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Subject: Lake Spaulding Land Donation - Request for Approval under Decision

D.03-12-035, D.08-11-043, D.10-08-004 and Public Utilities Code

Section 851

Purpose

Pursuant to the streamlined procedures adopted by the California Public Utilities Commission ("Commission" or "CPUC") in Decision (D.) 08-11-043 (as modified by D.10-08-004), Pacific Gas and Electric Company ("PG&E") requests disposition letter approving PG&E's donation of fee simple title to approximately 1,151 acres of land in Placer and Nevada Counties, commonly known as Lake Spaulding ("Property") to the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection ("CAL FIRE"). This donation is being made in the public interest and will protect and preserve the Beneficial Public Values ("BPVs") on the Property, including the habitat of fish, wildlife and plants, forest resources, the scenic viewshed of the Property, outdoor recreation and identified historic and cultural values by restricting any use of the Property that would significantly impair or interfere with the protection of these values. This donation is in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in the Settlement Agreement and Stipulation that were approved by the Commission in D.03-12-035 ("Stipulation").

Background

Pursuant to the Stipulation, the Pacific Forest and Watershed Lands Stewardship Council ("Stewardship Council") was established in 2004 to develop a plan to permanently protect, for the benefit of the citizens of California, more than 140,000 acres of watershed lands ("Watershed Lands") owned by PG&E. This effort is known as PG&E's Land Conservation Commitment (LCC). PG&E is fulfilling its commitment through fee donation of certain Watershed Lands and/or the conveyance of conservation easements, (or satisfactory assurance in another form) to ensure that each parcel will be managed consistent with the purpose of the Land Conservation Commitment. PG&E will not make fee simple donations of lands that contain hydroelectric project features, hydroelectric

projects licensed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"), or properties whose ownership is otherwise required for utility operations. The Stipulation also includes provisions to ensure the rights necessary to operate and maintain current and future hydroelectric and associated water delivery facilities are reserved, and the existing agreements for economic uses will be honored.

A detailed description of this proposed donation, which addresses the requirements set forth in Section 12(a) of the Stipulation, is provided in the attached Land Conservation and Conveyance Plan (Attachment A) prepared by the Stewardship Council and approved by their Board of Directors. Land Conservation and Conveyance Plans will be issued serially for all Watershed Lands and together will comprise the Land Conservation Plan Volume III.

Property Specific Considerations

Encroachment Agreement

Parcel 798: A boundary survey was completed to effectuate this transaction, resulting in the identification of a corner of a deck, concrete pad and two sets of stairs which may be encroaching onto a portion of PG&E Property.

But for this LCC transaction, these encroachments may not have been discovered because PG&E does not actively use the property for utility operations. Because the land is not needed for operations, PG&E proposes maintaining the status quo to avoid conflict between the Fee Donee and the private property owner. To accomplish this, PG&E coordinated with the Stewardship Council, the Fee Donee (CAL FIRE) and private property owner to reach an Encroachment Agreement ("EA") that, if approved as part of this Advice filing, will allow for the encroachments to remain in favor of certain terms and conditions as Grantor shall deem appropriate. For the complete text and exhibit map regarding the Encroachment Agreement see Attachment B. CAL FIRE has approved the terms of the EA, which CAL FIRE will assume upon transfer of the Property.

Reciprocal Access Easements

Parcel 824: During the initial research phase of the transaction, it was determined that PG&E lacked sufficient legal access to donate Parcel 824. It was also determined that the adjacent private property owner ("Owner") lacked sufficient legal access across PG&E parcel 824.

But for this LCC transaction, these access issues may not have been discovered because PG&E Operations access the Property via prescriptive rights which are not assignable to the donee. To effectuate the transfer of the Property, PG&E proposes perfecting the existing uses of the access road into and across Parcel 824 through a reciprocal easement exchange. Upon CPUC approval of this advice letter and the reciprocal easements detailed herein, PG&E will grant to the adjacent private property owner an access easement across Parcel 824 and the private property owner will grant to PG&E

an easement across Owner's property. For the complete text of the Road Easement to PG&E see Attachment C. For the complete text of the Road Easement to Owner see Attachment D. CAL FIRE has approved the terms of the Road Easement to Owner, which CAL FIRE will assume on transfer of the Property.

In accordance with the streamlined procedure adopted by the Commission in D.08-11-043 (as modified by D.10-08-004), PG&E provides the following information as required by Ordering Paragraph 2:

(1) Identity of the Conservation Property

The Property, identified as Parcels 798, 813 and 824 (totaling approximately 1,151 acres of land) on the map included in Attachment A, page 5, is in Placer and Nevada Counties. The Property is approximately 60 miles northeast of Sacramento and approximately 19 miles west of Truckee. The Property is surrounded by private properties, private timberlands and National Forest System lands managed by the Tahoe National Forest.

(2) Type of Property Interest Disposition

Per the Stewardship Council recommendation, PG&E will convey fee simple title to CAL FIRE. CAL FIRE will then immediately convey a conservation easement (Attachment D) to the Placer Land Trust ("PLT"), which will permanently protect the BPVs on the Property. The Property will be transferred subject to a Grant Deed with certain restrictions and reserved rights for the continued operation of Electric Activities and Hydro Project Activities. For the complete text of the Grant Deed, see Attachment E.

The State Board of Equalization estimates the value of the Property is \$876,809 (Attachment F).

A. Property Encumbrances and Uses

There are recorded encumbrances on the Property for a state highway, telephone and telegraph lines, underground communication facilities, pipelines, roads, use of existing roads, underground fiber optic cables and an easement and maintenance agreement. There are no unrecorded encumbrances and no third-party agreements for economic uses on the Property.

The Stipulation includes provisions to ensure the rights necessary to operate and maintain current and future hydroelectric and associated water delivery facilities are reserved, and the existing agreements for economic uses will be honored. Compliance with these requirements is reflected in the Conservation Easement (Attachment B, pages 3-5).

B. Public Access

The public can access the Parcels via the Yuba Gap exit off of Interstate 80, Lake Valley Road and an unpaved road across National Forest System Land.

Public access to the Property will not be changed because of the donation of the Property. For complete text regarding Public Access, please see the Conservation Easement (Attachment B, page 11).

C. Building Envelopes

The conservation easement between CAL FIRE and PLT includes reserved rights in favor of CAL FIRE allowing for four (4) or fewer Potential Building Envelopes to be located on the conveyed lands. CAL FIRE will have the ability to select Building Envelope sites within the Potential Building Envelopes until such a time that a total of twenty (20) acres have been selected. For the complete agreement between PLT and CAL FIRE regarding building envelopes, please see the Conservation Easement (Attachment B, pages 7-8).

D. Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance and Laydown Easement

PG&E and CAL FIRE will also enter into a Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance and Laydown Easement Agreement covering PG&E's continued use, maintenance, and access to all current and future hydroelectric facilities. For the complete text of the Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance and Laydown Easement Agreement see Attachment G.

E. PG&E's Assumption of Liability

Section 12(f) of the Stipulation requires that PG&E hold the donee and/or conservation organizations harmless for hazardous waste or substance liability. Fulfillment of that obligation is reflected in the Environmental Agreement, attached hereto as Attachment H.

PG&E conducted an environmental review as part of its due diligence in preparation for donation of the Property. The environmental review included an Environmental Site Assessment (ESA). The ESA assessed the past and present uses, ownership, and environmental conditions of the Property in order to identify potential issues that present known or possible environmental areas of concern. The ESA included, but was not limited to, a site reconnaissance, interviews, limited soil sampling and historical and regulatory document review. No potential environmental issues were identified on the Property.

(3) Legal Name and Location of Receiving Parties

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Department of Forestry & Fire Protection
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Sacramento, CA 95817
Attn: Technical Services Section

State Public Works Board 915 L Street, 9th Floor

Sacramento, CA 95814

Attn: Executive Director

Placer Land Trust 922 Lincoln Way, Suite 200 Auburn, CA 95603 Attn: Executive Director

(4) Proposed Uses and Conservation Management Objectives:

As set forth in the Stipulation, the cornerstone of the LCC is the requirement that the Watershed Lands be preserved and enhanced for the following broad range of BPVs, which are as follows:

- Protection of the Natural Habitat of Fish, Wildlife, and Plants
- Sustainable Forestry
- Preservation of Open Space
- Historic Values
- Outdoor Recreation by the General Public
- Agricultural Uses

The conservation easement for the Property ensures permanent protection of those BPVs listed in the Stipulation that are present on the Property. Attachment B, Section E provides that the following BPVs are protected on the Property:

A. Protection of the Natural Habitat of Fish, Wildlife, and Plants

A diverse range of plant, animal, fungal, and micro biotic communities exist on the Property, including notably habitat in and around the North Fork

American River, Sixmile Valley and Sixmile Meadow, Lake Valley Reservoir, and Kelly Lake.

B. Sustainable Forestry

Forest resources on the Property include Sierran mixed conifer forest, with mixed conifer hardwood forest transitioning to lodgepole pine and fir forest at higher elevations. The ability to alter, manage and study the forest, including for forest health and wildfire resilience, is specifically included in the Conservation Values.

C. Preservation of Open Space

The Property provides open space and scenic view shed values characteristic of the Sierra Nevada.

D. Historic Values

Identified historical and cultural values, to the extent they are protected by state and federal law, and a portion of the Overland Emigrant Trail on the Property.

E. Outdoor Recreation by the General Public

The Property provides opportunities for outdoor recreation and education, such as camping, fishing, hiking, hunting, sightseeing, birdwatching, and the enjoyment and study of nature.

Stipulation BPVs listed below are not present on this Property and thus are not included in this conservation easement.

F. Agricultural Uses

(5) Environmental Information

The proposed transaction constitutes a change in ownership with no proposed changes to land uses; thus, no direct or indirect environmental impacts will occur as a result. Therefore, the transaction does not constitute a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Accordingly, as stated in D.99-12-030 (pages 7 and 9), this advice letter process is not subject to review under CEQA.

TRIBAL LANDS POLICY

The Tribal Lands Policy exempts fee transactions subject to the LCC. (Resolution, p. 59, ¶ 15.)

PG&E's Review & Finding

PG&E has reviewed the transaction and documents herein and has determined that the proposed transaction is compliant with requirements of the Stipulation. Additionally, this transaction will not have an adverse effect on the public interest or on the ability of the utility to provide safe and reliable service to customers at reasonable rates.

Lastly, the Stewardship Council intends to provide funding to satisfy property tax payments in perpetuity for the Property. Upon CPUC approval of fee title donation of the Property, Placer and Nevada Counties will receive a one-time lump sum payment to satisfy property tax in perpetuity for the Property. The Counties would, in-turn, be required to distribute the funds to the general fund and applicable special districts consistent with the Tax Rate Area in effect for the parcels.

Protests

Anyone wishing to protest this submittal may do so by letter sent electronically via E-mail, no later than May 18, 2022, which is 20 days after the date of this submittal. Protests must be submitted to:

CPUC Energy Division
ED Tariff Unit
E-mail: EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov

The protest shall also be electronically sent to PG&E via E-mail at the address shown below on the same date it is electronically delivered to the Commission:

Sidney Bob Dietz II Director, Regulatory Relations c/o Megan Lawson E-mail: PGETariffs@pge.com

Any person (including individuals, groups, or organizations) may protest or respond to an advice letter (General Order 96-B, Section 7.4). The protest shall contain the following information: specification of the advice letter protested; grounds for the protest; supporting factual information or legal argument; name and e-mail address of the protestant; and statement that the protest was sent to the utility no later than the day on which the protest was submitted to the reviewing Industry Division (General Order 96-B, Section 3.11).

¹ As stated in Resolution E-4644 the Commission endorses the Stewardship Council 1) Guidelines Regarding Satisfaction of Tax Neutrality, and 2) the Property Tax Neutrality Methodology adopted by the Stewardship Council.

Effective Date

Pursuant to the review process outlined in D.08-11-043 (as modified by D.10-08-004), PG&E requests that this Category 1 advice filing become effective as soon as possible.

Notice

In accordance with General Order 96-B, Section IV, and D.08-11-043, a copy of this advice letter is being sent electronically to parties shown on the attached list, Service List A.08-04-020 and I.02-04-026, Appendix A and additional parties identified by the Stewardship Council. Address changes to the General Order 96-B service list should be directed to e-mail PGETariffs@pge.com. For changes to any other service list, please contact the Commission's Process Office at (415) 703-2021 or at Process_Office@cpuc.ca.gov. Send all electronic approvals to PGETariffs@pge.com. Advice letter submittals can also be accessed electronically at: http://www.pge.com/tariffs.

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Attachments:

- A Land Conservation and Conveyance Plan
- B Road Easement to PG&E
- C Road Easement to Owner
- D Conservation Easement
- E Grant Deed
- F State Board of Equalization Land Appraisal Record
- G Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance and Laydown Easement Agreement
- H Environmental Agreement (Fee Donee)

Note: (1) the Property Acquisition Agreement between PG&E and CAL FIRE is available upon request.

cc: Service List Appendix A - Advice Letter 6572-E
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Service List A.08-04-020 and I.02-04-026
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******* SERVICE LIST Advice 6572-E ********* APPENDIX A

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Utility type: ✓ ELC GAS WATER ☐ PLC HEAT	Contact Person: Annie Ho Phone #: (415) 973-8794 E-mail: PGETariffs@pge.com E-mail Disposition Notice to: AMHP@pge.com	
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Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? If so, identify the prior AL:		
Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL:		
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If yes, specification of confidential information: Confidential information will be made available to appropriate parties who execute a nondisclosure agreement. Name and contact information to request nondisclosure agreement/ access to confidential information:		
Resolution required? Yes No		
Requested effective date:	No. of tariff sheets: $ m _{N/A}$	
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Estimated system average rate effect (%): N/A		
When rates are affected by AL, include attachment in AL showing average rate effects on customer classes (residential, small commercial, large C/I, agricultural, lighting).		
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Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets: $ m N/A$		

Protests and correspondence regarding this AL are to be sent via email and are due no later than 20 days after the date of this submittal, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, and shall be sent to:

California Public Utilities Commission Energy Division Tariff Unit Email: EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov Contact Name: Sidney Bob Dietz II. c/o Megan Lawson

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Attachment A

Land Conservation and Conveyance Plan



Executive Summary

Subject

LCCP Lake Spaulding Planning Unit (Lands Donated to CAL FIRE) Land Conservation Plan Identification Numbers (Parcels) 798, 813 and 824 as shown on the map attached as Exhibit 1.

Type of Property Interest Disposition

- The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) to hold fee simple title to approximately 1,151 acres within Parcels 798, 813 and 824 of the Lake Spaulding planning unit.
- Placer Land Trust (PLT) to hold the conservation easement on the 1,151 acres of Parcels 798, 813 and 824 donated to CAL FIRE.

Summary

Approximately 1,151 acres within three parcels (Parcels 798, 813 and 824) will be donated to CAL FIRE and, consistent with the conditions in the Settlement Agreement, the Property will be subject to a perpetual conservation easement granted to PLT. Pending California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) approval, and immediately prior to PG&E's conveyance of 1,151 acres within Parcels 798, 813 and 824 to CAL FIRE, PG&E and PLT will enter into the conservation easement on acres that will be transferred directly to CAL FIRE. The remaining 885 acres within these parcels will be retained by PG&E or have been donated to the San Joaquin County Office of Education and are addressed in separate Land Conservation and Conveyance Plans (LCCPs).

The 1,151 acres in Parcels 798, 813 and 824 to be donated to CAL FIRE are outside the Drum-Spaulding FERC Project boundary (FERC #2310) and PG&E has determined this acreage does not need to be retained for existing or future utility operations. Therefore, this acreage is available for donation, subject to PG&E's reserved rights.

This transaction will not have an adverse effect on the public interest or on the ability of the utility to provide safe and reliable service to customers at reasonable rates.

Property Location

The property subject to this LCCP consists of 1,151 acres in Nevada and Placer Counties surrounding and just west of Lake Valley Reservoir.

Economic Uses and Agreements

There are recorded encumbrances on the acreage for donation to CAL FIRE in the Lake Spaulding planning unit for a state highway, roads, use of existing roads, underground communication facilities, underground fiber optic cables, an encroachment, and a bicycle, equestrian and pedestrian trail. There are no existing agreements for economic uses or unrecorded encumbrances on the lands to be donated to CAL FIRE.

Consistent with the Settlement Agreement, PG&E will reserve its rights to maintain and operate existing and future utility facilities on the parcels to be conveyed in fee. The specific reserved rights are set forth in the grant deed and conservation easement, which can be found in Appendices 2 and 3, respectively.

Permanent Protection of the Beneficial Public Values

The grant deed transferring fee title to CAL FIRE includes a recital that CAL FIRE and PG&E acknowledge that the conveyance, together with the conservation easement transaction being entered into with PLT, is being made in the public interest with the intent to ensure the permanent protection of the beneficial public values (BPVs) on the Property as identified in the Land Conservation Plan while allowing the ongoing use of the Property by PG&E for hydroelectric operations, water delivery, and related activities, and acknowledging and honoring the existing third party uses.

Conservation Management Objectives to Preserve and/or Enhance the Beneficial Public Values

The conservation easement for Parcels 798, 813 and 824 within the Lake Spaulding planning unit lists the following Beneficial Public Values (BPVs) that are to be protected:

- <u>Plant and Animal Habitat</u>. A diverse range of plant, animal, fungal, and micro biotic communities exist on the Property, including notably habitat in and around the North Fork American River, Sixmile Valley and Sixmile Meadow, Lake Valley Reservoir, and Kelly Lake.
- <u>Sustainable Forestry</u>. Forest resources on the Property include Sierran mixed conifer forest, with mixed conifer hardwood forest transitioning to lodgepole pine and fir forest at higher elevations. The ability to alter, manage and study the forest, including for forest health and wildfire resilience, is specifically included in the Conservation Values.
- Open Space and Scenery. The Property provides open space and scenic view shed values characteristic of the Sierra Nevada.
- <u>Historic and Cultural Resources</u>. Identified historical and cultural values, to the extent they are protected by state and federal law, and a portion of the Overland Emigrant Trail on the Property.
- Outdoor Recreation and Education. The Property provides opportunities for outdoor recreation and education, such as camping, fishing, hiking, hunting, sightseeing, birdwatching, and the enjoyment and study of nature.

Tax Neutrality

After the lands are donated to CAL FIRE, a committee will be formed by CAL FIRE to determine the annual payments due from CAL FIRE in lieu of property taxes (pursuant to Section 4654 of the Public Resources Code). If the new amount is less than PG&E's

current tax payments, the Stewardship Council will pay 100% of the difference to Placer and Nevada Counties, who have elected to receive a lump sum payment consistent with the methodology described in the Property Tax Neutrality Methodology adopted on June 27, 2012 and amended most recently on November 15, 2017.

Hazardous Waste Disclosure

PG&E has provided the Lake Spaulding Planning Unit Environmental Site Assessment Report dated December 1st, 2011, to CAL FIRE and PLT, fulfilling the disclosure requirements of the Land Conservation Commitment.

Consideration of Parcel Split

Within Parcels 798, 813 and 824, approximately 823 acres will be retained by PG&E. PG&E determined that operational needs would be met sufficiently through the reservation of rights for ongoing hydroelectric operations on the remaining 1,213 acres within these parcels. To effectuate transfer of a portion of the property, parcel splits will be required to comply with the California Subdivision Map Act (Government Code Section 66410, et seq). Certain exemptions to the Map Act apply to public utilities and/or to governmental entities and may apply to future conveyances of parcels within this planning unit.

