



# COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 11/1/2022

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File #: 22-1444

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** Supervisor Michelle Bushnell

**Agenda Section:** Time Certain Matter

**SUBJECT:**

9:30 a.m. time set - PG&E Presentation related to power capacity in the Fortuna, Rio Dell and Garberville Areas (Supervisor Michelle Bushnell and Supervisor Rex Bohn)

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Receive a presentation from Humboldt County Planning Director John Ford, and
2. Receive a presentation from Fortuna City Manager Merritt Perry, and
3. Receive a presentation from Rio Dell Planning Director Kevin Caldwell, and
4. Receive a presentation from PG&E related to power capacity in Fortuna, Rio Dell and Garberville areas.

**SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

N/A

**DISCUSSION:**

In late August PG&E identified areas in Fortuna, Rio Dell, and the Garberville areas that had, or nearly had, reached capacity for further development. PG&E shared that the transmission, substation, and distribution line work required to address the issue would take 7-plus years to complete in some cases.

In order to inform the community, Supervisor Bushnell and Supervisor Bohn, as well as Planning Director John Ford requested that PG&E present to the full Board of Supervisors to explain the current status, who/where is impacted, how PG&E arrived here, and how PG&E will address this issue.

As such, representatives from PG&E, i.e. Ron Richardson, Regional Vice President (via zoom), Samantha Kuks, Service Planning and Design Manager, Carl Schoenhofer, Regional Senior Manager, Satvir Nagra, Asset Planning Director (via zoom), Jon Stallman, Product Manager Principal (via zoom), and Alison Talbott, Local Government Relations will present PG&E's load forecasting and planning process, new business process, Humboldt County customer impacts, updated timelines, engineering and construction mitigations developed since August, and communication moving forward.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by providing community-appropriate levels of service.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Pacific Gas & Electric

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Board discretion

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: N/A

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