mitigations and controls planned for the 2020 RAMP period
2 are focused on Gas Operations and Electric Operations employees. One of
3 the key mitigations for the 2020 RAMP period is the Enterprise Safety
4 Management System (ESMS). The ESMS is a series of capabilities
5 (people, process and technology systems) required to define, plan,
6 implement and continuously improve workforce safety and includes an
7 Enterprise Management of Change process to identify, understand, and
8 evaluate the risks and hazards when changes are made to facilities,
9 operations, or personnel to assure they are properly controlled.

10 SQWF is discussed in more detail in Attachment A, Section H.

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1 **PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY**
2 **CHAPTER 20**
3 **ATTACHMENT A**
4 **CROSS-CUTTING FACTORS**

5 **A. Climate Change**

6 **1. Overview**

7 Climate change presents ongoing and future risks to Pacific Gas and
8 Electric Company’s (PG&E or the Company) assets, operations, employees,
9 customers, and the communities in which it serves. In the face of these
10 risks, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) has defined climate
11 adaptation for energy utilities in the ongoing Order Instituting Rulemaking
12 (OIR) as adjustments in utility systems using strategic and data-driven
13 consideration of actual or expected climatic impacts and stimuli or their
14 effects on utility planning, facilities maintenance and construction (M&C),
15 and communications, to maintain safe, reliable, affordable, and resilient
16 operations.¹

17 In line with the ongoing OIR, PG&E is taking action to mitigate against
18 and adapt to the potential consequences of a changing climate and
19 associated weather patterns. This includes ongoing “foundational work” that
20 seeks to improve PG&E’s internal capabilities to understand, analyze, and
21 use forward looking climate data in decision-making.

22 PG&E has identified six primary climate-driven contributors to risk:
23 increased severity and frequency of storm events; sea level rise; land
24 subsidence; change in temperature extremes; changes in precipitation
25 patterns and drought; and wildfire. Consequences of these climate-driven
26 events may vary widely and could include increased stress on the energy
27 supply network due to new patterns of demand, reduced hydroelectric
28 output, physical damage to PG&E’s infrastructure, higher operational costs,
29 and an increase in the number and duration of customer outages and safety
30 consequences for both employees and customers.

1 CPUC’s *Climate Adaptation OIR*, Rulemaking (R.)18-04-019 (May 7, 2018).

1 **2. Modeling**

2 Climate Change projections are uncertain. Given the range of potential
3 future conditions and because historical data is often inadequate for
4 understanding how future conditions may impact communities and
5 infrastructure it is difficult to determine how climate change may impact the
6 RAMP risks. To integrate climate data into the risk model, each risk was
7 considered separately, and available climate projections matched to
8 appropriate drivers or consequences. For certain risks a lack of data
9 precluded integration of climate projections, even though PG&E expects
10 these risks to be impacted by climate change.

11 Table 1 shows the status of climate data integration into the risk models.

**TABLE 1
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY: CLIMATE CHANGE**

Line No.	Risk	Status of Climate Data Integration	Explanation of Climate Change Quantification Status
1	Wildfire	Integrated into Model	See Modeling Workpapers Climate
2	Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets	Integrated into Model	See Modeling Workpapers Climate through Climate
3	Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets	Applicable but not integrated, pending further research	Available data shows limited historical natural hazard impact Developing statistical relationship between climate-driven natural hazards and equipment failure
4	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	Applicable but not integrated, pending further research	Available data shows limited historical natural hazard impact Developing statistical relationship between climate-driven natural hazards and equipment failure
5	Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service	Applicable but not integrated, pending further research	Available data shows limited historical natural hazard impact Developing statistical relationship between climate-driven natural hazards and equipment failure
6	Large Overpressure Event Downstream of a Gas Measurement and Control Facility	Not applicable	Asset failure insensitive to natural hazards based on available data
7	Employee Safety Incident	Applicable but not integrated, pending further research	Available data shows limited historical natural hazard impact Developing statistical relationship between climate-driven natural hazards and employee safety
8	Contractor Safety Incident	Not Applicable	Difficult to build relationships between long-reaching climate change issues and risk events
9	Third Party Safety Incident	Not Applicable	Difficult to build relationships between long-reaching climate change issues and risk events

**TABLE 1
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY: CLIMATE CHANGE
(CONTINUED)**

Line No.	Risk	Status of Climate Data Integration	Explanation of Climate Change Quantification Status
10	Motor Vehicle Safety Incident	Applicable but not integrated, pending further research	Difficult to build relationships between long-reaching climate change issues and risk events
11	Real Estate and Facilities Failure	Applicable but not integrated, pending further research	Available data shows limited historical natural hazard impact Need for site-specific flood analysis
12	Large Uncontrolled Water Release	Applicable; De facto integrated via existing FERC risk methodology	Required Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) dam risk assessment is conservative by design and incorporates consideration of past observed and likely future events when considering the magnitude of extreme floods.

1 PG&E's Climate Resilience Team evaluated all RAMP risks in
2 partnership with Risk Owners and asset family subject matter experts. This
3 involved consideration of each risk's sensitivity to climate-driven natural
4 hazards, and determination of whether existing climate data could be
5 integrated into risk bowties in a statistically meaningful manner.

6 In many cases, the Climate Resilience Team and LOB representatives
7 agreed that climate-driven natural hazards would likely impact or continue to
8 impact the risk in the future, but given the data available, it was not possible
9 to meaningfully quantify that impact without substantial further study. For
10 example, future climate change-driven increases in extreme heat and
11 vector-borne illnesses may pose safety risks to employees and contractors.
12 However, a lack of historical data correlating heat to safety incidents
13 precluded the ability to project how this risk will change over time. Similarly,
14 climate change is likely to affect the condition of transportation
15 infrastructure, which, combined with extreme weather events, could lead to
16 an increase in Motor Vehicle Safety Incidents. In this case, it was difficult to
17 build relationships between long-reaching climate change issues and risk
18 events.

19 PG&E intends to continue to advance the inclusion of forward-looking
20 climate data into PG&E's RAMP risk models in future filings. Additionally,
21 PG&E's Climate Vulnerability Assessment will supplement the Company's
22 understanding of how climate-driven natural hazards may impact PG&E in
23 the future.

24 One way climate change can impact a risk is to increase the likelihood
25 of a risk event and act as a frequency multiplier. The model considers how
26 the climate variable will change (often, increase) over time and therefore
27 impact PG&E employees and operations. For example, for the Failure of
28 Electric Distribution Overhead Assets risk, PG&E conducted a heat wave
29 analysis that projects how temperature will increase over time. The results
30 of this analysis are used to estimate how rising temperatures will impact
31 PG&E's electric assets by comparing the rising temperature data to the
32 electric assets failure rates based on the temperature threshold at which
33 equipment is likely to fail. PG&E also considered other natural hazards for
34 this risk, including major rain events, major snow/ice events, extreme wind,

1 lightening, flooding due to extreme precipitation, subsidence, and others. To
2 reflect the impact of these changing climate conditions on this risk, PG&E
3 used climate projections to determine how the frequency of these natural
4 hazard sub-drivers could change over time and impact the frequency of risk
5 occurrence.

6 In contrast, climate change is accounted for in PG&E's Wildfire risk
7 model on the consequence side of the model by correlating the projected
8 change in PG&E territory burned relative to the year 2020 with change in the
9 frequency of ignitions that occur during Red Flag Warnings (RFW). This
10 increases the proportion of ignitions due to PG&E equipment that occur
11 under RFW conditions and therefore, lead to higher consequence wildfires.
12 This correlation is valid because projections of future area burned and RFW
13 events are both driven by underlying factors, like higher temperatures and
14 drier fuels, that are expected to result in more frequent and extreme fires
15 due to climate change.

16 In addition to quantifiably impacting the Failure of Distribution Overhead
17 Assets and Wildfire risks, PG&E considers climate change to be an
18 applicable sub-driver to all other Risk Assessment and Mitigation Phase
19 (RAMP) risks except Large Overpressure Event Downstream of a Gas
20 Measurement and Control Facility, Motor Vehicle Safety (MVS) Incident, and
21 Third-Party Safety Incident.² PG&E was not able to quantify the impact of
22 climate change on these risks at this time due to limited internal, industry,
23 and/or academic research regarding how specific climate variables impact
24 specific asset types. In many cases, the contribution of climate-impacted
25 natural hazard sub-drivers to risk event frequency was negligibly low relative
26 to other drivers based on historical data. Given that climate change is
27 projected to increase the frequency and intensity of some natural hazard
28 sub-drivers—thereby, making these sub-drivers greater potential
29 contributors to risk in the future—PG&E plans to conduct further research to

² Climate Change does not apply to Motor Vehicle Safety Incident and Third-Party Safety Incident because in each case the bowties focus on the actions of the actor in question, rather than environmental conditions leading to failure. In the case of Large Overpressure Event Downstream of a Gas Measurement and Control Facility risk, PG&E found no evidence that climate variables impact the type of equipment failures that are the dominant driver of this risk.

1 better quantify the impact of climate-driven hazards on these risks for the
 2 2024 RAMP filing, and in the meantime is conducting a Climate Vulnerability
 3 Assessment (CVA) consistent with CPUC proceeding R.18-04-019 to
 4 supplement the Company’s understanding of climate-driven risk.

5 **3. Impacts to the 2020 RAMP Risks**

6 Climate Change impacts nine RAMP risks as shown in Table 2 below.
 7 PG&E is proposing alternative mitigations to address Climate Change for
 8 five RAMP risks: (1) Real Estate and Facilities Failure; (2) Failure of Electric
 9 Distribution Overhead Assets; (3) Failure of Electric Distribution Network
 10 Assets; (4) Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service; and,
 11 (5) Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline.

**TABLE 2
 CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY: CLIMATE CHANGE**

Line No.	RAMP Risk	Taxonomy	Risk Frequency, Percentage (Events/Year)	Percent of Risk
1	Employee Safety Incident	Applicable, but unquantified	(a)	--
2	Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets	Escalating Frequency	(a)	(a)
3	Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets	Applicable but unquantified	(a)	--
4	Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)	Embedded	(a)	--
5	Loss of Containment Gas Distribution Main or Service	Applicable, but unquantified	(a)	--
6	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	Applicable, but unquantified	(a)	--
7	Real Estate and Facilities Failure	Applicable, but unquantified	(a)	--
8	Wildfire	Consequence Multiplier	(a)	(a)

(a) This cross-cutting factor is considered by PG&E to impact the RAMP risk, but data limitations precluded a statistically meaningful quantification of its impact. See Attachment A, Section A for more information.

Note: The values in the Cross-Cutting Factor Summary tables come from the bow tie graphics in the RAMP risk chapters (Chapters 7 and 18). In certain instances the impact of the cross-cutting factor is such that it is not displayed on the bow tie graphic.

1 **4. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

2 **a. Planned Work**

3 PG&E designated Climate Resilience as an enterprise risk in 2017.
4 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E identified 12 mitigations that together
5 comprised the foundational activities PG&E planned to undertake in
6 order to better understand the risks posed to the Company by climate
7 change and to increase the Company’s climate resilience.³

8 In 2017 Climate Resilience was a stand-alone risk whereas in 2020
9 this risk has been redefined as a cross-cutting factor to acknowledge
10 that climate-driven natural hazards are contributing drivers to many
11 RAMP risks.

12 PG&E completed six of the mitigations proposed in 2017:
13 (M1A – Develop and Pilot Climate Resilience Screening Tool;
14 M2 – Establish Standardized Process to Respond to Community
15 Request for Climate Impact Information; M4 – Administer the Better
16 Together Resilience Community Grant Program; M7A1 – Sea Level
17 Rise Deep Dive; M7A2 – Wildfire Deep Dive; and, M7A3 – Increasing
18 Temperatures/Heatwaves Deep Dive).

19 PG&E is continuing to work on the other seven mitigations proposed
20 in 2017.

21 **M5C – Develop and Report Climate Resilience Metrics:** PG&E is
22 making progress on increasing its internal capabilities to understand,
23 plan for, and adapt to climate change. To track and measure this
24 progress a second assessment (the baseline assessment was
25 conducted in 2018) will be conducted in early 2021.

26 **M8 – Research Climate Science and Impacts:** While most work in the
27 coming years will be directed at the CVA and Adaptation Plans, future
28 updates will be needed as new climate models are developed and
29 additional research on climate risk is published.

30 **M10 – Governance, Integration, and Continuous Improvement:** Key
31 projects within this mitigation including the ongoing development of

3 PG&E’s 2017 RAMP Report, Investigation (I.) 17-11-003 (Nov. 30, 2017) (PG&E’s 2017 Ramp Report), p. 22-12, Table 22-4.

1 Climate Line of Business (LOB) Action Plans; ongoing work to integrate
2 future climate risk into LOB project lifecycle plans; updating design
3 standards to account for future climate risk; and ongoing training of staff
4 to use climate risk tools.

5 **M11 – Climate Vulnerability Assessment:** PG&E is undertaking a
6 CVA to assess how its assets, operations, and employees are
7 vulnerable to the projected impacts of climate change. The final scope
8 of the CVA will be determined by the forthcoming decision in
9 R.18-04-019. Due to the size of PG&E’s service territory, PG&E plans
10 to conduct the CVA in phases, with each phase focused on one of
11 PG&E’s regions. Each phase will evaluate climate risk exposure,
12 assess the sensitivity of assets in the region to this climate risk; examine
13 the adaptive capacity of the assets, and use this information to
14 determine vulnerability. PG&E will work with various stakeholders
15 throughout the CVA process to keep customers and
16 infrastructure-adjacent communities apprised of developments and
17 findings from the assessment. The CVA is expected to take at least
18 three years to complete.

19 **M12 – Climate Adaptation Plans:** Following the completion of each
20 phase of the CVA, PG&E will begin developing Climate Adaptation
21 Plans, by region to increase the resilience of its assets, operations, and
22 employees. PG&E intends to work closely with local communities to
23 coordinate with local stakeholders as these plans are developed.

24 **M13 – Internal Consulting:** The Climate Resilience team receives
25 requests from the LOBs to undertake ad hoc projects related to
26 integrating forward looking climate data into project planning and asset
27 replacement.

28 The forecast costs for the planned mitigations are shown in Table 3
29 below.⁴

4 Costs for all cross-cutting factor mitigations are included on WP 20-1.

**TABLE 3
FORECAST COSTS,
2020-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	Major Work Category (MWC)	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	M5C	Develop and Report Climate Resilience Metrics	LJA	—	\$155	—	—	\$87	—	—	\$242
2	M8	Research Climate Science and Impacts	LJA	\$52	—	—	\$85	174	\$225	\$185	721
3	M10	Governance, Integration, and Continuous Improvement	LJA	156	160	123	169	174	225	185	1,192
4	M11	CVA	LJA	432	579	588	127	—	—	139	1,865
5	M12	Climate Adaptation Plans	LJA	—	270	397	446	412	330	139	1,993
6	M13	Internal Consulting	LJA	130	210	214	219	224	319	328	1,645
7		Total		\$770	\$1,373	\$1,322	\$1,047	\$1,072	\$1,098	\$975	\$7,657

1 **b. Mitigations With RSE Scores**

2 PG&E did not calculate an RSE for Climate Change because the
3 Climate Change mitigations are foundational. Foundational mitigations
4 do not directly reduce risk themselves, but they support other mitigations
5 that do.

6 **B. Cyber Attack**

7 **1. Overview**

8 The Cyber Attack risk is defined as a coordinated malicious attack
9 purposefully targeting PG&E’s core business functions, resulting in a loss of
10 control of company information or systems used for gas, electric or business
11 operations. The consequences of a cyber attack are potentially catastrophic
12 and could impact the safety and reliability of PG&E’s operational systems.
13 The Cyber Attack factor includes attacks on Information Technology (IT) in
14 order to obtain unauthorized access to PG&E’s data, and attacks on
15 operational technology to impact PG&E’s ability to control the delivery of
16 natural gas and/or electricity. In 2018, the energy sector was among the top
17 three most attacked critical infrastructure sectors in the United States
18 (U.S.).⁵

19 Cybersecurity continues to be increasingly important to the overall
20 safety of PG&E’s operating environment as technology becomes more
21 complex and PG&E becomes more dependent on technology-enabled
22 assets to meet business objectives. Security risks must be mitigated to
23 prevent an attack and secure technology in order to guard against safety,
24 reliability, financial and customer trust impacts.

25 PG&E manages cybersecurity threats through its Cybersecurity
26 organization that is solely focused on managing security risk to PG&E’s
27 workforce, critical infrastructure, information assets, customers, and
28 business operations. Efforts to manage risk include: new security mitigation
29 investments; monitoring and reporting cyber attacks; securing operational
30 technology environments; mitigating critical asset risks; Identity and Access

5 Scott Foster, Power Engineering International, “Cybersecurity: How Utilities Can Prepare the Next Generation of Smart Grid” (Feb. 12, 2018). Scott Foster is the Chief Executive of Delta Energy and Communications.

1 Management (IAM); educating PG&E's employees on common and
2 emerging security threats; remediating vulnerabilities across the enterprise;
3 managing enterprise security technology; and, investigating and mitigating
4 insider threats.

5 **2. Modeling**

6 Cyber Attack can impact both the likelihood and consequence of a risk
7 event. PG&E does not have internal data wherein a cyber attack resulted in
8 a catastrophic risk event, therefore, PG&E relied on publicly-available data
9 to model this cross-cutting factor. Collecting external data to analyze cyber
10 attack is difficult because it is rare for a cyber attack to cause a catastrophic
11 event and because data about a cyber attack is generally not released to the
12 public. Even publicly-available data is not widely available for evaluating the
13 likelihood of a cyber attack against an industrial control system (like a utility)
14 that could result in a catastrophic outcome.

15 To model the impact this cross-cutting factor had on the frequency of a
16 risk event, PG&E evaluated how frequently there were near cyber attack
17 misses. The near-misses were correlated with the chance for a cyber attack
18 to result in a catastrophic outcome—a PG&E control system is compromised
19 such that it leads to a risk event.

20 On the consequence side of the bow-tie, PG&E determined how much
21 worse the outcome of a risk event would be if a risk event and cyber attack
22 occurred at the same time. The model expresses this relationship by
23 applying a consequence multiplier to represent the impact a cyber attack
24 has on a risk event.

25 **3. Impacts to the 2020 RAMP Risks**

26 Cyber Attack impacts three RAMP risks. PG&E is continuing to
27 evaluate the impact that Cyber Attack has on RAMP risks and expects to
28 present Cyber Attack as a cross-cutting factor relative to additional RAMP
29 risks in the 2023 General Rate Case (GRC).

30 Tables 4 and 5, below, maps the Cyber Attack cross-cutting factor to the
31 applicable RAMP risks.⁶

⁶ Information about how Cyber Attack impacts the RAMP risks is included on WP 20-3.

**TABLE 4
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR DRIVER SUMMARY: CYBER ATTACK**

Line No.	RAMP Risk	Taxonomy	Risk Frequency, Percentage (Events/Year)	Percent of Risk
1	Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)	Escalating Frequency	0.6 percent (0.0001)	0.3 percent

**TABLE 5
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR CONSEQUENCE SUMMARY: CYBER ATTACK**

Line No.	RAMP Risk	Consequence	Percent Frequency	Percent of Risk
1	Large Overpressure Event Downstream of Gas Measurement and Control Facility	LOC and Cyber Attack	0.02 percent	0.3 percent
2	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	Leak and Cyber Attack	0.2 percent	<0.01 percent
3	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	Rupture and Cyber Attack	0.1 percent	0.3 percent

1 Cyber Attack can impact the likelihood of a Large Uncontrolled Water
2 Release (Dam Failure) risk event. A Cyber Attack coincident with conditions
3 that cause a dam failure (flood, seismic, internal erosion, or physical attack)
4 will increase the likelihood that a catastrophic outcome will occur.

5 Cyber Attack can impact the consequences of a Large Overpressure
6 Event Downstream of Gas M&C Facility or a Loss of Containment on Gas
7 Transmission Pipeline. If a Cyber Attack that impacts gas Supervisory
8 Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) occurred during a risk event, it could
9 amplify that event by reducing PG&E’s visibility into the system, decreasing
10 PG&E’s ability to respond to the risk event.

11 **4. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

12 In the 2017 RAMP PG&E presented two security-related risks, Cyber
13 Attack (Chapter 18) and Insider Threat⁷ (Chapter 19). In the 2020 RAMP,
14 Insider Threat is now positioned as a sub-driver of Cyber Attack.

7 Insider threat is the likelihood that employee or non-employee workers (i.e., contractors, consultants, temporary employees, etc.) with current or previously authorized access to PG&E’s assets would intentionally or inadvertently use their access and knowledge in a manner that adversely affects safety, reliability or privacy or that results in additional expense to PG&E.

1 In the 2017 RAMP PG&E proposed a series of controls and mitigations
2 designed to manage one or more of the Cyber Attack drivers. The controls
3 and mitigations were aligned to the four pillars of the National Institute of
4 Standards and Technology (NIST) Cybersecurity Framework (CSF) (Identify,
5 Protect, Detect, and Respond). The NIST CSF establishes the basic
6 guidelines of an effective cyber security program.

7 Following the 2017 RAMP filing, PG&E's Cybersecurity organization
8 reevaluated its mitigations to better align them with the Company's overall
9 cybersecurity strategy. Additionally, PG&E identified opportunities for
10 efficiency and identified new work streams that resulted in changes to the
11 mitigation forecasts. These changes were presented in PG&E's 2020
12 GRC.⁸

13 Table 6 below provides a summary status for each of the mitigations
14 presented in the 2017 RAMP.

⁸ Application (A.)18-12-009, Exhibit (PG&E-7), Chapter 9, p. 9-17 to p. 9-40.