Applicable CEQA Exemption(s) or Reason Why Transaction is not a "Project Under CEQA"

The Lake Spaulding CalFire transaction will not result in a direct physical change or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment; therefore, the Stewardship Council does not believe that the transaction is a project under CEQA. In addition, the transfer of land to preserve open space, habitat, or historical resources is categorically exempt under Section 15325 of the CEQA Guidelines (CFR Title 14, Chapter 3) and Public Resources Code 21080.28 clarifies that CEQA review is not required before a public agency transfers an interest in property, provided the purpose of the transfer is to conserve the land for habitat, open space, agricultural, or historic preservation, among other purposes.

The establishment of a conservation easement is also categorically exempt under Section 15325 of the CEQA Guidelines (CFR Title 14, Chapter 3). While the principal effect of the conservation easement will be to significantly restrict development on the site in perpetuity, the conservation easement reserves to CAL FIRE the right to develop no more than a total of twenty acres within designated Building Envelopes for uses including recreation, research, or forest management subject to the limitations in the conservation easement. However, CAL FIRE is not proposing to carry out any development or change in use at this time. Instead, at least for the time being, CAL FIRE intends to manage the Property as PG&E does presently. If, in the future, CAL FIRE decides to pursue new development or uses that are allowed by the conservation easement, it must first obtain all necessary permits and conduct any necessary CEQA review at that time. Public Resources Code 21080.28 states that CEQA review is not required even when physical

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changes to the property are reasonably foreseeable as a result of the transfer, provided that environmental review occurs before those changes occur.

Exhibit 1. Map of the Property

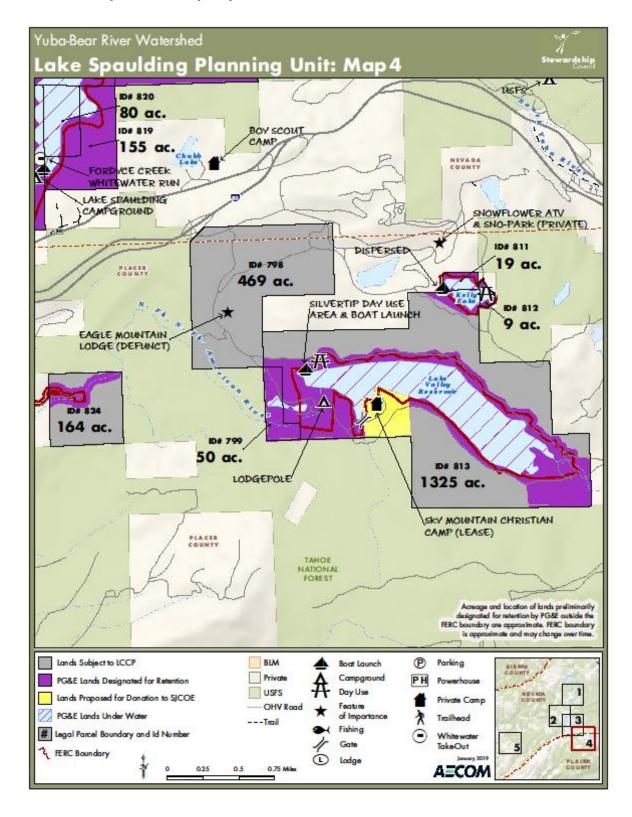


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Introduction

The Pacific Forest and Watershed Lands Stewardship Council (Stewardship Council) is a private, nonprofit foundation established in 2004 pursuant to a Settlement Agreement and a Stipulation Resolving Issues Regarding the Land Conservation Commitment approved by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) in Decision 03-12-035 (Dec. 18, 2003). The Stewardship Council Board of Directors includes appointees from state and federal agencies, water districts, Native American and rural interests, forest and farm industry groups, conservation organizations, the CPUC, and Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E).

The Stewardship Council has developed a plan to protect more than 140,000 acres of watershed lands (Watershed Lands) currently owned by PG&E for the benefit of the citizens of California. Protecting the Watershed Lands will be accomplished through (1) PG&E's grant of conservation easements to one or more public agencies or qualified conservation organizations so as to protect the natural habitat of fish, wildlife, and plants, the preservation of open space, outdoor recreation by the general public, sustainable forestry, agricultural uses, and historic values (collectively the Beneficial Public Values), and in some cases, (2) PG&E's donation of the Watershed Lands in fee to one or more public entities or qualified conservation organizations, whose ownership would be consistent with these conservation objectives.

Located primarily in the Sierra Nevada and Cascade Mountain range watersheds, the Watershed Lands contain some of the most pristine and resource-rich landscapes found in the state. The properties are diverse and geographically remote, located in 21 counties from the northern reaches of the state to the southern end of the Central Valley.

As required by the Settlement and Stipulation, the Stewardship Council prepared a Land Conservation Plan (LCP) to establish a framework for the conservation and/or enhancement of the Watershed Lands, and to ensure the permanent protection of these lands for the benefit of current and future generations of Californians. To address the challenge of a conservation effort of this large scope and unique nature, and to facilitate engagement of a wide range of stakeholders and interested members of the public, the Stewardship Council grouped the Watershed Lands into 47 planning units and established a phased approach to development and implementation of the LCP.

In 2007, the Stewardship Council board adopted Volumes I and II of the LCP:

- **Volume I:** The Land Conservation Framework establishes the overall framework for the LCP, including legal requirements, the planning process, methodologies, public involvement, and relevant regulatory processes.
- Volume II: Planning Unit Concepts documents existing conditions and presents management objectives, potential measures, and conceptual plans to preserve and/or enhance the Beneficial Public Values (BPVs) within each planning unit. It also documents existing economic uses.

Volume III, consisting of Land Conservation and Conveyance Plans (LCCPs) to be issued serially and cumulatively, will encompass a series of real estate transaction packages that will detail the specific land conservation and/or disposition requirements for each parcel or parcel cluster. LCCPs represent the Stewardship Council's recommendations for preserving and/or enhancing the BPVs of the Watershed Lands, and are intended to support required regulatory approvals of the land transactions resulting from the Stewardship Council's recommendations. The content of the LCCP spans a number of issues required by the Settlement and Stipulation, such as an express reservation of a right for continued operation and maintenance of hydroelectric facilities and associated water delivery facilities, including project replacements and improvements required to meet existing and future water delivery requirements for power generation and consumptive water use by existing users, compliance with any Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) license, FERC license renewal, or other regulatory requirements. In addition, conservation easements will honor existing agreements for economic uses, including consumptive water deliveries, and preserve or enhance reasonable public access to the Watershed Lands.

During the development of LCP Volumes I and II and the LCCPs, the Stewardship Council implemented a public outreach program to ensure local communities, elected representatives, neighboring property owners, Native American tribes and groups, and other key stakeholders had many opportunities to engage in the Stewardship Council's effort to preserve and enhance the Watershed Lands. To solicit additional input from the public on potential fee title recipients or conservation easement holders (referred to as donees), the Stewardship Council hosted a series of public information meetings. These meetings were designed to (1) provide an overview and update on the Stewardship Council's Land Conservation Program, (2) outline next steps, timeline, and opportunities for additional public input, and (3) solicit public input on the desired qualifications of potential donees and the future stewardship of the planning units. The Stewardship Council also made a concerted effort to extend the benefits of PG&E's Land Conservation Commitment to Native American tribes and groups, including meeting in person with representatives of Native American entities and conducting special outreach to best ensure Native American entities were aware of, and provided full access to participate in the opportunities presented by PG&E's Land Conservation Commitment.

Public input that the Stewardship Council received as a result of the public outreach process, including comments on Volume II of the LCP, comments from public information meetings on the selection of donees and other issues, and correspondence received by the Stewardship Council were considered by the Stewardship Council in its evaluation of the potential donees and their land stewardship proposals. In addition to public meetings, the public was given the opportunity to participate in all of the Stewardship Council's public board meetings where decisions were made on fee title and conservation easement donees. Prior to making a decision regarding the disposition of any parcel, the Stewardship Council provided a notice to the Board of Supervisors of the affected county, each affected city, town, and water supply entity, each affected Tribe and/or co-licensee, and each landowner located within one mile of the exterior boundary

of the parcel, by mail or other effective manner. A summary of the public outreach process for the Lake Spaulding planning unit is provided in Appendix 1. Furthermore, the proposed LCCP was made available for public review and comment before it was forwarded by the Watershed Planning Committee to the board for its review and approval.

The Stewardship Council Board of Directors recommends that the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) receive 1,151 acres within 3 parcels (798, 813 and 824) of the Lake Spaulding planning unit in fee and that the Placer Land Trust (PLT) hold a conservation easement over the lands recommended for donation to CAL FIRE in these parcels (798, 813 and 824) of the Lake Spaulding planning unit.

Table 1 identifies Stipulation requirements that will be addressed in the LCCP and includes pertinent language from the Stipulation.

Table 1 Stipulation 12(a) Requirements

(1) Acreage, Existing Economic Uses and Agreements

"Reasonably exact estimates of acreage, by parcel, within or outside licensed project boundaries, and existing economic uses (including all related agreements);"

(2) Objectives to Preserve and/or Enhance

"Objectives to preserve and/or enhance the BPVs, as defined in the Settlement Agreement, Appendix E, of each individual parcel;"

(3) Recommendations for Conservation Easement and Fee Simple Donation

"A recommendation for grant of a conservation easement or fee simple donation for each such parcel;"

(4) Finding of Donee Funding and Other Capacity to Maintain Lands to Preserve and/or Enhance BPVs

"A finding that the intended donee of such easement or fee simple has the funding and other capacity to maintain that property interest so as to preserve and/or enhance the BPVs thereof;"

(5) Analysis of Tax and Other Economic and Physical Impacts

"An analysis of tax and other economic and physical impacts of such disposition strategy, and a commitment by an appropriate entity to provide property tax revenue, other equivalent revenue source, or a lump sum payment, so that the totality of dispositions in each affected county under the LCC will be 'tax neutral' for that county;"

(6) Hazardous Waste Disclosure

"A disclosure of all known hazardous waste or substance contamination or other such environmental liabilities associated with each parcel;"

(7) Consideration of Parcel Split

"Appropriate consideration whether to split any parcel which is partly used or useful for operation of PG&E's and/or a co-licensee's hydroelectric facilities, where the beneficial public values of the unused part may be enhanced by such split, provided that it is consistent with Section 12(b)(4) of this Stipulation and that, in the event that governmental approval of a parcel split imposes conditions or restrictions on other PG&E property, the decision to accept or reject such conditions will be at PG&E's sole discretion;"

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(8) Strategy for Physical Measures to Enhance BPVs

"A strategy to undertake appropriate physical measures to enhance the BPVs of individual parcels; provided that no such measure will be in conflict with the provisions of Settlement Agreement paragraph 17(c) and Appendix E paragraph 1;"

(9) Monitoring Plan for the Economic and Physical Impacts of Disposition and Implementation of Enhancement Measures

"A plan to monitor the economic and physical impacts of disposition and implementation of enhancement measures on the applicable management objectives;"

(10) Implementation Schedule for Transactions and Measures

"A schedule for the implementing transactions and measures."

1. Acreage, Existing Economic Uses and Agreements

Acreage and Property Description

Approximately 1,151 acres in Parcels 798, 813 and 824 will be donated to CAL FIRE and, consistent with the conditions in the Settlement Agreement, the Property will be subject to a perpetual conservation easement granted to PLT. 62 acres within Parcel 813 have been donated to the San Joaquin County Office of Education and are subject to a conservation easement. The remaining 823 acres within Parcels 798, 813 and 824 will be retained by PG&E and will be subject to a conservation easement.

The Lake Spaulding planning unit is located 26 miles from Nevada City and 19 miles from Truckee at an approximate elevation range of 5,200 to 7,000 feet mean sea level (msl). The planning unit encompasses many scenic lakes in the high elevation mountains of the Sierra Nevada.

The Lake Spaulding planning unit offers a variety of habitat for both plants and wildlife. Various special status plant species have been identified in the vicinity of the planning unit, including shore sedge, Oregon fireweed, Stebbins' phacelia, Butte County fritillary, and Cantelow's lewisia. Similarly, special status wildlife species such as Sierra Nevada snowshoe hare, Pacific fisher, Sierra marten, foothill yellow-legged frog, and the Federally endangered mountain yellow-legged frog have been surveyed in the vicinity of the planning unit. Throughout the planning unit, there are key winter and summer deer range, fawning areas, and major deer migration corridors. Within Parcels 798 and 813, aquatic habitat for a variety of species is provided in the North Fork of the North Fork American River, which runs through the southwestern corner of both parcels. A tributary of the river runs entirely through the central portion of Parcel 798 and a spring-fed pond is located in the north-central portion of the parcel. A large meadow is located along this tributary and is commonly known as Six Mile Valley.

Lake Valley Reservoir provides recreation opportunities including boating, camping and picnicking. On the northwestern shore of Lake Valley Reservoir, PG&E operates the Silvertip Day Use area; across the reservoir, the Lodgepole Campground offers 35 sites in a forested setting. North of Lake Valley Reservoir, the former Eagle Mountain Lodge was located on Parcel 798 and once served as a popular base for snow sport activities. The former lodge site now serves as a PG&E staging area.

There are two PG&E Timber Management Units (TMUs) totaling 1,218 timbered acres that encompass the lands recommended for donation to CAL FIRE. Both TMUs are currently managed under a Multiple-Use prescription, meaning that protection and uses of other resources and facilities may preclude sustained timber management as the highest and best use of portions of the TMU. All of Parcel 824 and the majority of the western portion of Parcel 798 were burned by the Gap Fire in 2001. Burn areas on both parcels were salvage logged and restocked with conifer seedlings. Parcel 824 contains several unimproved logging roads that meander through the parcel as well as occasional log decks. Numerous unimproved logging roads and decks exist on Parcel 798 and various timber harvest access routes, skid roads, spurs, and log decks traverse Parcel 813.

PG&E indicates that it has had ongoing land management issues arising from unauthorized use of these routes on Parcel 813 by OHV enthusiasts, as well as unauthorized camping, fires, and use of firearms.

No agricultural (farming or grazing) activities occur within the planning unit.

The planning unit lies within the ancestral territory of the Maidu, Washoe, and Nisenan-Southern Maidu groups. Both historic and prehistoric resources are present within the Lake Spaulding planning unit.

Adjacent and Nearby Landowners

The parcels subject to donation to CAL FIRE are surrounded by National Forest System lands managed by the Tahoe National Forest and private property, including private timber company lands. The parcels are accessible via the Yuba Gap exit off of Interstate 80 (I-80), which is located in the northwest corner of Parcel 798. Access roads to the parcels include Lake Valley Road and an unimproved road across National Forest System lands.

The Stewardship Council notified and invited landowners located within one mile of the subject parcels to provide comment during key phases of the land conservation and conveyance planning process.

Existing Economic Uses and Agreements

There are recorded encumbrances on the acreage for donation to CAL FIRE in the Lake Spaulding planning unit for a state highway, roads, use of existing roads, underground communication facilities, underground fiber optic cables, an encroachment, and a bicycle, equestrian and pedestrian trail. There are no existing agreements for economic uses or unrecorded encumbrances on the lands to be donated to CAL FIRE.

PG&E's specific reserved rights are set forth in the grant deed and conservation easement, which can be found in Appendices 2 and 3, respectively.

2. Objectives to Preserve and/or Enhance the BPVs

The Land Conservation Commitment provides that "PG&E shall ensure that the Watershed Lands it owns... are conserved for a broad range of beneficial public values, including the protection of the natural habitat of fish, wildlife and plants, the preservation of open space, outdoor recreation by the general public, sustainable forestry, agricultural uses, and historic values. PG&E will protect these beneficial public values associated with the Watershed Lands... from uses that would conflict with their conservation. PG&E recognizes that such lands are important to maintaining the quality of life of local communities and all the people of California in many ways, and it is PG&E's intention to protect and preserve the beneficial public values of these lands under the terms of any agreements concerning their future ownership or management."

The following text lists the objectives for each BPV at the Lake Spaulding planning unit that the Stewardship Council board approved in LCP Volume II, as well as a description of how the transaction, as summarized by this LCCP, supports each objective and preserves and/or enhances the BPVs.

The conservation easement will protect the BPVs, subject to PG&E's hydro and other reserved rights as provided in the conservation easement.

1. Objective: Preserve and enhance habitat in order to protect special biological resources.

The conservation easement (Appendix 3) will permanently protect habitat by preventing any use of the Property that will significantly impair the Conservation Values, and restricting development and the landowner's uses to those that are consistent with the protection of the BPVs on the property. In addition, the land will be managed in accordance with a Demonstration State Forest Management Plan that will be developed subsequent to fee title transfer.

2. Objective: Preserve open space in order to protect natural and cultural resources, the wilderness character of the region, and continued low-intensity recreation experiences.

The conservation easement will ensure that no further development will occur unless specifically authorized by the conservation easement and consistent with the Conservation Values.

3. Objective: Enhance recreational facilities in order to provide additional public access, and enhance recreation opportunities and management.

The conservation easement recognizes that access to the Property is inherent or may be inherent in the enjoyment of the Conservation Values and the Informal Uses. Therefore, CAL FIRE will allow public access to the Property that is substantially consistent with

¹ Land Conservation Commitment I.02-04-026, Appendix E, p. 38

the public access existing on the date the conservation easement is recorded, subject to reasonable rules and regulations.

4. Objective: Develop and implement forestry practices in order to contribute to and promote a sustainable forest, preserve and enhance habitat, as well as to ensure appropriate fuel load and fire management.

CAL FIRE proposes to conduct timber harvest activities on the Property in accordance with a Demonstration State Forest Management Plan that incorporates the following Forest Management Goals: maintain healthy and vigorous forest stands; protect important riparian resources; manage for sustainable stands of native tree species historically present on the landscape; improve resistance to drought and pests; address any infestation of insects or disease that threatens the viability of the forest; address any build-up of fuel to reduce risks of catastrophic fire; enhance climate benefits through carbon sequestration and storage; establish and maintain a full and balanced range of stand ages and characteristics, allowed to move across the landscape over time, including early-seral, mid-seral and late-seral forest conditions; provide adequate amounts of snags and cavity trees; provide adequate amounts of downed woody debris; manage for edge effects; and maintain and enhance vegetation types and structural elements across the landscape that support fish and wildlife habitats for native species historically present on the landscape.

5. Objective: Identify potential grazing opportunities in order to enhance agricultural resources and related economic benefits.

There is no agricultural use in the Lake Spaulding planning unit so agriculture is not one of the BPVs to be protected. The Property is primarily forested and rocky, so this Property is not proposed to introduce agricultural uses.

6. Objective: Identify and manage cultural resources in order to ensure their protection, as well as to support opportunities for public education.

The conservation easement will protect identified historical and cultural values on the Property to the extent they are protected by state and federal law.

Recommendations for Conservation Easement and Fee Simple Donation

The Settlement and Stipulation require that the Watershed Lands: (1) be subject to permanent conservation easements restricting development of the Watershed Lands so as to protect and preserve the BPVs, and/or (2) be donated in fee simple to one or more public entities or qualified nonprofit conservation organizations, whose ownership will ensure the protection of these BPVs.

Conservation Easement

The Settlement Agreement states that "the conservation easements shall provide for the preservation of land areas for the protection of the natural habitat of fish, wildlife and plants, the preservation of open space, outdoor recreation by the general public, sustainable forestry, agricultural uses, and historic values and, shall prevent any other uses that will significantly impair or interfere with those values. Conservation easements on the Watershed Lands will include an express reservation of a right for continued operation and maintenance of hydroelectric facilities and associated water delivery facilities, including project replacements and improvements required to meet existing and future water delivery requirements for power generation and consumptive water use by existing users, compliance with any FERC license, FERC license renewal or other regulatory requirements. In addition, conservation easements will honor existing agreements for economic uses, including consumptive water deliveries. The conservation easements shall be donated to and managed by one or more non-profit conservation trustees, qualified conservation organizations or public agencies with the experience and expertise to fully and strictly implement the conservation easements" (Land Conservation Commitment I.02-04-026, Appendix E, pp. 38-39).

