



# Stakeholder workshop

August 11 2020





# Wildfire Safety Division

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Day 1 Agenda



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call-in to access  
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## Introduction and Opening Remarks

Introductions, preview of issues to address, and timelines for action

**09:30 AM – 09:45 AM**

## Wildfire Mitigation Plan Guidance and Metrics

Arthur O'Donnell, Wildfire Safety Division

**09:45 AM – 10:30 AM**

## Comments Regarding Wildfire Mitigation Plan Guidance and Metrics

Respondents:

Katy Morsony, The Utility Reform Network

Joseph Mitchell, Mussey Grade Road Alliance

Henry Burton, California Public Advocates Office

Tyson Swetek, Wildfire Mitigation Program Manager for SDG&E

Stakeholder comments will be read from Webex "chat box,"  
time permitting

**10:30 AM – 11:10 AM**

## Break

**11:10 AM – 11:20 AM**

## System Hardening for Electric Utility Resiliency

John Mader, Wildfire Safety Advisory Board

**11:20 AM – 12:45 PM**

## Next Steps

Discussion of process for receiving comments, key dates, etc.

**12:45 PM – 01:00 PM**

## Adjourn

**01:00 PM**



# Introductions



# Objectives for today

- 1 Share 2021 WMP cycle timeline
- 2 Share WMP guidelines and metrics revisions, and discuss feedback
- 3 Review WSAB SHEUR threshold
- 4 Share next steps for metrics

