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## UM 2225 Investigation into Clean Energy Plans Engagement Strategies Announcement

This announcement provides a timeline for Pacific Power and PGE to update their planning engagement strategies.

On April 4, 2022, Staff released its [Investigation Work Plan](#) for the UM 2225 Clean Energy Plan (CEP) Investigation. The work plan includes a quick, informal process to understand and provide feedback on the utilities' plans to engage stakeholders and community in the development of the first CEP (and related plans). The utilities filed draft Planning Engagement Strategies on April 21, 2022 [[PAC](#), [PGE](#)] and received stakeholder feedback through [written comment](#) and other informal channels. On July 11, 2022, Staff hosted a workshop to identify final refinements to utility engagement strategies. Following the workshop, **Staff requests that utilities file updated planning engagement strategies by August 4, 2022.**

Based on discussion and insights gathered in the workshop, Staff requests that the utilities include the following considerations in their updates:

- Consider how the utility can consolidate information about utility engagement processes in a single, accessible public place for stakeholders e.g., a website clearinghouse of input opportunities, key issues, and stakeholder responses.
- Attempt to map out what information is being collected in which venues between Distribution System Planning, Integrated Resource Planning, Clean Energy Plan, and other relevant planning activities. Include how that information is going to flow between plans and other activities for the next filings.
  - Specify what information will be collected in non-technical spaces and how it will be collected.
  - Explain how the Company will prioritize engagement practices to support key CEP analyses e.g., input on community benefits metrics and the implementing House Bill 2021 §4(4)(c) and §4(4)(d) or key CEP analyses.
- Provide answers to stakeholders' key questions about the formation of advisory groups to inform the first CEP, including recruitment, work plans and logistics, accessibility.
  - \*\* Staff believes that the development of advisory groups in advance of the first CEP is an interim action that will evolve into fully compliant UCBIAGs.*
- Describe the utility's tribal outreach strategy for the first CEPs (and associated plans).

If major gaps exist in the final strategies filed, Staff can raise specific issues to the Commission for direction in August.

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