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Subject: Moraga-Oakland X 115 kV Rebuild Project
Notice to Proceed Request Package No. 1 (NTP #1), Revision 1

Dear Ms. Wright,

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) issued a decision granting Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) a Permit to Construct to authorize construction of the Moraga-Oakland X 115 kV Rebuild Project (project) (Application A.24-11-005) pursuant to General Order 131-E. The CPUC Decision adopted the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR), released in January 2026, in its entirety. The Final EIR includes a Mitigation Monitoring, Compliance and Reporting Plan (MMCRP), and the CPUC adopted the MMCRP as part of its approval of the project. In order for PG&E to commence construction, PG&E needs to provide the CPUC with several preconstruction requirements per the MMCRP.

This Notice to Proceed (NTP) #1 Revision 1 requests a NTP #1 modification to add access road improvement to the NTP #1 issued by the CPUC on August 10, 2026. Construction activities allowed under NTP #1 are in progress and access road improvement is needed for safety during upcoming NTP #1 construction activities. PG&E's initial request for NTP #1 on July 31, 2026 was updated as Revision 0 on August 10, 2026 with additional information requested by the CPUC following their review of the initial request.

This NTP #1 request package focuses on access road improvement is needed for construction activities at RS16, which is accessed from West Circle in Oakland, and three replacement structure foundation installations, RN14, RS14, and RS16, within the overhead power line replacement portion of the project.

Construction will start on September 8, 2026 and will continue for approximately three to four weeks. Construction work hours are between 7am and 7pm, Monday through Saturday. No work is planned to occur at night. No helicopters will be used. These activities are part of and consistent with the project described in the Final EIR. The three replacement structure foundations are:

- Structures RN14 and RS14, accessed from the end of Saroni Court in Oakland
- Structure RS16, accessed from the end of West Circle in Oakland

The work sites are in an urban residential area on ornamental landscaping (RN14/RS14) and non-native grassland (RS16). Equipment will be offloaded on to paved areas and used on paved areas (RN14/RS14) or non-native grassland (RS16). Table 1 shows work areas of disturbance for site preparation, access road improvement (RS16), fence removal (RN14/RS14), and micropile foundation installation (RN14, RS14, and RS16).

Table 1. Approximate Work Areas of Disturbance

Activity	Area of Disturbance	Depth of Micropile Excavation
RN14 and RS14	Approximately 0.08 acre	Approximately 15 to 30 feet
RS16 Foundation and Access Road Improvement	Approximately 0.4 acre	Approximately 15 to 30 feet

Construction Activities

Construction crews and equipment will drive to work locations using Shepherd Canyon Road. From Shepherd Canyon, Saroni Drive or Paso Robles Drive/Saroni Drive connects Saroni Court, and Balboa Drive connects to West Circle. The Saroni Court work area access from a paved residential driveway. From West Circle, equipment will use an unpaved access road to access the work area.

Site preparation may include flagging the replacement structure locations, removing, trimming, or mowing of ornamental landscaping and grasses or other organic matter to allow construction equipment or vehicles to operate safely within a work area or for access. At Saroni Court, an existing fence will be removed to access the foundation installation work area. Tree trimming or removal will be conducted by a certified arborist. Flagging, vegetation management, and site preparation is typically a two person crew using a line truck or pickup truck with trailer, as needed.

The access road improvement from West Circle will include moving woodchips off the upper section of the road and surface contouring and curve improvement on the lower section to ensure construction vehicles and equipment stability and safe turn radius. Woodchips will be spread off the access road and away from marked special-status species habitat. Soil is expected to be reused onsite unless potentially contaminated and then the additional steps in the Soil Management Plan will be taken. Appropriate stormwater best management practices (BMPs) will be implemented to avoid degrading water quality through erosion, sediment runoff, or other pollutants. If needed, access road winterizing such as, construction matting or aggregate base, may be laid down over geotextile fabric and removed after construction unless otherwise specified in landowner agreements. The road improvement will use typical road construction equipment, including a skid steer and a compact excavator. Typically, a three-person crew performs the work. A copy of an obstruction permit from the City of Oakland will be provided to the CPUC before the offloading/loading activities occur that will temporarily block parking along the side of West Circle.