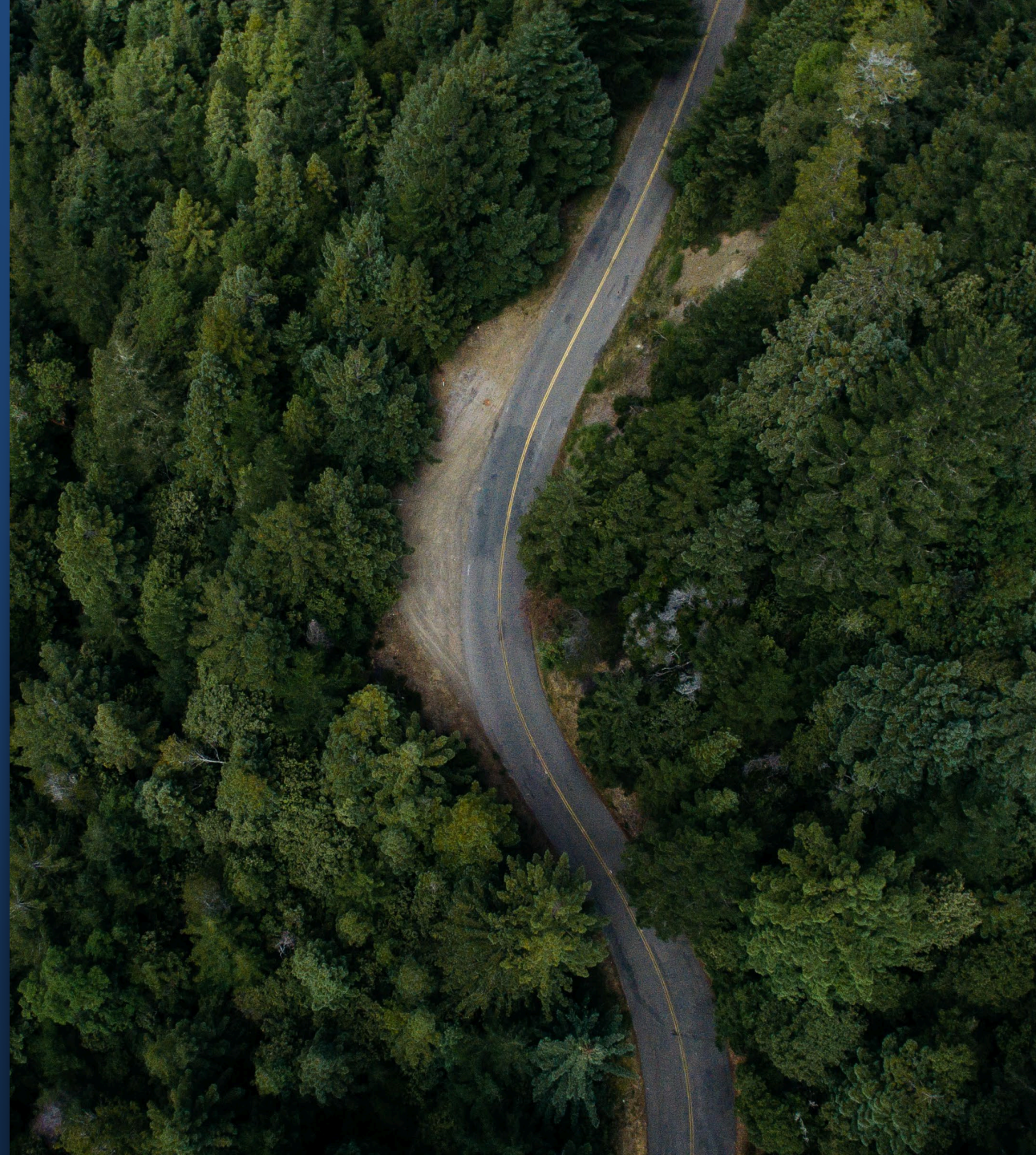


# 2021 WMP Timeline

***August 26, 2020*** – deadline to submit  
comments to WSD

***October 31, 2020*** – WSD submits  
WMP recommendations to CPUC

***December 1, 2020*** – CPUC  
considers WMP updates



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# Wildfire Mitigation Plan Guidance and Metrics

Arthur O'Donnell, Wildfire Safety Division





## The 2021 WMP guideline updates address 3 key changes

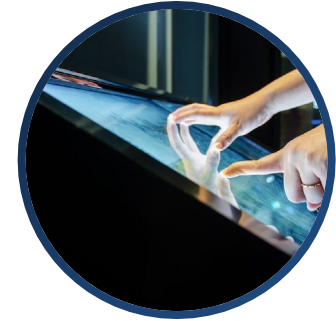
Increased standardization



Improved structure



Updated metrics & data



*To address while minimizing additional lift for all stakeholders*

# Final recommendations will incorporate input from a variety of stakeholders:

- 1 Lessons learned from 2020 WMP review
- 2 WSAB Recommendations
- 3 Utilities and outside stakeholders
- 4 Public comment – including Jan 2020
- 5 Other outside agencies