**TABLE 6
STATUS OF CYBER ATTACK MITIGATIONS PRESENTED IN THE 2017 RAMP**

Line No.	2017 RAMP Mitigation Name and Number	Mitigation Objective	Current Status
1	M1 – Identify		
2	Third-Party Risk Management	Implement an integrated vendor risk management system that will provide a central repository for all vendor risk assessments.	Initial objectives not complete. Instead of implementing a new tool the decision was made to enhance the existing system. Improvements will continue through 2020.
3	Critical Application Security Monitoring	Build a prioritized list of application logs and develop a road map to onboard the priority logs into PG&E's log review and correlation platform for monitoring and analysis.	Complete.
4	IAM Product Enhancements	Enhance the IAM solutions to support cloud identity management, developer security operations, database integrations, cloud access security, Department of Energy Part 810 export controls, unstructured high-risk data access management, and segregation of duties. The project also includes extending on-premise IAM solutions to cloud and enterprise mobility.	Partially complete. From the scope of anticipated IAM product enhancements work identified in the 2017 RAMP, a few areas were deprioritized, or ownership transitioned.
5	Next Generation Endpoint Security	Create an end-point security strategy, architecture, configuration, and profiles to support the key operating systems in use at PG&E. The capability augments or replaces signature-based antivirus protection, which is no longer fully effective against malware and other types of attacks.	Not complete. PG&E is currently executing on the implementation of the Endpoint Detection and Response (EDR) tool, targeted for June 2020.
6	Priority Application Integration	Evaluate systems for risk of inappropriate logical access, particularly systems critical for Sarbanes-Oxley compliance and systems critical for compliance with regulatory requirements for the custody of Customer Energy Usage Data.	Complete.

**TABLE 6
STATUS OF CYBER ATTACK MITIGATIONS PRESENTED IN THE 2017 RAMP
(CONTINUED)**

Line No.	2017 RAMP Mitigation Name and Number	Mitigation Objective	Current Status
7	Vulnerability Management	Develop and implement a comprehensive solution for vulnerability and patch management process across all of PG&E.	Complete.
8	M2 – Protect		
9	Application Integration	Expand role-based LOB access controls and third-party account integration with access provisions for users in order to mitigate the risk of users with inappropriate access to high risk applications.	Initial objectives complete. Program will extend beyond 2020.
10	Auto Cloud Security	Design and implement processes and tools for applications, computers, and storage and network deployment on the cloud to mitigate the risk of data stored in the cloud.	Initial objectives complete. Program will extend beyond 2020.
11	Operational Data Network (ODN) Security Improvements	Establish core security technologies and test their compatibility with Operations Technology devices. This will enable the development of technology architecture and designs to deploy at Distribution Control Centers, transmission substations, distribution substations, and customer service centers.	Project planned as a multi-year initiative that will extend into the 2020-2022 period. Initial objectives complete.
12	Cloud Security Training	Obtain training courses for employees related to cloud security in order to mitigate the risks of deploying and managing vendor-provided cloud systems. Additional training and job aids will be developed internally related to security best practices in secure system development, operations, configuration management, vulnerability management, and data loss prevention.	Complete.

**TABLE 6
STATUS OF CYBER ATTACK MITIGATIONS PRESENTED IN THE 2017 RAMP
(CONTINUED)**

Line No.	2017 RAMP Mitigation Name and Number	Mitigation Objective	Current Status
13	Customer Information Protection	Develop and implement a data security governance program to address and manage compliance and legal requirements so that sensitive data is protected as per the PG&E requirements. PG&E will use technology to locate sensitive information and assess the controls in place. Where controls are lacking, remediation measures will be identified and implemented in phases based on risk.	Initial objectives complete. Program will extend beyond 2020.
14	Enterprise Password Vault	Provide complex passwords for users.	Complete.
15	Gas SCADA Network	Multi-phase mitigation addressing asset management, network protection (segregation, reduce single point of failure), security monitoring, and technology evaluation and planning for operating system upgrades.	Complete.
16	Catalog Privileged Accounts and Access to Critical Systems	Secures the enterprise network by identifying and cataloging individual users who have custody of critical PG&E logical and/or physical assets. The project will also identify users with privileged access or access to both physical and logical critical systems.	Partially complete. From the scope of anticipated work in the Catalog of Privileged Accounts and Access to Critical Systems initiative identified in the 2017 RAMP, one set of activities was deprioritized and is being evaluated for inclusion in 2020 and beyond.

**TABLE 6
STATUS OF CYBER ATTACK MITIGATIONS PRESENTED IN THE 2017 RAMP
(CONTINUED)**

Line No.	Mitigation Name and Number	Mitigation Objective	Current Status
17	M3 – Detect		
18	Mobile Threat Detection	Implement comprehensive threat protection for Bring Your Own Device and Corporate-Owned Personally Enabled device against mobile network, device, and application related cyber-attacks. Implement a solution that monitors mobile devices in real time to detect threats, analyze deviations from baseline behavior, and respond immediately.	Not complete. In 2017-2018 PG&E evaluated having a Mobile Threat Protection solution to be used in conjunction with the Company's Mobile Device Management (MDM) capabilities and determined the investments that would be made would not justify the risk reduction that would be obtained. Instead, PG&E relies on a set of MDM policies, Mobile Application Management policies enforced by the Mobile Iron solution currently used, and multiple layers of preventive controls to evaluate device state, to reduce the risk posed by a malicious actor getting hold of specific devices and applications.
19	Security Analytics and Advanced Monitoring Phase III	Enhance cybersecurity monitoring technology, algorithms, tools, processes, and techniques.	Complete.
20	Security Monitoring Capability Extension	Accommodate organic growth in security monitoring of systems, of system attributes, and log retention that requires the addition of storage, network capacity, software licensing, and hardware.	Complete.
21	M4 – Respond		
22	Advanced Persistent Threats (APT) Detection and Analysis Enhancement	Improve event analysis and accelerate the detection of attacks coming from APT by extending the amount of time that security event logs are retained to improve the ability to detect malicious activity from a range of possible sources allowing for a faster response and mitigating the overall impact of the attack.	Complete.
23	eDiscovery Capability and Resilience Improvement	Increase the capacity of the eDiscovery tool currently and create space for data backups from the tool.	Complete.

1 In the 2017 RAMP, PG&E proposed five Insider Threat risk mitigations.⁹
2 Insider Threat mitigations and subsequent controls for this RAMP period are
3 incorporated into the four proposed mitigations described below.

4 **5. Mitigations and Controls 2020-2026**

5 **a. Planned Work**

6 In the 2020 RAMP, PG&E is again proposing a series of mitigation
7 programs aligned to the four pillars of the NIST CSF. The work PG&E is
8 proposing for 2020 is described below. PG&E has not yet developed its
9 specific project list for the 2021-2026 time period but will pursue projects
10 closely aligned to each of the NIST CSF domains.

11 **Domain 1 – Identify (Mitigation (M) 1):** Activities that develop
12 organizational understanding in managing security risks to systems,
13 assets, and data. Resources supporting critical functions must have a
14 clear understanding of the business context and related risks to prioritize
15 risk mitigation efforts.

16 PG&E has developed its 2020 project list and is proposing mitigation
17 projects primarily aligned to this domain. One of the Identify projects
18 PG&E is proposing is a new tool that will run in parallel with the existing
19 firewalls to ensure that any firewall misses are identified.¹⁰

20 **Domain 2 – Protect (M2):** Activities that develop and implement
21 appropriate safeguards to provide secure delivery of critical
22 infrastructure services. These activities limit the impact of security
23 risk-based events, reducing both frequency and consequence.

24 PG&E has developed its 2020 project list and is proposing
25 several mitigation projects primarily aligned to this domain. One of the
26 Protect projects PG&E is proposing will prevent cybersecurity events in
27 one operational facility from impacting other remote facilities by
28 segregating critical assets.

⁹ PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report, p. 19-12, Table 19-1.

¹⁰ Many of the cyber attack projects PG&E is proposing impact multiple NIST CSF domains. The new tool to ensure that firewall misses are identified primarily aligns to the Identify domain but applies to the Detect and Respond domains as well. The number of projects planned for 2020 counts each project only once based on the primary domain to which it applies.

1 **Domain 3 – Detect (M3):** Activities that identify the occurrence of a
2 potential security risk, enabling timely discovery and reducing potential
3 consequences.

4 PG&E has developed its 2020 project list and is proposing mitigation
5 projects primarily aligned to this domain. One of the Detect projects
6 PG&E is proposing will improve access certification through technology
7 and business process updates and establish methods to identify and
8 address potentially unauthorized system accounts in an automated
9 manner.

10 **Domain 4 – Respond (M4):** Activities that enable effective evaluation
11 of a potential security risk-based event, and impact containment
12 reducing potential consequences.

13 PG&E has developed its 2020 project list and is proposing
14 a mitigation project primarily aligned to this domain. The Respond
15 project PG&E is proposing will integrate key security tools to improve
16 effectiveness and efficiency of cyber incident response programs.

17 In addition to the mitigations planned for 2020-2026, PG&E will also
18 continue to implement a series of controls to manage cybersecurity risk.
19 These controls provide the operations and maintenance (O&M)
20 framework for cybersecurity and include:

21 **Control 1 – Security Intelligence and Operations Center:** Monitors
22 and reports cyber threats, provides real time event monitoring and
23 incident response, deploys and supports security tools, and performs
24 digital forensic analysis;

25 **Control 2 – Cybersecurity Risk and Strategy:** Provides enterprise
26 cybersecurity strategy, mitigates critical asset risks, secures Operational
27 Technology assets, and collaborates with industry stakeholders;

28 **Control 3 – Cybersecurity Services:** Manages enterprise security
29 technology, IAM, and the remediation of vulnerabilities across the
30 enterprise;

31 **Control 4 – Communications:** Educates PG&E workforce on security
32 threats, and promotes a culture of best security practices; and

33 **Control 5 – Investigation and Insider Threats:** Conducts internal and
34 external investigations of criminal activities and employee misconduct.

1 **b. Mitigations With RSE Scores**

2 The forecast costs, RSEs and risk reduction scores for the planned
3 mitigation work is shown in Tables 7, 8, and 9 below.

**TABLE 7
FORECAST COSTS
2020-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	M1	Identify	JV	\$380	\$391	\$403	\$415	\$428	\$440	\$454	\$2,911
2	M2	Protect	JV	1,553	1,599	1,647	1,697	1,748	1,800	1,854	11,898
3	M3	Detect	JV	538	554	571	588	605	624	642	4,122
4	M4	Respond	JV	326	336	346	357	367	378	390	2,502
5		Total		\$2,797	\$2,881	\$2,967	\$3,056	\$3,148	\$3,243	\$3,340	\$21,432

**TABLE 8
FORECAST COSTS
2020-2026 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	M1	Identify	2F	\$500	\$515	\$530	\$546	\$563	\$580	\$597	\$3,831
2	M2	Protect	2F	18,013	18,553	19,110	19,683	20,273	20,881	21,508	138,020
3	M3	Detect	2F	3,708	3,819	3,934	4,052	4,173	4,299	4,428	28,412
4	M4	Respond	2F	175	180	185	191	197	202	209	1,338
5		Total		\$22,395	\$23,067	\$23,759	\$24,472	\$25,206	\$25,962	\$26,741	\$171,602

**TABLE 9
RSE AND RISK REDUCTION: CYBER ATTACK- ALL MITIGATIONS**

Line No.	Applicable RAMP Risk	Aggregated		Applied to RAMP Risk
		RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)	Risk Reduction (Net Present Value (NPV)) ^(b)
1	<u>Mitigation: All Cyber Attack Mitigations</u>	0.0002	0.02	–
2	Large Overpressure Event Downstream of M&C Facility	–	–	< 0.01
3	Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)	–	–	0.02
4	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	–	–	< 0.01
5	Total	0.0002	0.02	0.02

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

(b) Information presented in terms of NPV to account for the discounting of benefits.

1 **C. Emergency Preparedness and Response**

2 **1. Overview**

3 The Emergency Preparedness and Response (EP&R) cross-cutting
4 factor examines the drivers and consequences of inadequate planning or
5 response to catastrophic emergencies. Inadequate emergency planning or
6 response could have significant safety, reliability and regulatory impacts.

7 EP&R advances PG&E’s response to emergencies by improving
8 governance, strengthening coordination among the LOBs and improving
9 collaboration with external partners such as the Federal Emergency
10 Management Agency (FEMA) and California Governor’s Office of
11 Emergency Services. EP&R requires integrated plans and the appropriate
12 facilities, logistics, technology, and processes to respond to a catastrophic
13 incident.

14 The EP&R organization works with PG&E’s LOBs to develop
15 capabilities for responding to all emergencies such as: a clearly defined
16 organizational structure for emergency response; scalable restoration plans
17 and systems that assist responders with situational awareness;
18 implementing technologies, such as resilient servers and enhanced
19 basecamp communication systems; developing and disseminating
20 emergency incident communications and situational awareness; training
21 employees to respond to emergencies; testing capabilities through a number

1 of exercises and developing and implementing enterprise-wide business
2 continuity efforts; community outreach and customer support for coordinated
3 interaction with Federal, State, County, City and Tribal Agencies. The EP&R
4 organization also maintains PG&E's Emergency Operations Center (EOC)
5 and alternate EOCs.

6 In the 2020 GRC, PG&E described several key initiatives that it would
7 implement during the GRC period¹¹ such as expanding PG&E's weather
8 forecasting, monitoring and modeling capabilities and engaging in activities
9 to maintain and enhance PG&E's emergency preparedness. In the third
10 quarter of 2019, PG&E moved EP&R out of the Community Wildfire Safety
11 Program (CWSP) and created a new organization (EP&R) because EP&R
12 addresses all hazard events. The expanded EP&R organization now
13 consists of five teams each responsible for a unique EP&R scope of work.

14 **EP&R Strategy and Execution:** The Strategy and Execution team is
15 responsible for a wide range of activities including: developing scalable
16 plans and systems for responding to hazards; developing roles and
17 responsibilities for emergency response efforts; working with internal and
18 external stakeholders; leading business continuity efforts and external
19 emergency preparedness events; maintaining the EOC and alternate
20 emergency centers; and measuring and evaluating PG&E emergency
21 response efforts. This team: publishes the annual Company Emergency
22 Response Plan, (CERP) that provides guidance on managing emergencies
23 of all kinds and works with the LOBs to develop CERP annexes; leads
24 continuous improvement projects that improve emergency response
25 functions; and tracks metrics on emergency readiness.

26 **Meteorology:** PG&E's meteorology department integrates weather data
27 from numerous internal and external sources and uses these data streams
28 to forecast wind and weather patterns to calculate fire risk levels across the
29 service territory. The team also: provides daily weather forecasts and
30 Storm Outage Prediction Project models; helps identify locations for new
31 weather stations; and uses state of the art fire modeling to better understand
32 fire patterns, movement, and behaviors. The Meteorology department plays

¹¹ A.18-12-009, Exhibit (PG&E-4), Chapter 3.

1 a key role in the data presented for the decision process during a Public
2 Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS)

3 **EP&R Field Operations:** Field Personnel and Public Safety Specialists
4 (PSS) who support external and internal first responders and emergency
5 managers. PSS personnel plan and train with external first responders to
6 prepare for emergencies, wildfires and PSPS events. PSS teams also
7 support CWSP open houses and workshops and provide first responder
8 workshops about responding to gas and electric emergencies.

9 **Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS):** PG&E's PSPS Program proactively
10 de-energizes select transmission and distribution circuit segments within
11 Tier 2 and Tier 3 HFTD areas when elevated fire danger conditions occur.
12 De energization is determined necessary to protect public safety when
13 PG&E reasonably believes there is an imminent and significant risk of strong
14 winds impacting PG&E assets, and a significant risk of a catastrophic
15 wildfire should an ignition occur.

16 **Wildfire Safety Operations Center (WSOC):** The WSOC is a coordination
17 and communications hub for wildfire activities. The WSOC monitors the
18 service territory for wildfires and provides updates on any fires in PG&E's
19 service area. The WSOC will also deploy PSS to fires to interface with the
20 Incident Command organization. PG&E's Safety and Infrastructure
21 Protection Teams are part of the WSOC and deployed via the WSOC to
22 protect infrastructure during fires and other emergencies.

23 In this RAMP filing, the EP&R initiatives are divided into two categories:

- 24 1) Those initiatives supporting only Wildfire risk mitigation and aligned to
25 the Wildfire RAMP risk;¹² and
- 26 2) Those initiatives supporting multiple risk mitigation efforts and therefore
27 assigned in this RAMP filing as a cross-cutting factor.

28 Those risk mitigations and controls that are aligned to the Wildfire
29 RAMP risk are described in Chapter 10 of this filing. The risk mitigations
30 and controls applicable to multiple risks are described in Section C.5 below.

¹² More information about the EP&R Wildfire initiatives is included in PG&E's 2020 Wildfire Mitigation Plan Report, R.18-10-007, February 7, 2020.

1 **2. Modeling**

2 The EP&R cross-cutting factor impacts the consequence side of the
 3 bow-tie and is considered a consequence modifier. EP&R is relevant after a
 4 risk event occurs by defining how PG&E responds to a risk event. In
 5 modeling the effect EP&R has on a risk event, PG&E applied EP&R to risk
 6 events following which the EOC would be activated – catastrophic and
 7 severe events.

8 Because EP&R is an integral part of PG&E’s operations, it is difficult to
 9 model the consequences of a risk event. Therefore, the model assumes
 10 that the safety, reliability and financial consequences of an event are
 11 reduced by a certain percentage when the EOC is activated.

12 **3. Impacts to the 2020 RAMP Risks**

13 Table 10 below maps the EP&R cross-cutting factor to the applicable
 14 RAMP risks.

**TABLE 10
 CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY: EP&R**

Line No.	RAMP Risk	Taxonomy	Risk Frequency, Percentage (Events/Year)	Percent of Risk
1	Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets	Embedded	--	(a)
2	Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets	Embedded	--	(a)
3	Large Overpressure Event Downstream of Gas Measurement and Control Facility	Embedded	--	(a)
4	Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)	Embedded	--	(a)
5	Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service	Embedded	--	(a)
6	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	Embedded	--	(a)
7	Real Estate and Facilities Failure	Embedded	--	(a)
8	Wildfire	Embedded	--	(a)
(a) While this cross-cutting factor impacts the RAMP risk, it was not extracted from the data and considered or modeled separately.				

1 EP&R controls and mitigations help to reduce the impact of a
2 catastrophic or severe risk event. If a catastrophic or severe risk event
3 occurs, PG&E activates its EOC and/or alternate emergency centers.
4 PG&E would then initiate the EP&R controls to help mitigate the impact of
5 these events such as: coordinated responses between the LOBs to
6 re-energize electric lines and re-pressurize gas pipelines; deploying and
7 staffing base camps to enhance restorations efforts for customers;
8 coordinated customer outreach activities; and communications with
9 third-party responder agencies.

10 **4. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

11 EP&R was not a 2017 RAMP risk.

12 **5. Mitigations and Controls 2020-2026**

13 EP&R is proposing 12 controls and nine mitigations.

14 **a. Planned Work**

15 Controls

16 **C1 – Company Emergency Operations Plans and Standards for**

17 **Response:** Align PG&E emergency operations plans and standards
18 with accepted emergency management industry practices and utility
19 industry best practices. Standards that will be updated include:
20 EMER-2001S: Company Emergency Operations Plan (CERP);
21 EMER-1012M: Earthquake Playbook; EMER-3101M: Earthquake
22 Annex, ERMER-3012M; Cybersecurity Annex, EMER-3102M: Fire
23 Prevention Plan.

24 **C2 – Emergency Response Technology:** (1) LiveSafe application is a
25 mobile two-way safety communications platform and risk mitigation tool
26 to help employees stay safe in every day and high-risk scenarios.
27 PG&E will enhance this tool based on employee and user feedback that
28 will increase safety for PG&E staff; (2) Send Word Now (SWN) is a
29 critical communications and alerting messaging tool to notify employees
30 and external agencies of impacting events and incidents. PG&E is
31 evaluating SWN to increase communications capabilities; (3) MutualLink
32 provides seamless operational communications sharing radio, voice,
33 text, video, data files and telephone systems in a secure environment by

1 use of the Interoperable Response and Preparedness Platform network
2 that connects radios and satellite telephones. PG&E uses this
3 technology to communicate internally and externally with first
4 responders in local law enforcement, fire departments and with base
5 camps and staging sites; and (4) Dynamic Automated Seismic Hazard
6 (DASH) is an earthquake damage model that sends messages and
7 graphics to subscribed users.¹³

8 **C3 – EOC/Incident Command System (ICS) Training Program:**

9 Implement an annual credential program to train and enhance ICS
10 skills and standards to coordinate an emergency response. Training
11 programs will be built around emergency management industry best
12 practices for accreditation and in collaboration with Cal-OES. The
13 emergency training program is aligned with National Incident
14 Management System, California Standardized Emergency Systems,
15 and foundational ICS guidance provided by the FEMA’s Emergency
16 Management Institute and the California Specialized Training
17 Institute (CSTI).

18 **C4 – EOC Response:** PG&E will train personnel to use the ICS as
19 described in Control C3 above.

20 **C5 – EOC Exercises:** EOC exercises enhance emergency response
21 coordination capabilities among EOC staff. They provide an opportunity
22 to test the effectiveness of current EOC procedures and resources.
23 Exercises include: Grid Restoration Table Top Exercise (TTX), Grid
24 Restoration Functional, FEMA inspired exercises, Cyber Security TTX,
25 Cyber Security/Electrical Grid Exercise IV Full-Scale, Earthquake
26 Full-Scale, and Alternate Company Headquarters exercise.

27 **C6 – Weekly Situational Awareness Calls (WSAC) and**

28 **Enhancements:** WSACs with Enterprise-Wide Coordination Group to
29 identify operational issues that have enterprise-wide impacts. PG&E will
30 enhance this control by changing the WSAC criteria to build metrics
31 around the readiness of all the WSAC participants to respond to a
32 catastrophic event.

¹³ DASH is described in the Seismic cross-cutting factor section below (Section G).

1 **C7 – Early Earthquake Warning:** PG&E is piloting a Shake
2 Alert-based public-address system for earthquake notifications that
3 includes: pre-event notification linked to ground movement sensors to
4 warn of an impending quake; and links to mechanical systems (e.g., in a
5 high-rise building elevators would be routed to the ground floor prior to
6 shaking without any human intervention).

7 **C8 – Debris Flow Modeling:** Debris-flow modeling focuses on
8 landslide-triggered debris flows in PG&E’s service territory. PG&E uses
9 pre and post wildfire geospatial data to model debris flow threat and
10 probabilities. Burn areas are reviewed for proximity to PG&E
11 infrastructure and for potential downstream impacts to communities. If
12 modeling shows potential impacts to infrastructure or communities,
13 plans are developed to eliminate or minimize potential damage.