During foundation installation, equipment will be transported to the work areas or off-road equipment will drive itself. Equipment for foundation installation at each location will include a dump truck, drill rig truck, two concrete mixer trucks, two 4x4 pickup trucks, a trailer, a skid steer, a boom truck, and a backhoe/loader truck. Typically, a three-person crew performs the work.

Micropiles drill rigs drill and grout pile foundations that are reinforced with a casing or a center reinforcing bar. The surface and subsurface layers from drilling will be stockpiled separately and returned to their approximate locations in the soil profile or will be disposed of offsite at an approved disposal location. Contaminated soils are not expected; however, if they are encountered, they will be handled and disposed as described in the Soil Management Plan. Any construction debris including fencing and green waste will be picked up regularly from construction areas, stored as needed in approved containers onsite, and then hauled away for recycling or disposal at an appropriate facility.

Water will be used for dust suppression as needed using a water truck with water sourced from local municipal sources close to the work sites (which are provided by East Bay Municipal Utility District

[EBMUD]) or, if available, recycled water from EBMUD's main wastewater treatment plant in West Oakland. Wastewater service will be provided by portable toilets, and waste will be disposed of at appropriately licensed offsite facilities.

After the civil work is complete, construction equipment will be removed for the work areas and debris removed. No soil stockpiles are expected to remain. Restoration (for example, fence replacement) will occur as discussed with the property owner and may not occur until after line work (to be included in request for NTP #2) completes in December 2026.

Preconstruction Requirements and Resource Monitoring

Preconstruction surveys for Western Pond Turtle and Alameda Whipsnake, as well as rare plants, Monarch Butterfly were completed, on September 1 and 2, respectively, and no species or habitat were identified in the work areas. A bat habitat assessment and focused bat survey was completed on September 1 and 2. All surveys were conducted by CPUC-approved biologists and the results provided were approved by CPUC on September 8. The work area off Saroni Court does not have habitat or species and no flagging is needed. Based on the results of the Crotch's Bumble Bee Habitat Assessment and survey completed September 2, a Crotch's Bumble Bee Survey, Impact Avoidance, and Mitigation Plan (Plan) was submitted to CDFW and CPUC on September 9. CPUC approved the Plan on September 11. Flagging is installed to identify the potential Crotch's Bumble Bee overwintering or foraging habitat and to mark the existing unpaved access road improvement from West Circle to the RS16 work area.

Biological resource checks occur daily at active construction sites. A preconstruction survey for Alameda Whipsnake will be performed again if ground-disturbing work begins at West Circle after September 30, 2026. A Crotch's Bumble Bee survey, following the steps in the Crotch's Bumble Bee Plan, will be performed concurrently with site preparation activities to move a downed log across the access road, moving debris piles from the road or work area, and move downed fence panels out of the work area/access to the RS16 drill location. If a Crotch's Bumble Bee is observed, the site preparation work activity will stop when safe to do so, and notifications will follow the Plan.

A tribal monitor will be invited to monitor all ground-disturbing activities at West Circle, which is within 500 feet of a current or historic creek. No other cultural or paleontological monitoring or surveys are required for this work.

Other Activities

Additional construction or operational activities are not planned at the project site.

Attached items included in this submittal for CPUC to review are:

MM/APM	Document Name
APM CUL-1; HAZ-4; HYD-2; PAL-2	Attachment 1: WEAP Training PowerPoint
MM N-1b	Attachment 2: Construction Notification Letter Template
APM WFR-1	Attachment 3: Construction Fire Prevention Plan
MM HH-1a	Attachment 4: Soil Management Plan

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (415) 990-6001 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure:

WEAP Training PowerPoint
Construction Notification Letter Template
Construction Fire Prevention Plan
Soil Management Plan

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