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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

| MEETING DATE: | August 6, 2024 |
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| TO: | Board of Supervisors |
| FROM: | Craig Griesbach – Director of Emergency Services |
| SUBJECT: | Informational presentation from the Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) regarding their wildfire emergency preparedness projects, initiatives, and related activities. |

RECOMMENDATION:

Accept the presentation from Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) from Sierra Division Government Affairs representative Brandon Sanders.

FUNDING:

N/A

BACKGROUND:

The Board of Supervisors last received an informational presentation from Pacific Gas and Electric Co. (PG&E) on August 8, 2023, regarding their emergency preparedness projects, initiatives and related activities. Since such time, major work has been done including undergrounding powerlines, strengthening the electric grid, enhancing powerline safety settings, reducing public safety power shutoff impacts, conducting vegetation management, installing microgrids, and leveraging innovative technologies.

However, while the County has not been a recipient of significant impacts from PSPS events in recent years due to successful changes implemented by PG&E, various communities, including many within the Supervisorial District IV region, have undergone continual power-outages due to increased powerline safety settings that are causing hardship and confusion throughout the community. Additionally, several other projects are of impact and interest to the community including their gas and hydroelectric infrastructure.

As such, PG&E Sierra Division Government Affairs representatives Brandon Sanders will provide the Board with an overview presentation on its work and answer any of the Board's questions.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Craig Griesbach