14 **C9 – Gas Systems Operations Temperature Forecasting:** Provide
15 temperature forecasts used to model forecasted gas demand and loads
16 over a seven day forecast horizon. Gas demand forecasting is used to
17 provide situational awareness and operational triggers for executing
18 procedures such as gas curtailments.

19 **C10 – Power Generation Hydro Management Forecasting:** Provide
20 temperature, precipitation, snow level forecasts and weekly briefings for
21 multiple PG&E watersheds. This forecast data is used to help manage
22 PG&E reservoirs and model inflow expected over the next week.

23 **C11 – Short-Term Electric Supply Forecasting:** Provide temperature
24 and roof-top solar forecasting to help forecast electric demand and
25 support procurement of energy in day-ahead markets.

26 **C12 – Diablo Canyon Power Plant (DCPP) Emergency Response**
27 **Organization Support:** Provide emergency support for any emerging
28 conditions at DCPP that may pose a risk to the public. Meteorological
29 support is provided in the event of an emergency at DCPP including
30 forecasting wind speed and direction and reporting of current
31 conditions that support Protective Action Recommendations to
32 San Luis Obispo County.

1 Mitigations

2 PG&E is proposing eight individual mitigations that are divided into
3 three groups. The outputs from the risk model include only the
4 two mitigation groups—EOC Enhancements and Mutual Aid (MA)
5 Enhancements—and not the individual mitigation names.

TABLE 11
EP&R MITIGATIONS GROUPED BY MITIGATION TYPE

Line No.	Mitigation Group 1 – EOC Enhancements	Mitigation Group 2 – MA Enhancements	Foundational Mitigations
1	M1–Base Camp Project	M4–MA Tools and Equipment	M6–New Incident Specific Annexes
2	M2–Check In/ Check-Out with Salesforce	M5–Mutual Assistance Improvement	M8–Early Earthquake Warning Enhancements
3	M3–Secondary Emergency Roles, Enterprise-Wide		
4	M7–EOC/ICS Training Program Enhancements		

6 **M1 – Base Camp Project:** Improve personnel accountability and
7 operations surrounding base camp activations, including check-in and
8 check-out of employees. Implement IT controls and processes to
9 account for personnel entering and exiting the base camp. Using
10 technology for check-in and check-out will help PG&E account for all
11 personnel entering and exiting the camp and will improve safety if a
12 base camp needs to be evacuated by confirming that all personnel can
13 be accounted for. Required equipment includes ruggedized devices that
14 can be used at multiple entry/exit points.

15 **M2 – EOC Check-In/Check-Out With Salesforce:** Develop and
16 implement processes and tools for the check-in and check-out function
17 at the EOC.

18 **M3 – Secondary Emergency Roles, Enterprise-Wide:** Implement
19 secondary emergency role in the event of an activated incident. PG&E
20 will train personnel for multiple emergency response roles so that if one
21 area gets hit by an emergency, staff from other areas are ready to

1 assist. Using an all-hazards approach to training gives the staff the
2 most versatility in managing incidents.

3 **M4 – Mutual Aid Tools and Equipment:** Develop a process for
4 identifying, acquiring and dispersing of mutual assistance tools essential
5 to emergency restoration for mutual assistance and internal crews.

6 **M5 – Mutual Assistance Improvement:** Develop guidance for
7 acquiring and training mutual assistance resources. Improve mutual
8 assistance program to onboard, process, track, demobilize and pay
9 mutual assistance resources. Develop and implement mutual
10 assistance and DCPD collaboration training program for DCPD
11 employees and new MA Assistance employees.

12 **M6 – New Incident-Specific Annexes:** Develop new incident specific
13 annexes (plans) to provide guidance to the LOBs to plan and document
14 their responses to specific disruptions. Current annexes being
15 developed are the Earthquake Emergency Restoration plan and the
16 infectious disease annex. Other annexes will be developed based on
17 current risk data. PG&E considers this to be a foundational mitigation.¹⁴

18 **M7 – EOC/ICS Training Program Enhancements:** As part of its
19 foundational mitigation effort, PG&E established a 5-year training plan
20 for personnel in leadership roles in the EOC. The training plan consists
21 of four phases: (1) ICS Baseline Courses; (2) CSTI EOC Baseline
22 Courses; (3) Advanced ICS for Select Personnel; and
23 (4) Position-specific Training Workshops. Phase 3, ICS-300, is for all
24 EOC supervisory personnel and advanced training (ICS-400) for all
25 EOC Command and General staff.

26 **M8 – Early Earthquake Warning Enhancements:** The program will
27 improve earthquake preparedness, resiliency, and response capability
28 through the use of early warning technology. PG&E will plan, coordinate
29 and execute: Public Address System upgrades in General Office
30 (245 Market/77 Beale) (C7 above); Debris Flow Analysis (C8 above);

¹⁴ PG&E considers certain mitigations to be foundational mitigations because they support other controls and mitigations rather than directly mitigate risk and, as a result, PG&E is not assigning a risk score or calculating an RSE for these foundational mitigations.

1 and DASH Server Upgrade (C2 above). PG&E considers this to be a
2 foundational mitigation.

3 **b. Mitigations With RSE Scores**

4 The forecast costs for the planned mitigations are shown in
5 Tables 11 and 12, and the RSEs and risk reduction scores in Tables 13
6 and 14 below. PG&E did not calculate RSEs for Mitigation 6 or
7 Mitigation 8 because they are considered foundational work.

**TABLE 12
FORECAST COSTS
2020-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	M1	Base Camp Project	AB6	\$1,000	\$2,050	\$1,051	\$1,077	—	—	—	\$5,178
2	M2	EOC Check-In, Check-Out with Salesforce	AB6	30	31	32	32	\$33	\$14	—	172
3	M3	Secondary Emergency Roles Enterprise-Wide	AB6	500	513	525	538	552	566	—	3,194
4	M7	EOC/ICS Training Enhancements ^(a)	AB6	980	980	980	980	980	980	\$980	6,862
5		Subtotal EOC Enhancements		\$2,510	\$2,588	\$2,688	\$2,628	\$1,565	\$1,560	\$980	\$15,405
6	M4	MA Tools and Equipment	AB6	\$40	—	—	—	—	—	—	\$40
7	M5	Mutual Assistance Improvement	AB6	50	\$51	\$53	\$54	—	—	—	208
8		Subtotal MA Enhancements		\$90	\$51	\$53	\$54	—	—	—	\$248
9	M6	New Incident Specific Annexes	AB6	\$250	\$256	\$263	\$269	—	—	—	\$1,038
10		Total		\$2,850	\$3,881	\$2,903	\$2,951	\$1,565	\$1,560	\$980	\$16,691

(a) The forecast costs for this mitigation exclude escalation. PG&E will escalate these costs in the 2023 GRC forecast using the 2023 GRC escalation rate.

**TABLE 13
FORECAST COSTS
2020-2026 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	M8	Early Earthquake Warning Enhancements ^(a)	21	\$255	\$255	\$255	\$255	\$255	\$255	\$255	\$1,787
2		Total		\$255	\$255	\$255	\$255	\$255	\$255	\$255	\$1,787

(a) The forecast costs for this mitigation exclude escalation. PG&E will escalate these costs in the 2023 GRC forecast using the 2023 GRC escalation rate.

**TABLE 14
RSE AND RISK REDUCTION: EP&R – EOC ENHANCEMENTS**

Line No.	Mit No.	Applicable RAMP Risk	Aggregated		Applied to RAMP Risk
			RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)
1	M1, M2, M3, M7	<u>Mitigation: EOC Enhancements</u>	440	2,667	–
2		Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets	–	–	0
3		Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets	–	–	37
4		Large Overpressure Event Downstream of Gas M&C Facility	–	–	2
5		Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)	–	–	7
6		Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service	–	–	8
7		Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	–	–	16
8		Real Estate and Facilities Failure	–	–	20
9		Wildfire	–	–	2,576
10		Total	440	2,667	2,667

(a) See MWCs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

(b) Information presented in terms of NPV to account for the discounting of benefits.

**TABLE 15
RSE AND RISK REDUCTION: EP&R – MA ENHANCEMENTS**

Line No.	Mit No.	Applicable RAMP Risk	Aggregated		Applied to RAMP Risk
			RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)
1	M4, M5	<u>Mitigation: MA</u>	14,918	654	–
2		Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets	–	–	–
3		Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets	–	–	10
4		Large Overpressure Event Downstream of Gas M&C Facility	–	–	1
5		Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)	–	–	2
6		Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service	–	–	2
7		Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	–	–	4
8		Real Estate and Facilities Failure	–	–	5
9		Wildfire	–	–	630
10		Total	14,918	654	654

(a) See MWCs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

(b) Information presented in terms of NPV to account for the discounting of benefits.

1 **D. IT Asset Failure**

2 **1. Overview**

3 The IT Asset Failure risk is defined as failure of IT systems or
4 infrastructure, resulting in outages, or system unavailability for mission
5 critical assets impacting operations, or the ability to support public safety
6 events.

7 IT has become increasingly engrained in PG&E operations. Across all
8 LOBs, technology helps to improve safety and reliability, enhances the
9 customer experience, and supports compliance. Technology enables and
10 supports virtually all of PG&E’s day-to-day activities, including work
11 execution, grid control, customer support, emergency response, and asset
12 management. The growing reliance on technology demonstrates PG&E’s
13 shift to what’s known as a “digital business”—or more specifically, a “Digital
14 Utility.” As this shift continues, the reliability of IT assets and integrated
15 systems becomes increasingly important for PG&E to function effectively.

16 To define the IT assets that could impact a RAMP risk, the 12 RAMP
17 risk teams identified those IT software applications, infrastructure (hardware)
18 and systems that, were they to fail, would significantly impact their RAMP
19 risk event. The IT risk team started its analysis with the software
20 applications and hardware components identified by the RAMP risk teams
21 and used them to develop a more complete list of IT assets that could
22 impact a RAMP risk.

23 To fully develop the potential impact to the RAMP risks, the IT risk team
24 evaluated all of the software applications, systems, and hardware
25 components that PG&E relies on to operate its business including asset
26 management systems, collaboration tools, infrastructure technologies,
27 operational management systems, work management systems, and others
28 in order to more clearly understand and define the potential risks that could
29 result from an IT asset failure. After completing this holistic analysis of
30 potential IT asset failure risks, the IT risk team then applied the results of the
31 analysis to the 12 RAMP risk events and determine if and how these
32 potential IT asst risks applied to the software applications and hardware
33 components relied on by the RAMP risk teams to mitigate risk. This IT
34 analysis involved a review of foundational infrastructure systems (e.g., data

1 centers, fiber optic backbone), hardware (e.g., servers, desktop and laptop
2 computers), hosting environments (including compute, storage, and network
3 technologies), communications systems (e.g., network routers, interconnect
4 sites and switches, data collection units, radio base stations), and software
5 applications (e.g., business applications, data management software,
6 operating systems).

7 Because PG&E's IT systems are so complex and include so many
8 individual elements, PG&E focused its risk analysis on Mission Critical
9 (Tier 1) and Business Critical (Tier 2) systems for this 2020 RAMP. PG&E
10 identified the IT assets that are included in the IT Asset Failure risk by
11 reviewing approximately hundreds of IT assets, grouped by Level 1 Asset
12 Category¹⁵ and Level 2-3 Asset Category,¹⁶ to determine the potential
13 impact each asset would have on a RAMP risk event if that asset failed.
14 This analysis assessed the interdependencies among the different IT assets
15 and evaluated how a failure of one system, software application, or
16 hardware component could impact other, inter-connected assets. PG&E did
17 not identify each specific point where technology failure could impact the
18 application or hardware component identified by the RAMP risk owner but
19 focused instead on generic interdependencies. As the IT Asset Failure risk
20 analysis matures, PG&E will move towards a more granular analysis of
21 interdependencies.

22 The Level 1 and Level 2-3 Asset Categories that the IT risk team
23 determined could potentially impact a RAMP risk were further analyzed to
24 determine their potential impact on a risk event, a risk driver, or on the
25 consequences of a risk event.

26 **Direct Impact:** Failure of an IT asset could directly cause a risk event or
27 risk event driver to occur, could directly inhibit PG&E's ability to detect an

15 The Level 1 Asset Category was the starting point for the detailed risk analysis, and it is segregated into foundational type technologies and systems such as: collaboration; infrastructure technologies; and management systems (i.e., asset management, customer management, IT management, operations management, etc.).

16 Level 2-3 Asset Category includes a more granular division of technology assets including: IT facilities; telephony; personal computing; document and filing sharing; application hosting; geographic information systems; outage management tools; and real-time monitoring tools.

1 occurrence of the risk event, or could directly inhibit PG&E's response
2 to/recovery from a risk event; or

3 **Indirect Impact:** Failure of an IT asset/system could cause failure of an
4 asset used directly to prevent, an event, or could, combined with other
5 drivers, increase the likelihood of a risk event.

6 **Consequence Multiplier:** Failure of an IT asset could increase the impact
7 of the risk event creating delays in the detection and response to an event.

8 For example, the Loss of Containment – Gas Transmission Pipeline risk
9 owner determined that IT asset failures that led to the unavailability of the
10 Gas SCADA and the Oasys applications could result in loss of visibility of
11 the system and delayed response capability. Starting with this critical
12 application, the IT risk team evaluated all the different IT assets that, should
13 they fail, could impact the two critical applications. Through this analysis,
14 the IT risk team identified nine different Level 1 Asset Category elements
15 and 89 individual Level 2-3 Asset Category elements whose failure could
16 impact the Gas Transmission risk event.

17 IT Asset Failure itself does not cause a risk event to occur. However, if
18 a risk event and an IT Asset Failure occur at the same time, it is possible
19 that the likelihood of the risk event occurring could increase or the outcome
20 of the risk event could be more significant.

21 **2. Modeling**

22 IT Asset failure is included in the risk event bow ties as both impacting
23 the likelihood of an event occurring and as a consequence multiplier.

24 As described above, modeling the risk of IT Asset Failure across the
25 12 RAMP risks involved a detailed analysis of hundreds of IT assets that
26 can impact the RAMP risks in different ways and can result in minor to
27 catastrophic impacts. Due to the complexities of the IT systems, the number
28 of individual assets, and the compound relationships among the IT assets
29 and the RAMP risks, it was difficult for the RAMP risk owners and IT risk
30 team to determine exactly which IT assets would significantly impact a risk
31 event if they failed. In addition to the individual IT assets, PG&E also
32 struggled with how to account for the “foundational” IT assets
33 (e.g., networks, communication systems, etc.) in frequency/impact
34 quantification and mitigation effectiveness calculations.

1 Along with the difficulty identifying the critical IT assets (defined here as
 2 those that would impact a risk even if they failed), PG&E determined that it
 3 does not have sufficient internal data to support IT asset failure frequency,
 4 outage frequency, outage durations, the impacts those durations could have
 5 on the LOBs if a critical IT asset failed or sufficient internal data to evaluate
 6 the potential for IT asset to fail in the future. Finally, PG&E could not
 7 determine a defensible method for valuing the effectiveness of the planned
 8 mitigations.

9 PG&E is exploring ways to quantify and model IT Asset Failure and
 10 expects to calculate RSEs for IT Asset Failure in the 2023 GRC.

11 **3. Impacts to the 2020 RAMP Risks**

12 Table 16 and 17 below maps the IT Asset Failure cross-cutting factor to
 13 the applicable RAMP risks. IT Asset Failure is an added frequency for one
 14 RAMP risk and a consequence multiplier for three RAMP risks. PG&E is
 15 continuing to evaluate the impact that IT Asset Failure has on RAMP risks
 16 and expects to present IT Asset Failures as a cross-cutting factor, relative to
 17 additional RAMP risks in the 2023 GRC. ¹⁷

**TABLE 16
 CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR DRIVER SUMMARY: IT ASSET FAILURE**

Line No.	RAMP Risk	Taxonomy	Risk Frequency, Percentage (Events/Year)	Percent of Risk
1	Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)	Added Frequency	6 percent (0.00001)	6 percent

¹⁷ Information about how IT Asset Failure impacts the RAMP risks is included on WP 20-3.

**TABLE 17
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR CONSEQUENCE SUMMARY: IT ASSET FAILURE**

Line No.	RAMP Risk	Outcome	Percent Frequency	Percent of Risk
1	Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Asset	Asset Failure/Not Assoc. w/ Ignition/Coincident with IT Asset Failure	< 0.1 percent	0.3 percent
2	Large Overpressure Event Downstream of Gas Measurement and Control Facility	LOC and IT Asset Failure	0.1 percent	1.6 percent
3	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	Rupture and IT Asset Failure	0.5 percent	1 percent
4	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	Leak and IT Asset Failure	0.6 percent	<0.01 percent

1 IT Asset Failure impacts four RAMP risks:

2 Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets

3 PG&E identified four IT assets or IT components that could multiply the
4 consequences of a risk event if they failed at the same time a Failure of
5 Electric Distribution Overhead Asset risk even occurred: (1) SCADA radio
6 systems; (2) backhaul landline/microwave communication components;
7 (3) ODN; and (4) the electric distribution management system.

8 Large Overpressure Event Downstream of Gas M&C Facility

9 IT Asset Failure could amplify the consequences of a risk event because
10 IT asset failures could lead to the unavailability of Gas SCADA resulting on
11 loss of visibility of the system and delayed response capability. IT Asset
12 Failure is not likely to cause this risk event. The IT systems considered
13 when analyzing IT Asset Failure risk are critical network components and
14 mission critical communications systems supporting regulating, gas, meter
15 and compression stations, electric plants, and valve lots.

16 Large Uncontrolled Water Release

17 IT Asset Failure coincident with a Large Uncontrolled Water Release
18 failure (e.g., flood, seismic event, internal erosion or physical attack) will
19 increase the likelihood of a risk event (dam failure). The IT systems
20 considered when analyzing IT Asset Failure risk are critical network
21 components and mission critical communications systems supporting
22 hydroelectric plants.

1 Loss of Containment on Transmission Pipeline

2 IT Asset Failure is not likely to cause this risk event but could increase
3 the consequence of an event if Gas SCADA is unavailable, causing loss of
4 visibility into the gas transmission system and delayed response time. The
5 IT systems considered when analyzing IT Asset Failure risk are critical
6 network components and mission critical communications systems
7 supporting regulating, gas, meter and compression stations, electric plants
8 and valve lots.

9 **4. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

10 IT Asset Failure was not a 2017 RAMP risk.

11 **5. Mitigations and Controls 2020-2026**

12 **a. Planned Work**

13 PG&E has identified five IT Asset Failure risk mitigation programs:

14 **M1 - Asset Management/Monitoring:** Implement IT asset failure risk
15 identification and/or failure detection and response capabilities;

16 **M2 - Capacity/Coverage/Scalability:** Add IT asset capacity, coverage
17 and/or scalability to support increased demand;

18 **M3 - Resiliency:** Remove single points of failure, design IT asset(s) for
19 continuity and resiliency;

20 **M4 – Lifecycle:** Replace end-of-life, at-risk, and/or high failure rate IT
21 assets.

22 **M5 - Multiple Risks Impact Mitigation:** Risk mitigation projects or
23 programs that combine one or more of the four IT Asset Failure
24 mitigation programs (M1 through M4). For example, a single Multiple
25 Risks Impact Mitigation may address both asset management and
26 monitoring concerns as well as resiliency issues.

27 To develop the list of mitigation programs and assign them to the
28 appropriate RAMP risks, PG&E evaluated more than 200 individual IT
29 projects and mapped each one to: (1) one of the five RAMP mitigation
30 programs; (2) a RAMP asset category; and (3) a RAMP risk.

31 For example, PG&E is planning nine third-party fiber replacement
32 and repair projects. Because these projects are designed to replace
33 end-of-life or at-risk assets, they were categorized as a part of the

1 Lifecycle Mitigation Program and IT Asset Failure Mitigation Program.
2 Next, the IT risk team determined that the eight projects contribute to the
3 asset category “Network – Transmission.” Finally, based on the initial
4 mapping of IT assets to risks, the risk team knew that the
5 Network-Transmission asset category applies to RAMP risks in Electric
6 Operations, Gas Operations, and Power Generation.

7 The five IT Asset Failure mitigation programs often include multiple
8 projects and/or programs. Because PG&E is continuing to build out its
9 2021-2026 project plan, it relied on its 2020 work plan as the basis for
10 assigning the mitigation programs to the RAMP risks. A copy of the
11 2020 work plan aligned to mitigation programs is included in
12 workpapers.¹⁸

13 The forecast costs for the planned mitigation programs are shown in
14 Tables 18 and 19 below.

¹⁸ See WP 20-4.

TABLE 18
FORECAST COSTS
2020-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	M1	Asset Management/Monitoring	JV	\$230	\$237	\$244	\$251	\$259	\$266	\$274	\$1,760
2	M2	Capacity/Coverage/Scalability	JV	86	88	91	94	96	99	102	656
3	M3	Resiliency	JV	77	79	82	84	87	89	92	589
4	M4	Lifecycle	JV	20,722	21,344	21,984	22,644	23,323	24,023	24,744	158,785
5	M5	Multiple Risks Impact Mitigation	JV	972	1,001	1,031	1,062	1,094	1,127	1,161	7,448
6		Total		\$22,087	\$22,749	\$23,432	\$24,135	\$24,859	\$25,605	\$26,373	\$169,239

TABLE 19
FORECAST COSTS, RSE, AND RISK REDUCTION
2020-2026 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	M1	Asset Management/Monitoring	2F	\$3,023	\$3,113	\$3,207	\$3,303	\$3,402	\$3,504	\$3,609	\$23,162
2	M2	Capacity/Coverage/ Scalability	2F	10,818	11,142	11,477	11,821	12,175	12,541	12,917	82,891
3	M3	Resiliency	2F	3,501	3,606	3,714	3,825	3,940	4,058	4,180	26,825
4	M4	Lifecycle	2F	103,662	106,772	109,975	113,274	116,673	120,173	123,778	794,308
5	M5	Multiple Risks Impact Mitigation	2F	11,724	12,075	12,438	12,811	13,195	13,591	13,999	89,833
6		Total		\$132,727	\$136,709	\$140,810	\$145,035	\$149,386	\$153,867	\$158,483	\$1,017,018

1 **b. Mitigations With RSE Scores**

2 Given the complexities of evaluating the relationship between IT
3 assets and RAMP risk events, the lack of internal data and difficulty
4 determining mitigation effectiveness, PG&E was not able to calculate an
5 RSE for IT Asset Failure.