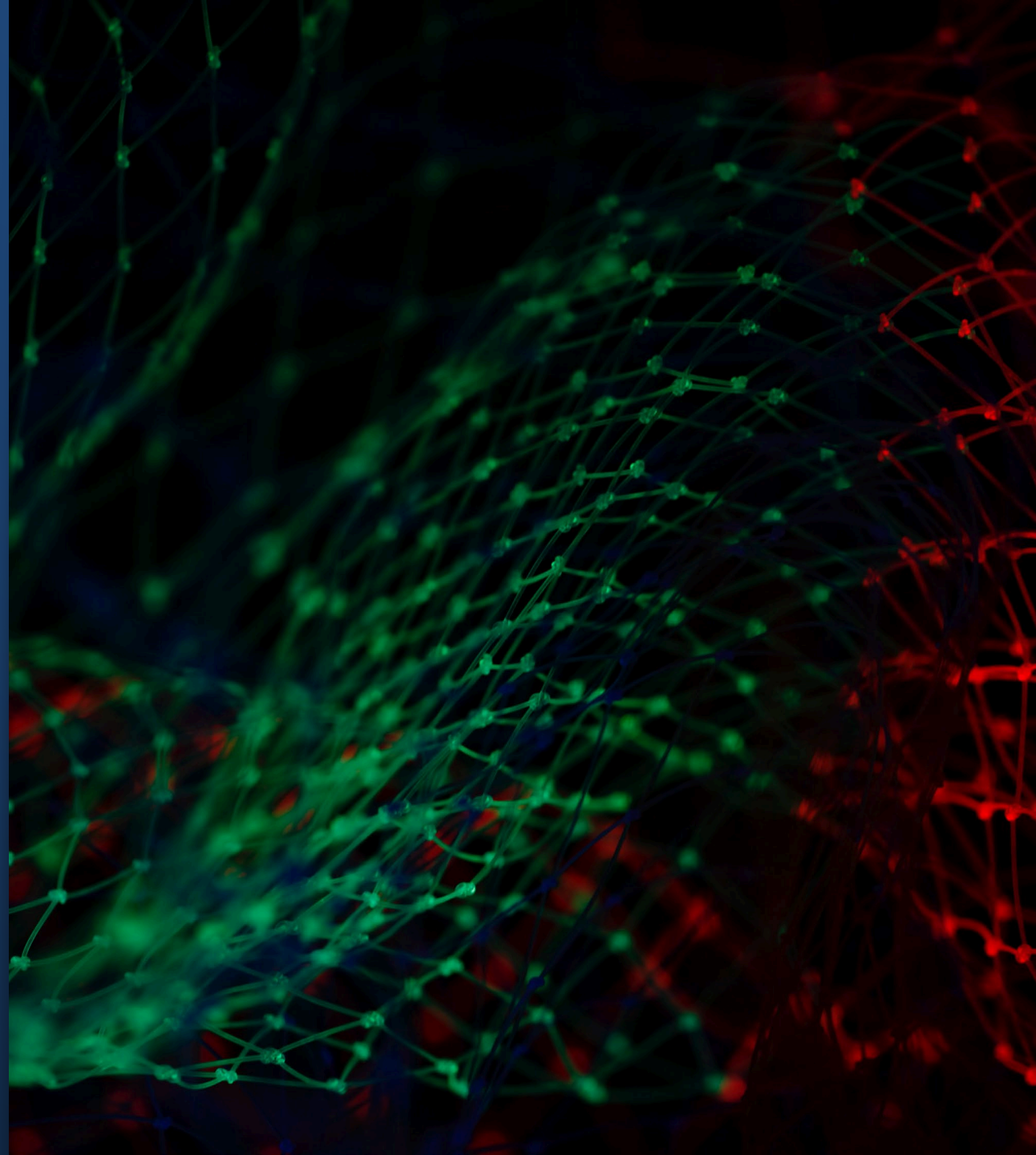
## All recommendations considered – Nine prioritized for 2021

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- 1 Standardized data across utilities
  - 2 Consistent & transparent submissions
  - 3 Local outcome & outreach metrics
  - 4 Ratepayer impact metrics
  - 5 Goals vs objectives vs targets
  - 6 Citing state & federal rules
  - 7 IOU training practices & worker quals
  - 8 IOU contact info, expert quals & citations
  - 9 Separate PSPS section

# Recommendation 1: Standardized data across utilities

Data taxonomy & schema to ensure

1. Consistent formatting
2. Streamlined reporting
3. Cross-utility comparison





## Recommendation 2: Consistent & transparent submissions

1. Consistent format to track progress
2. WMP completeness checklist
3. Quarterly data submissions tied to annual WMP update