For the complete text of the conservation easement, see Appendix 3.

Conservation easements must be donated to nonprofit organizations, Native American tribes, or public agencies that meet the requirements of California Civil Code section 815.3 and possess the experience and capacity to fully and strictly implement the terms of the conservation easement. Placer Land Trust (PLT) will hold the conservation easement over the lands to be donated to CAL FIRE in the Lake Spaulding planning unit that are the subject of this LCCP. The qualifications of PLT are described in Chapter 4.

Accordingly, immediately prior to PG&E's conveyance of the lands to be donated to CAL FIRE in the Lake Spaulding planning unit, a conservation easement on the Property will be conveyed to PLT and recorded.

Retention or Donation of Fee Title

The Settlement Agreement states that PG&E will not be expected to make fee simple donations of Watershed Lands with hydroelectric project features, and conservation easements and enhancements may not interfere with hydroelectric operations. In general, PG&E will retain fee title to those Watershed Lands within the boundaries of

hydroelectric projects licensed by the FERC, as well as other properties required for continuing and future utility operations. However, these Watershed Lands will be conserved via a conservation easement. See Appendix 6 for a description of PG&E's Land Conservation Commitment. Approximately 4,481 acres within the Lake Spaulding Planning Unit were identified by PG&E as lands not necessary for current and future utility operations. Therefore, these 4,481 acres of land were made available for fee title donation.

The 1,151 acres proposed for donation to CAL FIRE in Parcels 798, 813 and 824 were identified as available for donation, subject to PG&E's reserved rights.

Donee Selection Process

The Stewardship Council used a formal multi-step process to solicit and select organizations interested in receiving a donation of Watershed Lands or becoming a conservation easement holder at the Lake Spaulding planning unit. The process consisted of the following key steps:

- Organizations were invited to register via the Stewardship Council's Interested Donee Registry and were invited to submit a statement of qualifications (SOQ). The Stewardship Council reviewed the SOQs that were submitted to identify organizations that: (a) were determined to be a qualified nonprofit conservation organization; a federal, state or local governmental entity; or, a recognized tribe; (b) appeared to have sufficient financial and organizational capacity relative to the property interest sought within the planning unit; and, (c) appeared to be capable of satisfying the requirements of the Settlement and Stipulation for receiving a donation of fee title or to hold the conservation easement.
- Organizations interested in a fee title donation were invited to submit a land stewardship proposal ("LSP" or "proposal") describing their capacity and interest in preserving and enhancing the BPVs. The LSPs were posted on the Stewardship Council's website. Organizations who were invited to submit a LSP were invited to tour the lands of interest with representatives of PG&E and the Stewardship Council. In 2011, the Stewardship Council received LSPs from CAL FIRE, the US Forest Service, and San Joaquin County Office of Education for property within the Lake Valley Preserve area of the Lake Spaulding planning unit. Lands available for donation were recommended to SJCOE in January 2018 and to CAL FIRE in June 2018.
- Organizations demonstrating sufficient capacity and determined by the Stewardship Council to be best-suited to receive a donation of property interest (fee or conservation easement) in particular Watershed Lands within a planning unit are being recommended to PG&E to receive fee title and/or conservation easements.

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Lands to be Donated by PG&E

Approximately 1,151 acres within 3 parcels (798, 813 and 824) will be donated to CAL FIRE pending CPUC approval of the Section 851 filing for the transaction. The legal description of the parcels is included in the grant deed, which is provided in Appendix 2. The qualifications and capacity of CAL FIRE to manage the Lake Spaulding property recommended for donation are described in Chapter 4.

The map provided in Exhibit 1 shows all of the land within Parcels 798, 813 and 824 in the Lake Spaulding planning unit that will be donated. The map also shows key features in the planning unit and surrounding area, and the ownership of adjacent land.

62 acres within Parcel 813 have been donated to the San Joaquin County Office of Education and are the subject of a separate LCCP.

Lands to be Retained by PG&E

The remaining 823 acres in Parcels 798, 813 and 824 in the Lake Spaulding planning unit will be retained by PG&E and are the subject of a separate LCCP.

4. Finding of Donee Funding and Other Capacity to Maintain Lands to Preserve and/or Enhance the BPVs

Selected Organizations

At the conclusion of the selection process referenced below, the following organizations were endorsed by the Stewardship Council board on June 27, 2018 and September 10, 2014, respectively:

- The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) to hold fee simple title to 1,151 acres within Parcels 798, 813 and 824.
- The Placer Land Trust (PLT) to hold a conservation easement over the 1,151 acres to be donated to CAL FIRE in Parcels 798, 813 and 824.

Capacity of Selected Organizations

The Stewardship Council board finds that CAL FIRE and PLT will have the funding and other capacity to maintain the property interest so as to preserve and/or enhance the BPVs².

A. CAL FIRE:

- CAL FIRE manages approximately 70,000 acres of Demonstration State Forests across California. The eight Demonstration State Forests are managed and used to support research and demonstration projects on forest management, public recreation opportunities, fish and wildlife habitat, and watershed protection.
- At each of the Demonstration State Forests, CAL FIRE works in cooperation with a variety of entities to implement research, fuels management, and fire protection activities.

B. PLT:

- Established in 1991, PLT's mission is to work with willing landowners and conservation partners to permanently protect and care for natural and agricultural lands in Placer County for current and future generations.
- PLT holds 28 conservation easements totaling 6,192 acres, including three over lands owned by public agencies. In addition, PLT owns 18 fee properties totaling 4,712 acres.
- PLT is guided by a nine-member board of directors and is staffed by an executive director, operations director, stewardship manager, land manager, land and recreation manager, conservation specialist, program manager, development and communications manager, communications specialist, membership specialist and

² Stipulation, Section 12(a)(4)

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habitat restoration, ecology, agriculture, and community outreach and volunteer management.

• PLT is an accredited land trust.

5. Analysis of Tax and Other Economic and Physical Impacts

The Stipulation requires that the LCCP provide "an analysis of tax and other economic and physical impacts of such disposition strategy, and a commitment by an appropriate entity [which may be PG&E, subject to being authorized by the Commission to fully recover in rates any such costs in approving PG&E's Section 851 application or in another appropriate Commission proceeding, Stewardship Council, donee, or a third party, depending on the individual circumstances] to provide property tax revenue, other equivalent revenue source, or a lump sum payment, so that the totality of dispositions in each affected county under this Land Conservation Commitment will be 'tax neutral' for that county."

The following sections address the Stewardship Council's plan for achieving tax neutrality for Placer and Nevada Counties, the counties in which the Property is located. The final LCCP submitted for all PG&E Watershed Lands located in Placer and Nevada Counties will address tax neutrality for the totality of all fee title transfers within these counties, as required under the Settlement and Stipulation.

Stewardship Council Board Policies and Guidelines

The Stewardship Council board adopted a set of Guidelines Regarding Satisfaction of Tax Neutrality on March 30, 2011, after an opportunity for public comment. Under the guidelines, the Stewardship Council outlined the following overarching assumptions:

- 1. The Stewardship Council will address property tax neutrality based upon the most current property taxes paid by PG&E on the lands being transferred at the time of the actual transfer of fee title from PG&E to the selected donee.
- 2. The Stewardship Council's achievement of property tax neutrality applies to all property taxes that would be distributed directly to County General Funds, School and Fire Districts, Regional Conservation and Water Districts, and any other special districts as defined by the applicable Tax Rate Area.
- 3. The Settlement and Stipulation direct the Stewardship Council to ensure that the effects of distributions be made tax neutral for the affected counties. Therefore, the Stewardship Council's property tax neutrality commitment will not apply to any amount of property tax payments that are subject to apportionment by the State of California.

On June 27, 2012, the Stewardship Council board approved an amendment to the property tax neutrality methodology it had adopted on May 2, 2012, after an opportunity for public comment and specific outreach to all potentially affected counties. The methodology establishes a standard payment process when lands are transferred to organizations that are exempt from paying property taxes (see Appendix 5).

On August 14, 2014, the California Public Utilities Commission approved Resolution E-4644. The resolution states that the Commission endorses the Guidelines Regarding

Satisfaction of Tax Neutrality and the Property Tax Neutrality Methodology adopted by the Stewardship Council.

As of November 15, 2017, the Stewardship Council board approved further revisions to the property tax neutrality methodology. The revisions established that the Counties will receive a one-time lump sum payment allocated based upon the applicable Tax Rate Area at the time of the payment. Counties and special districts would then be free to determine the best use of the funds pursuant to the needs of the county or special district, including, if desired investment in a shared investment pool of the county's choosing.

Achieving Property Tax Neutrality

1,151 acres in Parcels 798, 813 and 824 are being donated to CAL FIRE. Section 4654 of the California Public Resources Code states:

"There shall be paid to each county in which lands acquired for state forest purposes are situated, out of funds hereafter made available for such purpose, an amount equivalent to taxes levied by the county on similar land similarly situated in the county in the same manner as provided in the Revenue and Taxation Code for secured property tax payments as long as the state continues to own the land. Such payments shall be based only upon the value of the forest lands used for purposes of continuous commercial forest production and not upon value of such forest land used for any other purposes, including any improvements on such lands. Determination of what constitutes similar land similarly situated shall be made by a committee consisting of the county assessor of the county in which the land is located, a representative of the State Board of Equalization and a representative of the department."

Subsequent to the transfer of lands, if land value as determined by the committee is less than the most recent appraised value on the lands at the time of transfer, the Stewardship Council will provide funding to Nevada and Placer Counties to make up the difference in property tax payments.

Whether there would otherwise be a reduction of Nevada and Placer Counties' annual property taxes based on the committee's valuation and the amount of any reduction will not be known until after the transfer of lands is complete.

If funding from the Stewardship Council is necessary to ensure property tax neutrality, the Stewardship Council would make a one-time payment to Nevada and Placer Counties. Nevada and Placer Counties would, in-turn, be required to distribute the funds to the general fund and applicable special districts consistent with the Tax Rate Area in effect for the parcels.

Other Economic and Physical Impacts

The Settlement and Stipulation require an analysis of the physical and economic impacts of each fee title transfer. The transaction agreements for the donation of 1,151 acres

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within the Lake Spaulding planning unit have not mandated any changes to the physical or economic uses of the lands. CAL FIRE intends to manage the lands in a manner consistent with the current physical and economic uses of the lands. No new activities are proposed that will result in physical impacts.

While the principal effect of the conservation easement will be to significantly restrict development on the site in perpetuity, the conservation easement reserves to CAL FIRE the right to develop no more than a total of twenty acres within designated Building Envelopes for uses including recreation, research, or forest management subject to the limitations in the conservation easement. However, CAL FIRE is not proposing to carry out any permitted development or change in use at this time. Instead, at least for the time being, CAL FIRE intends to manage the Property as PG&E does presently. If, in the future, CAL FIRE decides to pursue new development or uses that are allowed by the conservation easement, it must first obtain all necessary permits and conduct any necessary CEQA review at that time.

6. Hazardous Waste Disclosure

The Stipulation states that in the transfer of fee title and conveyance of a conservation easement, PG&E will disclose all known hazardous waste, substance contamination, or other such environmental liabilities associated with each parcel and hold the donee harmless.

Lands to be Donated by PG&E

PG&E has provided the Lake Spaulding Planning Unit Environmental Site Assessment Report dated December 1st, 2011, to CAL FIRE and PLT, fulfilling the disclosure requirements of the Land Conservation Commitment.

Environmental Agreement

Pending CPUC approval of the transaction, PG&E will execute Environmental Agreements with CAL FIRE and PLT, satisfying the requirements of Section 12(f) of the Stipulation.

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7. Consideration of Parcel Split

Within Parcels 798, 813 and 824, approximately 823 acres will be retained by PG&E. PG&E determined that operational needs would be met sufficiently through the reservation of rights for ongoing hydroelectric operations on the remaining 1,213 acres within these parcels. To effectuate transfer of a portion of the property, parcel splits will be required to comply with the California Subdivision Map Act (Government Code Section 66410, et seq). Certain exemptions to the Map Act apply to public utilities and/or to governmental entities and may apply to future conveyances of parcels within this planning unit.

8. Strategy for Physical Measures to Enhance the BPVs

The Stewardship Council developed and implemented a strategy to identify and undertake appropriate physical measures to enhance the BPVs of the Watershed Lands consistent with Settlement Agreement paragraph 17(c)³ and Appendix E, paragraph 1.

During the preparation of Volume II of the LCP, a number of potential physical enhancement measures to preserve and/or enhance the BPVs were identified. These measures were identified with public input and were intended to be illustrative in nature and subject to change over time in coordination with the future landowner.

The Stewardship Council has developed a grant program that will fund selected enhancements on the Watershed Lands. It is anticipated that grant funding will be available to accomplish future projects that enhance one or more of the six Beneficial Public Values. Projects may include habitat restoration or physical measures such as developing trails, day use areas, and other public access improvements.

³ Settlement Agreement Paragraph 17(c) states, "PG&E shall fund PG&E Environmental Enhancement Corporation with \$70 million in Cash to cover administrative expenses and the costs of environmental enhancements to the Watershed Lands… provided that no such enhancement may at any time interfere with PG&E's hydroelectric operations maintenance or capital improvements."

Monitoring Plan for the Economic and Physical Impacts of Disposition and Implementation of Enhancement Measures

The Stipulation requires that the LCCP outline a plan to monitor the economic and physical impacts of disposition and implementation of enhancement measures.

The conservation easement holder is required to monitor every conservation easement that it holds to ensure that the landowner is complying with the terms of the easement. The Stewardship Council will enter into a Conservation Easement Funding Agreement (Appendix 4) with each conservation easement holder whereby the holder will receive a monitoring and enforcement endowment from the Stewardship Council to fund its monitoring activities.

To further meet the requirement of monitoring the economic and physical impacts, the Stewardship Council will enter into an agreement with the Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC), a state agency, whereby the agency will agree to undertake certain duties designed to monitor the impacts of PG&E's Land Conservation Commitment.

When the Stewardship Council has completed its work, it will be dissolved. Prior to its dissolution, the Stewardship Council expects to prepare a report providing an assessment of any economic and physical impacts resulting from the Land Conservation Commitment as of that time. Stewardship Council's close-out report will include, among other things, the following information:

- How the property tax neutrality requirement was satisfied with regard to each parcel donated to a tax exempt organization.
- A report regarding the enhancements that were funded by the Stewardship Council.

It is anticipated that several years after the dissolution of the Stewardship Council, SNC will prepare a report assessing the physical and economic impacts of the Land Conservation Commitment up until that time. The report is expected to cover the following topics:

- Impact of the Land Conservation Commitment on agreements for economic uses.
- Changes in entities holding conservation easements or fee title.
- Performance of duties by conservation easement holders.

In addition to preparing an assessment report, which will be submitted to the CPUC and PG&E, SNC will serve as a public repository for key transaction documents and other documents pertaining to the Land Conservation Commitment through June 2025.

10. Implementation Schedule for Transactions and Measures

Schedule for Transaction

- CPUC review and approval (2022)
- Public Works Board review and approval (2022)
- Close of escrow (2023)
- Stewardship Council release of funds to PLT per conservation easement funding agreement (2023)

Compliance with Local Land Use Planning Requirements

Future management of the donated property at the Lake Spaulding planning unit is anticipated to comply with all applicable County ordinances and/or General Plan policies.

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC OUTREACH PROGRAM

The Stewardship Council established a comprehensive public outreach program to both inform and solicit input from the public on the development and implementation of a plan to permanently protect over 140,000 acres of PG&E watershed lands. A variety of tools and techniques are used to engage the public, including:

- Stewardship Council Website: the website provides background information on the land conservation program and is regularly updated with board meeting agendas and minutes, proposed recommendations, and other announcements.
- Stakeholder Database and E-mailing: regular e-mail notifications are sent directly to individuals
 and organizations that have signed-up to receive e-mails. The e-mails provide updates on the
 status of the land conservation program, including pending actions by the board and upcoming
 public meetings.
- Targeted Newspaper Noticing and Paid Advertisements: newspaper advertisements and notices
 are placed in local newspapers circulated in the area where a board or public meeting is taking
 place or in communities that may have an interest in a particular topic on an upcoming meeting
 agenda.
- News Releases: news releases are issued to statewide and local media outlets at key intervals during the planning process.
- Public Information Meetings and Workshops: public information meetings and workshops are conducted throughout the watershed lands to provide updates and solicit input from interested stakeholders on the land conservation program and individual planning units. In many workshops, public comments were sought on potential measures to protect and enhance the beneficial public values on specific lands as well as the desired qualifications of potential donee organizations. Individuals and organizations unable to attend are provided an opportunity to submit comments in writing and review meeting summaries posted on the web site.
- Notice by Mail of Pending Decisions Regarding the Conveyance of Individual Parcels and Invitation to Comment:
 - Noticing of Affected Governmental Entities: prior to the Watershed Planning Committee forwarding a recommendation to the board that a proposed Land Conservation and Conveyance Plan (LCCP) be adopted by the board, a notice will be mailed to the Board of Supervisors of the affected county; each affected city, town, and water supply entity; and each affected tribe and/or co-licensee.
 - Noticing of landowners: postcards or letters are sent to all landowners located within one mile of lands that are the subject of a proposed LCCP prior to the Watershed Planning Committee forwarding a recommendation to the board that the proposed LCCP be adopted by the board.
- Individual Meetings with Stakeholders: Over the course of the preparation of Volumes I and II of the Land Conservation Plan (LCP) and the LCCP, Stewardship Council staff met, and communicated via the telephone and email, with a number of stakeholders interested in the Watershed Lands.

• The Stewardship Council Board of Directors meets five to six times per year, typically on a bimonthly schedule. At the board meetings, the public is invited to directly address the board on an agenda item or on any other matter. The meetings have been held at locations in northern and central California and across the watershed lands to help facilitate public participation. Agendas are available one week prior to meetings, and meeting minutes are posted on the Stewardship Council public website approximately three weeks following those meetings.

LAKE SPAULDING PLANNING UNIT PUBLIC OUTREACH

Highlighted below are the opportunities that have been, or are being, provided for public input on key documents and decisions concerning the Lake Spaulding planning unit and the land conservation and conveyance process.

I. PUBLIC REVIEW OF VOLUMES I AND II OF THE LCP

The Draft Land Conservation Plan Volumes I and II were released in June 2007 for a 60-day public comment period. During this time, the Stewardship Council held ten public meetings to publicize the availability of the Draft LCP and to encourage public comment. These meetings were advertised via an email sent to contacts in the Stewardship Council's database, an announcement posted on the Stewardship Council's web site, a press release issued to local newspapers, a paid advertisement in local papers, and a postcard sent to all landowners on record that reside within one mile of any PG&E parcel. Comments were received via email, the website, and hardcopy letters. The comments were reviewed, and responded to individually; and the text in the draft LCP was revised as appropriate.

During public review of Volumes I and II of the LCP, seven public comments were submitted concerning the Lake Spaulding planning unit. These comments reflected a request to reflect water agency facilities in LCP maps, support for the US Forest Service as a potential fee donee, as well as support for protecting and enhancing the open space and recreational values of the Lake Spaulding planning unit, as well as comments on certain recreational facilities proposed for the property.