6 PG&E is working through these issues and expects to present RSEs
7 for IT Asset Failure mitigation programs in the 2023 GRC.

8 **E. Physical Attack**

9 **1. Overview**

10 Physical Attack is defined as an attack on PG&E physical assets or
11 personnel, that could result in damage to property, business impacts, or
12 injury/fatality. Physical attacks are increasing as evidenced by the increase
13 in active shooter incidents in the U.S.

14 PG&E manages the Physical Attack risk in its Corporate Security
15 organization. Activities include assessing and mitigating physical security
16 risks related to employees, contractors, physical assets, facilities and
17 infrastructure. The Corporate Security organization is responsible for
18 emergency response, incident management and collaborating with local
19 management on physical security vulnerability and mitigations.

20 **2. Modeling**

21 Physical Attack impacts the likelihood of a risk event and includes both
22 attacks against a person and attacks on a PG&E facility or asset
23 (vandalism).

24 To model this cross-cutting factor PG&E used a bottom-up approach,
25 relying on both internal and proxy data. PG&E relied on internal data
26 identifying each physical attack on a PG&E asset related to electric
27 distribution overhead assets and gas distribution and transmission assets.
28 To model physical attacks related to PG&E owned and managed facilities
29 (real estate), electric distribution underground network assets, and
30 hydroelectric facilities PG&E relied on proxy data and Subject Matter Expert
31 (SME) insight.

1 **3. Impacts to the 2020 RAMP Risks**

2 Physical Attack impacts seven risks. PG&E is continuing to evaluate the
 3 impact that Physical Attack has on RAMP risks and expects to present
 4 Physical Attack as a cross-cutting factor relative to additional RAMP risks in
 5 the 2023 GRC.

6 Table 20 below maps the Physical Attack cross-cutting factor to the
 7 applicable RAMP risks.¹⁹

**TABLE 20
 CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY: PHYSICAL ATTACK**

Line No.	RAMP Risk	Taxonomy	Risk Frequency, Percentage (Events/Year)	Percent of Risk
1	Employee Safety Incident	Extracted from Existing	0.23 percent (1.4)	0.26 percent
2	Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets	Extracted from Existing	0.1 percent (27)	0.1 percent
3	Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets	Added Frequency	0.1 percent (0.01)	0.1 percent
4	Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)	Added Frequency	0.1 percent (0.00001)	0.2 percent
5	Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service	Extracted from Existing	0.02 percent (7)	0.01 percent
6	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	Extracted from Existing	0.4 percent (0.01)	0.5 percent
7	Real Estate and Facilities Failure	Added Frequency	27 percent (2.2)	0.2 percent

8 Employee Safety Incident

9 A physical attack is one of the drivers that can lead to the “Violence and
 10 other injuries by persons or animals” outcome of the risk event.

11 Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets

12 Physical Attack can increase the likelihood of this risk event. It occurs
 13 when third parties tamper with Distribution Overhead assets resulting in
 14 outages.

15 Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets

16 PG&E has not experienced a physical attack leading to asset failure in
 17 this part of the grid. There are controls that exist to make it very difficult for

¹⁹ Information about how Physical Attack impacts the RAMP risks is included on WP 20-3.

1 unauthorized access to the vaults in which these assets are situated. In
2 addition, the redundant nature of the system means that a single failure is
3 unlikely to lead to any impact to the customer.

4 Large Uncontrolled Water Release

5 While a physical attack on a hydroelectric dam could potentially cause a
6 risk event, there are no instances of this occurring in the U.S. Physical
7 Attack is not a significant driver to the risk event.

8 Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service

9 A physical attack could cause a loss of containment on Gas Distribution
10 Main or Service event. Fewer than one percent of about 30,000 loss of
11 containment events on gas distribution main or service that are expected to
12 occur annually are attributed as physical attack or intentional damage.

13 Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline

14 Physical Attack could cause the Loss of Containment on Gas
15 Transmission Pipeline. Fewer than one percent of the loss of containment
16 events on gas transmission pipeline that are expected to occur annually are
17 attributed as physical attack or intentional damage.

18 Real Estate and Facilities Failure

19 Physical attacks could result in minor damage to a PG&E facility. The
20 minor damage outcome is identified to have only financial consequences.
21 Safety consequences related to a physical attack on a PG&E facility are
22 accounted for in the Employee Safety Incident risk.

23 **4. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

24 Physical Attack was not a 2017 RAMP risk.

25 **5. Mitigations and Controls 2020-2026**

26 **a. Planned Work**

27 PG&E has developed its detailed Corporate Security project plan for
28 2020. These Corporate Security projects are designed to mitigate the
29 Physical Attack risk. The projects are aligned to Prevent and Detect
30 categories.

1 Prevent

2 Activities designed to reduce the likelihood of a physical attack.
3 These activities limit the impact of security risk-based events, reducing
4 both frequency and consequence.

5 In 2020, PG&E is planning 15 mitigation projects primarily aligned to
6 this domain. One of the Protect projects PG&E is proposing is a Visitor
7 Management System that will manage risks against an untrusted
8 external visitor.

9 Detect

10 Activities designed to timely identify and respond to physical attack
11 incidents.

12 In 2020, PG&E is planning 13 mitigation projects primarily aligned to
13 this domain. One of the Detect projects PG&E is planning is the
14 Strategic Gap Closure for Elevated Sites under which PG&E will close
15 security gaps at elevated sites to match Security Defined Protection
16 Level (SDPL) standards.

17 Between 2021 and 2026, PG&E will implement two mitigations:
18 Prevent (Mitigation 1) and Detect (Mitigation 2). The individual projects
19 aligned to these two domains will be developed.

20 In addition to the mitigations planned for 2020-2026, PG&E will also
21 implement a series of controls to manage Physical Attack risk. These
22 controls include:

23 **Control 1 – Physical Security:** Responsible for emergency response,
24 incident management, and collaborating with local management on
25 physical security vulnerabilities and incident management;

26 **Control 2 – Security Asset and Technology:** Design and implement
27 technology solutions to mitigate physical security risks; and

28 **Control 3 – Corporate Security Control Center:** Monitor and respond
29 to physical security alarms, and provide security office deployment, and
30 physical access control management.

31 **b. Mitigations With RSE Scores**

32 The forecast costs, RSE and risk reduction scores for the planned
33 mitigation work are shown in Tables 21, 22, and 23 below.

**TABLE 21
FORECAST COSTS
2020-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSAND OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	M1	Prevent	KZ	\$710	\$731	\$753	\$776	\$799	\$823	\$847	\$5,438
2	M2	Detect	KZ	474	488	502	518	533	549	565	3,629
3		Total		\$1,183	\$1,219	\$1,255	\$1,293	\$1,332	\$1,372	\$1,413	\$9,067

**TABLE 22
FORECAST COSTS
2020-2026 CAPITAL
(THOUSAND OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	M1	Prevent	3N	\$9,500	\$9,785	\$10,079	\$10,381	\$10,692	\$11,013	\$11,343	\$72,793
2	M2	Detect	3N	6,770	6,973	7,182	7,398	7,620	7,848	8,084	51,874
3		Total		\$16,270	\$16,758	\$17,261	\$17,779	\$18,312	\$18,861	\$19,427	\$124,667

TABLE 23
RSE AND RISK REDUCTION: PHYSICAL ATTACK – ALL MITIGATIONS

Line No.	Applicable RAMP Risk	Aggregated		Applied to RAMP Risk
		RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)
1	<u>Mitigation: All Physical Attack Mitigations</u>	< 0.01	0.07	
2	Employee Safety Incident			0.02
3	Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets			< 0.01
4	Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets			0.03
5	Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)			< 0.01
6	Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service			< 0.00
7	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline			0.01
8	Real Estate and Facilities Failure			0.01
9	Total	< 0.01	0.07	0.07

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

(b) Information presented in terms of NPV to account for the discounting of benefits.

1 F. Records and Information Management

2 1. Overview

3 PG&E identified RIM as an enterprise risk because the risk of not having
4 an effective RIM program may result in the failure to construct, operate and
5 maintain a safe system and may lead to property damage and/or loss of life.
6 Managing records and information inconsistently can lead to an operational
7 incident or adverse business result if records that are needed cannot be
8 located in a timely fashion.

9 PG&E manages this risk in its Enterprise Records and Information
10 Management (ERIM) organization with significant input and support from the
11 IT Organization. The ERIM program has become an integral part of PG&E's
12 efforts to further strengthen its safety culture and to provide safe and reliable
13 gas and electric service to its customers. PG&E endeavors to further
14 reduce RIM risk by promoting more consistent records management across
15 the LOBs, promoting consistent, LOB RIM compliance and improving
16 operational efficiency.

1 PG&E organizes its mitigations and controls according to the ARMA
2 International²⁰ principles for measuring program maturity. PG&E’s ERIM
3 Department structure is aligned with key functions needed to support
4 PG&E’s goal of reaching Information Governance Maturity Model (IGMM)
5 Level 3 by 2022 and executing its supporting program roadmap. IGMM
6 Level 3 is characterized by defined policies and procedures for meeting the
7 Company’s legal and regulatory requirements and is consistent with PG&E’s
8 renewed focus on compliance maturity.

9 **2. Modeling**

10 RIM impacts both the likelihood and consequence of a risk event.

11 RIM issues can impact the likelihood of a risk event if a record does not
12 exist, is missing, is incorrect, or is not readily available. The risk model
13 considers that there is a non-zero probability that records and information
14 issues such as missing inspections records, incorrect construction
15 documents, or asset information that is difficult to find, has the potential to
16 increase the likelihood of a risk event occurring.

17 RIM issues can also impact the financial consequence of a risk event.
18 To model the financial consequences, PG&E analyzed the potential financial
19 consequences related to identifying and producing records after an event.
20 To account for this financial consequence PG&E added a RIM multiplier that
21 is adjusted according to the records maturity level of the LOB and that varies
22 according to the financial consequences of the event itself (the model 22
23 assumes that it would cost more to identify and produce records after a
24 larger event). Penalties and fines are excluded from the financial
25 consequences in the risk model.

26 **3. Impacts to the 2020 RAMP Risks**

27 RIM impacts 10 RAMP risks. Table 24 below maps the RIM
28 cross-cutting factor to the applicable RAMP risks.

²⁰ ARMA International was previously known as the “Association of Records Managers and Administrators (ARMA).” ARMA International is a membership association for information management and information governance professionals.

**TABLE 24
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY: RIM**

Line No.	RAMP Risk	Taxonomy	Risk Frequency, Percentage (Events/Year)	Percent of Risk
1	Employee Safety Incident	Consequence Impact/ Extracted from Existing	0.7 percent (4.2)	(a)
2	Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets	Consequence Impact/ Extracted from Existing	0.02 percent (6)	(a)
3	Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets	Consequence Impact/ Extracted from Existing	0.8 percent (0.01)	(a)
4	Large Overpressure Event Downstream of Gas Measurement and Control Facility	Consequence Impact/ Extracted from Existing	3 percent (0.2)	(a)
5	Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)	Consequence Impact	--	(a)
6	Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service	Consequence Impact/ Extracted from Existing	0.1 percent (35)	(a)
7	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	Consequence Impact/ Extracted from Existing	0.1 percent (0.001)	(a)
8	Motor Vehicle Safety Incident	Consequence Impact	--	(a)
9	Real Estate and Facilities Failure	Consequence Impact	--	(a)
10	Wildfire	Consequence Impact	--	(a)
<hr/> <p>(a) Percent of Risk was not calculated when the cross-cutting factor impacts consequences of risk events.</p>				

1 **4. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

2 In the 2017 RAMP PG&E presented 13 mitigations and 4 controls it
3 planned to implement during the 2017-2019 period. PG&E reported on the
4 progress of the mitigations and controls in its 2020 GRC.²¹

5 Of the 13 mitigations PG&E proposed in its 2017 RAMP for the
6 2017-2019 period,²² 3 mitigations were implemented during that period and
7 have become ongoing controls. The mitigation numbers referred to herein
8 are the numbers assigned in the 2017 RAMP.

- 9 • Accountability Related Mitigations (M1B);

²¹ A.18-12-009, Exhibit (PG&E-7), p. 7-10 to p. 7-17.

²² PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report, p. 20-20, Table 20-3.

1 • Protection Related Mitigations (M5B); and
2 • Enterprise Data Management System Migration (M8B)
3 Seven mitigations will continue to be implemented during the 2020-2022
4 period.

- 5 • M3B – Compliance Related Mitigations;
- 6 • M4B – Retention Related Mitigations;
- 7 • M6B – Availability Related Mitigations;
- 8 • M7B – Implement RIM Governance for Content in Unstructured Data
9 Repositories;
- 10 • M10 – Disposition Related Mitigations;
- 11 • M11 – Integrity Related Mitigations; and
- 12 • M13A – Implement RIM Governance for Content in Structured Data
13 Repositories.

14 The scope of work for the three remaining has been modified due to
15 scope overlap with other projects and the mitigations as described in the
16 2017 RAMP are no longer being pursued.

- 17 • M9B – Electronic Records Cleanup;
- 18 • M12A – Preservation Strategy and Implementation; and
- 19 • M14A – Map Work Processes that Generate Records.

20 PG&E implemented the four controls as described in the 2017 RAMP to
21 manage records and information risk.²³ The four controls, which are
22 aligned to the framework of the IGMM, are: Accountability Related Controls;
23 Transparency Related Controls; Compliance Related Controls; and
24 Retention Related Controls.

25 **5. Mitigations and Controls 2020-2026**

26 PG&E is proposing seven individual RIM mitigations. These
27 seven mitigations are combined in the risk model into a single RIM
28 mitigation.

29 **a. Planned Work**

30 The RIM mitigations that PG&E will implement during the 2020
31 RAMP period are:

²³ PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report, p. 20-14, Table 20-2.

1 **M3C – Records Compliance Related Mitigations:** These mitigations
2 involve verification of compliance with applicable laws and other
3 regulations issued by binding authorities, as well as with the ERIM
4 program’s policy and standards.

5 **M4C – Records Retention Related Mitigations:** These mitigations
6 involve maintaining records and non-records for an appropriate time,
7 accounting for legal, regulatory, fiscal, and operational requirements.

8 **M6C – Records Availability Related Mitigations:** These mitigations
9 involve maintaining records and information in a manner that allows for
10 timely, efficient, and accurate retrieval of records.

11 **M7C (2020-2022) and M7D (2023-2026) – Implement RIM**

12 **Governance for Content in Unstructured Data Repositories:**

13 Implementing metadata, retention controls and retention trigger events
14 in applications such as e-mail, SharePoint, and file shares to support
15 efficient and accurate retrieval of needed information and the application
16 of automated retention and disposition of non-records.

17 **M10C – Records Disposition Related Mitigations:** This mitigation
18 involves providing secure and appropriate disposition for records and
19 non-records that have met retention and are not otherwise subject to an
20 applicable legal hold.

21 **M11C – Records Integrity Related Mitigations:** These mitigations
22 improve the integrity of records and information to support authenticity
23 and reliability.

24 **M13C (2020-2022) and M13D (2023-2026) – Implement RIM**

25 **Governance for Content in Structured Data Repositories:** This
26 mitigation implements retention controls and identifies retention trigger
27 events in database applications such as SAP, Customer Care and
28 Billing, and other systems to dispose of records and information that are
29 no longer needed.

30 PG&E will continue to use the four controls originally proposed in
31 the 2017 RAMP to manage records and information risk during this
32 RAMP period: C1 – Accountability Related Controls; C2 –
33 Transparency Related Controls; C3 – Compliance Related Controls; and
34 C4 – Retention Related Controls.

1 In addition, Records Protection Related Mitigations (formerly M5)
2 will become a control (Control 5) in 2020.

3 **b. Mitigations With RSE Scores**

4 The forecast costs, RSE and risk reduction scores for the planned
5 mitigation work are shown in Tables 25, 26, and 27 below.

**TABLE 25
FORECAST COSTS
2020-2026 EXPENSE
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	M3C	Records Compliance Related Mitigations	AB	\$2	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$2
2	M4C	Records Retention Related Mitigations	AB/JV	23	\$889	\$1,149	\$383	\$374	\$384	\$408	3,611
3	M6C	Records Availability Related Mitigations	AB/JV	1,321	646	660					2,627
4	M7C/ M7D	Implement RIM Governance for Content in Unstructured Data Repositories	AB/JV	3,350	5,657	5,633	5,557	2,296	2,474	1,376	26,343
5	M10C	Records Disposition Related Mitigations	AB/JV	421	860	610	650	500	250	–	3,291
6	M11C	Records Integrity Related Mitigations	AB/JV	1,190	863	897	1,072	802			4,823
7	M13C/ M13D	Implement RIM Governance for Content in Structured Data Repositories	AB/JV								
8		Total		220	1,767	2,507	2,572	2,227	1,979	2,097	13,370
				\$6,527	\$10,682	\$11,456	\$10,235	\$6,199	\$5,087	\$3,881	\$54,067

**TABLE 26
FORECAST COSTS
2020-2026 CAPITAL
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Mitigation Name	MWC	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
1	M6C	Records Availability Related Mitigations	2F	\$279	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$279
2	M7C/ M7D	Implement RIM Governance for Content in Unstructured Data Repositories	2F	1,446	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,446
3	M13C/ M13D	Implement RIM Governance for Content in Structured Data Repositories	2F	-	\$100	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	5,100
4		Total		\$1,725	\$100	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$6,825

TABLE 27
RSE AND RISK REDUCTION: RIM- ALL MITIGATIONS

Line No.	Applicable RAMP Risk	Aggregated		Applied to RAMP Risk
		RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)
1	<u>Mitigation: All RIM Mitigations</u>	6.3	139.3	–
2	Employee Safety Incident	–	–	0.1
3	Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets	–	–	< 0.1
4	Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets	–	–	1.0
5	Large Overpressure Event Downstream of Gas M&C Facility	–	–	< 0.1
6	Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)	–	–	< 0.1
7	Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service	–	–	0.3
8	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	–	–	0.2
9	Motor Vehicle Safety Incident	–	–	< 0.1
10	Real Estate and Facilities Failure	–	–	0.6
11	Wildfire	–	–	137.1
12	Total	6.3	139.3	139.3

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

(b) Information presented in terms of NPV to account for the discounting of benefits.

1 **G. Seismic**

2 **1. Overview**

3 Seismic events can be a significant driver of failure in LOB assets.

4 Seismic events contribute to the likelihood of asset failure events and to the
5 associated safety, reliability, and financial consequences of those events.

6 PG&E’s service territory is in an active seismic zone and as such PG&E
7 assets from all LOBs are subjected to potentially damaging ground shaking
8 and related ground failure that ranges from minor to catastrophic from a
9 single event. Damaging effects may occur without warning over a large
10 geographic area and impact PG&E’s ability to serve its customers and
11 respond to the event. The greater San Francisco (SF) Bay Area is
12 considered to have the highest seismic risk in PG&E’s service territory due
13 to the existence of many active faults located in highly-populated urban
14 areas with dense PG&E infrastructure. Extensive damage to non-PG&E
15 infrastructure and supporting business and suppliers will impact restoration
16 efforts.

1 PG&E studies seismic hazard developments in its Geosciences
2 Department (Geosciences). Geosciences is part of the Generation
3 organization and provides services across PG&E's LOBs. Geosciences was
4 developed as a department in the 1980s as part of the Long-Term Seismic
5 Program (LTSP) focusing on geohazard issues at the DCPD. Currently
6 Geosciences is involved in and supports geohazard risk assessments efforts
7 across the enterprise and all the LOBs including:

- 8 • The DCPD LTSP;
- 9 • The Hydro Facility Safety Program;
- 10 • Evaluating seismic risk at all sites;
- 11 • The Gas Transmission Pipeline Geohazards Program;
- 12 • Electric transmission tower evaluations and support projects;
- 13 • Evaluating seismic risk in PG&E's facilities;
- 14 • The EP&R earthquake exercise, post-event reconnaissance and
15 Dynamic Automated Seismic Hazard (DASH) program that functions as
16 the company earthquake alert and initial response tool; and
- 17 • Earthquake science and learning from earthquakes ground motion
18 model development and support including collaborations with the
19 United States Geological Survey (USGS), national laboratories, industry
20 working groups and many leading academic institutions advancing the
21 seismic knowledge and implementation for risk reduction.

22 Focused seismic risk assessment and reduction activities are managed
23 through the Geosciences Integrated Seismic Risk Management Program
24 (ISRMP) that includes application of various tools to quantify seismic risk.
25 The ISRMP enables progressive quantification of seismic hazard.
26 Geosciences uses a tool called System Earthquake Risk Assessment
27 (SERA) to analyze seismic risk. SERA is a commercial platform that has
28 been modified for PG&E's applications to evaluate the geographically
29 distributed electric and gas linear assets. SERA is used by utilities across
30 the western U.S. and Canada, helping to standardize seismic hazard
31 analyses.

32 The SERA platform includes fragility models for system components that
33 have been developed from both California-specific and worldwide data from
34 past earthquakes. The platform evaluates system performance from both

1 ground shaking and ground failure (e.g., surface fault rupture, liquefaction,
2 landslides) based on geohazard maps and earthquake scenarios. To test
3 system performance PG&E models a number of plausible earthquake
4 scenarios. Examples of earthquake scenarios include large earthquakes on
5 numerous active faults which in the SF Bay Area region include the
6 San Andreas, Hayward, and Rogers Creek faults.

7 Until 2019, SERA was used to analyze seismic performance of the
8 electric system. At the end of 2019 Geosciences, with help and support
9 from the Gas Organization, engaged the SERA vendor to incorporate
10 PG&E's entire gas underground piping network (transmission and
11 distribution) into the SERA platform. After this work is complete,
12 Geosciences will incorporate the balance of the key above ground gas
13 infrastructure into the model. The resulting integrated electric and gas
14 system model covers the entire PG&E service territory and will permit
15 evaluation of cross-cutting impacts to these LOBs.

