

## 8.0 GROWTH INDUCING IMPACTS

CEQA Guidelines Section 15126(g), require that a CEQA environmental review “discuss the ways in which the proposed project could foster economic or population growth, or the construction of additional housing, either directly or indirectly, in the surrounding environment.” The Guidelines further state that “it must not be assumed that growth in any area is not necessarily beneficial, detrimental, or of little significance to the environment.”

The Proposed Projects are required for continued operation of an existing facility. They would allow PG&E to continue to provide electrical service, as required by the CPUC, to customers in the service area. The operating license for Units 1 and 2 expire in 2021 and 2025, respectively. The Proposed Projects would allow DCPD to continue to operate under current permit conditions. This continued operation is required to meet existing electric service needs and would not increase generation capacity or induce growth.

The Proposed Projects would bring up to approximately 900 additional workers to the area during the peak 80-day outage period. This would occur once a year for 2 consecutive years. After activities associated with the Proposed Projects are completed, the temporary workers would no longer be working and staying in the vicinity of the DCPD. The Proposed Projects would, therefore, not foster long-term economic, employment, or population growth. Construction of additional housing is also not anticipated in the surrounding area. Therefore, the Proposed Projects would not result in growth inducing impacts.