II. NOTICING OF LANDOWNERS WITHIN ONE MILE

In the fall of 2006 a postcard was distributed to the approximately 26,000 landowners located within one mile of the exterior boundary of all the parcels to notify and invite comment on Volume I and II of the LCP. A postcard was also sent to notify and invite all landowners located within one mile of the parcels within the Lake Spaulding planning unit to a Public Information Meeting that was held in Auburn, California on April 14, 2011. In addition, simultaneous with the release of the proposed subject LCCP for public comment, adjacent landowners located within one mile of the subject parcels are noticed by mail 30 days before the Watershed Planning Committee considers forwarding the proposed subject LCCP to the board for final approval.

III. PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

A Public Information Meeting workshop for several planning units in the Yuba-Bear Watershed Area was hosted by the Stewardship Council on April 14, 2011 in Auburn, California. The meeting concerned six planning units: Lower Drum, Chili Bar, Lake Spaulding, Bear River, Narrows and Fordyce Lake planning

unit. Attendees at the workshop included a total of 58 individuals representing a wide variety of interests including local, state, federal, and tribal governments; and community organizations. The meeting was advertised via an e-mail sent to contacts in the Stewardship Council's database, an announcement posted on the Stewardship Council's web site, a press release issued to the local newspaper, and a postcard sent to all landowners on record located within one mile of any PG&E parcel associated with the Lake Spaulding planning unit.

The purpose of the workshop was to: (1) provide an overview of the land conservation process; and, (2) solicit additional public input on future stewardship of the planning unit.

The Stewardship Council received the following comments at the meeting and through comment cards that apply to the lands subject to this LCCP:

General Comments

- Mineral resources should be included as a beneficial public value
- Lands available for donation should be transferred to an entity that will preserve and enhance public access
- Provide adequate time for the public to review and provide comments on the land stewardship proposals, proposed donee recommendations, and conservation easements
- Understand that all of the parcels have a history of land use and are no longer pristine
- Provide parcel-specific goals to promote public understanding and comment

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- Support transfer of lands to an entity that would restrict vehicle traffic to present levels
- Continue to allow public use of existing roads
- Maintain public access for recreation (hiking, fishing, and camping)
- Support for lands available for donation to be transferred to the US Forest Service
- Rely on existing laws to protect sensitive wildlife and archaeological resources

IV. PUBLIC REVIEW OF LAND STEWARDSHIP PROPOSALS

On May 13, 2011, the Stewardship Council received five Land Stewardship Proposals from organizations interested in being considered for a donation of fee title to certain lands located within the Lake Spaulding planning unit. The Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Nevada County Land Trust (aka Bear Yuba Land Trust), the San Joaquin County Office of Education, the US Forest Service—Tahoe National Forest, and University of California—Center for Forestry. Each of the organizations prepared and submitted its proposal which was posted on the Stewardship Council's website for public review and comment, and an e-mail was sent to contacts in the Stewardship Council's database to notify them of the postings.

V. PUBLIC REVIEW OF LAND CONSERVATION PROGRAM POLICIES & GUIDELINES

Public comment was sought on policies and guidelines that helped inform the Stewardship Council's land conservation and conveyance process. These documents were provided to the public in advance of

being reviewed and endorsed by the Watershed Planning Committee or Fiduciary Committee and forwarded to the board for review and consideration.

Land Conservation Program Funding Policy

The Stewardship Council created a Land Conservation Program Funding Policy to help guide future planning and decision-making regarding funding of the long term management and stewardship of the watershed lands. In June and July, 2009, the draft policy was posted on the Stewardship Council's web site and made available for review and comment to a group of stakeholders consisting of all registered potential donees and representatives of the counties in which the watershed lands are located. Two comments were received during the 30-day review and comment period. Both comments were reviewed, and it was determined that neither comment necessitated a change in the draft policy. The Stewardship Council's Board of Directors adopted the policy at a public board meeting in Sonora, Calif. on September 17, 2009.

Guidelines for Achieving Property Tax Neutrality

The Stewardship Council created guidelines for achieving property tax neutrality to describe scenarios when the Stewardship Council will make property tax payments to affected counties as in lieu payments for property taxes that are lost due to the donation of PG&E watershed lands to an entity that is exempt from paying property taxes. The guidelines also defined a set of overarching assumptions regarding property tax neutrality payments. The draft guidelines were posted on the Stewardship Council's web site in December 2010. A notice inviting review and comment on the guidelines was sent to the Stewardship Council's stakeholder database. Additional targeted outreach was performed to inform the affected counties. Nine comments were received during the 60-day review and comment period. After consideration of public comments, the Stewardship Council Board adopted a set of guidelines at its public board meeting on March 30, 2011.

Proposed methodology for achieving tax neutrality

The proposed methodology for achieving tax neutrality on donated lands was e-mailed to all land stakeholders and posted on Stewardship Council's website for public review and comment on January 9, 2012. The deadline for submission of comments was March 9, 2012. The Stewardship Council received one request to extend this deadline, which was granted. By the new deadline March 30, 2012, six comments were received. Upon consideration of the comments received, the Stewardship Council board deferred adoption of the full methodology until the June 27, 2012 board meeting so that the affected counties could be notified of the proposed change to the capitalization rate. No comments were received on the revised capitalization rate. The revised methodology was adopted by the board at its June 27, 2012 meeting.

VI. WATERSHED PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS OF FEE TITLE AND CONSERVATION EASEMENT DONEES

Staff recommendations for prospective fee title donees and conservation easement holders that are endorsed by the Watershed Planning Committee are posted on the Stewardship Council's website for public review and comment. The proposed board action is noticed via an e-mail sent to contacts in the

Stewardship Council's database. In addition, public board meetings are advertised via an e-mail sent to contacts in the Stewardship Council's database, an announcement posted on the Stewardship Council's web site, a press release issued to local papers, and an advertisement placed in local newspapers in the area where a board or public meeting is taking place or in communities that may have an interest in a particular topic on an upcoming meeting agenda. The board action taken is also noted in the meeting minutes that are posted on the Stewardship Council's website following each meeting.

All public comments received by staff concerning the conservation easement recommendation at the Lake Spaulding planning unit were provided to the board for consideration at the relevant public board meeting.

VII. PUBLIC REVIEW OF THE LAND CONSERVATION AND CONVEYANCE PLANS

The public is provided an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed Land Conservation and Conveyance Plans (LCCPs), and the comments received are shared with board members prior to the Watershed Planning Committee's forwarding the proposed LCCP to the board for its review and approval. The 30-day public review and comment periods are announced via an e-mail sent to contacts in the Stewardship Council's database, a posting on the Stewardship Council's web site, and an advertisement placed in local newspapers in communities that may have an interest in a particular planning unit. A notice inviting review and comment on the proposed LCCP is also sent to all landowners on record located within one mile of the subject PG&E parcels and to PG&E leaseholders. In addition, a notice is mailed to the board of supervisors of the affected county; each affected city, town, and water supply entity; and each affected tribe and/or co-licensee. After receiving public comment, the Watershed Planning Committee may make revisions to a proposed LCCP prior to forwarding a recommendation to the board.

VIII. STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

Proposed LCCPs endorsed by the Watershed Planning Committee are posted on the Stewardship Council's website for additional public review and comment approximately 30 days prior to being considered by the board at a public board meeting. The posting of proposed LCCPs is advertised via an email sent to contacts in the Stewardship Council's database. In addition, public board meetings are advertised via an e-mail sent to contacts in the Stewardship Council's database, an announcement posted on the Stewardship Council's web site, a press release issued to local papers, and an advertisement placed in local newspapers in the area where a board or public meeting is taking place or in communities that may have an interest in a particular topic on an upcoming meeting agenda. The board action taken is noted in the meeting minutes that are posted on the Stewardship Council's website following each meeting.

All public comments received will be provided to the board. There is also an additional opportunity for public comment at the public board meeting when the board considers approval of the proposed LCCP. Adoption of an LCCP by the board would be the final step in the Stewardship Council's process for selecting donees. The conservation easement donee is responsible for securing its own internal approvals prior to the transaction being completed. Transactions will be finalized upon LCCP review and transaction approval by the California Public Utilities Commission.

RECORDING REQUESTED BY AND RETURN TO:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
Department of General Services
Real Property Services Division, Acquisition Unit
707 Third Street, 5th Floor, MS 505
West Sacramento, CA 95605

OFFICIAL STATE BUSINESS – EXEMPT FROM RECORDING FEES PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 27383 AND DOCUMENTARY TRANSFER TAX PURSUANT TO REVENUE AND TAXATION CODE SECTION 11922

(SPACE ABOVE FOR RECORDER'S USE ONLY)

LD 2117-12-10025 DEED

APN: Nevada County- 064-330-002-000, 064-330-003-000

Placer County - 066-010-082-000, 066-050-006-000, 066-050-013-000, 066-050-019-000, 066-050-026-000, 066-050-027-000, 066-060-021-000

GRANT DEED AND RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

I. CONVEYANCE OF FEE

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a California corporation ("**Grantor**"), does hereby grant to the STATE OF CALIFORNIA ("**STATE**"), all of its right, title, and interest in and to the real property situated in the unincorporated areas of Placer County and Nevada County, State of California ("**Property**"), described in **Exhibit A** attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein, and shown on **Exhibit A-1** attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein.

II. RECITALS

- A. Grantor is a party to that certain Settlement Agreement ("Settlement Agreement") as modified and approved by the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California ("CPUC") in its Opinion and Order of December 18, 2003 (Decision 03-12-035).
- B. In furtherance of the Settlement Agreement, and to provide additional detail regarding the implementation of the "Land Conservation Commitment" (defined below), the parties to the Settlement Agreement and other interested parties entered into that certain Stipulation Resolving Issues Regarding the Land Conservation Commitment dated September 25, 2003 ("Stipulation").
- C. The Settlement Agreement and the Stipulation (collectively, "Governing Documents") require Grantor to ensure that approximately 140,000 acres of watershed lands, all owned by Grantor (collectively, "Watershed Lands"), including the Property, are conserved for a broad range of beneficial public values, including the protection of the natural habitat of fish, wildlife and plants; the preservation of open space; outdoor recreation by the general public; sustainable forestry; agricultural uses; and historic values. The obligations of Grantor to convey

fee interests and/or conservation easements and to protect such beneficial public values on the Watershed Lands, as well as certain other obligations related thereto, are set forth in detail in Appendix E of the Settlement Agreement (as further explicated in Section 12 of the Stipulation), and are defined therein as the "Land Conservation Commitment."

- D. Pursuant to the Governing Documents, the Pacific Forest and Watershed Lands Stewardship Council, a California non-profit public benefit corporation ("Stewardship Council") was created to oversee and carry out the Land Conservation Commitment. Pursuant to the Governing Documents, the Stewardship Council developed a plan for protection of the Watershed Lands for the benefit of the citizens of California ("Land Conservation Plan" or "LCP"). The LCP includes, among other things, objectives to preserve and/or enhance the beneficial public values identified on each parcel of Watershed Lands.
- E. Grantor has used and continues to use the Property for the purpose of generating and transmitting hydroelectric energy, managing and monitoring the flow of water over the existing waterways for consumptive and non-consumptive uses, conducting various biological and land use studies mandated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"), and for other purposes as described more fully in Section III below (collectively, "Hydro Project Activities"). Additionally, Grantor has used and continues to use the Property to erect, construct, reconstruct, replace, remove, operate, inspect, maintain and use facilities of the type hereinafter specified for the transformation, transmission and distribution of electric energy and for communication purposes (collectively "Electric Activities").
- F. To facilitate the Hydro Project Activities and Electric Activities following the conveyance effected by this Grant Deed and Reservation of Rights (this "Grant Deed"), and the continued use, maintenance, repair and replacement of those existing and future facilities, structures and improvements now or hereafter located on, above, or under the Property, that are associated with the Hydro Project Activities and/or the Electric Activities, STATE, as grantor, and Grantor, as grantee, are executing and delivering that certain Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance Easement of even date with this Grant Deed (the "Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance, and Laydown Easement").
- G. Consistent with the terms of the Governing Documents, Grantor and STATE acknowledge this conveyance, together with Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance, and Laydown Easement and the Conservation Easement ("Conservation Easement") being entered into by STATE and Placer Land Trust ("PLT") concurrently with this conveyance, is being made in the public interest with the intent to ensure the permanent protection of the beneficial public values on the Property as identified in the LCP while allowing the ongoing use of the Property by Grantor for hydroelectric operations, water delivery, and related activities, and acknowledging and honoring the existing third party uses.

III. STATE ACCESS; RESERVATION OF RIGHTS; EASEMENT AGREEMENT

STATE shall have a non-exclusive right of surface access, ingress and egress to and from the Property over and across Adjacent Lands, by means of existing roads, lanes, and routes thereon, if such there be (collectively, the "Existing Roads"), otherwise by such route or routes as shall occasion the least practicable damage and inconvenience to Grantor's Adjacent Lands, with the

right to repair and maintain the Existing Roads and to construct, repair and maintain new roads, lanes, and routes (collectively, the "New Roads") where no existing access exists ("Access Rights"). To the extent located within Project lands (as described below), Access Rights to construct, repair or maintain New Roads or to repair or maintain Existing Roads may only be exercised after Grantor has obtained FERC approval for a specific project, repair or maintenance, subject to the plan submission requirements specified in section III.d, below. STATE's Access Rights shall only extend to portions of the Property that are only reasonably accessible by Adjacent Lands. "Adjacent Lands" means lands owned by Grantor that are contiguous to the Property, including lands excepted from the Property in Exhibit A.

In addition to the Access Rights, STATE shall have a non-exclusive right of surface access, ingress and egress to and from the Property over and across the properties not owned by Grantor described in the Easement Agreement dated as of November 4, 2021 from Siller Brothers, Inc. to Grantor [add recording information] (collectively, "Lake Valley Canal Road Access Rights"), by means of the existing road commonly known as Culberson Road (collectively, "Lake Valley Canal Road"). Nothing herein shall impair or otherwise impede Grantor's right for continued use of Lake Valley Canal Road, in all ways and for all purposes Grantor deems necessary. The Access Rights and the Lake Valley Canal Road Access Rights are collectively referred to herein as the "Combined Access Rights."

STATE may allow **PLT** and any successor to **PLT** under the Conservation Easement to utilize the Combined Access Rights but only for purposes of ingress and egress.

STATE acknowledges that portions of the Adjacent Lands and Lake Valley Canal Road are a part of the FERC Project No. 2310 ("**Project**"), and STATE agrees to abide by regulations and approvals that Grantor is required to comply with in use of the Project lands.

- a. STATE's use of the Combined Access Rights shall not endanger health, create a nuisance, or otherwise be incompatible with overall Project recreational use.
- b. STATE shall take all reasonable precautions to insure that the use of the Combined Access Rights on Project lands will occur in a manner that will protect the scenic, recreational, and environmental values of the Project.
- c. STATE shall note make use of the Combined Access Rights in any way which would be incompatible with overall Project requirements or unduly restrict public access to Project waters.
- d. Except in the case of emergencies, STATE must submit to Grantor plans as required by FERC at least six (6) months in advance of construction, repair, or maintenance work related to the exercise of the Combined Access Rights to allow for Grantor review and submittal to FERC for any required approval. No proposed construction, repair, or maintenance work related to the Combined Access Rights shall occur on Project lands until such approval is received from FERC. In the event of an emergency (wildfire, floods, earthquakes, etc.), STATE shall provide notice of such emergency work to Grantor within 24 hours of initiating emergency work, to allow Grantor to meet FERC notification requirements.

e. If the Project boundary is removed from the Adjacent Lands and/or Lake Valley Canal Road, then FERC approval will no longer be required, and the notification and approval process will change to the following:

Except in the case of emergencies, STATE must submit to Grantor, for review and approval, plans at least 90 days in advance of any proposed construction, repair, or maintenance work related to the exercise of the Combined Access Rights, which review and approval will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. In the event of an emergency, STATE shall provide notice of such emergency work to Grantor within two (2) weeks of initiating such emergency work.

f. STATE shall be solely responsible for the repair of any damage caused by its exercise of any of the Combined Access Rights, excluding fair wear and tear from normal usage (commercial use for logging shall not be considered normal usage). For so long as the roads, lanes, and routes, related to any of the Combined Access Rights, shall exist in private ownership, Grantor and STATE and their respective successors and assigns, shall bear the expenses of the reasonable maintenance of the roads, lanes, and routes related to the Combined Access Rights in proportion to their respective use. Reasonable maintenance shall include such work as is necessary to maintain said roads, lanes, and routes related to the Combined Access Rights in their existing condition but shall not include the enlargement of or betterment of the Combined Access Rights. STATE further agrees that any erosion or drainage problems caused by the exercise of the Combined Access Rights by STATE shall be corrected by STATE without cost to Grantor and to the reasonable satisfaction of Grantor.

Notwithstanding the above, nothing herein shall impair or otherwise impede Grantor's right for continued use of the Adjacent Lands and Lake Valley Canal Road, including those Adjacent Lands containing the Access Rights, in all ways and for all purposes Grantor deems necessary to fulfill its obligations as licensee under FERC projects.

Grantor expressly reserves all riparian water rights inherent in and part and parcel of the Property, all appropriative surface water rights (including, but not limited to, any appropriative surface water rights having a point of diversion, place of storage, or place of use on the Property); all prescriptive surface water rights; and all other right, title and interest of any nature whatsoever in and to the surface waters (including subsurface flow) which are now or hereafter located or flowing upon or abutting the Property.

Grantor and STATE acknowledge that the Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance, and Laydown Easement shall be effective immediately upon the execution, delivery and effectiveness of this Grant Deed with the same force and effect as if the easement rights set forth in the Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance, and Laydown Easement were expressly reserved by Grantor in this Grant Deed.

IV. TERMS OF GRANT

The conveyance by Grantor to STATE pursuant to this Grant Deed is subject to: (a) a lien securing payment of real estate taxes and assessments; (b) all matters that would be disclosed by a physical inspection or survey of the Property or that are actually known to STATE; and (c) all

contracts, leases, licenses, covenants, conditions, easements, restrictions, liens, encumbrances and other exceptions of record or unrecorded.

The provisions hereof shall inure to the benefit of and bind the successors and assigns of the respective parties hereto, and all covenants shall apply to and run with the Property. All future conveyances of the fee interest in the Property shall be consistent with the terms of the Governing Documents. In accordance with Section 12b(4) of the Stipulation, STATE, and its successors and assigns shall not convey all or any portion of the fee interest in the Property to any governmental entity, public agency, or Native American tribe without the prior written consent of the Grantor, which consent shall be in Grantor's sole discretion exercised in good faith.

V. MISCELLANEOUS

If any provision of this Grant Deed shall be unenforceable or invalid, the same shall not affect the remaining provisions hereof and to this end the provisions hereof are intended to be and shall be severable.

The real property hereby conveyed is no longer necessary or useful to Grantor in the performance by it of its duties to the public.

The California Public Utilities Commission, in Decision No. ______, has approved transfer of the Property under State of California Public Utilities Code Section 851.