16 The current focus of the ISRMP is to prioritize seismic risk assessment
17 to assets in the greater SF Bay Area and then extend evaluations through
18 the rest of PG&E's service territory. This strategy is informed by the USGS'
19 findings that the seismic hazard and the consequential impact in the
20 SF Bay Area is highest in this region and therefore represents the greatest
21 seismic risk.

22 **2. Modeling**

23 The Seismic cross-cutting factor impacts both the likelihood of a risk
24 event occurring and the consequences of a risk event. Seismic is a risk
25 driver for the Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure), Real Estate
26 and Facilities Failure risks, Electric Operations risks, and Loss of
27 Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline and Distribution Main or
28 Service risks.

29 As described above, PG&E modeled this cross-cutting factor
30 using two tools: SERA and DASH. SERA is used to evaluate the
31 geographically-distributed electric and gas linear assets. DASH is an
32 earthquake response tool that evaluates and notifies the LOB about
33 potential system impacts.

PG&E evaluated the likelihood of a seismic event occurring by modeling three plausible earthquake scenarios in the SF Bay Area. The consequence of a seismic event is evaluated in terms of how a seismic event would impact gas and electric assets.

Outputs from the modeling included frequency of an earthquake and the costs of asset failures due to the seismic event. PG&E also considered how much worse asset failure could be following an earthquake compared to a routine asset failure. The risk model applies a consequence multiplier to risk events to describe this more severe outcome.

3. Impacts to the 2020 RAMP Risks

Seismic hazard impacts seven RAMP risks. A seismic event can result in safety, reliability and financial consequences. Table 28 and 29 below maps the Seismic cross-cutting factor to the applicable RAMP risks.

**TABLE 28
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR DRIVERS SUMMARY: SEISMIC**

Line No.	RAMP Risk	Taxonomy	Risk Frequency Percentage (Events/Year)	Percent of Risk
1	Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets	Added Frequency	0.2 percent (41)	12 percent
2	Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets	Added Frequency	0.8 percent (0.08)	1 percent
3	Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)	Added Frequency	10 percent (0.0014)	6 percent
4	Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service	Added Frequency	0.3 percent (86)	39 percent
5	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	Added Frequency	11 percent (0.2)	27 percent ¹
6	Real Estate and Facilities Failure	Added Frequency	62 percent (5)	99.8 percent
7	Wildfire	Added Frequency	<0.01 percent (0.01)	1 percent

**TABLE 29
CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR OUTCOME SUMMARY: SEISMIC**

Line No.	RAMP Risk	Outcome	Percent Frequency	Percent Risk
1	Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets	Asset Failure/Seismic Scenario	0.2 percent	12 percent
2	Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets	Asset Failure/Seismic Scenario	1 percent	1 percent
3	Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service	Major – Seismic	<0.01 percent	38 percent
4	Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service	Minor – Seismic	0.3 percent	0.3 percent
5	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	Seismic-Rupture	9 percent	27 percent
6	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	Seismic-Leak	1.6 percent	0.01 percent
7	Real Estate and Facilities Failure	Seismic-Minor	50 percent	22 percent
8	Real Estate and Facilities Failure	Seismic-Moderate	8 percent	28 percent
9	Real Estate and Facilities Failure	Seismic-Strong	2 percent	24 percent
10	Real Estate and Facilities Failure	Seismic-Severe	1 percent	25 percent
11	Wildfire	Seismic-RFW-Catastrophic Fire	<0.01 percent	0.7 percent
12	Wildfire	Seismic-Non-RFW-Catastrophic Fire	<0.01 percent	0.3 percent

1 Real Estate and Facilities Failure

2 Seismic risk accounts for 99.8 percent of the Real Estate and Facilities
3 Failure risk and it is the key driver of this risk event. To model this risk
4 PG&E conducted an initial sample study of 50 higher risk facilities primarily
5 in the SF Bay Area, considering key facility parameters (e.g., age, type,
6 occupancy, location, business functional criticality, etc.). Going forward,
7 PG&E plans to conduct a more detailed assessment of the building portfolio
8 in the SF Bay Area. PG&E will prioritize the facilities in the SF Bay Area due
9 to high concentration of assets in this highly populated and seismically
10 active zone.

11 Large Uncontrolled Water Release (Dam Failure)

12 Seismic is a risk driver of the Large Uncontrolled Water Release risk
13 event and accounts for 6 percent of the total risk.

1 Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service and Loss of
2 Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline

3 The seismic cross-cutting factor is considered a driver for these risk
4 events. Seismic risk accounts for 27 percent of the Gas Transmission risk
5 and 39 percent of the Gas Distribution risk.

6 Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets, Failure of Electric
7 Distribution Network Assets and Wildfire

8 Seismic is a cross-cutting factor for the failure of Electric Distribution
9 Overhead and Network Assets risks and Wildfire risk. The seismic risk
10 accounts for 12 percent of the Electric Distribution Overhead Assets
11 risk, 1 percent of the Electric Distribution Network Assets risk, and 1 percent
12 of the Wildfire risk.

13 In addition to the RAMP risks, seismic risk is associated with other
14 PG&E safety risks.²⁴ Seismic risk associated with the nuclear operation at
15 DCPD was fully developed in a Seismic Probabilistic Risk Assessment
16 (SPRA) under the rules mandated by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission
17 (NRC). The SPRA was updated and submitted to the NRC in 2018, and
18 incorporated hazard input from the LTSP which was vetted by a formal
19 Senior Seismic Hazard Advisory Committee process. NRC has reviewed
20 and accepted the SPRA as meeting their requirements as of January 2019.
21 This SPRA is being maintained and managed under the LTSP Program.
22 The seismic risk was determined to be approximately 32 percent of the total
23 risk (Core Damage Frequency)

24 PG&E will continue conducting seismic risk evaluations for all RAMP
25 assets and, as appropriate, will also conduct seismic risk evaluations for
26 non-RAMP assets as well.

27 **4. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

28 Seismic was not a 2017 RAMP risk element.

²⁴ Only PG&E's Top 12 safety risks are designated as RAMP risks in the 2020 RAMP filing. PG&E describes the additional safety risks in Chapter 19, "Other Safety Risks."

1 **5. Mitigations and Controls 2020-2026**

2 **a. Planned Work**

3 The ISRMP started in 2019 to more consistently assess the seismic
4 hazard and seismic risk for all LOBs. As its first priority during this
5 RAMP period, PG&E will focus its seismic risk mitigation efforts in the
6 SF Bay Area for electric, gas, and real estate (facilities) assets. Going
7 forward, the ISRMP will develop and maintain seismic risk
8 quantifications by focusing on key elements such as:

- 9 • Seismic source characterization, regional geology;
- 10 • Site specific and distributed system ground motion models;
- 11 • Ground failures such as landslide, liquefaction and fault crossings;
- 12 • Asset health as an input to more accurately quantify seismic risk;
- 13 and
- 14 • Logic modeling developments/enhancements.

15 This program is modeled after the LTSP that has been successfully
16 used at the DCPD for more than 30 years. Seismic risk analysis for gas
17 and electric assets includes three viable and severe scenarios: the
18 Hayward Fault at the foot of the East Bay hills; the San Andreas Fault
19 that extends through the SF Peninsula; and the Rogers Creek Fault that
20 extends from the Bay through Santa Rosa. Future updates will expand
21 to consider total hazard from other faults.

22 During the 2020 RAMP period Geosciences will work with LOB
23 asset owners and risk managers to develop the means to consistently
24 quantify seismic risk and to propose risk mitigations tailored to those
25 LOB assets. To develop the seismic mitigations for the different asset
26 types, Geosciences and the LOB teams will work together to analyze
27 asset failure modes and asset-specific risks.

28 PG&E will also continue to update and refine information in SERA to
29 address uncertainties in modeling results based on earthquake
30 experience learnings, research, and collaborations with leading
31 earthquake academia and government agencies, including the California
32 Energy Commission. This continual improvement process will lead to
33 more granular system performance modeling to better estimate
34 damages from future earthquakes.

1 In addition to system damage assessment tools such as SERA,
2 PG&E has also developed a proprietary earthquake response tool called
3 DASH. The DASH tool collects seismic instrument records and ground
4 shaking maps from the USGS to evaluate and notify of potential system
5 impacts within a 15-30 minute timeframe after an earthquake. The
6 DASH tool compares ground shaking maps against simplified damage
7 models specific to each LOB and produces reports of potential damage
8 that the business uses to inform and prioritize inspections and
9 responses. The DASH tool also includes a continuous improvement
10 element that includes annual updates of infrastructure inventories and
11 tool maintenance/reliability improvements.

12 In the 2023 GRC PG&E will propose that the ISRMP and LTSP will
13 be combined into a single program for the enterprise.

14 **b. Mitigations with RSE Scores**

15 Seismic risk assessment is a collaborative process between ISRMP
16 and the LOBs. It is a foundational program that quantifies the potential
17 seismic risk for operations assets. The LOBs develop the mitigations to
18 address this risk.

19 While the ISRMP is not proposing seismic mitigations in the 2020
20 RAMP, PG&E will maintain its LTSP and ISRMP Program for assessing
21 seismic risk.

22 **H. Skilled and Qualified Workforce**

23 **1. Overview**

24 PG&E's Human Resources (HR) Department develops and delivers
25 technical, leadership and other training that helps to maintain a skilled, safe
26 and qualified workforce. Failing to maintain a Skilled and Qualified
27 Workforce (SQWF) is one of PG&E's top cross-cutting factor factors than
28 can impact safety.

29 PG&E Academy develops and updates courses based on priorities
30 established by the LOBs and to reflect new or changing regulations and
31 business procedures. In 2019 PG&E Academy delivered more than
32 5,300 instructor-led training sessions. That translates to 69,570 student
33 days of training (one student day equals one student in one day of training).

1 As a part of PG&E’s Apprenticeship training programs, employees also are
2 required to complete on-the-job training in areas such as electric operations,
3 gas operations, safety and compliance, and leadership. PG&E Academy
4 also offers web-based technical training courses to employees and
5 contractors. These courses cover a wide range of disciplines, from beginner
6 to advanced levels, across many technical specialties, including compliance,
7 emergency response, systems O&M, and hazardous energy control. PG&E
8 also offers 31 state-certified apprentice programs.

9 PG&E’s goal is to ensure that training and qualifications for high
10 consequence work is current and applied to the workforce in a systematic
11 and repeatable way. High-risk work includes activities such as: excavation
12 and trenching beyond 4 feet; heavy equipment operation; utility tree
13 trimming, clearance work and vegetation management; general construction
14 activities; welding and/or hot tapping of gas lines; and fault
15 protection/grounding.²⁵

16 PG&E uses the “human performance”²⁶ driver from the RAMP
17 asset-based risks to establish the baseline for the SQWF risk because this
18 driver captures incidents or events due to a person incorrectly performing a
19 task. Recognizing that not all mistakes are due to a lack of skills or
20 qualifications, PG&E used skills assessment data along with SME
21 judgement to establish the proportion of incorrect operations likely
22 attributable to an employee not having the necessary skills and
23 qualifications.

24 **2. Modeling**

25 The SQWF cross-cutting factor impacts the frequency of a risk event
26 such that a portion (expressed as a percentage in the model) can be
27 attributed to a workforce that does not have the appropriate training for the
28 work they are performing. SQWF is a sub-driver to the Human Performance
29 and Incorrect Operations drivers in Electric Operations and Gas Operations
30 respectively.

25 See PG&E’s Contractor Safety Program Risk Matrix that is aligned to the PG&E Utility Standard SAFE-3001S.

26 This driver is also referred to as Incorrect Operations.

1 To estimate the impact that a lack of training can have on a risk event,
 2 PG&E reviewed the results of the skills tests maintained by the HR
 3 organization for the Gas and Electric Organizations. Each failed skilled
 4 assessment is assumed to be an indicator of a risk event. For example, if
 5 there is a one percent failure rate on a Gas Organization skills assessment,
 6 the risk model applies that one percent to the increased likelihood that a
 7 Gas Operations risk event could occur due to Incorrect Operations.

8 **3. Impacts to the 2020 RAMP Risks**

9 SQWF impacts six RAMP risks. Table 30 below maps the SQWF
 10 cross-cutting factor to the applicable RAMP risks.

**TABLE 30
 CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR SUMMARY: SQWF**

Line No.	RAMP Risk	Risk Modeling Taxonomy	Risk Frequency Percentage (Events/Year)	Percent of Risk
1	Employee Safety Incident	Extracted from Existing	3 percent (19)	3 percent
2	Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets	Extracted from Existing	2 percent (0.2)	4 percent
3	Failure of Electric Distribution Overhead Assets	Extracted from Existing	0.1 percent (15)	0.1 percent
4	Large Overpressure Event Downstream of Gas Measurement and Control Facility	Extracted from Existing	0.5 percent (0.03)	1 percent
5	Loss of Containment on Gas Distribution Main or Service	Extracted from Existing	<0.01 percent (2)	<0.01 percent
6	Loss of Containment on Gas Transmission Pipeline	Extracted from Existing	<0.01 percent (0.0001)	<0.01 percent

11 **4. Changes Since the 2017 RAMP**

12 In the 2017 RAMP PG&E proposed eight controls focused on rigorous
 13 training programs for new and existing employees, and ongoing
 14 assessments of specific skills and qualifications. Together, these controls
 15 help to reduce the chance that a worker will perform tasks for which they are
 16 not qualified. PG&E continues to implement these controls to mitigate the
 17 SQWF risk.

1 In the 2017 RAMP PG&E proposed 13 mitigations focused on
2 qualifications and training needed to safely perform high consequence work.
3 The mitigations were designed to identify which workers are expected to
4 perform high consequence work through qualifications catalogs and training
5 profiles in order to match the right workers with the right training. The
6 proposed mitigations fell into three categories:

- 7 1) Foundational: Work that will improve PG&E's data and information in
8 order to identify all high consequence work and refine risk model inputs
9 related to consequences and frequencies. PG&E completed nine of the
10 eleven foundational mitigations. One mitigation (M10 – Qualification
11 and Tasks Loaded into HR Systems) was incorporated into Control 1
12 (Gas Operator Qualifications Program). One mitigation (M11 – IT
13 Solution for Curriculum Management) was cancelled because PG&E
14 has a process in place and did not need to pursue this additional work.
- 15 2) Technical Competence: Improving access to technical procedures,
16 standards and job aids. PG&E proposed and completed one mitigation
17 (M13 – Training Substation in Livermore) in 2018.
- 18 3) Qualification Verification: Increase the visibility into and use of
19 qualifications when scheduling and assigning work. PG&E proposed
20 and completed one mitigation (M12 – Applicant Installer On-Boarding
21 Process) in 2019.

22 **5. Mitigations and Controls 2020-2026**

23 **a. Planned Work**

24 The SQWF mitigations and controls planned for the 2020 RAMP
25 period are focused on Gas Operations and Electric Operations
26 employees since the SQWF cross-cutting factor is a driver of gas and
27 electric risks. The mitigations planned for this period were initially
28 proposed in PG&E's 2017 RAMP.²⁷ PG&E completed two mitigations
29 (M14A and M21)²⁸ proposed in the 2017 RAMP.

²⁷ PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report, p. 15-10, Table 15-2 (M1A – Safety Management System) and p. 21-24, Table 21-4 (all other mitigations).

²⁸ PG&E's 2017 RAMP Report, p. 21-24, Table 21-4. Note, In the 2017 RAMP (I.17-11-003) this mitigation was referred to, in error, as both M20 (p. 21-23) and M21 (p. 21-24, Table 21-4).

1 PG&E is planning five mitigations:

2 **M1B (Employee Safety Incident) – Enterprise Safety Management**

3 **System (ESMS):** PG&E will identify and implement a new enterprise

4 tool in lieu of the “Expand Business Process Index” mitigation (M1B)

5 proposed in the 2017 RAMP for the 2020-2022 period. The project will

6 be led by the Enterprise Health and Safety organization. The ESMS is a

7 series of capabilities (people, process, and technology systems)

8 required to define, plan, implement, and continuously improve workforce

9 safety. It includes an Enterprise Management of Change (EMOC)

10 process to identify, understand, and evaluate the risks and hazards

11 when changes are made to facilities, operations, or personnel to assure

12 they are properly controlled. When a standard or procedure changes, or

13 there is new equipment introduced in the field, the EMOC process will

14 indicate that the associated training needs to be updated accordingly.

15 The EMOC system database will provide support for tracking changes to

16 other controls and mitigations.

17 **M15 – Enhance Technical Information Library (TIL) and Guidance**

18 **Document Library (GDL) (Technical Competence):** The TIL and GDL

19 are online repositories for PG&E’s policies, standards, procedures, and

20 guidance documents. PG&E’s employees refer to these documents

21 whenever they are completing a new or unfamiliar task or procedures.

22 The planned enhancements include: improve ease of use through

23 developing a standard, mobile friendly, format for new documents and

24 reformatting of existing documents; improve search engine/function with

25 key words and task names; and create the data and capability to link a

26 specific task from the work scheduling system to the appropriate

27 procedure or job aid.

1 **M17 – Work Scheduling Integration with Qualifications**

2 **(Qualification Verification):** Automate the verification of qualifications
3 by integrating PG&E’s SAP HR system, where qualifications are
4 tracked, with the work scheduling system. This will allow for matching
5 work to specific employee qualifications. The Gas Operations
6 organization is in the process of implementing a solution to integrate
7 work scheduling and qualification verification. Electric Operations is
8 evaluating the best way to move forward to improve their processes to
9 management certifications and the scheduling of work.

10 **M18 – Qualification Cards for Electric Employees:** Qualification
11 cards contain information about the qualification status for each
12 employee and are scanned at the yard or job site, before work begins.
13 Scanning the card before work begins reduces the risk that an
14 employee will be assigned a task for which they are not qualified.
15 PG&E has issued a request for proposal for a vendor to implement a
16 new qualification card system that will include employees in the
17 operating LOBs.

18 **M19 –Electric Review and Update Expected Job Functions:** This
19 foundational mitigation enhances the details about the specific
20 qualifications and skills required for Electric tasks, similar to the details
21 tracked for Gas Operations and Nuclear Operations. This mitigation will
22 improve the qualifications documentation for jobs classifications, specific
23 positions and tasks performed.

24 PG&E will continue to perform Controls 1 through 8 as described in
25 the 2017 RAMP.²⁹ They are:

- 26 • C1/C2 – Gas Operator Qualifications Program and Employee
27 Knowledge and Skills Program;
- 28 • C3 – Job Profile, Job Description/Profiling Process;
- 29 • C4 – Technical Training Profiling/Governance;
- 30 • C5 – Standards and Procedures Review Process;
- 31 • C6 – Apprentice Training;
- 32 • C7 – Training Effectiveness Monitoring; and

²⁹ PG&E’s 2017 RAMP Report, p. 21-9 to p. 21-12, and Table 21-2.

- C8 – Display Training in the Learning Management System.

PG&E completed work on two mitigations proposed in the 2017 RAMP and is transitioning those activities from mitigations to controls: **C9 (M20 in the 2017 RAMP³⁰) – Improve, Collect, and Analyze Data Related to Skill Degradation:** This control was proposed as a mitigation in the 2017 RAMP (M20) for the 2020-2022 period. This mitigation is complete for the Electric Organization. PG&E’s Electric Operations organization used a third party to analyze skill degradation timeframes for various skills and tasks. This data was averaged to result in a 3-year re-assessment and re-training cycle for Electric Field employees. The majority of Gas Operations work is strictly regulated by the Department of Transportation and employees must re-qualify for specific tasks on regulatory intervals. Most tasks are requalified every three years though certain tasks are requalified more often (e.g., welders must be requalified every six months). If an employee fails a re-qualification, they are remediated, but if they fail a second time they are not allowed to do that type of work.

C10 (M14A in the 2020 RAMP) – On the Job Support – Mobile Technology for Foreman and Crew Leads: This control was proposed as a mitigation in the 2017 RAMP (M14A) for the 2020-2022 period. PG&E completed the work described in the 2017 RAMP. Going forward, this activity will consist of making improvements and enhancements to the mobile technology and available documentation.

b. Mitigations With RSE Scores

The ESMS mitigation is discussed in greater detail in the Employee Safety Incident risk chapter. The RSE and risk reduction scores are shown in Table 31 below.

³⁰ In PG&E’s 2017 RAMP Report this mitigation was referred to, in error, as both M20 (p. 21-23) and M21 (p. 21-24, Table 21-4).

**TABLE 31
RSE AND RISK REDUCTION: SQWF**

Line No.	Mit. No.	Applicable RAMP Risk	Aggregated		Applied to RAMP Risk
			RSE ^(a)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)	Risk Reduction (NPV) ^(b)
1	M1B	<u>Mitigation: ESMS</u>	12.9	29.6	–
2		Employee Safety Incident	–	–	29.6
3		Total	12.97	29.6	29.6

(a) See MWs included in the source document modeling package for information used to calculate the RSE.

(b) Information presented in terms of NPV to account for the discounting of benefits.

- 1 PG&E is not estimating costs for the other four mitigations described
- 2 above in this RAMP due to uncertainties around the scope work.
- 3 Therefore, PG&E cannot provide RSEs for these programs. PG&E will
- 4 continue to refine the scopes of the proposed mitigations and will
- 5 provide cost forecasts in the 2023 GRC.

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5 **A. Introduction**

6 **1. 2020 General Rate Case Settlement Agreement: Principles for Asset**
7 **Replacement**

8 The 2020 General Rate Case (GRC) Settlement Agreement (Settlement
9 Agreement)¹ includes the following provision (Settlement Agreement,
10 Section 5.1):

11 PG&E should strive for reasonable rates of steady state replacement,
12 consistent with risk-informed decision making, for crucial operating
13 equipment necessary to provide safe and reliable service. Such steady
14 state replacement includes pro-active replacement of an asset prior to
15 in-service failure when warranted based on risk and engineering
16 analysis that considers vintage, material properties, environmental
17 conditions, life-extension maintenance practices, and any other relevant
18 parameters. PG&E should strive to reduce post-failure replacement for
19 assets where failure can result in unreasonable safety or cost impacts.
20 PG&E will evaluate and explain in its next Risk Assessment and
21 Mitigation Phase (RAMP) Report how its existing capital asset
22 maintenance and replacement activities, including both pro-active and
23 post-failure replacement, and costs thereof, promote cost-effective and
24 risk informed steady state replacement. In those instances where
25 PG&E's proposals in its next RAMP Report do not follow the principle of
26 steady state replacement, PG&E should explain the basis for PG&E's
27 proposals.

