

Pacific Gas and Electric Company Manufactured Gas Plant Program Former San Rafael MGP Project Announcement – February 2014

Introduction

In the upcoming weeks you will receive information about cleanup activities scheduled for the Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) former San Rafael manufactured gas plant (MGP) site located at 999 3rd Street in San Rafael. This fact sheet provides information about the project, possible impacts related to project activities, measures to lessen impacts, and who to call for more information.

What work is planned?

Cleanup of the former San Rafael MGP site will take approximately 10 to 12 months. Work will involve the use of large equipment, including excavators, backhoes, and dump trucks. About 35,000 cubic yards (52,000 tons) - roughly 2,200 truckloads - of soil containing old gas plant residues will be excavated and transported off-site for disposal.

The project will begin in summer 2014 and continue through late 2015. All work will generally be conducted between the hours of 7 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. As needed, work may be conducted on Saturdays with approval from the City of San Rafael.

What type of impacts might the community experience during this work?

PG&E is working closely with its contractors and the City of San Rafael to minimize local impacts. We have actively taken steps to keep on-site workers, area residents and workers, and general passersby safe throughout the project. Protective measures include air monitoring anytime dirt is handled, traffic management, and noise and dust controls.

Traffic Delays: During daytime hours, commuters along 2nd and 3rd Streets can expect to see multiple trucks entering and leaving the project site, and you can expect traffic to move a bit slower than usual as a result. We are arranging an off-site truck staging area, and truck traffic will be staggered to minimize any traffic issues.

Truck Traffic: On average, 30 to 40 big-rig trucks will enter and exit the site daily. PG&E will limit the number of trucks on-site to approximately four to five trucks at any one time. Along 3rd Street adjacent to the site, six street-side parking spaces will be removed and a deceleration lane will be constructed to allow for trucks to enter the site without impacting adjacent traffic lanes. As trucks enter and exit the site, traffic flaggers will be present to manage pedestrian and vehicle safety. Trucks will operate in accordance with City of San Rafael permits and will follow only City-approved truck routes in and out of the site.

Noise/Vibrations: During some portions of the work, area residents and businesses can expect to experience some noise and vibrations typical of heavy construction work. Advance notice will be provided to those who live and work within the immediate vicinity of the site when this type of work will occur.

Occasional Odors: Soil being removed contains petroleum products, and removal may create some short-term petroleum and mothball-like odors. These odors can be present at very low concentrations, well below levels of concern. Perimeter air monitoring and the use of environmental controls will be used to keep airborne dust and vapors well within safe levels established by the California Environmental Protection Agency that are protective of the public.



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For more information

Information about this project can be accessed online by visiting: <u>www.pge.com/san-rafael-MGP</u> and <u>www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public</u>.

- An on-site representative will be available to meet with members of the public at all times during site activities to promptly address any concerns.
- Activities will be coordinated with nearby businesses to limit interference with their operations to the greatest extent possible.
- Members of the public can request project information by contacting an individual listed below:
 - Patricia Sullivan, PG&E Project Manager, 415.271.0547, or pes2@pge.com;
 - Tracy Craig, Community Relations, 510.334.4866 (24/7), or tracy@craig-communications.com
- Community members may also call PG&E's toll-free hotline:
 - Environmental remediation response line, 866.247.0581.



Project location- red arrows indicate truck route to and from Redwood Highway 101.