[SIGNATURES FOLLOW ON NEXT PAGES]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Grant Deed dated as of
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Grantor:
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a California corporation
By:
Name:
Title

CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE

This is to certify that, pursuant to Sections 15853 and the interest in real property conveyed by the Grant E GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a California coal is hereby accepted by the undersigned officer on behaviours to the approval action by said Board and du STATE consents to the recordation thereof by its du	Deed dated, from PACIFIC orporation, to the STATE OF CALIFORNIA nalf of the State Public Works Board ally adopted on The
ACCEPTED:	
STATE OF CALIFORNIA State Public Works Board	
By:	Date:
ACKNOWLEDGED:	
STATE OF CALIFORNIA Director, Department of General Services	
By: Michael P. Butler, Chief Real Property Services Section	

Exhibit A

Legal Description of Property (Attached behind this Page)

Exhibit A-1

Property Maps (Attached behind this Page)

RECORDING REQUESTED BY:	
State of California—Official Business Department of General Services	
Exempt from recording fees as per Gov't. Code Sec. 27388.1	
WHEN RECORDED MAIL TO:	
STATE OF CALIFORNIA Department of General Services Real Property Services Division, 707 Third Street, 5 th Floor, MS 505 West Sacramento, CA 95605 Attn: Acquisition Unit	
WITH A COPY TO:	
Placer Land Trust Attn: Executive Director 922 Lincoln Way, Suite 200 Auburn, CA 95603	
	(Space above this line for Recorder's Use)
The undersigned declares: DOCUMENTARY TRANSFER TAX \$0.00 Computed on full value of property conveyed Computed on full value less liens or encumbran Unincorporated area or City of Exempt per R&T Code 11911; conveyance of easen	

CONSERVATION EASEMENT

(Lake Valley Demonstration State Forest, Placer and Nevada Counties)

Between

The STATE OF CALIFORNIA ("STATE"), acting by and through the DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES ("DGS"), on behalf of the DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION ("CALFIRE"), as Grantor

And

PLACER LAND TRUST, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation, as Grantee

Note to County Recorders: This is a conservation easement within the meaning given to such term in California Government Code §27255 and is to be included in the index developed and maintained pursuant to such section. This conservation easement is being recorded concurrently in the official records of both Placer County and Nevada County as of the date first above written.

CONSERVATION EASEMENT

(Lake Valley Demonstration State Forest, Placer and Nevada Counties)

THIS CONSERVATION	N EASEMENT ("Conservation Easement") is made and entered
into this day of	, 20 ("Effective Date"), by and between the STATE
OF CALIFORNIA ("STATE"),	acting by and through the DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL
SERVICES ("DGS"), on behalf	of the DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE
PROTECTION ("CALFIRE"),	and PLACER LAND TRUST, a California nonprofit public
benefit corporation ("Grantee")), with reference to the following facts:

RECITALS

- A. STATE is the owner of approximately 1,151 acres of real property located in the County of Placer and the County of Nevada ("Counties") in the State of California, as more particularly described in <u>Exhibit A</u> attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, together with all improvements and appurtenances thereto ("Property"). A map of the Property identifying the improvements existing on the Property as of the date of this Conservation Easement and various other natural features of the Property is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u> and incorporated herein by reference ("Property Maps").
- B. Pacific Gas and Electric Company, a California corporation ("PG&E"), transferred fee title to the Property to the STATE by Grant Deed, recorded in the Official Records of the Counties before recordation of this Conservation Easement (the "Grant Deed"), the form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit C and incorporated herein by reference. PG&E transferred fee title to the Property to the STATE in connection with PG&E's implementation of the "Land Conservation Commitment" (defined below) provided for in the following documents and described more fully below:
 - a. That certain Settlement Agreement ("Settlement Agreement") as modified and approved by the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California ("Commission") in its Opinion and Order of December 18, 2003 (Decision 03-12-035); and
 - b. That certain Stipulation Resolving Issues Regarding the Land Conservation Commitment dated September 25, 2003 ("Stipulation"). The Stipulation provides, among other things, that conservation easements will preserve or enhance reasonable public access.
- C. The Settlement Agreement and the Stipulation (collectively, "Governing Documents") require PG&E to ensure that approximately 140,000 acres of watershed lands, all located in California and owned by PG&E as of the date the Governing Documents were entered into (collectively, "Watershed Lands"), including the Property, are conserved for a broad range of beneficial public values, including the protection of the natural habitat of fish, wildlife and plants; the preservation of open space; outdoor recreation by the general public; sustainable forestry; agricultural uses; and historic values (collectively, "Beneficial Public Values" or "BPVs"). The Property is included in these Watershed Lands.

- D. Pursuant to the Governing Documents, the Pacific Forest and Watershed Lands Stewardship Council, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation ("Stewardship Council"), was created to oversee and carry out the Land Conservation Commitment. Pursuant to the Governing Documents, the Stewardship Council developed a plan for protection of the Watershed Lands for the benefit of the citizens of California ("Land Conservation Plan" or "LCP"). The LCP includes, among other things, recommended objectives to preserve and/or enhance the Beneficial Public Values identified on each parcel of Watershed Lands, including the Property.
- E. The Beneficial Public Values present at the Property are referred to herein as "Conservation Values" as more specifically provided herein. The "Land Conservation Commitment" constitutes the obligations of PG&E to convey fee title and conservation easements to Watershed Lands, and to protect the Conservation Values of the Watershed Lands, as well as certain other obligations related thereto, as set forth in detail in the Governing Documents.
- F. The Property possesses forested, recreational, historical, scenic and open space characteristics, valuable to the people of the Counties, the State of California, and the public in general.
- G. The Governing Documents also include a requirement that conservation easements encumbering Watershed Lands honor existing agreements for economic uses, including consumptive water deliveries.
- H. The Stewardship Council has defined the "sustainable forestry" BPV as "the practice of managing dynamic forest ecosystems to provide ecological, economic, social and cultural benefits for present and future generations."
 - I. The Conservation Values of the Property are:
 - a. <u>Plant and Animal Habitat</u>. A diverse range of plant, animal, fungal, and micro biotic communities exist on the Property, including notably habitat in and around the North Fork American River, Sixmile Valley and Sixmile Meadow, Lake Valley Reservoir, and Kelly Lake.
 - b. <u>Sustainable Forestry</u>. Forest resources on the Property include Sierran mixed conifer forest, with mixed conifer hardwood forest transitioning to lodgepole pine and fir forest at higher elevations. The ability to alter, manage and study the forest, including for forest health and wildfire resilience, is specifically included in the Conservation Values.
 - c. <u>Open Space and Scenery</u>. The Property provides open space and scenic view shed values characteristic of the Sierra Nevada.
 - d. <u>Historic and Cultural Resources</u>. Identified historical and cultural values, to the extent they are protected by state and federal law, and a portion of the Overland Emigrant Trail on the Property.

- e. <u>Outdoor Recreation and Education</u>. The Property provides opportunities for outdoor recreation and education, such as camping, fishing, hiking, hunting, sightseeing, birdwatching, and the enjoyment and study of nature.
- J. All rights of STATE and Grantee hereunder are subject to: (i) PG&E's reservation of certain rights in and to the Property, as set forth in the Grant Deed ("PG&E Reserved Rights"), (ii) that certain Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance, and Laydown Easement ("Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance, and Laydown Easement") in favor of PG&E with respect to the Property, recorded in the Official Records of the Counties before recordation of this Conservation Easement, the form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit D and incorporated herein by reference ("PG&E Easement Reserved Rights"), and (iii) the third-party rights to use the Property in effect as of the Effective Date, as included on Exhibit E attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference ("Express Third Party Uses").
- K. The Legislature of the State of California, as set forth in California Civil Code section 815 et seq., has found and declared it to be the public policy and in the public interest of this state to encourage the preservation of land predominantly in its natural, scenic, agricultural, historical, forested, or open-space condition. Grantee is a California nonprofit organization within the meaning of California Civil Code Section 815.3 and is a tax exempt and "qualified conservation organization" within the meaning of Sections 501(c)(3) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the United States Internal Revenue Code, and is authorized to hold conservation easements in accordance with California Civil Code §815 et seq. In furtherance of the Land Conservation Commitment and the above-described public policy purposes, STATE desires to grant to Grantee, and Grantee desires to accept from STATE, a conservation easement over and upon the Property.
- L. STATE and Grantee each desires through this Conservation Easement to ensure the permanent protection of the Conservation Values on the Property. Specifically, the parties desire to assure that the Conservation Values on the Property will be protected in perpetuity as provided herein, and that uses of the Property that significantly impair the Conservation Values will be prevented or corrected.

COVENANTS, TERMS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the recitals and including the exhibits herein, all of which are expressly incorporated into this Conservation Easement, including the Exhibits, and in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained in this Conservation Easement, and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, STATE hereby voluntarily grants and conveys to Grantee, and to Grantee's successors and assigns, and Grantee hereby accepts from STATE, a perpetual conservation easement as defined by Section 815.1 of the Conservation Easement Act of 1979 (California Civil Code section 815 et seq.), of the nature and character described in this Conservation Easement, in, on, over and across the Property on the following terms and conditions as hereinafter set forth.

1. Conservation Purpose. The purpose of this Conservation Easement is as follows ("Conservation Purpose"): to protect the Conservation Values in perpetuity by preventing any

use of the Property that will significantly impair the Conservation Values. Subject to the following terms and conditions, STATE and Grantee intend that this Conservation Easement will confine the uses of the Property to such activities that do not significantly impair the Conservation Values. As used in this Conservation Easement, the terms "significantly impair" and "significant impairment" mean a material adverse change in Conservation Values. Any consideration as to whether an actual or potential impact of a particular activity or use has or may significantly impair Conservation Values shall take into account the actual and potential impacts of the activity or use in question as well as the cumulative impacts of other uses and activities on the Property excepting therefrom the cumulative impacts of STATE's Reserved Rights (as defined below), PG&E Reserved Rights, PG&E Easement Reserved Rights and the Express Third Party Uses. In every evaluation of whether significant impairment of Conservation Values has occurred or is threatened, Grantee shall evaluate the magnitude (including, without limitation, consideration of the rarity and fragility of the natural resource affected and the area of land, wildlife habitat or vegetation community involved both locally and in relation to total acreage of that type of land, wildlife habitat or vegetation community in the Property) and the duration of the actual or potential change(s).

STATE and Grantee acknowledge that the Governing Documents reflect the intention of the parties thereto to honor Express Third-Party Uses and continue to permit beneficial uses of the Property that preserve and/or enhance the Conservation Values. It is intended that this Conservation Easement shall allow uses on the Property that are consistent with the protection and preservation of each of the Conservation Values in harmony with each other. While permitted actions required or taken to protect and preserve one or more individual Conservation Values may impair, on an individual and stand-alone basis, one or more of the other Conservation Values, STATE and Grantee understand that achieving the Conservation Purpose requires the preservation and protection, on balance, of all of the Conservation Values actually existing on the Property, to the extent possible. It is recognized that in protecting and/or enhancing one or more of the Conservation Values, another Conservation Value may be impaired, but this is not meant to be a permanent occurrence, nor a reason to re-prioritize one Conservation Value over another. All attempts should be made to balance on a collective basis, the Conservation Values on the whole Property whenever possible. This Conservation Easement prohibits use of the Property for any purpose that would significantly impair the Conservation Values on a collective, not individual basis, taking into account the relative condition and quality of each of the Conservation Values on the Property as of the Effective Date.

- 2. PG&E Reserved Rights. All rights and obligations of STATE and Grantee under this Conservation Easement are subject to the PG&E Reserved Rights. In the event of a conflict between the PG&E Reserved Rights and the Conservation Purpose, this Conservation Easement shall be construed to unconditionally permit the exercise of the PG&E Reserved Rights.
- 3. Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance, and Laydown Easement. All rights and obligations of STATE and Grantee under this Conservation Easement are subject to the PG&E Easement Reserved Rights. In the event of a conflict between the PG&E Easement Reserved Rights and the Conservation Purpose, this Conservation Easement shall be construed to unconditionally permit the exercise of the PG&E Easement Reserved Rights.

- 4. Baseline Documentation Report. The parties hereto acknowledge that a baseline documentation report ("Report") has been prepared, a copy of which is on file with STATE and Grantee at their respective addresses for notices set forth below. The Report contains representations of the physical condition of the Property existing as of the Effective Date. The Report is intended to serve as an objective, though nonexclusive, information baseline for monitoring compliance with the terms of this Conservation Easement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a controversy arises with respect to the nature and extent of the physical or biological condition of the Property or the historical uses of the Property or the permitted uses of the Property under this Conservation Easement, the parties shall not be foreclosed from utilizing any and all other relevant documents, surveys or other evidence or information to assist in the resolution of the controversy.
- **5. Rights Conveyed To Grantee.** In order to accomplish the Conservation Purpose, STATE transfers and conveys to Grantee the following rights and interests:
- (a) **Preserve and Protect**. Subject to the exceptions listed in **Section 7(a)** below and elsewhere in this Conservation Easement, Grantee has the right to identify, preserve and protect in perpetuity the Conservation Values of the Property.
- Entry and Access Rights. Grantee and Grantee's directors, officers, employees, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, representatives, and agents, including entities authorized by Grantee to conduct monitoring activities on Grantee's behalf ("Grantee's Representatives") are hereby granted rights of access to enter upon the Property, including entry and access by motorized vehicle, and may enter upon the Property after giving notice to STATE, as required below, in order to monitor compliance with and otherwise enforce the terms of this Conservation Easement, to study and make scientific observations of the Conservation Values, to determine whether STATE's activities are in compliance with the terms of this Conservation Easement and to take all actions deemed necessary by Grantee to identify, preserve, protect, and monitor in perpetuity the Conservation Values, all in compliance with the provisions of Section 12. Except in cases where Grantee determines that immediate entry is required to prevent, terminate, or mitigate a violation of this Conservation Easement, Grantee shall give STATE fourteen (14) days prior written notice of such entry. Grantee's Representatives may enter the Property immediately, where such entry is necessary to prevent, terminate, or mitigate damage to, or the destruction of any of the Conservation Values, or to prevent, terminate or mitigate a violation of the terms of this Conservation Easement. STATE's representatives shall have the right to accompany Grantee's Representatives during monitoring visits or on any other visit permitted by this Section 5(b). All access and entry allowed under this Section 5(b) shall be made in a manner that will not unreasonably interfere with the permitted use(s) or enjoyment of the Property by STATE, its successors in interest, and any legally-recognized user(s) of the Property, including without limitation, PG&E with regards to the exercise of any PG&E Reserved Rights or PG&E Easement Reserved Rights, and third-parties with regards to the exercise of any Express Third Party Uses.
- (c) **Enforcement**. Subject to and in accordance with the provisions of **Section 12**, Grantee has the right to enforce the terms of this Conservation Easement, to enjoin any activity on the Property or other use of the Property which is in violation of the terms of this Conservation Easement, and to enforce the restoration of such areas or features of the Property as

may hereafter be damaged as a result of activity or use that is determined to be in violation of the Conservation Easement. Any requirement of STATE to expend monies to act and/or restore the Property under this Conservation Easement shall be subject to **Section 12(d)** of this Conservation Easement.

- **Demonstration State Forest Management Plan.** As long as the Property is owned in fee by STATE or another party that is qualified to own and manage a Demonstration State Forest, the STATE and/or other qualified party may conduct timber harvest activities on the Property as a "Demonstration State Forest" in accordance with a Demonstration State Forest Management Plan that incorporates the Forest Management Goals (as defined in Section 9(a) below) and has been approved by the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (or successor agency or department of the State of California having jurisdiction over timber harvest activities in the State of California) ("State Board of Forestry") that satisfies the following requirements ("Demonstration State Forest Management Plan"): (1) permits activities that do not significantly impair the Conservation Values of the Property; (2) complies with legislative mandates and State Board of Forestry policy for Demonstration State Forests and meets the requirements of the California Forest Practice Act and Rules; (3) has been approved by the State Board of Forestry in an open public process that provides an opportunity for public input and is subject to the State Board of Forestry's periodic review as defined in policy adopted by the State Board of Forestry for Demonstration State Forests; (4) shall be publicly available; and (5) shall be subject to Grantee's review and comment, but not subject to Grantee approval, in conjunction with the State Board of Forestry's initial and subsequent periodic review.
- (a) **Timber Harvest.** Any Demonstration State Forest Management Plan shall describe the timber harvest and related activities that STATE intends to undertake on the Property, including without limitation, a comprehensive summary of STATE's forest management objectives, forest stand descriptions and locations including site classes, stand volumes, growth rates, relevant inventory information and maps, locations of soils, estimates of slope and erosion potential, locations of known wildlife habitats, especially species listed as threatened or endangered at the federal or state level, known rare plants, wetlands, description of management history, silvicultural and harvest methods, projections of harvest yields, reforestation and management activities (collectively, the "Management Plan Components").
- (b) **Non-Native Plants.** STATE reserves the right to introduce and manage non-native or invasive plants, provided that the measures taken to manage the non-native or invasive plants, including controlled burning, comply with applicable laws and regulations and do not significantly impair the Conservation Values of the Property.
- (c) **Research.** Grantee understands that research and demonstration into sustainable forestry practices, best management practices, potential new forest practice rules, and other forestry-related research is an important component of STATE's management of the Property as a Demonstration State Forest. The Demonstration State Forest Management Plan will describe the range of research and demonstration forest activities and projects that may be conducted on the Property.
- (d) Alternative Forest Management Plan. If the Property is not owned in fee by the State of California or another party that is qualified to own and manage a

Demonstration State Forest, such successor Property owner and/or the STATE may continue to conduct sustainable timber harvest activities on the Property in accordance with a management plan that satisfies the following requirements ("Forest Management Plan"): (1) incorporates the Forest Management Goals; (2) describes all of the Management Plan Components; (3) permits only activities that do not significantly impair the Conservation Values of the Property; (4) complies with legislative mandates and State Board of Forestry policy and meets the requirements of the California Forest Practice Act and Rules and all other Applicable Laws (as defined in Section 10 below); and (5) has been approved in advance by Grantee. Any modifications or amendments to an approved Forest Management Plan shall be subject to Grantee's prior written consent.

7. Prohibited Uses, Change in Use, Unauthorized Use, Acts of God, Emergencies, Acts of Unrelated Third Parties.

- (a) **Prohibited Uses.** Any activity on or use of the Property that significantly impairs Conservation Values is prohibited. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, STATE will not actively engage in, or knowingly permit others to actively engage in, the following prohibited uses (collectively, "**Prohibited Uses**") which could significantly impair Conservation Values and are in violation of the terms of this Conservation Easement and therefore prohibited on the Property, in each case (1) except as required or permitted pursuant to the PG&E Reserved Rights or the PG&E Easement Reserved Rights (as defined in **Sections 2 and 3** above); (2) except as permitted under, and performed in accordance with, Express Third Party Uses; (3) except as required or permitted as part of a Demonstration State Forest Management Plan (as described in **Section 6** above); (4) except as expressly permitted under **Sections 7 and 9** below and elsewhere in this Conservation Easement; and (5) except as required to be undertaken under any Applicable Law (as defined below):
 - <u>Construction and Development</u>. STATE reserves the right to develop structures (i) and improvements for Authorized Uses within four (4) or fewer building envelopes that together total no more twenty (20) acres combined ("Building Envelopes"). The Building Envelopes must be: (a) located fully within one or more of the Potential Building Envelope Area identified on the Property Maps; and (b) selected in accordance with this section. Prior to selecting the Building Envelope locations, STATE shall send a written request to consult with Grantee and the parties shall seek to meet in person within thirty (30) days of the receipt of the consultation request. For purposes of this Conservation Easement, consultation means the meaningful and timely process of meeting in good faith to exchange adequate information and discuss, understand, and consider the views of the other party and to seek, wherever feasible, to reach agreement on Building Envelope locations that will minimize impacts to the Conservation Values. If no response to the request to consult is received from Grantee within thirty (30) days of its receipt, the STATE shall have no obligation to consult. Development within the Building Envelopes shall be limited to any one of the Authorized Uses of the State Forests, which are recreation, research or forest management¹, and associated parking ("Authorized Uses"). Examples of such development include, but are not limited to, a fire station, forest headquarters, barracks, lookout, observatory, and/or research/education facilities. Before constructing any improvement(s) within the Building Envelopes, (i) STATE and Grantee shall designate the exact location of the

Building Envelopes by professional land survey or other reasonably precise method at STATE's cost, and (ii) State shall record in the Official Records of the Counties a map and addendum to this Conservation Easement which identifies the designated location of the Building Envelopes. Prior to construction, with prior written approval from Grantee, Building Envelopes may be relocated within a Potential Building Envelope Area if unforeseen circumstances prevent and/or unreasonably limit construction within previously selected Building Envelopes. Under no circumstances shall the aggregate acreage of the selected Building Envelopes exceed twenty (20) acres in total size.