28 In this chapter, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E or the
29 Company) discusses its risk-informed approach to pro-active asset
30 replacement for each of its operating lines of business: Gas Operations,
31 Electric Operations, and Power Generation.

32 **2. Definition**

33 PG&E defines "steady state replacement," as described in the
34 Settlement Agreement, to include ongoing replacements and pro-active

1 The Settlement Agreement was filed by PG&E and Settling Parties on
December 21, 2019 with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC or
Commission) in Docket No. Application (A.) 18-12-009.

1 replacement of an asset prior to in-service failure when warranted based on
2 risk and engineering analysis that considers vintage, material properties,
3 environmental conditions, life-extension maintenance practices, and any
4 other relevant parameters.

5 **B. Gas Operations**

6 **1. Gas Operations Asset Management Strategy Overview**

7 Gas Operations (GO) includes the asset families listed below as part of
8 PG&E's Asset Management (AM) framework under the Publicly Available
9 Specification 55/International Organization for Standardization 55001
10 standards. Each asset family has an AM plan that provides an assessment
11 of the condition of the asset, risk mitigations, strategic objectives and asset
12 maintenance for the lifecycle of the assets. The asset family structure
13 allows PG&E to drive risk management strategies consistently within and
14 among the GO asset families. The GO asset families are as follows:

- 15 a) Gas Storage
- 16 b) Compression and Processing (C&P)
- 17 c) Transmission Pipe
- 18 d) Measurement and Control (M&C)
- 19 e) Distribution Mains and Services (DMS)
- 20 f) Customer Connected Equipment
- 21 g) Liquefied Natural Gas/Compressed Natural Gas
- 22 h) Asset Data

23 The discussion below focuses on those GO asset families with ongoing,
24 proactive replacement programs for aging and/or deteriorating assets in the
25 field. These include Gas Storage; C&P; Transmission Pipe; Measurement
26 and Control; and Distribution Mains and Services.

27 **2. Gas Operations Asset Management Programs**

28 GO plans, designs, installs, maintains, and replaces the physical assets
29 of the gas transmission and distribution system so that each component
30 operates in a safe and reliable manner. GO has proactive replacement
31 programs for the following key assets:

- 32 • Gas Storage
 - 33 – Storage Wells

- 1 • Compression and Processing
- 2 – Compressor Units
- 3 • Transmission Pipe
- 4 – Transmission Pipeline
- 5 • Measurement and Control
- 6 – Distribution Regulator Stations
- 7 – High Pressure Regulator (HPR) Stations
- 8 • Distribution Mains and Services
- 9 – Distribution Mains

10 PG&E also replaces other gas assets, such as valves, distribution services,
11 Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition equipment, and regulator station
12 components, as identified through maintenance programs.

13 Asset replacement is the most effective mitigation for certain risk drivers.
14 For example, the Vintage Pipe Replacement Program for transmission pipe
15 that replaces pipe with vintage fabrication and construction defects
16 interacting with land movement, is a key mitigation for threats leading to
17 Loss of Containment (LOC) and Loss of Service events. However, asset
18 replacement is not the most effective mitigation for other risk drivers such as
19 third party/mechanical damage since the asset is in the ground and a third
20 party may dig into it. In such a case, other layers of controls are built around
21 it such as the Public Awareness program to reduce dig-ins, and In-Line
22 Inspection (ILI) to detect any latent damage.

23 This section includes a description of the key steady state replacement
24 programs by asset family and further explains how the replacement
25 programs are associated with the top Company risks.

26 **a. Gas Storage**

27 For the storage asset family, AM is focused on risk integrity
28 management via assessment, rework, and refurbishments of wells
29 within the storage fields. As part of the lifecycle management of the
30 storage assets, wells are evaluated for their need and usefulness. If a
31 well is determined to be no longer needed and useful, the well is
32 plugged and abandoned (permanent removal of the asset from service),
33 which includes closure of the wellbore, reclamation of the surface area

1 and possible modifications to the remaining facilities and
2 equipment removal.

3 **1) Storage Well Refurbishments**

4 The Storage Well Inspection Program is a key mitigation for the
5 LOC at Natural Gas Storage Well or Reservoir risk and addresses
6 several drivers including corrosion, erosion, incorrect operations,
7 third party/ mechanical damage, and weather related/outside forces
8 thereby reducing the likelihood of the risk event occurring due to
9 these drivers.

10 The mitigation pace is generally determined by using the
11 prioritized risk based ranking of wells for consideration for
12 assessments and rework projects. The factors that are taken into
13 consideration for the risk-based prioritization include condition,
14 years in service, and component and well performance. Work
15 execution schedule for remedial work also considers ability to
16 effectively and efficiently conduct work, opportunity to minimize
17 mobilization efforts as well as station outages.

18 Well entry work includes: integrity logging (inspections);
19 pressure testing; and replacement and repair of wellheads,
20 downhole safety valves, up-hole safety valves, compromised
21 tubulars, and other associated well auxiliary equipment. The near
22 and long term focus for Storage is as follows:

23 Near-term: PG&E is continuing with its plan to complete well
24 integrity baseline assessments, repair or replace gravel pack and
25 liner, and retrofit wells to tubing and packer to meet California
26 Geologic Energy Management Division requirements to eliminate a
27 single point of failure and well construction standard. This program
28 will be completed by October 1, 2025. The sale or decommissioning
29 of Pleasant Creek and Los Medanos potentially will eliminate the
30 need to perform baseline assessment and eliminate a single point of
31 failure as the facilities would no longer be classified as storage
32 facilities and would only be used to recover any remaining working
33 or base gas from the assets if decommissioned.

1 Long-term: The adopted Natural Gas Storage Strategy includes
2 continued operations of McDonald Island and selling or
3 decommissioning Los Medanos and Pleasant Creek storage fields.
4 Although the outlook for natural gas in California predicts we will
5 have a reduced demand for storage, the installation of tubing and
6 packer will have an impact on the field deliverability at McDonald
7 Island likely necessitating the construction and connection of new
8 wells to continue to meet the storage needs.

9 **b. Compression and Processing**

10 C&P assets include compressor units and associated equipment
11 installed at PG&E's nine gas transmission compressor stations and
12 three underground storage facilities (McDonald Island, Los Medanos,
13 and Pleasant Creek). The C&P Asset Family also includes the gas
14 odorizers installed systemwide.

15 Approximately 65 percent of the units in PG&E's compressor fleet
16 are at or over 40 years old. The AM strategy for compressor units
17 focuses on life extension, with the overall objective of ensuring safe and
18 reliable operation of the units. Elements of this strategy include:
19 Routine maintenance programs including inspections, periodic
20 overhauls of compressor units, targeted component replacements and
21 compressor replacements. Compressor asset health is determined
22 based on age, parts availability for critical asset components, vendor
23 support, upgrades or replacements completed or in progress, and
24 performance of critical asset components. Aging and obsolete
25 equipment represents a key threat area for the C&P asset family.
26 Equipment-related risks are managed by replacing aging and obsolete
27 equipment or upgrading or retrofitting equipment to meet current
28 industry and environmental regulations, or changing business needs.
29 There are several programs for mitigating equipment-related risks in
30 C&P family such as Compressor Replacements, Compressor Unit and
31 Station Control Replacements, Emergency Shutdown System
32 Upgrades, Electrical Upgrades at Hinkley and Topock Compressor
33 Stations, and Routine Capital and Expense. There are also C&P
34 programs aimed to address threats like incorrect operations,

1 manufacturing-related and welding/fabrication defects, corrosion, and
2 weather and outside force/third-party damage. These are common to
3 both C&P and M&C assets and include programs such as: (1) Critical
4 Documents, (2) Engineering Critical Assessments, (3) Station Strength
5 Testing, (4) Facilities Integrity Management Program (FIMP) Risk
6 Management and, (5) Physical Security Upgrades.

7 The key steady state replacement programs in the C&P Asset
8 Family are: (1) the Compressor Replacements program and (2) the
9 Compressor Units and Station Control Replacements program. These
10 address the LOC at Gas M&C or C&P Facility risk and are described in
11 more detail below.

12 **1) Compressor Replacements**

13 The Compressor Replacements program is a key mitigation for
14 the risk of LOC at the transmission C&P facility. This program
15 mitigates equipment-related threats and risks that can adversely
16 impact gas system operations through the loss of service, loss of
17 operating flexibility and reliability, and inability to meet evolving
18 industry and environmental regulations. As part of its AM process,
19 PG&E prioritizes compressor units and equipment for replacement.
20 The Long-Term Compression Investment Plan is part of the C&P
21 AM Plan², which enables long-term planning and forecasting
22 investments associated with lifecycle management of compression
23 assets, and provides an initial schedule for replacing the appropriate
24 assets of PG&E's compressor units over a 30-year period
25 (2016-2045). Together with the AM strategy, compression utilization
26 or changes in markets are evaluated to ensure that investments are
27 not placed in assets which do not align with long term projections.

28 **2) Compressor Unit and Station Control Replacements**

29 The Compressor Units and Station Control Replacements
30 program mitigates the LOC risk at the transmission C&P facility.
31 This program was established to systematically replace compressor
32 unit and station controls that are becoming obsolete. Most

² 2018 C&P Asset Management Plan presented in 2019 Gas Safety Plan Appendix C.

1 compressor units and stations are installed with a Programmable
2 Logic Circuit (PLC) that monitors and controls the operation of the
3 compressor unit, ensuring safe and reliable operation. The lifespan
4 of compressor unit and station PLCs is 15-20 years on average.
5 PG&E considers several factors like age, obsolescence, lack of
6 ongoing vendor support and spare parts availability to determine the
7 pace of station control and unit control replacements. This program
8 addresses the threats of equipment-related issues that reduce
9 station reliability, and equipment-related lack of service and spare
10 parts availability along with technology obsolescence.

11 **c. Transmission Pipe**

12 For the Transmission Pipe asset family there are several programs
13 that proactively either repair or replace pipe prior to in-service failure
14 when warranted based on risk and engineering analysis, including ILI,
15 Direct Assessment, Hydrostatic Testing, Shallow/Exposed Pipe,
16 Earthquake Fault Crossings, Geo-Hazard Threat Identification and
17 Mitigation, Valve Automation, Valve Safety and Reliability, Class
18 Location Change, Vintage Pipe Replacement, and Other Pipeline Safety
19 and Reliability Replacements. Transmission pipe replacements are
20 driven by inspection/assessment findings and analysis of risk factors.
21 The key steady state replacement program is the Transmission Pipe
22 Replacement Program.³ This program addresses pipe replacements
23 specific to: (1) the Vintage Pipe Replacement Program; and (2) the
24 Other Pipeline Safety and Reliability Pipe Replacement program. These
25 programs address the LOC on Gas Transmission Pipeline RAMP risk.

³ Refer to A.17-11-009, PG&E's 2019 Gas Transmission and Storage rate case application for further details on these programs.

1 **1) Vintage Pipe Replacement Program**

2 The Vintage Pipe Replacement Program addresses various
3 drivers including fabrication and construction defects,⁴ weather
4 related and outside forces, external corrosion, internal corrosion,
5 and stress corrosion cracking and thereby reduces the likelihood of
6 the risk event occurring due to these risk drivers.

7 PG&E’s plan for its Vintage Pipeline Replacement Program is to
8 mitigate risk, by the end of 2027, for vintage pipe segments
9 containing vintage fabrication and construction threats that are
10 subject to a high risk of land movement and are in close proximity to
11 population. PG&E continues to monitor for land movement risk
12 changes for the remaining vintage fabrication and construction
13 threats and may add those to this mitigation program should the
14 land movement risk rise at these pipeline locations.

15 **2) Other Pipeline Safety and Reliability Pipe Replacements**

16 Safety and Reliability driven pipe replacements (other than
17 vintage pipe replacements) are included in this program. The pipe
18 replacement program addresses several risk drivers including
19 external corrosion, internal corrosion, stress corrosion cracking,
20 third-party/mechanical damage, manufacturing related defects and
21 weather related outside forces. PG&E expects to continue to
22 replace pipe due to leaks, dig-ins, corrosion integrity issues,
23 overbuilds and encroachments, and other pipeline safety and
24 reliability issues that arise.

25 **d. Measurement and Control**

26 The M&C asset family includes gas regulation equipment associated
27 with transmission and distribution regulating stations, and gas

⁴ While age alone does not pose a threat to pipeline integrity, age does play a role because of the type of vintage manufacturing and construction practices that were acceptable at that time. PG&E considers “vintage pipe” to include pipe manufactured or constructed and fabricated using certain historic practices that are no longer being used today.

1 transmission terminals. In addition, this asset family includes, farm tap⁵
2 regulator sets, large volume customer regulating and meter stations,
3 selected large customer meter sets, and equipment for monitoring gas
4 quality. The M&C AM strategy is determined based on the condition of
5 the overall station and its individual components through an assessment
6 based on age, obsolescence, physical condition, functional
7 performance, and maintenance history. The population of M&C stations
8 varies in terms of age and condition. The aging and obsolete equipment
9 is a key threat for the M&C assets. There are several programs to
10 address this threat in the M&C family, such as: (1) Regulator Station
11 Rebuilds, (2) Regulator Station Component Replacements, (3) HPR
12 Replacements, (4) Terminal Upgrades, and (5) Station Overpressure
13 Protection Enhancements. There are also M&C programs aimed to
14 address threats like incorrect operations, manufacturing-related and
15 welding/fabrication defects, corrosion, and weather and outside
16 force/third-party damage. These threats are common to C&P and M&C
17 assets and include programs, such as: (1) Critical Documents,
18 (2) Engineering Critical Assessments, (3) Station Strength Testing,
19 (4) FIMP Risk Management, and (5) Physical Security Upgrades.

20 The key steady state replacement programs for the M&C Asset
21 family are: (1) Regulator Station Rebuilds, and (2) Regulator Station
22 Component Replacements.

23 **1) Regulator Station Rebuilds**

24 The gas transmission and distribution Regulator Station Rebuild
25 program is a key mitigation for: (1) the risk of an Overpressure (OP)
26 event leading to a LOC on downstream assets; and (2) the risk of
27 LOC at the M&C facility. This program includes projects to
28 completely rebuild the station (above and below ground) to replace
29 old and obsolete equipment, valves and piping, upgrade
30 configuration to meet current system needs, and address any

5 PG&E defines a farm tap as a facility connected to the high-pressure gas transmission pipeline system that includes regulation equipment to regulator pressure below 60 pounds per square inch gauge and that provides gas service to one or two services. Farm taps are typically installed with HPR-type regulators.

1 outstanding issues with station maintenance and operations. The
2 criteria for determining the frequency and priority of station rebuilds
3 include, station condition based on age, equipment obsolescence
4 (product and parts no longer supported and available), operational
5 issues identified for equipment and station configuration,
6 maintenance status (high level of corrective maintenance); and
7 modifications required to address changing operational
8 requirements for the station.

9 **2) Regulator Station Component Replacements**

10 The gas transmission and distribution Regulator Station
11 Component Replacements program is a key mitigation for: (1) the
12 risk of an OP event leading to a LOC on downstream assets, and
13 (2) the risk of LOC at the M&C facility. Regulator Station
14 Component Replacement program includes mitigation activities for
15 equipment-related threats related to age and obsolescence,
16 maintenance difficulties, and impaired functional operation. This
17 program includes routine expense and capital projects for gas
18 transmission and distribution regulator stations that arise during
19 normal operation of M&C facilities that must be performed to
20 maintain current levels of service and reliability. Typical projects
21 include repair or replacement of failed or malfunctioning equipment
22 and instrumentation, inspection and testing of asset components,
23 and needed modifications to address equipment safety or
24 performance issues.

25 **e. Distribution Mains and Services**

26 For the DMS asset family, the key steady state replacement
27 programs for the LOC on Gas Distribution Main or Service RAMP risk
28 event are the Distribution Pipeline Replacement Programs. These
29 programs include: (1) the Gas Pipeline Replacement Program; (2) the
30 Plastic Pipe Replacement Program; and (3) the Reliability Main
31 Replacement Program.

1 **1) Distribution Pipeline Replacement Programs**

2 These programs address risk drivers Corrosion, Material or
3 Weld – Metallic and Plastic, and Natural Forces and thereby reduce
4 the likelihood of the risk event occurring. Factors for prioritization
5 include age, material type, leak history, cathodic protection, seismic
6 impact, and proximity to the public. PG&E’s annual pipeline
7 replacement rate across all three programs has increased from
8 27 miles in 2010 to 126 miles in 2019. The long-term plan is
9 reaching a deactivation rate for the approximately 26,000 miles of
10 pre-1985 pipe that would limit asset age to 100 years⁶ by:

- 11 • Continuing to replace high priority steel pipe;
- 12 • Increasing replacement rate of pre-1985 Aldyl-A and similar
13 plastic year over year; and
- 14 • Completing all identified reliability main replacement for each
15 given year.

16 **3. How Gas Operations Uses Risk Prioritization to Identify Equipment for**
17 **Replacement**

18 GO mitigates and/or controls identified risks through the following
19 methods:

- 20 • Operational changes and restrictions. For example, PG&E might
21 temporarily lower the pressure within the pipeline after performing safety
22 work such as ILI.
- 23 • Increased or modified maintenance, monitoring and surveillance. For
24 example, PG&E performs additional leak surveys in areas where
25 clusters of historical leaks have occurred on the gas system.
- 26 • Repair, refurbishment or replacement projects. For example, PG&E
27 might replace equipment prior to obsolescence or replace various
28 components within a regulator station.

29 The integrity management teams for each asset family assess the condition
30 of assets using information from a variety of sources including SAP,
31 preventive and corrective maintenance records, Corrective Action Program,

⁶ Gas Distribution Mains and Service Asset Management Plan (GP-1102).

1 and process hazards analysis.⁷ For assets in GO, age is one of many
2 likelihood of failure factors related to asset condition that is considered in
3 asset replacement decisions. Other asset condition factors considered may
4 include corrosion, land movement, and third party damage, for example.
5 Factors such as population density, system reliability, and cost effectiveness
6 are also considered. GO takes a risk based approach to AM and as such
7 the AM/risk framework includes understanding of the data associated with
8 the asset around:

- 9 • Material property/physical characteristics of the asset (impacts the
10 likelihood of risk event);
- 11 • Geospatial location of the asset (impacts the consequence of risk
12 event); and
- 13 • Condition of the asset (impacts the likelihood of risk event).

14 All of PG&E's GO expense and capital projects/programs are evaluated
15 using the Risk-Informed Budget Allocation (RIBA) prioritization
16 methodology.⁸ Each project/program is classified as Mandatory,
17 Compliance, Commitment, Customer Generated (Work Requested by
18 Others), Support, Interdependent, and None. Projects/programs are then
19 assessed for impacts to safety, the environment, and reliability that could be
20 mitigated by the project. The portfolio prioritization process incorporates the
21 RIBA assessment as well as constraints information such as resources and
22 system availability. The asset family owners use this information to make
23 prioritization decisions.⁹

24 **C. Electric Operations**

25 **1. Electric Operations Asset Management Strategy Overview**

26 PG&E's Electric Operations (EO) AM vision is to attain the optimum
27 balance of asset risk, performance, and cost. This vision is achieved

7 A process hazard analysis is a structured approach to identify hazards, understand their consequences, and develop safeguards to prevent or mitigate their effects.

8 As discussed more fully in Chapter 2 (PG&E's Enterprise Risk Management Framework, Section C.4.h), the RIBA scoring methodology is being revised to use the outputs of the quantitative operational risk modeling developed in RAMP to enable consistent data driven, risk informed decision making.

9 See A.18-12-009, Exhibit (PG&E-3), for further information on this process.

1 through activities associated with the asset objectives created for each asset
2 family. Asset families are groups of similar assets for the purposes of
3 managing PG&E's electric system's physical assets and developing planned
4 approaches to work management and prioritization through a risk-informed
5 strategy. PG&E's EO has nine asset families:

- 6 1) Transmission Line Overhead;
- 7 2) Transmission Line Underground;
- 8 3) Substation;
- 9 4) Operational Assets and Systems;
- 10 5) Distribution Line Overhead;
- 11 6) Distribution Line Underground;
- 12 7) Distribution Network;
- 13 8) Asset Information; and
- 14 9) Streetlights.

15 AM develops 5-year plans for each asset family, containing plans to
16 achieve asset objectives and include a risk-based approach for managing
17 assets to reduce risk. The asset objectives are drafted based on current
18 conditions and future uncertainties, and ongoing reviews are performed as
19 part of continuous improvement. Where improvement activities impact the
20 AM strategy, changes will be incorporated into strategic plans.

21 **2. Electric Operations Asset Management Programs**

22 PG&E has proactive replacement programs focused on aging or
23 deteriorating distribution assets in the field with reliability impacts in the
24 following asset families:

- 25 a) Distribution Line Overhead;
- 26 b) Substation;
- 27 c) Distribution Line Underground; and
- 28 d) Distribution Network.

29 The long-term vision for these asset families is to improve the overall
30 safety and reliability of the assets through a combination of asset condition
31 understanding, infrastructure improvements, and promotion of a culture that
32 focuses on the long-term safety and reliability of the assets.

33 While EO strives to establish steady-state replacement strategies and
34 programs, EO's overall AM strategy assesses EO's entire portfolio of risks to

1 achieve risk reductions. As such, EO's AM approach considers several
2 factors (maintenance requirements, replacement requirements, resources,
3 competing priorities) when identifying work plans to manage its risks. For
4 example, achieving risk reduction on EO's top risk, the wildfire risk, may
5 impact ongoing replacement programs if both activities rely on the same
6 resources. The following sections describe current considerations and
7 strategies for key asset replacement programs.

8 **a. Distribution Line Overhead**

9 The Distribution Line Overhead asset family includes key
10 components needed to operate a distribution overhead system,
11 including pole/support structure, primary conductor, voltage regulating
12 equipment, protection equipment, switching equipment, transformers,
13 and secondary conductor.

