



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
County Manager



Date: May 2, 2014

Board Meeting Date: June 3, 2014

Special Notice / Hearing: None

Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: John L Maltbie

Subject: Grant of Easement to Pacific Gas & Electric over County-owned property in unincorporated San Mateo County off of Hillside Boulevard on the south side of San Bruno Mountain - APN: 090-110-070 and 080

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an Easement Deed to Pacific Gas & Electric Company granting an easement over County-owned property in unincorporated San Mateo County on the south side of San Bruno Mountain.

BACKGROUND:

As part of PG&E's gas transmission line project on Gas Line 132, PG&E plans to relocate existing facilities from the residential neighborhood on the south side of Hillside Boulevard in the City of South San Francisco to County-owned property across the street where the facilities will be closer to existing gas pipelines on San Bruno Mountain. The relocation of these facilities will increase safety and meet State of California Department of Transportation requirements.

DISCUSSION:

The PG&E Line 132 project involves the construction of two sites approximately 1000 feet apart: a valve station for a 30 inch gas pipeline and valve and a gas pipeline blow-off station. The venting location has been identified as the safest location due to its distance from both residential uses to the south and high voltage power lines to the west. PG&E will obtain all necessary environmental, planning, and construction approvals and permits before beginning construction of the project.

The property is used as open space and subject to a Habitat Conservation Plan. PG&E has consulted with US Fish and Wildlife Service staff and these parties have agreed on requirements for pre-construction surveys and mitigation in the form of a one-time payment by PG&E of \$6,930 to the San Mateo County Parks Department. PG&E paid the mitigation fee on February 19, 2014 and it was placed into the Habitat

Conservation Plan Trust Fund. Further PG&E will pay the County \$31,465 for the easement.

The proposed improvements are exempt under Section 15301 of the California Environmental Quality Act -- existing facilities.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the easement and Resolution as to form. The Director of Parks concurs in this recommendation.

Conveyance of the easement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Collaborative Community by facilitating installation of utility improvements and thereby improving the safety and security of County residents and County property.

FISCAL IMPACT:

PG&E will pay \$31,495 for the easement and cover all staff costs incurred in processing the easement conveyance. Funds will be deposited into the appropriate Parks fund.