The Property Maps attached hereto as **Exhibit B** identify potential building area portions of the Property (the "**Potential Building Envelope Area**") within which STATE may select four or fewer Building Envelopes that do not exceed twenty (20) acres in total size. STATE shall not be required to select the total twenty (20) acres, and up to four (4) total, Building Envelope(s) at one time, but instead, may make selections from time to time in accordance with this section until such time that a total of twenty (20) acres, and up to four (4) total, Building Envelope(s) within the Potential Building Envelope Area have been selected. Following final selection and surveyed delineation of a total of twenty (20) acres, and up to four (4) total, Building Envelopes in accordance with this section, all remaining portions of the Potential Building Envelopes area that are not included in Building Envelopes shall no longer serve as Potential Building Envelope Area under this Conservation Easement.

In accordance with **Sections 9(g) and 9(j)**, development, installation, protection, and use of utilities and underground water resources on the Property to serve the permitted structures, may extend outside of the Building Envelopes. Such development may include, without limitation, access roads, wells, pump houses, underground pipelines, electricity facilities, and any additional infrastructure required, not including parking. Any existing structures (detailed in Report) and utilities may be maintained and repaired/replaced as necessary.

- (ii) <u>Use or Transfer of Development Rights</u>. Other than those development rights specifically allowed in this Conservation Easement, all development rights that are now or hereafter allocated to, implied, reserved, or inherent in or to the Property are terminated and extinguished and may not be used on or transferred to any portion of the Property as it now or hereafter may be bounded or described, or to any other property (whether adjacent or otherwise).
- (iii) <u>Subdivision</u>. The Property is already comprised of several legal parcels owned by the STATE. There shall be no legal or *de facto* sale or gift of less than all of the parcels within the Property, nor any further division, subdivision or partitioning of the Property. The Property may not be sold, conveyed or otherwise transferred in separate parcels or lots, and STATE shall continue to maintain the parcels comprising the Property, and all interests therein, under common ownership, as though a single legal parcel.

- (iv) Motorized Vehicles. Off-road use of motorized vehicles is allowed: (a) in conjunction with STATE's forest management activities in **Sections 9(a)** and **9(e)**, or (b) in conjunction with Grantee's entry and access for purposes of monitoring or defending this Conservation Easement, or (c) as otherwise authorized in this Conservation Easement. This provision is not intended to otherwise limit the use of motorized vehicles on roads or driveways permitted under this Conservation Easement or in conjunction with construction and maintenance of permitted buildings, structures, roads, trails and other improvements.
- (v) <u>Dumping or Salvage</u>. There shall be no dumping, storage or other disposal on the Property of soil, trash or garbage except for (a) refuse generated on the Property which may be stored on the Property on a temporary basis prior to its removal from the Property in areas where the Conservation Values of the Property are not significantly impaired, or (b) compostable refuse generated on the Property which may be disposed of on the Property in a responsible manner which does not significantly impair the Conservation Values of the Property. There shall be no dumping, storage or other disposal on the Property of ashes, sludge, Hazardous Substances (as defined below), or other unsightly or dangerous materials. This restriction does not apply to ashes from wildfire or other fire conducted for resource management or research purposes. There shall be no storage or disassembly on the Property of inoperable automobiles, trucks, or other vehicles or equipment for purposes of sale, or rental of space for that purpose. Pursuant to Section 7(c) below, STATE shall make a reasonable effort to prevent unauthorized dumping by the public.
- (vi) <u>Roads</u>. Except with prior written consent of Grantee or pursuant to one of the exceptions listed in **Section 7(a)** or as otherwise expressly authorized herein, there shall be no oiling of existing roads. There shall be no creation of new roads that are not incorporated in the Demonstration State Forest Management Plan or a Forest Management Plan. Dust abatement treatments shall be acceptable.
- (vii) Alteration of Land or Excavation. Except with prior written consent of Grantee and pursuant to one of the exceptions listed in **Section 7(a)** or for permitted research purposes upon Grantee's prior written consent or as otherwise expressly authorized herein, there shall be no filling, excavating, grading, draining or dredging on the Property, nor any change in the general topography of the Property, outside of the Building Envelopes.
- (viii) Mining and Drilling. There shall be no mining, dredging, drilling, removing, or exploring for or extracting of minerals, oil, gas, coal, or other hydrocarbons, soils, sands, gravel, loam, rocks or any other material on, under, or at the Property; provided, however, in no event shall the foregoing restriction be deemed to prohibit testing, drilling or operating groundwater wells on the Property as reasonably necessary in connection with STATE's exercise of any permitted rights. Recreational gold panning that does not significantly impair the Conservation Values is allowed. No more than two rock pits may be developed in compliance with the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975 for the purpose of obtaining materials for roadbed construction conducted in

connection with timber operation or forest management on land owned by the STATE, as long as such activity does not significantly impair the Conservation Values.

- (ix) <u>Historical and Cultural Resource Identification</u>. There shall be no activities, actions or uses that disturb or impair any identified historical or cultural resources on the Property in violation of state or federal law.
- (x) <u>Water Resources</u>. There shall be no development of any waters on the Property for fish farming or any other commercial or industrial purpose. Except with prior written consent of Grantee and pursuant to one of the exceptions listed in **Section 7(a)** or as otherwise expressly authorized herein, there shall be no manipulation or alteration of natural water courses, wetland, meadow, stream bank, shorelines or bodies of water or activities or uses that significantly impair water quality. Groundwater wells may be installed for local use on the Property as reasonably necessary to support the permitted uses of the Property under **Section 9** below.
- (xi) <u>Water Rights</u>. There shall be no severance, conveyance, impairment or encumbrance of water or water rights appurtenant to the Property, separately from the underlying fee title to the Property, or other action which diminishes or extinguishes such water rights, and this Conservation Easement shall not sever or impair any riparian water rights appurtenant to the Property.
- (xii) <u>Water Quality Degradation</u>. There shall be no uses permitted under this Conservation Easement whereby runoff from such uses results in a violation of applicable federal, state, and local water quality laws.
- (b) Changes in Use. STATE understands that the Prohibited Uses may be more economically valuable than permitted uses under this Conservation Easement and that neighboring properties may in the future be put entirely to such Prohibited Uses. It is the intent of both STATE and Grantee that any such changes shall not be deemed to be circumstances justifying the termination, extinguishment or modification of this Conservation Easement. In addition, the inability of STATE, or STATE's successors, or assigns, to conduct or implement any or all of the uses permitted under the terms of this Conservation Easement, or the unprofitability of doing so, shall not impair the validity of the Conservation Easement or be considered grounds for the termination, extinguishment or modification of same.
- (c) Unauthorized Third Party Uses and STATE's Obligations. If Grantee discovers any unauthorized third-party use or activity on the Property that violates the terms of this Conservation Easement, and Grantee gives STATE written notice thereof, STATE shall use reasonable efforts to stop or prevent any such unauthorized use of the Property, subject to the provisions of Section 12(d) below.
- (d) Acts of God; Emergencies; Acts of Unrelated Third Parties; Pre-Existing Conditions. Nothing in this Conservation Easement shall require STATE to take any action to restore the condition of the Property (i) after any Act of God, which includes, without limitation, fire, climatic change, flood, storm, earth movement, or natural evolutionary changes in the condition of the Property from that described in the Report; (ii) after any action taken by

STATE under emergency conditions to prevent, abate, or mitigate unreasonable impairment to the Conservation Values, or to any person resulting from such causes; (iii) after any acts of unrelated third parties, so long as STATE has satisfied its obligations under **Section 7(c)**, above, and **Section 8(d)**, below; or (iv) if such condition existed prior to the Effective Date of this Conservation Easement.

8. Public Access:

- (a) Informal Uses and Public Access. STATE and Grantee recognize that the Property has been used by third parties for recreational, cultural, and other non-commercial or informal purposes without formal written agreements to conduct such activities (the "Informal Uses"). STATE and Grantee further recognize that access to the Property is inherent or may be inherent in the enjoyment of the Conservation Values and the Informal Uses. Consistent with the objectives articulated in the Governing Documents to provide continued reasonable access by the public to the Watershed Lands, STATE shall allow public access to the Property that is substantially consistent with the public access existing on the Effective Date of the Conservation Easement. STATE reserves the right to make reasonable rules and regulations to control, limit, or, as necessary, exclude Informal Uses and public access, including without limitation, (i) by posting and other means; and (ii) by restricting access to areas of the Property under active cultivation, grazing, study, temporarily to prevent vandalism and dumping, seasonally to prevent erosion/sedimentation concerns, or for safety purposes during timber harvesting or other permitted management activities that may pose a hazard. STATE shall make reasonable efforts to prevent Informal Uses that significantly impair the Conservation Values.
- (b) **New or Increased Public Access**. STATE may allow new public access or Informal Uses or expansion of public access or Informal Uses on the Property, provided such new or expanded use does not significantly impair the Conservation Values.
- (c) Limitations and Conditions. Sections 8(a) and 8(b) above are subject to the following:
 - (i) **Liability Limitation**. STATE and Grantee claim all of the rights and immunities against liability for injury to the public to the fullest extent allowable by law, including without limitation, under the California Tort Claims Act, California Government Code section 810 et seq., as amended and any successor provisions thereof.
 - (ii) **Periodic Review of Informal Uses**. As part of Grantee's annual compliance monitoring, (i) STATE and Grantee shall consult on the known Informal Uses and public access on the Property conducted under **Sections 8(a)** and **8(b)** above during the preceding monitoring period for the purpose of Grantee's assessment of STATE's compliance with the requirements set forth in those sections; and (ii) with respect to Informal Uses allowed by the STATE on the Property in accordance with **Section 8(a)** above, STATE and Grantee will consult, and include recommendations, if any, regarding the necessity of controlling, limiting, or excluding Informal Uses to ensure the protection of the Conservation Values from significant impairment.

- (d) Unauthorized Public Access. If STATE or Grantee discovers any unauthorized public access use or activity that violates the terms of this Conservation Easement, STATE shall use reasonable efforts, in consultation with Grantee, to stop or prevent any such unauthorized use of the Property, subject to the provisions of Section 12(d) below. The parties acknowledge and agree that any form of legal action by STATE shall be subject to authorization by the California Attorney General.
- 9. STATE's Reserved Rights: Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Conservation Easement, STATE expressly reserves all rights accruing from the ownership of the Property, including the right to engage in or permit or invite others to engage in all uses of the Property that are not expressly prohibited by this Conservation Easement and are not in conflict with the Conservation Purpose ("STATE's Reserved Rights"). Pursuant to California Civil Code section 815.4, all interests in the Property not expressly transferred and conveyed to Grantee by this Conservation Easement or reserved to PG&E as the PG&E Reserved Rights or the PG&E Easement Reserved Rights (as described in Sections 2 and 3 above), shall remain with STATE. In exercising STATE's Reserved Rights, STATE will (i) use reasonable efforts to consult with Grantee, and (ii) use reasonable efforts to employ methods and practices that will not significantly impair the Conservation Values.

The following uses and practices, though not necessarily an exhaustive recital of consistent uses and practices, are expressly permitted under this Conservation Easement:

(a) **Forest Management.** STATE reserves the right to conduct forestry activities on the Property, in accordance with **Section 6** above, and the following **Forest Management Goals**:

It is the intent of STATE and Grantee that any timber harvesting activities conducted on the Property in accordance with this Conservation Easement maintain healthy and vigorous forest stands, protect important riparian resources, manage for sustainable stands of native tree species historically present on the landscape, encourage regeneration of oak trees where applicable, improve resistance to drought and pests, address any infestation of insects or disease which threatens the viability of the forest, address any build-up of fuel to reduce risks of catastrophic fire, enhance climate benefits through carbon sequestration and storage, establish and maintain a full and balanced range of stand ages and characteristics, allowed to move across the landscape over time, including early-seral, mid-seral and late-seral forest conditions, provide adequate amounts of snags and cavity trees, provide adequate amounts of downed woody debris, manage for edge effects, and maintain and enhance vegetation types and structural elements across the landscape that support fish and wildlife habitats (collectively, the "Forest Management Goals"). The Forest Management Goals shall be accomplished by complying with the Forest Practice Act and Rules and the provisions set forth in this section.

- (b) **Residential Use.** Subject to **Section 7(a)**, any and all residential development on the Property shall be restricted to the Building Envelopes, and shall meet all Applicable Laws for dwellings in Timber Production Zones.
- (c) **Recreational Use.** Recreational use by STATE and the general public is permitted in accordance with **Section 8**.

- (d) **Roads.** STATE reserves the right, but shall have no obligation, to maintain the existing network of roads on the Property as shown in **Exhibit B**. Paving or placing rock on the road network is permitted, however oiling of roads not traditionally treated in this manner, is not allowed. New roads are permitted to the extent incorporated in the Demonstration State Forest Management Plan or a Forest Management Plan, provided such roads do not significantly impair Conservation Values. Subject to **Section 7(a)**, new roads or the resurfacing of existing roads are permitted within the Building Envelopes. In addition, STATE may, after providing written notice to Grantee, improve roads outside the Building Envelopes in conjunction with permitted maintenance, repair, replacement and construction of improvements under this Conservation Easement. STATE will take reasonable actions to ensure abandoned roads that were originally constructed by STATE blend with the surrounding landscape subject to the provisions of **Section 12(d)** below.
- (e) **Motorized Vehicles.** STATE reserves the right to use motorized vehicles on the Property, including off-road vehicles (such as motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles) for non-recreational purposes, specifically for ingress and egress purposes, for practices permitted under this Conservation Easement, and for patrolling purposes, provided that such uses do not significantly impair the Conservation Values.
 - (f) **Intentionally Omitted.**
 - (g) Water and Irrigation. STATE reserves the right to conduct the

following:

- (i) develop groundwater wells where necessary. Such wells and their associated infrastructure must be in accordance with **Section 9(j)-Utilities**;
- (ii) subject to Grantee's prior written consent, develop wildlife enhancement ponds and/or guzzlers in a manner that does not significantly impair the Conservation Values; and
- (iii) develop water drafting sites that minimize impacts to water quality, riparian species, and the Conservation Values. Water drafting sites may be used for water collection for dust abatement, fire suppression purposes or other activities associated with the Property, and must be sited, constructed and maintained in order to not significantly impair the Conservation Values of the Property.
- (h) **Fences.** Any new fencing shall be sited and designed not to significantly impair the Conservation Values of the Property, must allow for the free movement of wildlife to the extent practicable and compatible with any livestock exclusion fences in Section 9(o), and shall be constructed according to standards established by the current best management practices recommended by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. Fences to protect research, monitoring and other sensitive installations may be designed to exclude wildlife.
- (i) **Waste and Hazardous Substances.** The dumping, release, burning, permanent storage or disposal of waste, refuse, debris, motorized vehicles or hazardous materials is prohibited; provided, however, that vehicles, building materials, machinery or supplies, including, without limitation, petroleum products and pesticides, required for permitted and legal uses may be temporarily stored on roads, landings, and other clearings outside of riparian zones

in compliance with all Applicable Laws; and provided that organic debris from forest management activities permitted in this Conservation Easement may be piled, burned or otherwise treated in a manner that is consistent with applicable regulations and the Forest Management Plan.

the Property to serve the allowed improvements and uses within the Building Envelopes in accordance with Section 7(a), provided the uses under such easements do not significantly impair the Conservation Values. Right-of-way widths shall comply with the requirements of the California Forest Practice Act and Rules and any other applicable state or federal laws. All new utility infrastructure on the Property shall serve only the improvements permitted on the Property, except that any electricity generated from permitted utility infrastructure facilities in excess of requirements of the permitted improvements and uses on the Property may be sold to public utilities. Notwithstanding the foregoing, commercial power generation, collection or transmission facilities are prohibited.

The construction, operation and maintenance of power lines and pipelines are permitted, provided that, without limiting the PG&E Reserved Rights and PG&E Easement Reserved Rights, STATE shall use reasonable efforts to bury transmission or power lines or pipelines related to such activity or to align such lines along roadways, and the construction of new power lines and pipelines hereunder shall be limited to the support of STATE's permitted activities hereunder must be unobtrusively sited and shall not significantly impair the Conservation Values.

- (k) Renewable Energy Sources. STATE reserves the right, subject to prior written consent from Grantee, to construct renewable energy structures such as photovoltaic cells, solar arrays, and windmills, for generation of power for use on the Property, including generation of power for research equipment, provided, however, that: (i) all such renewable energy structures shall be located within **Building Envelopes**, with the limited exception of solar energy structures used to power research equipment allowed to be used elsewhere on the Property; and (ii) no construction of renewable energy structures shall significantly impair the Conservation Values. Grantee's consent shall not be unreasonably delayed or withheld. STATE and Grantee agree that the provisions of this **Subsection 9(k)** restricting the locations of the installation of renewable energy systems and prohibiting the construction of renewable energy structures that would significantly impair the Conservation Values are "reasonable restrictions" within the meaning of California Civil Code § 714."
- (1) Future Easements, Leases, Licenses, Permits, and Contracts. Excepting the Express Third Party Uses which are subject to Section 11 below, STATE reserves the right to grant subsequent easements, leases, licenses, permits and contracts on or relating to the Property, provided that any such subsequent easement, lease, license, permit, or contract is for a permitted use and is subordinate, subject to, and consistent with the terms of this Conservation Easement, and is documented in a separate written agreement subject to Grantee's consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. If STATE wishes to grant subsequent easements, leases, licenses, permits and contracts on or relating to the Property, STATE shall so notify Grantee at least sixty (60) days in advance of any such proposed grant, shall provide to Grantee a copy of any proposed easement grant document together with

any such additional information relating to the proposed grant as Grantee may reasonably request. STATE shall request Grantee's consent of such grant. Grantee will review the proposal and may, in its reasonable discretion, (a) approve the proposal as being consistent with the Conservation Purpose or (b) approve the proposal on conditions intended to ensure its consistency with the Conservation Purpose or (c) disapprove the proposal as being actually or potentially inconsistent with the Conservation Purpose. Failure of Grantee to respond in writing within sixty (60) days shall be deemed consent of the proposal as being consistent with the Conservation Purpose.

