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PacifiCorp’s 2020 Wildfire Mitigation Plan - 2021 Substantial Vegetation Management (SVM) Audit

7.3.5.2 Detailed Inspections of Vegetation Around Distribution Electric Lines and Equipment – In its 2021 WMP, PacifiCorp states, “PacifiCorp conducts inspections of vegetation around distribution lines and equipment to identify imminent threats or hazards and vegetation conditions that do not comply PacifiCorp’s program standards/specifications. These pre-work inspections are typically conducted within weeks to 1-2 months by contractors prior to the scheduled program work. Inspectors/pre-listers utilize tablets to record vegetation conditions to be corrected....In 2021, PacifiCorp expects to inspect over 1,500 miles of distribution line associated with routine vegetation management.”¹ Regarding these statements, provide the following:

- (a) An Excel file with the following columns: distribution grid or distribution circuit name, program name, inspection date, miles inspected, vegetation management work date from 2021.
 - (i) If the total miles inspected under the routine program is less than 1,500 miles, explain why.
 - (ii) If there are instances of deviations between the inspection date and the vegetation management work date greater than 2 months, provide an explanation for why.
- (b) Examples of imminent vegetation threats or vegetation hazards identified during the routine inspection of distribution lines in 2021. Include the date the hazards were found, location, a description of the hazards, and the dates the hazards were remediated.
- (c) Provide the training or tailgate agenda showing inspectors utilized tablets to record vegetation conditions to be corrected in 2021.

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- (a) Please refer to Attachment OEIS 11.14, specifically Attachment 1 - WE01012022_Contractor Miles Tracker_Distribution, which provides the total miles inspected in calendar year 2021 for distribution circuits scheduled to be worked (tab “Internal Tracker – Dist Program”, cell G13). Work code “DNT” represents inspection associated with the detailed inspection program.

¹ PacifiCorp’s 2021 WMP, page 159.

- (i) The total number of miles represented as inspected as part of the detailed inspection program in calendar year 2021 (cell G13) is 1,376 miles. Each year, circuits planned for work are inspected during Q4 of the previous year to allow vegetation management work to commence early in the year. Circuits 5G41, 5G45, 5G83 and 5R194 were inspected in calendar year 2020 and totaled approximately 95 miles. Adding this to the total inspected in calendar year 2021 equals 1,471 miles. The total of 1,500 miles was an estimate provided in PacifiCorp's 2021 Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP). As the vegetation management work plan continued to be refined, the planned miles to be completed was 1,476 (cell F13). There is a difference of five miles between actual miles completed (1,471 miles inspected) compared to plan (1,476 miles), reflecting five miles on Circuit 5R152 that was not completed in 2021 (cell G46). Those five miles on Circuit 5R152 were then rolled over into calendar year 2022 and completed in calendar year 2022.
- (ii) PacifiCorp generally targets up to two months from the date the inventory is conducted (work is identified) to when the work is completed. On average, PacifiCorp addressed areas identified during inventory within 40 calendar days. Please refer to Attachment OEIS 11.14, specifically Attachment 2 - PpWorkComplete_CA_2021_Distribution. Column D indicates the duration between inspection and correction date. There are several reasons why work may not be completed within two months of the inventory; including weather, customer refusals, specialized equipment needs, land managing agency requirements, environmental restrictions, and so forth. These factors are always present and may result in managed deviations from the targeted two-month timeframe.
- (b) PacifiCorp does not have documentation to provide regarding imminent vegetation threats or vegetation hazards. If such conditions are identified, they are generally communicated by telephone calls to dispatch tree crews to address the condition identified. PacifiCorp does not have a separate tracking system for imminent threat conditions. Records of the corrective work related to these conditions are embedded within the general vegetation management inventory and work complete documentation.
- (c) Please refer to Attachment OEIS 11.14, specifically Attachment 3 – PacifiCorp-Tree's LLC Meeting_01272021, which provides a copy of the meeting agenda with Trees LLC. Agenda items include discussion and use of tablets relative to the vegetation management program.