14 Long term goals related to ongoing replacements for this asset
15 family include leveraging prioritization models to support identifying
16 priority asset replacements/programs, developing a smooth ramping of
17 asset replacements to minimize spikes in replacements for asset age
18 bubbles, and implementing asset resilience strategies (e.g., wildfire
19 system hardening). Key proactive replacement programs in this asset
20 family include pole replacements and conductor replacement.

21 **1) Pole Replacements**

22 PG&E has approximately 2.3 million poles providing distribution
23 service, including approximately 25,000 non-wood poles. With fire
24 resiliency improvement efforts, non-wood or wood poles wrapped in
25 fire resistant coatings may increase in the future.

26 PG&E has an extensive condition monitoring program for wood
27 poles in accordance with requirements of General Order 165.
28 Annual patrols in urban areas and bi-annual patrols in rural areas
29 are conducted, visually looking for damaged poles and other defects
30 on the distribution overhead system. Detailed inspections, looking
31 for external damage or deterioration, are performed on assets at
32 varying intervals depending on their High Fire-Threat District (HFTD)
33 designation: every five years for Tier 1/non-HFTD assets, every

1 three years for Tier 2 HFTD facilities, and every year for Tier 3
2 HFTD facilities. Future inspection cycles may be adjusted to align
3 with new information. Intrusive inspections are also performed
4 approximately every 10 years to identify internal or below ground
5 decay that may be present in the pole.

6 Historically, PG&E replaces an average of 21,000 wood poles
7 per year for a variety of reasons, including damage or deterioration.
8 Poles are also replaced for projects requiring larger conductor
9 (capacity), installation of covered conductor as part of system
10 hardening, and work at the request of others. During 2019, the
11 number of pole replacements identified through inspections
12 increased as a result of the Wildfire Safety Inspection
13 Program-enhanced inspections. Additionally, poles in good
14 condition, except for decay around the ground line, are identified for
15 reinforcement. Installing a steel truss and banding it to these poles
16 PG&E can restore the strength of the pole to 100 percent
17 (commonly known as pole stubbing).

18 Ultimately, PG&E strives to minimize wood pole failures and
19 associated outages and remediate degraded wood poles in a
20 timely manner.

21 **2) Overhead Conductor Replacement**

22 PG&E has approximately 81,000 circuit miles of overhead
23 conductor on its distribution system that operate between
24 four kilovolt (kV) to 21 kV, including bare and covered conductors
25 made from aluminum and copper. PG&E monitors the condition of
26 overhead primary conductor through patrols and inspections
27 consistent with General Order 165, and targeted infrared scans.
28 Replacement plans are developed using failure rates obtained
29 through wire down analysis and splice data from the infrared scans.

30 In 2018, a study was performed to better understand the
31 condition and performance of distribution overhead conductors. The
32 study helped establish a distribution of service life, near-term
33 replacement rate, and long-term steady-state replacement rates.
34 The modeling from the study indicated that a significant

1 year-over-year increase of total replacement length is needed to
2 maintain 2016 outage levels. The results of the study informed
3 PG&E's decision to forecast replacing additional miles of overhead
4 conductor. In the 2020 GRC, PG&E forecast replacing an average
5 of 97.3 miles annually from 2020-2022, compared to approximately
6 47 miles of overhead conductor replaced in 2017. Future
7 replacement rates will also leverage the study results.

8 PG&E's strategy for replacing overhead conductor targets
9 primary conductor that poses a high risk of failure in non-HFTD
10 areas. Planned replacements to maintain or improve reliability,
11 however, may not be fully executed due to higher priority work, such
12 as safety/emergency or compliance-related work. Additional
13 proactive replacements will occur as part of PG&E's System
14 Hardening program, where bare overhead primary conductor will be
15 replaced with covered conductor to reduce wildfire risk in HFTDs
16 areas.¹⁰ System Hardening related replacements will currently
17 focus on Tier 2 and Tier 3 HFTD areas. PG&E plans to replace
18 approximately 1,000 circuit miles of overhead conductor, as part of
19 System Hardening from 2020-2022. Some of the conductor
20 replaced in Tier 2 and Tier 3 HFTD areas would have otherwise
21 been identified for replacement as a result of annealing or
22 deterioration. Ultimately, PG&E strives to replace deteriorated
23 conductor, reduce conductor failures, and reduce the possibility of
24 wildfire as a result of energized conductor falling to the ground.

25 **b. Substation**

26 The substation asset family consists of equipment forming the
27 electric network that interconnects electric generation, transmission, and
28 distribution systems throughout PG&E's territory. Equipment in this
29 asset family includes substation facilities, transformers and voltage
30 regulators, circuit breakers and switchgear, switches, batteries, reactive
31 equipment, grounding systems, bus structures, and energy storage.

¹⁰ More information about conductor replacement as it relates to the Wildfire risk can be found in Chapter 10.

1 Long term goals related to ongoing replacements for this asset
2 family include initiatives to better understand asset failures and asset
3 life expectancy.

4 Substation equipment may be replaced for a variety of reasons,
5 including equipment failure, equipment reaching the end of its useful life,
6 operational performance issues, not meeting current operational or
7 cybersecurity standards, replacement parts becoming obsolete or
8 unavailable, or excessive cost of maintenance. The majority of
9 substation equipment replacement projects involve more than just the
10 in-kind replacement of a single piece of equipment with a like-for-like
11 piece of equipment. For instance, the newer equipment may be
12 manufactured with different dimensions or operating specifications,
13 requiring relocation of other existing equipment and installation or
14 replacement of ancillary equipment. Additionally, when PG&E replaces
15 equipment, it may make engineering and economic sense to upgrade or
16 add other equipment to improve reliability, enhance public safety, or
17 bring up to current standards. For example, PG&E may upgrade
18 associated connectors, switches, and communication equipment, when
19 replacing a substation circuit breaker or transformer. This approach of
20 work bundling results in efficient execution of work, lowering the
21 replacement cost of the associated assets.

22 PG&E's substation asset replacement program includes replacing
23 various types of major and minor equipment within this asset family,
24 including transformers, circuit breakers and switchgear.

25 PG&E has 760 distribution substations in its electric system.
26 Substations are facilities containing assets and infrastructure used to
27 transform voltage from one level to another. Other electric facilities exist
28 that are used for switching purposes only, for power generation and/or
29 third-party service. Transformers, circuit breakers switchgear, and other
30 assets reside within substations.

31 Transformers convert higher voltages of electricity to
32 distribution/utilization voltages for delivery to customers. PG&E
33 maintains an inventory of approximately 2,200 distribution substation
34 transformers throughout its service territory. PG&E identifies, prioritizes

1 and replaces transformers that are near the end of their useful lives and
2 are at high risk of failure. A condition-based assessment of substation
3 equipment through monitoring, testing and inspection is used to
4 prioritize replacements. In addition to proactive planned replacement
5 based on asset health indices, PG&E replaces transformers to provide
6 increased capacity, and performs emergency replacements based on
7 actual or imminent in-service failures.

8 Circuit breakers automatically interrupt the flow of electricity in the
9 event of a problem, such as a short circuit or circuit overload. Including
10 substation switchgear breakers, PG&E has approximately 5,200 circuit
11 breaking units. Circuit breaker replacements include a combination of
12 proactive planned replacements and emergency replacements.
13 Planned replacements are based on asset health indices, capacity
14 additions or replacements included during bus upgrades. Circuit
15 breakers can also be replaced as part of larger substation projects or on
16 an emergency basis for in-service or imminent in-service failures.
17 Substation circuit breakers are identified and prioritized by developing a
18 health index for the distribution circuit breakers throughout the PG&E
19 service area. Key factors included in the health index are: asset age,
20 overstress (if any), failure, obsolete parts, oil analysis and maintenance
21 and operating history.

22 **c. Distribution Line Underground**

23 The distribution line underground asset family consists of
24 underground cables, line equipment, and transformers.

25 Long term goals related to ongoing replacements for this asset
26 family include replacing all remaining primary Paper Insulated Lead
27 Covered (PILC) cables, replacing all oil-filled switches with solid
28 dielectric switches, and leveraging technological advances to develop
29 condition-based replacement programs with appropriate replacement
30 rates. Key proactive replacement programs in this asset family include:
31 primary cable replacements and oil switch replacements.

1 **1) Primary Cable Replacements**

2 Excluding network cables, the distribution underground primary
3 cable asset class is comprised of over 26,000 circuit miles of cable.
4 Cables are categorized by the following insulation types, along with
5 their typical deployment periods:

- 6 • PILC – Primarily installed for use in both San Francisco and
7 Oakland network systems as early as the 1920s, up to the
8 present, in certain circumstances where underground conduit
9 constraints exist.
- 10 • High Molecular Weight Polyethylene (HMWPE) – Deployed from
11 the early 1960s through the 1980s.
- 12 • Cross-Linked Polyethylene (XLP) – Installed from the
13 early 1960s through the late 1990s.
- 14 • Ethylene Polypropylene Rubber (EPR) – Deployed from the
15 late 1990s to the present.

16 The majority of these underground cables are installed in urban
17 and suburban areas throughout the service territory. Most PILC
18 cables in PG&E’s system are located in PG&E’s San Francisco and
19 East Bay Divisions, while EPR cable is used for most new
20 installations systemwide.

21 Cables are replaced by re-pulling new cable within the existing
22 infrastructure, or by trenching or boring to install new underground
23 facilities where replacement in-place is not feasible or cost effective.
24 Cable replacement projects may also include upgrading switches,
25 transformers, enclosures, and other associated equipment. In some
26 cases, cable targeted for replacement is evaluated using cable
27 testing or rejuvenation to determine whether a more cost-effective
28 alternative would be effective for all or part of the project.

29 Cable replacements are prioritized based on age and type of
30 cable, or a combination of these factors and other influences. When
31 possible, PG&E’s Reliability Related Cable Replacement Program
32 leverages the results of diagnostic testing to further prioritize the
33 replacement of poor performing primary cable sections. Cables
34 tested with neutral deterioration are prioritized higher for

1 replacement. PG&E's replacement strategy focuses on cable
2 sections that are failing at higher rates (e.g., HMWPE). In the 2020
3 GRC, from 2020-2022, PG&E forecast replacing 24 miles of
4 HMWPE cable, 21 miles of XLP and other cable, and 15 miles
5 of PILC.

6 PG&E's strategy also includes reactive replacement for all failed
7 cable. Mainline cables are primarily replaced under the Emergency
8 Program, while local loop cables are typically replaced under the
9 Critical Operating Equipment Cable Replacement Program.
10 Underground cable is also replaced as part of Capacity program if
11 there is an overload, or current exceeds the current rating, and in
12 PG&E's Emergency and Maintenance programs. Ultimately, PG&E
13 strives to proactively replace primary cables to maintain the current
14 failure rate and overall system reliability.

15 **2) Load Break Oil Rotary Switch Replacements**

16 Line switches are used to interconnect, sectionalize, and
17 transfer load between circuits. Load Break Oil Rotary (LBOR)
18 switches are a type of switch that are manually operated and
19 oil-filled that use solid blade mechanisms immersed in oil to break or
20 make loads. There is no easy or efficient way to properly inspect
21 the oil level and test the quality of the insulating oil for LBOR
22 switches. As these switches age, the strength and quality of the
23 insulating oil becomes suspect and can potentially be a safety
24 hazard for PG&E personnel. PG&E has approximately
25 13,300 LBOR switches in its service territory.

26 In 2014, PG&E began replacing LBOR switches. PG&E's
27 LBOR replacement program primarily focuses on switches
28 manufactured prior to 1975 without oil inspection sight glasses.
29 However, switches manufactured after 1975 may also be replaced
30 when inspection and condition assessments indicate such work is
31 necessary. In the 2020 GRC period, PG&E plans to replace
32 90 pre-1975 LBOR switches annually. Ultimately, PG&E strives to
33 eliminate oil-filled switchgear from the distribution system.

1 **d. Distribution Network**

2 The distribution network asset family is composed of network
3 transformers and network protectors serving customers in the
4 San Francisco Financial District and downtown Oakland.

5 Long-term goals associated with ongoing replacement programs
6 include maintaining or decreasing in-service failure rates and developing
7 a smooth ramping up of asset replacements that minimizes spikes in
8 replacements for asset age bubbles. Key proactive replacement
9 programs in this asset family include: targeted replacements of network
10 transformer and network protectors, and network cable replacement and
11 switch installations.

12 **1) Targeted Replacements of Network Transformer and Network**
13 **Protectors**

14 Network transformers are used to step primary voltages down to
15 service voltages. Network protectors are designed to automatically
16 isolate faults in order to prevent service interruptions on the network.
17 PG&E has a total of 1,392 network transformers, including
18 94 transformers located in high-rise buildings, and a total of
19 1,385 network protectors.

20 Some transformers in high-rise buildings are oil-filled, posing a
21 fire risk. In 2010, PG&E began replacing oil-filled transformers with
22 dry-type transformers to minimize fire risks and increase safety.
23 PG&E plans to replace all oil-filled network transformers in its
24 service territory by the end of 2022. Network oil-filled transformer
25 replacements are included in a mitigation to the Failure of Electric
26 Distribution Network Assets risk.¹¹

27 PG&E also makes condition-based replacements for equipment
28 in this asset family. PG&E routinely monitors the condition of its
29 network transformers and network protectors through inspections
30 and oil sampling. Equipment found with deteriorated conditions are
31 flagged for replacements. Condition-based replacement is a

¹¹ See Chapter 12 for more information on the Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets risk.

1 continuous effort to ensure safe and reliable operation of the
2 equipment. Condition-based replacements are also included as a
3 control to the Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets risk.¹²

4 Ultimately, PG&E strives to minimize in-service failure, work
5 towards fully deployed condition-based maintenance, and identify a
6 reasonable life cycle plan for these assets.

7 **2) Network Cable Replacement and Switch Installations**

8 PG&E's networked distribution systems consist of 188 circuit
9 miles of cable in 12 network groups, ten in San Francisco and two in
10 Oakland. PG&E performs systematic replacement of network cable
11 assets and installation of switches in downtown San Francisco and
12 Oakland networks. Many of the existing network primary and
13 secondary cables date from the 1920s to the 1960s and are nearing
14 the end of their useful life. The network systems replacement
15 program is an on-going program that started in 2011. The program
16 work includes replacing primary and secondary cables, modifying
17 network transformers to accept the new primary cables, and
18 installing switches. PG&E is installing switches at the same time
19 cables are replaced to meet operational requirements by providing a
20 switching location outside the substation to establish feeder
21 clearance points. PG&E plans to proactively replace additional
22 network cable as part of a new mitigation.¹³

23 **3. How Electric Operations Uses Risk Prioritization to Identify Equipment** 24 **for Replacement**

25 PG&E's EO Risk Management Program is consistent with PG&E's
26 Integrated Planning process. PG&E develops an active list of risk profiles,
27 quantifies risks, maps each risk driver, control, and consequence affecting
28 the risk, develops mitigations to promote risk reductions, and establishes
29 key performance indicators or metrics to monitor risk performance. In order

¹² See Chapter 12 for more information on the Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets risk.

¹³ See Chapter 12 for more information on the Failure of Electric Distribution Network Assets risk.

1 to inform work prioritization, EO performs a RIBA analysis to characterize
2 risks based on a number of factors and utilizes additional prioritization
3 frameworks and tools to help prioritize its work.¹⁴

4 The RIBA process evaluates projects and programs from a safety,
5 environmental, and reliability risk perspective to assess the degree of
6 relative risk exposure and impact being addressed. Other factors are also
7 incorporated into the evaluation to inform capital investment decisions,
8 including, but not limited to, compliance requirements and project
9 inter-dependencies. RIBA scores are assigned to approved projects or
10 programs. The RIBA scores for the EO portfolio of work are used to support
11 creation of or adjustments to the capital investment plan that meets the most
12 critical demands of the electric distribution system, consistent with available
13 resources and operational performance requirements.

14 Following the 2017 and 2018 wildfires, EO instituted an additional risk
15 prioritization framework to prioritize fire ignition prevention work within the
16 EO portfolio. The framework evaluates whether programs and projects
17 prevent fire ignitions (highest priority), have strong links to safety (medium to
18 high priority), or have a low safety risk (lowest priority). These inputs were
19 used in conjunction with EO's newly-designed circuit-based approach, which
20 was developed to prioritize work starting in 2020. The circuit-based
21 approach applies to distribution line, transmission line and substation work
22 and optimizes the work within EO portfolio by value, risk ranking, and
23 resource availability to develop a work plan targeting the highest priority
24 activities on the circuits with most risk.

25 PG&E continues to improve risk models for both distribution and
26 transmission. This continuous improvement aims to model probability and
27 consequence at the asset level, forecast risk and inform planned mitigations.
28 This also enables the prioritization of work based on these forecasted risk
29 reductions. As new data becomes available and the environment in which

¹⁴ As discussed more fully in Chapter 2 (PG&E's Enterprise Risk Management Framework, Section C.4.h), the RIBA scoring methodology is being revised to use the outputs of the quantitative operational risk modeling developed in RAMP to enable consistent data driven, risk informed decision making.

1 PG&E operates continues to change, EO will continue to evolve its risk
2 management and prioritization.

3 **D. Generation**

4 **1. Generation Asset Management Strategy Overview**

5 Generation's AM Program provides a systemwide look into the condition
6 of the generation equipment and proposes projects and/or changes to
7 operations and/or maintenance practices to ensure that Generation's
8 long-term investment plan maintains or reduces risk and maintains or
9 improves the safety and reliability of the generation portfolio.

10 **2. Generation Asset Management Programs**

11 **a. Hydroelectric**

12 PG&E has 105 hydroelectric generating units at 66 powerhouses
13 with a generating capacity of 3,890.6 megawatts (MW). PG&E has a
14 hydroelectric AM Program that includes most of the equipment used for
15 hydroelectric generation.

16 Equipment and systems associated with water storage and
17 conveyance and with the power train are considered key operating
18 equipment in the hydroelectric AM program.

19 **b. Fossil and Solar**

20 PG&E has three fossil-fuel generating stations that are between ten
21 and 11 years old. These three generating facilities have a combined
22 maximum normal operating capacity of 1,400 MW. These units have an
23 expected life of 30 years and the major components are currently
24 covered by long-term service agreements with the original equipment
25 manufacturer for the major components of the power train. PG&E is
26 guided by the Commission's operations and maintenance (O&M)
27 standards (General Order 167) and uses a high energy piping (HEP)
28 standard to help assure the stations are safely maintained.

29 PG&E also has ten solar photovoltaic generating facilities. The
30 majority of these sites are less than nine years old. PG&E has a
31 program in place to repair or replace the inverters and to replace panels
32 as they fail.

1 Major components necessary to provide safe and reliable service
2 are proactively replaced, repaired or refurbished.

3 **c. Nuclear**

4 PG&E has one nuclear generating facility, the Diablo Canyon Power
5 Plant (DCPP), located nine miles northwest of Avila Beach in San Luis
6 Obispo County. DCPP consists of twin pressurized water reactors,
7 Units 1 and 2, rated at a nominal 1,122 MW and 1,118 MW,
8 respectively. DCPP Units 1 and 2 began commercial operation in
9 May 1985 and March 1986, respectively, and are licensed by the
10 Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to operate until November 2,
11 2024 and August 26, 2025. PG&E has a robust NRC-required
12 maintenance (AM) program where major components necessary to
13 provide safe and reliable service are monitored, tested, and proactively
14 replaced or refurbished in accordance with NRC regulations. PG&E
15 does not plan to operate DCPP past its current NRC license expiration
16 dates.¹⁵

17 **3. How Power Generation Uses Risk Prioritization to Identify Equipment**
18 **for Replacement**

19 PG&E takes a risk informed approach to AM for Generation. PG&E
20 quantifies risks using the Enterprise Risk Management process, which
21 includes enterprise risks such as a large uncontrolled water release or a
22 nuclear core damaging event. Following that process, PG&E performs a
23 RIBA analysis to characterize risks based on several factors. The RIBA
24 process is used to evaluate projects and programs from a safety,
25 environmental, and reliability perspective to assess the degree of relative
26 risk exposure and impact being addressed.¹⁶ The purpose of a RIBA score
27 is to capture on a relative basis the safety, environmental and reliability risks
28 that each project or program in Generation aims to prevent, based on the
29 worst direct reasonable impact or event that the work activity mitigates. In

¹⁵ The Commission has approved a retirement plan for DCPP (Decision 18-01-022).

¹⁶ As discussed more fully in Chapter 2 (PG&E's Enterprise Risk Management Framework, Section C.4.h), the RIBA scoring methodology is being revised to use the outputs of the quantitative operational risk modeling developed in RAMP to enable consistent data driven, risk informed decision making.

1 addition to safety, environmental and reliability risks, other factors including,
2 but not limited to, the RIBA classification, justification and project
3 inter-dependencies are incorporated into the evaluation to inform investment
4 decisions.

5 All approved projects or programs have RIBA scores. The RIBA
6 process is used to aggregate the individual project and program risk
7 assessments to support creation of or adjustments to the investment plan.
8 The following sections describe considerations and strategies for key asset
9 replacement programs.

10 **a. Hydroelectric Asset Management Practices and Programs**

11 **1) Hydroelectric Asset Management Practices**

12 PG&E employs the following process to identify and ultimately
13 mitigate the risks associated with PG&E's hydroelectric assets:

14 **a) Asset Registry**

15 PG&E uses equipment records in SAP Work Management
16 to track the key characteristics and nameplate data for each
17 hydro asset. These records provide the foundation for
18 maintenance planning, AM and engineering.

19 **b) Design and Performance Criteria**

20 For each hydro asset type, PG&E develops technical
21 documents which contain design and performance criteria.
22 While design criteria are used primarily for new equipment,
23 performance criteria are used to assess existing equipment,
24 providing a technical threshold against which to measure
25 assessment results.

26 **c) Assessment Standards**

27 For each hydro asset type, PG&E develops technical
28 documents which contain assessment standards and
29 procedures. Such standards and procedures (based on
30 industry best-practices and regulations) explain how and when
31 each asset type should be assessed.