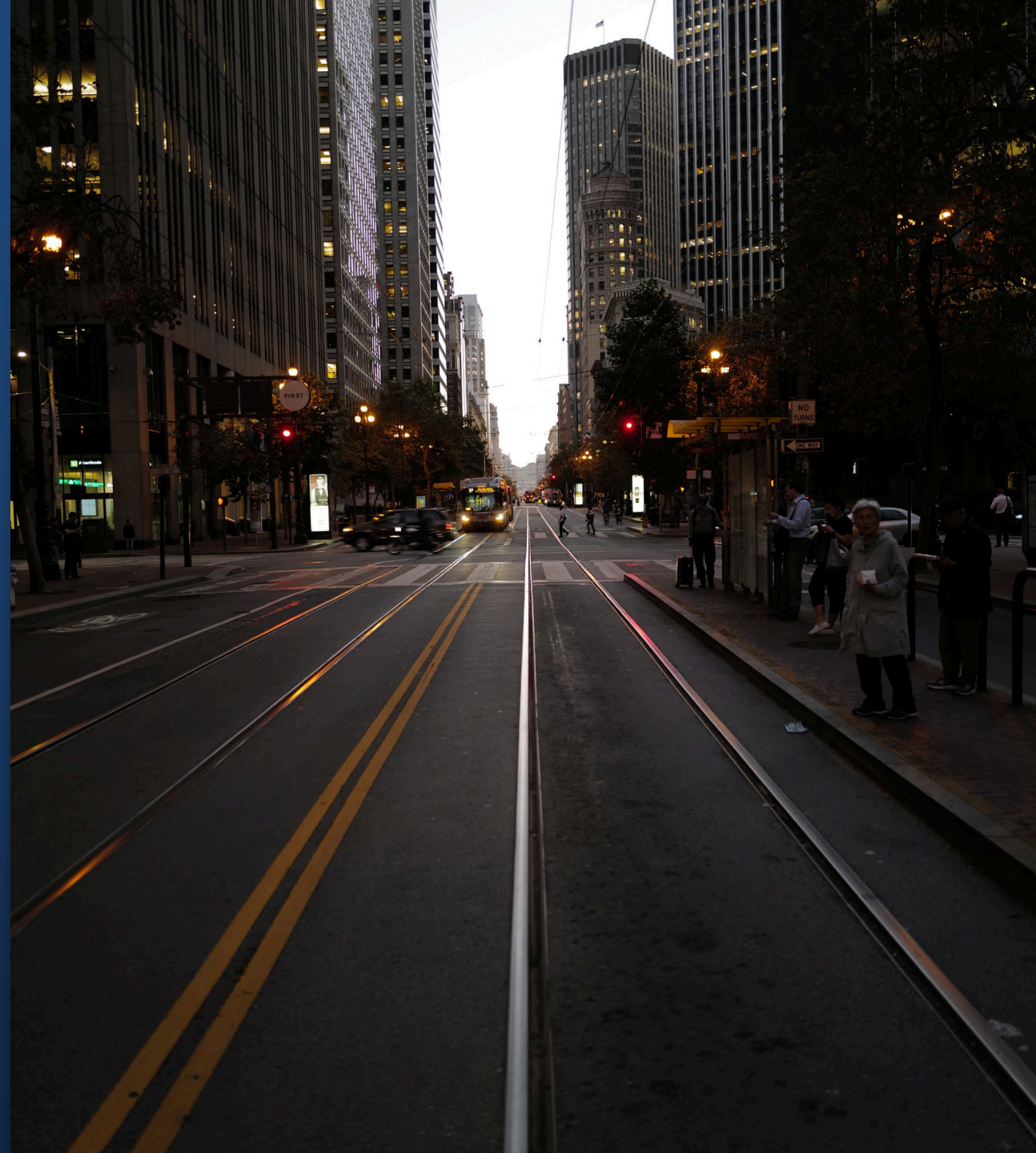




# Recommendation 3: Local outcome & outreach metrics

Higher spatial granularity for:

1. PSPS & wildfire metrics (see D.20-05-051)
2. Community outreach metrics (see D.20-03-004)
3. Initiative data





## Recommendation 4: Ratepayer impact metrics

1. Separate control (i.e., ongoing) initiatives from those started in WMP cycle
2. Report impact to ratepayers from new initiatives & expansions to controls





# Recommendation 5: Goals vs. objectives vs. targets

Goal – All utilities aligned with WSD goal

Objectives – Utility-specific "milestones"

Program targets – Metrics to track progress





## Recommendation 6: Citing state and federal rules

Each WMP program's narrative includes:

1. State and federal rules associated
2. State and federal proceedings associated





# Recommendation 7: IOU training practices & worker qualifications

IOUs required to disclose:

1. Current training practices
2. Gaps in wildfire mitigation expertise
3. Plans to fill gaps





## Recommendation 8: IOU contact info, expert quals & citations

IOUs required to report:

1. Contact info for people executing WMP [redacted]
2. Credentials of experts referenced [in appendix]
3. Citations to research referenced [in appendix]





# Recommendation 9: Separate PSPS section

1. New section specific to PSPS
2. PSPS reporting requirements consolidated
3. Additional PSPS reporting required



# Upcoming dates

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Utility Representative TBD





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