

Southern California Edison
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Question 08:

On p. 421 of SCE's 2022 WMP, SCE states that "Vegetation management contractors are responsible for training their own crews on vegetation management work to meet SCE's standards specified in the contract scope of work and SCE's applicable program manuals."

- a) How does SCE oversee trainings performed internally by vegetation management contractors?
- b) How does SCE determine whether vegetation management contractors are meeting their responsibility to provide adequate training?
- c) Has SCE identified instances in which vegetation management contractors were not providing adequate training to their crews?
- d) If the answer to part c) is yes, please describe these instances.
- e) If the answer to part c) is yes, what corrective actions did SCE take?

Response to Question 08:

SCE's VM organization has certain training that is considered mandatory and required to be provided to contractors, including all of the contractor's field staff. Between 2020 and March 2022, the two types of formal mandatory training required by SCE's VM organization were: (1) Minimum Approach Distance (MAD) training for personnel safety, and (2) vegetation specific environmental training for environmental compliance. Additionally, the Annual Core Plans Training provided by SCE and referenced in the WMP is mandatory for contractor leads (e.g., supervisor, general foreman), but is not mandatory for their field staff because it contains details beyond what individual crew members may need to perform their job duties. With that background in mind, SCE responds as follows:

- a) SCE verifies that the mandatory training described above has been provided to the target audience within the contractor company. SCE does not oversee additional training that contractors provide internally to their crews.
- b) For mandatory training, SCE requires contractors to provide their attendance rosters as evidence that the training has been completed.
- c) There are no instances where the contractor has not provided the mandatory training described above (MAD and environmental training).
- d) Not applicable.

e) Not applicable.