1 **d) Assessments**

2 In line with its assessment standards and procedures,
3 PG&E conducts tests and inspections across its fleet of hydro
4 assets. For each asset type, there are often numerous types of
5 tests and inspections, each with its own required frequency, as
6 outlined by the assessment standard/procedure. Assessment
7 results are analyzed and interpreted, and corresponding
8 condition indicators are logged in SAP that is linked directly to
9 each equipment record.¹⁷

10 **e) Quantification of Asset Risk**

11 Based on its assessment results and condition indicators,
12 PG&E's AM team calculates risk scores for each key piece of
13 hydro equipment. Risk scores consist of health scores (which
14 are a proxy for the probability of failure) and consequence
15 scores (which are a proxy for the consequence of failure).
16 Taken together, PG&E can quantify the risk of its respective
17 hydro assets. Risk scores are logged in Excel Workbooks on a
18 secure SharePoint site.

19 **f) Asset Risk Mitigation/Control**

20 PG&E mitigates and/or controls identified risks through the
21 following methods:

- 22 • Operational changes and restrictions. For example, where
23 appropriate PG&E will temporarily lower the flow in a
24 leaking canal or institute a no-run-zone on a hydro unit with
25 vibration problems.
- 26 • Increased or modified maintenance, monitoring and
27 surveillance. For example, where appropriate PG&E will
28 install instrumentation near a penstock to monitor ground
29 movement.
- 30 • Repair, refurbishment or replacement projects. For
31 example, where appropriate PG&E will replace a

¹⁷ SAP is used for the penstock program and powertrain programs. The dams and water conveyance program assessment results are tracked separately.

1 highly-deteriorated (due to cavitation or corrosion) turbine
2 runner, or it might re-line a degraded section of canal.

3 **2) Hydroelectric Asset Management Programs**

4 **a) Storage and Conveyance**

5 The assets in this category have long service lives and are
6 not routinely replaced. PG&E's focus regarding storage and
7 conveyance assets is centered around on-going maintenance
8 and mitigations to assure the assets are safe and reliable for
9 employees and the public and meet all regulatory requirements.

10 PG&E's water storage and conveyance systems consist of
11 dams, reservoirs, tunnels, canals, flumes, siphons, and
12 penstocks, which enable PG&E to transport and store runoff
13 and aquifer flows to the hydro powerhouses to allow for flexible
14 generation. Additionally, the conveyance and storage systems
15 meet critical water storage and delivery requirements, for
16 purposes of water conservation, fish and wildlife habitat
17 protection and enhancement, domestic water usage,
18 recreational water requirements, irrigation district and
19 agricultural water needs, and natural resource protection. The
20 system collectively includes the following approximate number
21 of, or miles of, support infrastructure: 98 reservoirs,
22 73 diversions, 170 dams (68 large dams¹⁸ and 103 small
23 dams), 173 miles of canals, 43 miles of flumes, 132 miles of
24 tunnels, 65 miles of pipe (penstocks, siphons, and low head
25 pipes), four miles of natural waterways, and approximately
26 140,000 acres of fee-owned land.

27 **i) Dams**

28 Dams are routinely maintained with mitigations to
29 address any issues that develop, and not typically replaced.

18 The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) classifies large dams as those dams with a height of greater than 33 feet. Dams less than 33 feet high, but that are classified by FERC as high or significant hazard are treated as large dams and must comply with the Part 12 regulations. (18 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 12D).

1 PG&E's dams are associated with the Enterprise Risk,
2 Large Uncontrolled Water Release. The dam safety
3 program is regulated by the State of California Department
4 of Water Resources, Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD)
5 and the FERC. The following includes the AM approach to
6 dams:

- 7 • Routine observations by trained Hydro O&M personnel;
- 8 • Regular inspections by qualified engineers in PG&E's
9 Dam Safety Program;
- 10 • Regular regulatory inspections by the FERC and DSOD
11 based on dam hazard classification;
- 12 • Five-year Independent Consultant Safety Inspections in
13 accordance with 18 CFR Part 12D;
- 14 • Engineering evaluations of dam stability, seismicity,
15 spillway design capacity, and other design and
16 operational issues as conditions and engineering
17 guidelines evolve; and
- 18 • Major repairs are infrequent, but can require high cost
19 (~\$20-\$100 million) projects.

20 **ii) Penstocks**

21 Penstocks are typically repaired or refurbished, not
22 replaced, based on condition and consequence of failure.
23 PG&E utilizes a condition, risk and economic-based
24 approach to AM. The following includes the AM approach
25 to penstocks:

- 26 • Routine O&M patrols may yield emergent
27 maintenance/repair performed as-needed;
- 28 • Detailed inspection by subject matter experts and
29 non-destructive examination inspections;
- 30 • Inspection frequency is based on penstock risk; and
- 31 • Replacement is usually not cost effective.

1 **iii) Water Conveyance**

2 Water Conveyance assets are typically repaired or
3 refurbished, not replaced, based on condition and
4 consequence of failure. PG&E utilizes a condition, risk and
5 economic-based approach to AM. The following includes
6 the AM approach to water conveyance:

- 7 • Major repair project prioritization based on locational
8 health and consequence of failure scores, determined
9 through five-year AM condition assessments;
- 10 • Conveyance relining costs are decreasing as several
11 high consequence sites have been addressed in recent
12 years; and
- 13 • Routine maintenance is performed by O&M based on
14 findings from monthly patrols.

15 **b) Power Train**

16 The assets in this category are replaced or refurbished
17 based on condition, reliability requirements, and economics.

18 **i) Turbines**

19 PG&E utilizes a condition, reliability and
20 economic-based approach to AM. The following includes
21 the AM approach to turbines:

- 22 • Turbine replacement or refurbishment decisions are
23 based on current condition of the equipment, safety and
24 powerhouse economics;
- 25 • Typical inspections and tests are performed every
26 five to eight years depending on previous condition
27 assessments; and
- 28 • Weld repairs are performed periodically during annual
29 outages for life extension.

30 **ii) Generators and Rotors**

31 PG&E utilizes a condition, reliability and
32 economic-based approach to AM. The following includes
33 the AM approach to generators and rotors:

- Generator performance testing and modeling every five years per Western Electricity Coordinating Council requirements;
- Physical inspection occurs during outages and stator insulation testing is performed annually; and
- Life extension through stator rewinds and rotor cleaning or refurbishment based on asset condition.

PG&E has plans to rewind several generator stators and the associated generator rotors will be cleaned or refurbished over the next few years.

iii) Transformers

PG&E utilizes a condition and risk-based approach to AM. The following includes the AM approach to transformers:

- Visual inspections and oil testing are conducted annually. Offline electrical testing is done every five years. More extensive assessments are conducted if warranted by the condition of the transformer.
- Replacement or refurbishment typically address deteriorating oil quality, paper insulation, or leaks in the transformer bank.
- PG&E has plans to replace or refurbish several transformers over the next few years.

b. Fossil Asset Management Practices and Programs

PG&E's fossil AM practices and programs are guided primarily by the Commission's O&M standards (General Order 167) and the PG&E fossil generation High Energy System Safety Program (HESSP) standard.

1) O&M Standard

General Order 167 sets forth standards that govern the O&M of power plants. The purpose of General Order 167 is:

...to implement and enforce standards for the maintenance and operation of electric generating facilities and power plants so as to maintain and protect the public health and safety of California

1 residents and businesses, to ensure that electric generating
2 facilities are effectively and appropriately maintained and
3 efficiently operated, and to ensure electrical service reliability
4 and adequacy.¹⁹

5 The standards set forth in General Order 167 include operation
6 standards, maintenance standards, and logbook standards. PG&E
7 accomplishes compliance with General Order 167 through the use
8 of various internal controls, and through audits by the CPUC.
9 General Order 167 was set in place post energy crisis by the CPUC
10 to enforce prudent practices in the availability of the fossil fleet
11 for California.

12 **2) Fossil Generation HESSP Standard**

13 This standard provides the requirements for inspecting,
14 conducting analysis, managing associated mitigation, and corrective
15 actions for PG&E's fossil generation HESSP, which includes HEP
16 and high energy fixed equipment. This program monitors HEP
17 systems for integrity and safety while meeting the requirements of
18 the American National Standards Institute/American Society of
19 Mechanical Engineers B31.1, Power Piping, Appendix V
20 Section V-6.0 and other codes for high energy fixed equipment.

21 HEP systems are normally considered to include the main
22 steam, reheat (both hot and cold), bypasses, feedwater (high
23 pressure and low pressure), blowdown lines, drain lines, vent lines,
24 and extraction steam piping.

25 High energy fixed equipment includes heat recovery steam
26 generators, boiler drums, blowdown tanks, economizers,
27 evaporators, attemperator, condenser, deaerator, and other balance
28 of plant pressurized equipment, such as air receivers, ammonia
29 tanks, and gas filters.

30 **c. Nuclear Asset Management Practices and Programs**

31 Nuclear generation has classified the operating equipment at its
32 nuclear generating station and applied testing, maintenance, and

¹⁹ CPUC, General Order 167, Section 1.0 Purpose.

1 replacement strategies reflective of a zero-tolerance for critical
2 equipment failures.

3 **1) Equipment Reliability Process**

4 The nuclear generation equipment reliability process integrates
5 a broad range of activities into one process. Using this process,
6 personnel evaluate important plant equipment, develop and
7 implement long-term equipment health plans, monitor equipment
8 performance and condition, and adjust preventive maintenance
9 tasks and frequencies based on equipment operating experience.
10 This process includes activities such as:

- 11 • Reliability-centered maintenance—optimized maintenance plans
12 that are established based on systematic evaluation of the
13 safety and operational consequences of each failure and
14 degradation mechanism that causes the failures;
- 15 • Preventive maintenance (PM), periodic, predictive (PdM), and
16 planned—maintenance performed either periodically, or based
17 on observed conditions, that ensures the equipment will
18 continue to meet its design requirements without failure;
- 19 • Surveillance and post-maintenance testing—assures equipment
20 that will be relied upon is capable of performing its
21 design function;
- 22 • Lifecycle management planning—integrates aging management
23 and economic planning for optimized operation, maintenance
24 and service life of equipment to maintain acceptable
25 performance and safety;
- 26 • Equipment performance and condition monitoring—performance
27 monitoring over time that detects performance degradation and
28 need for maintenance before a failure occurs;
- 29 • Internal and external operating experience assessment—
30 formalized process of reviewing industry and station equipment
31 experience to identify equipment reliability vulnerabilities and
32 address them before a failure occurs; and
- 33 • Maintenance Rule evaluation—regulated process to ensure that
34 reliability of equipment important to safety is maintained and

1 causes of unacceptable performance are investigated
2 and corrected.

3 **2) Equipment Reliability Classification**

4 The equipment reliability classification (ERC) is established,
5 using industry-standard criteria, to identify the equipment in one of
6 the four following categories:

- 7 • Critical – failure can cause such results as a reactor trip, power
8 transient greater than 20 percent, complete loss of nuclear heat
9 removal, or complete loss of vital AC power;
- 10 • Important Non-Critical – failure can cause results such as an
11 unplanned power reduction greater than 2 percent, a power
12 transient of 2 percent to 20 percent, or loss of a redundant
13 safety feature;
- 14 • Economic Non-Critical – failure can cause unplanned power
15 reduction less than 2 percent, or is required to meet North
16 American Electric Reliability Corporation, FERC or insurance
17 requirements, emergency response equipment, or has been
18 found to be more cost-effective to maintain than to allow failure;
- 19 • Run-to-Maintenance – equipment that does not fall into the
20 above categories that can be run until corrective maintenance is
21 required; and
- 22 • Exempt – equipment includes those that are operationally
23 insignificant, highly reliable, or largely passive.

24 The equipment reliability for each objective guides the development
25 of the reliability strategies for that component as shown in
26 Table 21-1 below:

**TABLE 21-1
NUCLEAR EQUIPMENT RELIABILITY CLASSIFICATION**

Line No.	ERCs	Objectives	Strategies
1	Critical	Early detection of incipient failures. Failures are rare.	Level of PM/PdM ensures incipient failures are detected and all failures are prevented wherever practical. Inventory management (spare parts strategy). AM (develop long term strategy). Implement cost effective design changes to avoid single point functional failures. Maintenance strategies maximize reliability and availability, and minimize possible failures caused by infant mortality and human error. Plant resources are applied first to protecting these components from failure.
2	Important Non-Critical	Few failures are expected.	Level of PM/PdM ensures few failures and that all performance criteria are met. AM (develop long term strategy). The condition of these components is not allowed to degrade simply because there may be redundancy in design. Maintenance strategies and the level of resources applied ensure components meet required levels of performance.
3	Economic Non-Critical	Most component failures are prevented. PM strategies ensure that industry requirements are met. Prescribed strategies are more cost effective than an RTF strategy.	Simple and effective PM tasks performed to extend useful life.
4	Run-to-Maintenance	Failures can be tolerated.	PM or PdM not performed. Repair or replacement of these components on a corrective or elective basis is the most cost-effective maintenance strategy. Plant resources will not be expended to prevent failures.
5	Exempt	Failures are not expected. Exempt from analysis of consideration of preventive or predictive maintenance.	Exempting highly reliable or operationally insignificant components permits a more focused effort on components which merit most attention. Components may fall under plant programs other than PM.

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APPENDIX A

RAMP ACRONYM LIST

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GLOSSARY OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

A

ACSR	Aluminum Conductor Steel-Reinforced
AM	Asset Management
API	American Petroleum Institute
ARB	Air Resources Board (see CARB)
ARMA	Association of Records Managers and Administrators
ASME	American Society of Mechanical Engineers
ATWACC	After Tax Weighted Average Cost of Capital

B

BC Hydro	BC Hydro and Power Authority is a Canadian electric utility in the province of British Columbia, simply known as BC Hydro
BDB	Beyond Design Basis

C

49 CFR	Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations – Transportation
C&P	Compression & Processing or Compression and Processing
C/Mins	customer minutes
CalGEM	California Geological Energy Management
CAP	Corrective Action Program
CARB	California Air Resources Board
CDL	commercial driver's license
CDLA	Class A Commercial Driver's License
CDSE	Chief Dam Safety Engineer
CE	Cause Evaluation
CEC	California Energy Commission
CEMA	Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CERP	Company Emergency Response Plan
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CMI	Customer Minutes of Interruption
CNG	Compressed Natural Gas (can be used as lowercase)
COE	Critical Operating Equipment
CoRe	Consequence of Risk Event
COVID-19	Coronavirus
CPUC or Commission	California Public Utilities Commission
CRESS	Corporate Real Estate Strategy and Services
CRO	Chief Risk Officer
CRR	Corporate Risk Register
CSF	Cybersecurity Framework
CSO	Customer Service Office

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CSTI	California Specialized Training Institute
CUE	Coalition of Utility Employees
CVA	Climate Vulnerability Assessment
CWSP	Community Wildfire Safety Program

D

D.	Decision
D-Line	Distribution Line
DA	Direct Assessment
DART	Days Away, Restricted and Transferred
DASH	Daminfo Automated Seismic Hazard
DCD	Downed Wire Detection
DCPP or DCNPP	Diablo Canyon Power Plant or Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant
DFA	Distribution Fault Anticipation
DIMP	Distribution Integrity Management Program
DMS	Distribution Mains and Services
DMV	Department of Motor Vehicle
DOCP	Distribution Overhead Conductor – Primary
DOH	Distribution Overhead
DOT	Department of Transportation or U.S. Department of Transportation
DSOD	Division of Safety of Dams
DSP	Dam Safety Program
DTS-FAST	Distribution Transmission Substation—Fire Action Scheme and Technology

E

E&R	Engineering and Risk
EAP	Emergency Action Plan
EAP	Employee Assistance Program
ECA	Engineering Critical Assessment
ECISSP	Electrically-Connected Isolated Steel Service Program
EF	Equivalent Fatalities
EHS	Environmental and Health and Safety
EIR	Electric Incident Report
EO	Electric Operations
EOC	Emergency Operations Center
EORM	Enterprise and Operational Risk Management
EP&R	Emergency Preparedness and Response
EPH	Enterprise Performance Huddle
EPR	Ethylene Polypropylene Rubber (can be used as lowercase)
ERC	equipment reliability classification
ERIM	Enterprise Records and Information Management

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ERR	Enterprise Risk Register
ESMS	Enterprise Safety Management System
EVM	Enhanced Vegetation Management
EWT	Early Warning Technologies

F

FAA	Federal Aviation Administration
Fd	Force of water
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
FERC	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
FFD	Fitness for Duty (can be used as lowercase)
FIA	Fire Index Area
FIMP	Facility Integrity Management Program
FMEA	Failure Modes and Effects Analysis
FPI	Fire Potential Index

G

GCC	Gas Control Center
GD-GIS	Gas Distribution Geographic Information System
GDL	Guidance Document Library
GMC	ground motion characterization
GO	Gas Operations
GO	General Office or General Order
GOES	Governance Oversight Execute Support
GPRP	Gas Pipeline Replacement Program
GPS	Global Positioning System or Geographic Positioning System
GRC	General Rate Case
GT	Gas Transmission (can be used as lowercase)
GT&S	Gas Transmission and Storage

H

HCA	High Consequence Area
HEP	High Energy Piping
HFTD	High Fire Threat District
HMWPE	High Molecular Weight Polyethylene or High Molecule Weight Polyethylene
HPR	High-Pressure Regulator (can be used as lowercase)
HR	Human Resources
HSSP	High Energy System Safety Program

I

IAM	Identity and Access Management
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ICS	Incident Command System or Incident Command Structure
IGMM	Information Governance Maturity Model
ILI	In-Line Inspection
IMT	Incident Management Team
IOU	Investor-Owned Utility (can be used as lowercase)
ISN	ISNetwork
ISO	International Standards Organization
ISRMP	Integrated Seismic Risk Management Program

J

K

L

LFHC	low-frequency/high consequence
LiDAR or LIDAR	Light Detection and Ranging
LNG	Liquefied Natural Gas (can be used as lowercase)
LNT	linear no dose threshold
LOB	Line of Business (can be used as lowercase)
LOBs	Lines of Business (do not define Lines of Business—use LOB above)
LOC	loss of containment
LoRe	Likelihood of a Risk Event
LTIP	Long-Term Incentive Plan
LTSP	Long-Term Seismic Program or Long Term Seismic Program
LVCR	Large Volume Customer Regulator

M

M&C	Maintenance and Construction
M&C	Measurement & Control or Measurement and Control
MAOP	Maximum Allowable Operating Pressure
MARS	Multi-Attribute Risk Score (can be used as lowercase)
MAVF	Multi-Attribute Value Function (can be used as lowercase)
MOC	Management of Change
MPP	Meter Protection Program
MSD	Musculoskeletal Disorder (can be used as lowercase)
MVS	Motor Vehicle Safety
MVSI	Motor Vehicle Safety Incident
MW	megawatt
MW	Mitigation Effectiveness workpapers

N

NCL	Nurse Care Line
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NERC	North American Electric Reliability Corporation
NESE 100	Near 100 year storm event
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NPV	Net Present Value
NRC	Nuclear Regulatory Commission
NTSB	National Transportation Safety Board
NWS	National Weather Service

O

O&M	operations and maintenance (should be lowercase unless it is a Dept.)
ODN	Operational Data Network (can be used lowercase)
OIR	Order Instituting Rulemaking
OP	Over Pressure
OPP	Over Pressure Protection
OSA	Office of Safety Advocate
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration

P

PAR	Population at Risk
PdM	Predictive maintenance
PRA	Probabilistic Risk Assessment
PRC	Public Resource Code
PSPS	Public Safety Power Shutoff
PSPs	Public Safety Plans
PSS	Public Safety Specialists
PVMI	preventable motor vehicle incident

Q

R

R.	Rulemaking
RAMP	Risk Assessment and Mitigation Proceeding
RCC	Risk and Compliance Committee
REFCL	Rapid Earth Fault Current Limiter
REM	Roentgen Equivalent Man
RFW	Red Flag Warnings
RIBA	Risk Informed Budget Allocation or Risk-Informed Budget Allocation
RIM	Records and Information Management
RMC	Risk Management Community
RO	Regulated Output

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ROW	Right-of-Way (can be used as lowercase)
RP	Recommended Practice
RSE	Risk Spend Efficiency
RTU	Remote Terminal Unit

S

SAMA	Severe Accident Mitigation Alternative
SAP	Systems Applications and Products (should not be spelled out unless we get an approval from the case manager)
SCADA	System Control and Data Acquisition
SCC	Stress Corrosion Cracking
scfh	standard cubic feet per hour
SED	Safety and Enforcement Division
SERA	System Earthquak Risk Assessment
SGF	Sensitive Ground Fault
SHED	Safety, Health, ECAP, DOT
SIF	Serious Injury or Fatality or Serious Injuries or Fatalities or Serious Injury and Fatality
SIPT	Safety and Infrastructure Protection Teams
SLD	Safety Leadership Development
SLR	Sea level rise
S-MAP or SMAP	Safety Model Assessment Proceeding
SME	Subject Matter Expert (can be used as lowercase)
SMYS	Specified Minimum Yield Strength
SNO	Safety and Nuclear Operations or Safety and Nuclear Oversight
SOPP	Storm Outage Prediction Program or Storm Outage Prediction Project
SPRA	Seismic Probabilistic Risk Assessment (can be used as lowercase)
SQWF	Skilled and Qualified Workforce
SSC	seismic source characterization
STIP	Short-Term Incentive Plan
SWN	Send Word Now

T

TIL	Technical Information Library
TIMP	Transmission Integrity Management Program
TS	Transportation Services
TURN	The Utility Reform Network
TVMR	Transmission Vegetation Management Reliability

U

UAM	Underground Asset Management
UG	Underground
USGS	U.S. Geological Survey or United States Geological Survey

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V

VP	Vice President
VST	Vehicle Safety Technology

W

WBT	web-based training
WELL	Well Integrity Management Plan
WHO	World Health Organization
WRO	Work Required by Others
WROF	Weather-Related Outside Force
WSAC	Weekly Situational Awareness Calls
WSD	Wildfire Safety Division
WSIP	Wildfire Safety Inspection Program
WSOC	Wildfire Safety Operations Center
Wt	warning time

X

XLP	cross-linked polyethylene
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Z
