

CalAdvocates Data Request 6.4

The following questions relate to your 2023-2025 WMP submission.

If a full response to a given question will be included in your WMP submission, your response to that question of this data request may consist of a citation to the specific page(s) or table(s) of the WMP where the information may be found, a written response to the question, or both.

Vegetation Management (VM)

On p. 197 of PacifiCorp's 2022 WMP update, PacifiCorp describes its audit process where:

PacifiCorp currently uses internal staff with ISA certifications to conduct post-work audits of routine maintenance, readiness patrol corrective actions, and pole clearing. PacifiCorp also conducts ad hoc tree crew audits or crew visits where a PacifiCorp forester engages with the vegetation management contractor, such as a crew leader, and/or supervisor to review work and/or discuss opportunities for improvement.

- (a) How many ad hoc tree crew audits were conducted in 2022?
- (b) Please disaggregate the figure in part (a) by HFTD tier.
- (c) Were HFTD areas prioritized over other areas for ad hoc tree crew audits in 2022?
- (d) How many ad hoc tree crew audits in 2022 found that corrective action was needed?
- (e) How many supplemental tree trimming or removal jobs occurred in 2022 as a result of an ad hoc tree crew audit?
- (f) Please describe PacifiCorp's process for making improvements after an ad hoc tree crew audit, including whether ad hoc tree crew audits lead to supplemental tree trimming/removal, retraining of contractors, process changes, or all of the above.

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- (a) PacifiCorp conducted crew visits in 2022, however, the Company does not currently track the visits in a centralized manner and therefore the requested information is not readily available. In Q4 2022, PacifiCorp developed a form within its mobile data management software to document crew visits which will be used in 2023.

- (b) Please refer to the Company's response subpart (a) above. The requested information is not readily available.
- (c) In general, PacifiCorp prioritizes crew visits in High Fire Threat Districts (HFTD) areas over non-HFTD areas.
- (d) Please refer to the Company's response to subpart (a) above. The requested information is not readily available.
- (e) Please refer to the Company's response to subpart (a) above. The requested information is not readily available.
- (f) When the PacifiCorp forester completes a crew visit, the results and opportunities for improvement are discussed with the contractor representatives who are present. If exceptions to work are identified, the tree crews are dispatched to correct the condition noted. Crew visits serve as an informal on the job review and training (or discussion) relating to the opportunities for improvement that the PacifiCorp forester identified.