- (m) **Trails.** STATE reserves the right to build or permit to be built multi-use recreation trails on the Property provided all new trails are approved by Grantee and are sited, constructed, and used in a manner that does not significantly impair the Conservation Values and does not significantly damage soil, vegetation, or water quality in any riparian areas identified in the Report. Any trails built or permitted to be built by the STATE and later abandoned promptly shall be restored by the STATE to a condition consistent with the surrounding landscape subject to the provisions of **Section 12(d)** below. The maintenance of the Overland Emigrant Trail on the Property is expressly allowed.
- (n) Wildfire Suppression and Property Restoration. In instances of active wildfires on or in immediate vicinity of the Property, STATE reserves the right to suppress the wildfire by any means necessary, at full discretion of STATE. All wildfire suppression activities will be carried out, to the extent practicable, in a manner that minimizes negative impacts to the Conservation Values. The STATE shall ensure installation of erosion control on all constructed firelines, if needed. Within the riparian zones, an organic surface cover shall be applied to areas of exposed soil caused by fireline construction.
- (o) Animal Grazing. STATE shall not be required herein to exclude livestock owned by third parties from the Property provided, however, that STATE, in its sole and absolute discretion, may, but shall not be obligated to, construct, maintain, repair, and replace fences for the purpose of excluding livestock from all or any portion of the Property. The STATE reserves the right to allow livestock grazing on the Property.
- (p) **Plant Gathering.** STATE reserves the right to allow collection of native plants, historically collected by Native Americans and other ethnic groups, for traditional purposes, provided such collection, individually or cumulatively, does not significantly impair the Conservation Values.
- 10. Responsibility for Operations. Nothing in this Conservation Easement shall be construed as giving any right or ability to Grantee to exercise physical or managerial control of the day-to-day operations of the Property or of STATE's activities on the Property. STATE shall have and retain all responsibility for, the ownership of the Property, and, in connection with STATE's use or occupancy of the Property, compliance with any present and future applicable laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, permits, authorizations, orders and requirements, whether or not in the current contemplation of the parties, which may affect or be applicable to the Property or any part of the Property (including, without limitation, any subsurface area), all consents or approvals required to be obtained from, and all rules and regulations of, and all building and

zoning laws of, all federal, state, county and municipal governments, the departments, bureaus, agencies or commissions thereof, authorities, board of officers, any national or local board of fire underwriters, or any other body or bodies exercising similar functions, having or acquiring jurisdiction of the Property (in each case, an "Applicable Law" and, collectively "Applicable Laws"), except as expressly stated otherwise in this Conservation Easement. Without placing any limitation on the foregoing sentence, the parties agree as follows:

- (a) **Condition of Property.** Grantee shall have no duty or responsibility for (i) the operation or maintenance of the Property except to the extent specifically undertaken by Grantee as permitted under this Conservation Easement, (ii) the monitoring of any hazardous conditions thereon, or (iii) the protection of STATE, the public, or any other person or entity from any risks relating to conditions on the Property, except to the extent that the risks involved are the result of the activities of Grantee or Grantee's Representatives on the Property.
- (b) **Taxes.** Grantee shall have no duty or responsibility for real property taxes and assessments levied by competent authority on the Property.
- (c) **Permits and Approvals.** STATE shall be solely responsible for obtaining any and all applicable governmental permits and approvals for, and otherwise complying with all Applicable Laws relating to, any activity or use of the Property by STATE which is permitted by this Conservation Easement; provided, however, STATE shall have no responsibility pursuant to this Conservation Easement for obtaining permits and approvals required on behalf of unrelated third parties who use the Property. Grantee shall be solely responsible for obtaining any and all applicable governmental permits and approvals for, and otherwise complying with all Applicable Laws relating to, any activity on or use of the Property by Grantee which is permitted by this Conservation Easement.
- (d) **No Owner or Operator Liability.** The parties do not intend this Conservation Easement to be, and this Conservation Easement shall not be, construed such that it creates in or gives to Grantee any of the following solely as the result of being a passive holder of the Conservation Easement:
 - (i) The obligations or liability of an "owner" or "operator" or "arranger," as those terms are defined and used in Environmental Requirements, including, but not limited to, CERCLA;
 - (ii) The obligations or liabilities of a person described in 42 U.S.C. section 9607(a)(3) or (4);
 - (iii) The obligations of a responsible person under any applicable Environmental Requirements (as defined below);
 - (iv) The obligation to investigate and remediate any Hazardous Substances associated with the Property; or
 - (v) Any control over STATE's ability to investigate, remove, remediate or otherwise clean up any Hazardous Substances associated with the Property.

As used in this Conservation Easement the term "Environmental Requirements" means all applicable present and future laws, statutes, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, licenses, permits, orders, approvals, plans, authorizations, judicial, administrative and regulatory decrees, directives and judgments of all governmental agencies, departments, commissions and boards, relating to the protection of human health or safety, or regulating or relating to industrial hygiene or environmental conditions, or the protection of the environment, or pollution or contamination of the air, soil, surface water or groundwater, including, without limitation, all requirements and regulations pertaining to reporting, licensing, permitting, investigating and remediating emissions, discharges, releases or threatened releases of Hazardous Substances, whether solid, liquid or gaseous in nature, into the air, surface water, or land, or relating to the manufacture, processing, distribution, use, treatment, storage, disposal, transport or handling of Hazardous Substances, whether solid, liquid or gaseous in nature. As used in this Conservation Easement, the term "Hazardous Substances" means any hazardous or toxic material or waste which is or becomes regulated by any local governmental authority, the State of California or the United States Government under any Environmental Requirements, including, without limitation, any material or substance:

> (A) now or hereafter defined as a "hazardous substance," "hazardous waste," "hazardous material," "extremely hazardous waste," "restricted hazardous waste" or "toxic substance" or words of similar import under any applicable local, state or federal law or under the regulations adopted or promulgated pursuant thereto, including, without limitation, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. § 9601 et seq.) ("CERCLA"); the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. § 5101 et seq.); the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. § 6901 et seq.); the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq.); the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.); the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq.); the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. § 300f et seq.); the River and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. § 401 et seq.); the National Emission Standard for Asbestos (40 C.F.R. § 61.140 et seq.), the OSHA Construction Standards (29 C.F.R. § 1926.1 et seq.); the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. § 2601 et seq.); the Oil Pollution Act (33 U.S.C. § 2701 et seq.); the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. § 136 et seq.); the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (42 U.S.C. § 11001 et seq.); the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, (42 U.S.C. § 2011 et seq.); the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 (42 U.S.C. § 10101 et seq.); the Medical Waste Management Act (Cal. Health & Safety Code § 117600 et seq.); the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act (Cal. Water Code § 13020 et seq.); the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Cal. Health & Safety Code § 25249.5 et seq.); the Carpenter-Presley-Tanner Hazardous Substance Account Act (Cal. Health & Safety Code § 25300 et seq.); the Hazardous Waste Control Act (Cal. Health & Safety Code § 25100 et seq.); and all rules and regulations of the United States or California Environmental Protection Agency or any successor agency, or any other state or federal department, board or agency, or any other agency or governmental board or entity having jurisdiction, as any of the foregoing have been, or are hereafter amended from time to time; or

- (B) which is toxic, explosive, corrosive, flammable, infectious, radioactive, carcinogenic, mutagenic or otherwise hazardous, and is now or hereafter regulated as a Hazardous Substance by any governmental authority, agency, department, commission, board, agency or instrumentality of the United States, any State of the United States or any political subdivision thereof; or which cause, or are listed by the State of California as being known to the State of California to cause, cancer or reproductive toxicity; or
- (C) the presence of which on the Property poses or threatens to pose a hazard to the health or safety of persons or to the environment; or
- (D) which contains gasoline, diesel fuel or other petroleum hydrocarbons; or
- (E) which contains lead-based paint or other lead contamination, polychlorinated biphenyls or asbestos or asbestos-containing materials or urea formaldehyde foam insulation; or
 - (F) which contains radon gas.
- (e) **Reporting to Grantee.** Not less frequently than annually, STATE shall make reasonable efforts to inform Grantee of the construction and/or development activities that STATE anticipates undertaking on the Property within the following twelve (12) months. In the event Grantee determines that any of the anticipated activities may violate the terms of this Conservation Easement, the parties will meet and confer regarding such activities within thirty (30) days after Grantee's written request.
- 11. Express Third Party Uses. Exhibit E hereto describes the existing third party uses of the Property permitted with the express agreement of STATE ("Express Third Party Uses:"). STATE retains the right to maintain, renew, and replace all agreements memorializing the Express Third Party Uses ("Third Party Use Agreements") and to engage in all activities reasonably required to comply with STATE's obligations with respect to the Express Third Party Uses, subject to the following conditions:
- (a) Increases in Intensity or Expansion of Location or Size or Change in Use. Any (i) increase in the intensity, or (ii) expansion of the location or size, or (iii) a change in the use, of an Express Third-Party Use (whether through a new agreement or an amendment to an existing agreement), that STATE determines in STATE's reasonable discretion exercised in good faith are likely to significantly impair the Conservation Values, shall be subject to Grantee's prior written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed by Grantee.
- (b) Renewal or Replacement of Third Party Use Agreements. All Third Party Use Agreements existing on the date hereof are identified on <u>Exhibit E</u>. As Third Party Use Agreements are renewed or replaced (either with the existing user or a new user), STATE, in consultation with the Grantee, shall include contractual provisions to bring the continuation of the Express Third-Party Use and the preservation of the Conservation Values into alignment to the fullest extent reasonably practicable.

(c) Enforcement of Third Party Use Agreements. If STATE or Grantee discovers any default under a Third Party Use Agreement that significantly impairs the Conservation Values (and if Grantee makes such discovery, Grantee gives STATE written notice thereof), subject to the provisions of Section 12(d) below, STATE shall use reasonable efforts to stop or prevent such violation. The Parties acknowledge and agree that any form of legal action by STATE shall be subject to authorization by the California Attorney General.

12. Enforcement and Remedies.

- **Notice of Violation.** If a party hereto ("Non-Breaching Party") determines there is a violation of the terms of this Conservation Easement or that a violation is threatened ("Violation"), written notice of such Violation ("Violation Notice") and a demand for corrective action sufficient to cure the Violation shall be given by the Non-Breaching Party to the party allegedly violating this Conservation Easement ("Breaching Party"). Within thirty (30) days after delivery of a Violation Notice, STATE and Grantee shall meet at a location that STATE and Grantee agree upon to discuss the circumstances of the alleged or threatened Violation and to attempt to agree on appropriate corrective action. If the parties determine that it is appropriate and desirable, a duly qualified expert in the subject matter of the alleged or threatened Violation ("Consulting Expert") shall attend the meeting. STATE and Grantee shall each pay one-half of the costs of retaining the services of the Consulting Expert for such discussion; provided, however, that if STATE and Grantee are unable to agree upon a Consulting Expert, each party may retain the services of an expert at its own expense. If STATE and Grantee are unable to agree on appropriate corrective action (or if any such corrective action is required) within thirty (30) days after such meeting, then the Non-Breaching Party shall deliver a further written notice to the Breaching Party to demand reasonable, particular corrective action to cure the Violation ("Second Notice"). Upon the giving of a Second Notice, the Breaching Party shall promptly commence, and thereafter diligently pursue to completion, corrective action sufficient to cure the Violation and, where the Violation involves injury to the Property resulting from any use or activity that conflicts with the Conservation Values or the Conservation Purpose, to restore the portion of the Property so injured. If a Violation is not cured within thirty (30) days after the delivery of the Second Notice ("Final Cure Period"), or if the cure reasonably requires more than thirty (30) days to complete and there is failure to begin the cure or failure to continue diligently to complete the cure within the thirty (30) day period, the parties may elect to proceed with the Legal Remedies as provided in Section 12(b).
- (b) Legal Remedies. If the parties are not able to settle the claim or dispute through consultation pursuant to Section 12(a) above, following exhaustion of all requisite administrative remedies, if any, the parties may, pursuant to California Civil Code section 815.7, bring an action at law or in equity in a court of competent jurisdiction to seek injunctive relief and/or money damages to enforce the terms of this Conservation Easement. If any party hereto determines that the circumstances require immediate action to prevent or mitigate unreasonable damage to the Conservation Values from a Violation, then that party may pursue its remedies under this Section 12(b) without first complying with Section 12(a) above.
- (c) **Enforcement Discretion.** Enforcement of the terms of this Conservation Easement shall be at the respective discretion of Grantee and STATE and any forbearance to exercise rights of enforcement under this Conservation Easement in the event of any breach of

any term of this Conservation Easement shall not be deemed or construed to be a waiver of such term or of any subsequent breach of the same or any other term of this Conservation Easement or of any rights under this Conservation Easement. No delay or omission in the exercise of any right or remedy upon any breach shall impair such right or remedy or be construed as a waiver.

Subject to Appropriation. The parties hereto agree and acknowledge that any expenditures of money that may be required by the STATE under this Conservation Easement shall be contingent on the appropriation of funds by the Legislature for the specific purpose of STATE complying with its obligations in this Conservation Easement. Any delay or failure of the STATE to perform and comply with its obligations in this Conservation Easement due to funds not being appropriated or being terminated by the Legislature shall not be considered a breach or default of the terms of this Conservation Easement, and STATE shall not be liable in any way due to delay or failure to perform under the terms of this Conservation Easement, including undertaking corrective action and/or restorative action, as a result of the funds not being appropriated or being terminated by the Legislature. Notwithstanding, STATE agrees to make diligent efforts to obtain the necessary budget appropriations in amounts reasonably calculated to support the fulfillment of its obligations under this Conservation Easement as expeditiously as possible. This section only applies to the STATE. Notwithstanding the above, Grantee shall not be responsible for (i) fulfilling any of the STATE's obligations that are required by this Conservation Easement, or (ii) expending funds in order to fulfill the STATE's obligations that are required by this Conservation Easement.

13. Indemnification.

Indemnification of STATE by Grantee. Other than violation or breach (a) of the terms of this Conservation Easement by STATE Grantee waives all claims against STATE, its agencies, departments, boards, commissions, officers, agents, and employees (collectively "Indemnitees"), for loss or damage caused by, arising out of, or in any way connected with the Grantee's exercise of this Conservation Easement. Grantee shall protect, indemnify, and hold Indemnitees harmless and defend Indemnitees, with counsel selected by Indemnitees, from and against any suits, actions, judgments, legal or administrative proceedings, arbitrations, claims, demands, causes of action, damages, liabilities, interest, reasonable attorneys' fees, fines, penalties, losses, costs and expenses of whatsoever kind or nature, arising out of, in connection with or incidental to any injury to or the death of any person, or damage to any property arising out of, caused by, or resulting from (in whole or in part) the negligence or willful misconduct of Grantee and/or Grantee's Representatives and their respective employees, agents and subcontractors on the Property in connection with Grantee's exercise of this Conservation Easement. Grantee's duty to defend the Indemnitees is separate from, independent of and free-standing of Grantee's duty to indemnify the Indemnitees and applies whether the issue of either parties negligence, breach of contract or other fault or obligations has in any way been determined. Grantee's indemnity obligations under this Agreement shall not extend to that portion of such loss or damage that shall have been caused by any of the Indemnitees' comparative negligence or willful misconduct. The indemnity set forth in this section shall survive any termination of this Conservation Easement until such time as action against the Indemnitees on account of any matter covered by this indemnity is barred by the applicable statute of limitations.

Grantee shall, further, cause such indemnification in favor of the Indemnitees to be inserted in each contract and/or agreement for the provision of services to Grantee on the Property or entry onto the Property by Grantee's Representatives. Grantee's failure to comply with this indemnification provision shall be considered a material breach of this Conservation Easement, however such breach shall not impair the perpetual nature of this Conservation Easement.

The provisions of this **Section 13(a)** shall be inoperative at any time, and for so long as, the fee interest in the Property is owned by an entity other than the STATE, and the indemnification provisions of **Sections 13(b) and 13(c)** shall instead be operative and binding on such successor fee interest owner ("**Grantor**"); provided, any obligation of Grantee to STATE arising prior to such transfer of the fee interest in the Property from STATE to a non-STATE entity shall survive the transfer.

- (b) **Indemnification by Grantor other than the STATE.** Grantor shall hold harmless, indemnify, and defend Grantee and its directors, officers, employees, agents, and contractors and the heirs, personal representatives, successors, and assigns of each of them (each a "Grantee Indemnified Party" and collectively, the "Grantee Indemnified Parties"), from and against any and all liabilities, penalties, costs, losses, damages, expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and experts' fees), causes of action, claims, demands, orders, liens or judgments (each a "Claim" and, collectively, "Claims"), arising from or in any way connected with: (a) injury to or the death of any person, or physical damage to any property, resulting from any act, omission, condition, or other matter related to or occurring on or about the Property, including but not limited to any such act, omission, condition or other matter occurring in connection with the presence of the general public on the Property, regardless of cause, unless due to the negligence or willful misconduct of any of the Grantee Indemnified Parties while acting upon the authority of Grantee; or (b) Grantor's obligations specified in this Conservation Easement; or (c) a breach of any of Grantor's representations or warranties made in this Conservation Easement; or (d) any violation of, or other failure to comply with, any state, federal or local law, regulation or requirement related to the Property, by Grantor, or any entity other than a Grantee Indemnified Party acting upon the authority of Grantee, in any way affecting, involving or relating to the Property; or (e) any Hazardous Substances or underground storage tanks present, alleged to be present, released in, from or about, or otherwise associated with the Property at any time, except with respect to any Hazardous Substances placed, disposed or released by a Grantee Indemnified Party acting upon the authority of Grantee, including Claims for injury to or death of any person or physical damage to any Property and for the violation or alleged violation of, or other failure to comply with, any Environmental Requirement. If any action or proceeding is brought against any Grantee Indemnified Party by reason of any such Claim, Grantor shall, at the election of and upon written notice from the applicable Grantee Indemnified Party, defend such action or proceeding by counsel reasonably acceptable to the Grantee Indemnified Party.
- (c) Indemnification by Grantee to Grantor other than the STATE. Grantee shall hold harmless, indemnify, and defend Grantor and its members, directors, officers, employees, agents, and contractors and the heirs, personal representatives, successors, and assigns of each of them (each a Grantor Indemnified Party and, collectively, the "Grantor Indemnified Parties"), from and against any and all Claims arising from or in any way connected with: (a) injury to or the death of any person, or physical damage to any property,

occurring on or about the Property, resulting from the negligence of any Grantee Indemnified Party, while acting on behalf of Grantee; or (b) Grantee's obligations specified in this Conservation Easement; or (c) any violation of, or other failure to comply with, any state, federal or local law, regulation or requirement, by any Grantee Indemnified Party while acting on behalf of Grantee in any way affecting, involving or relating to the Property. If any action or proceeding is brought against any Grantor Indemnified Party by reason of any such Claim, Grantee shall, at the election of and upon written notice from the applicable Grantor Indemnified Party, defend such action or proceeding by counsel reasonably acceptable to the Grantor Indemnified Party.

- 14. Insurance. Prior to Grantee's or Grantee's Representatives' initial entry onto the Property, and thereafter at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration date of any policy, Grantee and Grantee's Representatives shall each, at their own expense, provide STATE evidence of insurance as follows:
- (a) Commercial General Liability. Grantee and Grantee's Representatives shall maintain general liability on an occurrence form with limits not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate for bodily injury and property damage liability. The policy must include coverage for liabilities arising out of premises operations, independent contractors, products/completed operations, personal & advertising injury and liability assumed under an insured contract. This insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom claim is made or suit is brought subject to the Grantee and/or Grantee's Representatives limit of liability. The policy must include: Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, State of California, its officers, agents and employees as additional insureds. This endorsement must be supplied under form acceptable to DGS' Office of Risk and Insurance Management.
- (b) **Automobile Liability.** Grantee and Grantee's Representatives shall maintain motor vehicle liability with limits not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit per accident. Such insurance shall cover liability arising out of a motor vehicle including owned, hired and non-owned motor vehicles. The same additional insured designation and endorsement required for general liability is to be provided for this coverage.
- (c) **Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability.** Grantee and Grantee's Representatives shall maintain statutory workers' compensation and employers' liability for all employees who will be engaged in the performance of any activities and/or work related to the Property as authorized under this Conservation Easement. Employers' liability limits of \$1,000,000 are required. Workers' compensation policy shall contain a waiver of subrogation endorsement in favor of the STATE.

At any time, and for so long as, the fee interest in the Property is owned by an entity other than the STATE, such successor Grantor shall maintain a commercially available general liability policy, or self-insurance, insuring against bodily injury and property damage on the Property in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence \$2,000,000 in aggregate. Grantee shall be named an additional insured on any policy. For any claim covered by the indemnification in **Section 13(b)** above, the liability insurance shall apply as primary insurance with respect to any other insurance or self-insurance programs afforded to Grantee with respect to Grantee's entries onto the Property pursuant to the Conservation Easement. Grantor waives all rights of

subrogation against the Grantee Indemnified Parties for recovery of damages to the extent these damages are covered by insurance maintained pursuant to this Conservation Easement. Grantor shall furnish Grantee with certificate(s) of insurance, executed by a duly authorized representative of each insurer, showing compliance with the insurance requirements set forth above. Any failure of Grantee to demand such certificate or other evidence of full compliance with these insurance requirements or failure of Grantee to identify a deficiency from evidence that is provided shall not be construed as a waiver of Grantor's obligation to maintain such insurance.

15. Grantee Assignment of Conservation Easement.

- **Voluntary Assignment**. In the event that Grantee decides to assign its interest under this Conservation Easement, Grantee shall only assign such interest to an organization that is: (1) qualified to hold a conservation easement under Section 815.3 of the California Civil Code; (2) experienced in holding and monitoring conservation easements on properties similar to the Property; and (3) willing and financially able to assume all of the responsibilities imposed on Grantee under this Conservation Easement. Before assigning its interest under this Conservation Easement, Grantee shall provide STATE and the Sierra Nevada Conservancy ("SNC") with written notice of such intention to transfer ("Transfer Notice"). The Transfer Notice shall identify the proposed assignee and include a description of how the proposed assignee meets the assignee designation criteria set forth in this section. Grantee shall allow SNC, with the consent of STATE, a period of not less than sixty (60) days to approve the proposed assignee, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld and shall be based on whether the proposed assignee meets the designation criteria specified in this section. If SNC does not approve the proposed assignee, SNC shall provide Grantee with the reasons behind such decision. Notwithstanding, any approved assignment by Grantee of this Conservation Easement to an approved assignee shall not relieve Grantee from any obligations hereunder arising prior to the date of the assignment.
- (b) Involuntary Assignment. If Grantee ever ceases to exist or no longer qualifies under applicable state law to hold a conservation easement interest, then SNC shall, with the consent of STATE, select an assignee that meets all the designation criteria specified in Section 15(a) above. If SNC is unable to identify an assignee that meets all the designation criteria specified in Section 15(a) above that is willing to accept such assignment, then SNC shall petition a court of competent jurisdiction to effect a transfer of the Conservation Easement to an organization that meets each of the qualifications criteria in Subsection 15(a). Notwithstanding the foregoing, SNC may elect to serve as such assignee but only on a temporary basis until a permanent assignee can be identified by SNC and/or such transfer is effectuated by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- (c) **Conditions of Assignment.** As conditions to any assignment of this Conservation Easement: (1) the assignee shall expressly agree in writing to assume Grantee's obligations hereunder; (2) the assignee shall have the resources to fulfill its obligations under the Conservation Easement; and (3) Grantee shall not be relieved from any obligations under the Conservation Easement arising prior to the date of the assignment.
 - (d) Successor to SNC. Upon any liquidation or dissolution of SNC, SNC or

STATE shall have the right to assign SNC's rights and obligations under this **Section 15** to another entity that has a conservation mission and level of expertise consistent with that of SNC and sufficient resources and capacity to carry out the obligations of SNC.

(e) **Recording**. Pursuant to California Civil Code section 815.5, any instrument assigning or otherwise transferring this Conservation Easement shall be recorded in the Official Records of the Counties.

16. Subsequent Property Transfers.

- (a) STATE shall disclose the existence of this Conservation Easement in any deed or other legal instrument by which STATE divests itself of a real property interest in all or a portion of the Property, including, without limitation, a leasehold interest. STATE shall notify Grantee in writing not more than thirty (30) days after any grant by STATE to any third party of any interest in any portion of the Property, whether such interest is a fee, easement, lease, or other interest. The failure of STATE to perform any act required by this **Section 16** shall not impair the validity of this Conservation Easement or limit its enforcement in any way or create any obligation on the part of Grantee.
- (b) Release of Fee Title and Demonstration State Forest Status. In the event that STATE transfers fee title to an unaffiliated third-party not qualified to own and manage a Demonstration State Forest, STATE shall release, relinquish and forever terminate, in a manner that shall be binding upon all successors in interest to the Property, all rights of STATE described in Sections 6(a), 6(b), and 6(c).

17. Extinguishment and Condemnation.

- (a) **Judicial Extinguishment.** If circumstances arise in the future that render the Conservation Purpose impossible or impracticable to accomplish, this Conservation Easement can be terminated or extinguished, whether in whole or in part, only by judicial proceedings in a court of competent jurisdiction, and the amount of the compensation to which Grantee shall be entitled from any sale, exchange, or involuntary conversion of all or any portion of the Property after such termination or extinguishment, shall be determined, unless otherwise provided by California law at the time, in accordance with **Section 17(c)**. Grantee must use any proceeds received under the circumstances described in this section in a manner consistent with the Conservation Purposes, which are exemplified and articulated by the Conservation Easement and contemporaneously prepared exhibits to it and other documentation.
- (b) **Condemnation.** If all or any part of the Property is taken by exercise of eminent domain, or acquired by purchase in lieu of condemnation, so as to terminate this Conservation Easement in whole or in part, STATE and Grantee may join in appropriate actions to recover the full value of their respective interests in the Property so taken or purchased, and all direct or incidental resulting damages. All expenses reasonably incurred by the STATE and Grantee in any such action shall be first reimbursed out of the recovered proceeds; the remainder of such proceeds shall be divided between STATE and Grantee in proportion to their respective interests in the Property, or portion thereof, as established by **Section 17(c)**.

- (c) Valuation. In accordance with California Civil Code section 815.2, STATE and Grantee acknowledge and agree that this Conservation Easement shall not be deemed personal in nature and shall constitute a real property interest in the Property vested in Grantee upon recording notwithstanding that this Conservation Easement is an obligation, and not a financial asset. For the purpose of Sections 17(a) and 17(b), fair market value of the Conservation Easement shall be determined as of the time of the extinguishment or termination by an appraisal set forth in a written report prepared and signed by an appropriately licensed or certified real estate appraiser in good standing pursuant to Part 3 (commencing with Section 11300) of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code and its implementing regulations, Title 10 Section 3701 of the California Code of Regulations, the California Department of General Services Appraisal Specifications, and shall conform to the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice. STATE and Grantee shall mutually agree on the appraiser and shall share equally in the costs of preparing the appraisal report. The fair market value as set forth in the appraisal report is subject to the approval of the California Department of General Services
- (d) **No Merger.** Due to the Conservation Purpose of the Conservation Easement, it is the intent of STATE and Grantee that notwithstanding the provisions of Civil Code Section 811, any time the fee title to all or any portion of the Property is vested in an entity, including STATE, which also holds this Conservation Easement, the interest in the Conservation Easement shall not merge into the fee title (whether by operation of law or otherwise), and the Conservation Easement shall remain in full force and effect as to all portions of the Property, until and unless explicitly terminated by judicial proceedings (and then, only to the extent so terminated).
- 18. Notices. Any notice or other communication required or permitted under this Conservation Easement shall be in writing and shall be either personally delivered or transmitted by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, or by a nationally recognized overnight courier, such as FedEx or Airborne Express, addressed to the parties as follows:

If to STATE:

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection PO Box 944246 Sacramento, CA 94244

Attn: State Forests Program Manager

With a copy to:

Department of General Services 707 Third Street, 5th Floor (MS 505) West Sacramento, CA 95605 Attn: RESD/RPSS--Acquisitions Unit

If to Grantee:

Placer Land Trust Attn: Executive Director 922 Lincoln Way, Suite 200 Auburn, CA 95603

If to Sierra Nevada Conservancy:

Sierra Nevada Conservancy 11521 Blocker Drive, Suite 205 Auburn, CA 95603

Attn: Executive Officer

The date of any notice or communication shall be deemed to be the date of receipt if delivered personally, or the date of the receipt or refusal of delivery if transmitted by mail or overnight courier. Any party may change the address for notice by giving notice to the other party in accordance with this **Section 18**.

19. Amendment. This Conservation Easement may be amended by STATE and Grantee or their respective successors and assigns, by mutual written agreement of STATE and Grantee. STATE and Grantee shall have no right to amend Sections 2 or 3 hereof without the written consent of PG&E in its sole and absolute discretion. The parties agree to mutually cooperate in good faith to accomplish future amendments, to the extent such amendments are deemed necessary to clarify or correct the terms of this Conservation Easement and do not significantly impair the Conservation Values. Any such amendment shall be consistent with the Conservation Purpose of this Conservation Easement and shall not affect its perpetual duration, and Grantee shall promptly record the amendment in the official records of the Counties, and shall thereafter promptly provide a conformed copy of the recorded amendment to STATE.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, STATE and Grantee have no right or power to consent to any action or agree to any amendment of this Conservation Easement that would result in significant impairment of the Conservation Values or limit the term or result in

termination of the Conservation Easement, or adversely affect the qualification of the Conservation Easement as a conservation easement under California Civil Code section 815 et seq. or the status of Grantee as an entity authorized to acquire and hold conservation easements under California Civil Code section 815.3. Any amendment to this Conservation Easement shall comply with Grantee's Conservation Easement Amendment Policy, with California Civil Code section 815 et seq., and with other Applicable Laws.

20. General Provisions.

- (a) **Governing Law.** This Conservation Easement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State of California.
- (b) **No Public Dedication.** Nothing contained in this Conservation Easement shall be deemed to be a gift or dedication of any portion of the Property to the general public.
- (c) **Liberal Construction.** Any general rule of construction to the contrary notwithstanding, this Conservation Easement shall be liberally construed in favor of Grantee to effect the purposes of this Conservation Easement and the policy and purpose of California Civil Code section 815 et seq. If any provision in this Conservation Easement is found to be ambiguous, an interpretation consistent with the purposes of this Conservation Easement which recognizes the PG&E Reserved Rights and the PG&E Easement Reserved Rights (as defined in **Sections 2 and 3 above**), and STATE's Reserved Rights and that would render the provision valid shall be favored over any interpretation that would render it invalid.
- (d) **Further Assurances.** Each party hereto agrees to execute and deliver to the other party such further documents or instruments as may be necessary or appropriate in order to carry out the intentions of the parties as contained in this Conservation Easement.
- (e) **Severability.** If any provision of this Conservation Easement shall be unenforceable or invalid, the same shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Conservation Easement and to this end the provisions of this Conservation Easement are intended to be and shall be severable.
- (f) **Entire Agreement.** This Conservation Easement sets forth the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the Conservation Easement and supersedes all prior discussions, negotiations, understandings, or agreements relating to the Conservation Easement all of which are merged herein.
- (g) **No Forfeiture.** Nothing contained herein will result in a forfeiture or reversion of STATE's title in any respect.
- (h) **Successors.** The Conservation Easement shall be a servitude running with the land in perpetuity. The covenants, terms, conditions, and restrictions of this Conservation Easement shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns and shall continue as a servitude running with the Property.
- (i) **Recordation**. Grantee shall promptly record this Conservation Easement in the official records of the Counties, and shall thereafter promptly provide a conformed copy of

the recorded Conservation Easement to STATE. Grantee may re-record at any time as may be required to preserve its rights in this Conservation Easement.

- (j) **Termination of Rights and Obligations.** Except as otherwise stated herein, a party's rights and obligations under this Conservation Easement shall terminate only upon transfer of the party's interest in all or portions of either the Conservation Easement or the Property, except that liability for acts or omissions occurring prior to transfer shall survive the transfer.
- (k) **Captions.** The captions in this Conservation Easement have been inserted solely for convenience of reference and are not a part of this Conservation Easement and shall have no effect upon construction or interpretation.
- (l) **List of Exhibits.** The following exhibits are attached hereto and incorporated herein:

Exhibit A	Legal Description of the Property
Exhibit B	Property Maps
Exhibit C	Form of Grant Deed
Exhibit D	Form of Utility Facility Access, Operation and
	Maintenance, and Laydown Easement
Exhibit E	Schedule of Express Third-Party Uses and Third Party Use
	Agreements

(m) **Counterparts.** This Conservation Easement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

//signatures follow on next page//

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, STATE has granted to Grantee, and Grantee has accepted this Conservation Easement and the parties mutually agree to the covenants set forth above, as of the Effective Date.

STATE:
AUTHORIZED PER GOVERNMENT CODE §14666
STATE OF CALIFORNIA Department of General Services
By: Michael P. Butler, Chief Real Property Services Section
Dated:
APPROVAL PER GOVERNMENT CODE §14666
STATE OF CALIFORNIA Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
By:
Dated:
GRANTEE: PLACER LAND TRUST, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation
By:
Dated:
By:
Dated:

ACCEPTANCE OF CONDITIONAL RIGHT OF ENFORCEMENT

The Sierra Nevada Conservancy, a subdivision of the California Natural Resources Agency, hereby acknowledges and accepts the conditional enforcement rights set forth in Section 15 hereof.

By:	
-	Angela Avery, Executive Officer
Date	ed:
ΓNee	ed Notary Acknowledgement to record

EXHIBIT A

Legal Description of the Property

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EXHIBIT B

Property Maps

Exhibit B.

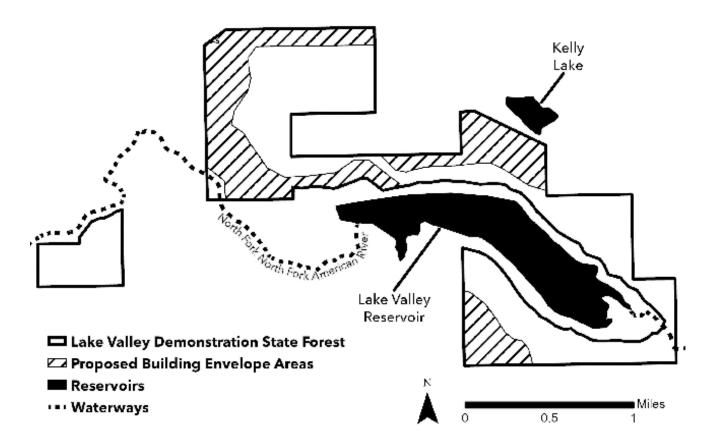


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EXHIBIT E

Express Third-Party Uses and Third Party Use Agreements

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1. Express Third Party Uses

The Express Third Party Uses on the Property are all uses permitted by and pursuant to the Third Party Use Agreements.

2. Third Party Use Agreements

The Third Party Use Agreements on the Property are those agreements and rights disclosed by the following:

- A. THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, PROVISIONS AND STIPULATIONS AS CONTAINED IN THE AGREEMENT ENTITLED "ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT", BY AND BETWEEN PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, AND MARSHALL CARRASCO, RECORDED DATE TBD.
- B. THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, PROVISIONS AND STIPULATIONS AS CONTAINED IN THE AGREEMENT ENTITLED "EASEMENT AGREEMENT", BY AND BETWEEN PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, AND SILLER BROTHERS, RECORDED DATE TBD.
- C. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR A STRIP OF LAND FOUR HUNDRED FEET WIDE LYING EQUALLY ON EACH SIDE OF THE TRACK OF THE RAIL ROAD OF SAID COMPANY OR ANY BRANCH RAIL ROAD NOW OR HEREAFTER CONSTRUCTED ON SAID LANDS AND TO THE RIGHT TO USE ALL WATER NEEDED FOR THE OPERATING AND REPAIRING OF SAID RAIL ROAD; ALSO THE RESERVATION AND CONDITION THAT THE SAID PURCHASER HIS HEIRS AND ASSIGNS SHALL ERECT AND MAINTAIN GOOD AND SUFFICIENT FENCES ON BOTH SIDES OF SAID STRIP OR STRIPS OF LAND; ALSO RESERVING TO SAID COMPANY THE RIGHT TO USE ALL WATER NEEDED TO OPERATE AND REPAIR SAID RAILROADS WHICH ARISES ON SAID LANDS AND THE RIGHT OF WAY TO CONDUCT WATER USAGE ON OTHER LANDS ACROSS SAID LAND IN PIPELINES ON AQUEDUCTS FOR SAID PURPOSES AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS RESERVED BY CENTRAL PACIFIC RAIL ROAD, IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED APRIL 02, 1879, IN BOOK EE OF DEEDS, PAGE 392.
- D. THE TERMS, CONDITIONS AND PROVISIONS AS CONTAINED IN THE INSTRUMENT ENTITLED "AGREEMENT", BY AND BETWEEN THE PIONEER PULP COMPANY, AND M. PEDLAR, REGARDING WATER RIGHTS, RECORDED IN BOOK A OF MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS, PAGE 147. THE EXISTENCE OF SAID DOCUMENT BEING DISCLOSED BY BOOK 121, PAGE 448 OF DEEDS.

- E. EASEMENTS OVER SAID LAND AS DISCLOSED BY INSTRUMENT RECORDED DECEMBER 27, 1909, IN BOOK 121 OF DEEDS, PAGE 448 FOR: A) INGRESS AND EGRESS AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, FOR THE BENEFIT OF J.B. CHIN AFFECTS: THE WEST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST; B) A RESERVATION OF THE TIMBER FOR THE BENEFIT OF J.H. SMART AFFECTS: THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 AND THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST; SAID RESERVATION OF TIMBER NOW GROWING AND STANDING AS INITIALLY RESERVED BY JOSEPH H. SMART IN THAT CERTAIN INSTRUMENT RECORDED AUGUST 31, 1903, IN BOOK 82 OF DEEDS AT PAGE 82. C) A RESERVATION OF THE TIMBER FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE READ LUMBER COMPANY LIMITED AFFECTS: THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST A QUIET TITLE JUDGMENT RECORDED AUGUST 2, 1957 IN BOOK 739 PAGE 225 AND A GRANT DEED THEREUNDER FROM E.T. FISHER TO PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY RECORDED NOVEMBER 5, 1957 IN BOOK 746 PAGE 533 OFFICIAL RECORDS AS TO THE ABOVE DESCRIBED TIMBER RIGHTS IN SAID SECTION 25.
- F. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR STATE HIGHWAY AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO STATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN DEED RECORDED DECEMBER 26, 1929, BOOK 4 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS AT PAGE 338, NEVADA COUNTY RECORDS RECORDED DECEMBER 4, 1929, IN BOOK 280 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS AT PAGE 188, PLACER COUNTY RECORDS (PG&E#: 2117-12-0182

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- G. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR COMMUNICATION AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED MARCH 21, 1933, IN BOOK 318, PAGE 208 AS TO PLACER COUNTY, AND BOOK 18, PAGE 1, AS TO NEVADA COUNTY, OFFICIAL RECORDS. A "CONSENT TO COMMON USE AGREEMENT" THEREUNDER EXECUTED BY PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, RECORDED MAY 11, 1970, VOLUME 511, PAGE 623, OFFICIAL RECORDS OF NEVADA COUNTY. A "RELOCATION OF RIGHT OF WAY" THEREUNDER RECORDED MAY 3, 1960, AS BOOK 834, PAGE 189, OFFICIAL RECORDS OF PLACER COUNTY.
- H. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED SEPTEMBER 21, 1942, IN BOOK 434, PAGE 380, OFFICIAL RECORDS OF PLACER COUNTY.

- I. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR A ROAD AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, A NEW YORK CORPORATION, IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED MARCH 28, 1951, IN BOOK 585, PAGE 344, OFFICIAL RECORDS.
 - AFFECTS: A 40 WIDE STRIP WITHIN THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST, M.D.B.&M.. RIGHT OF WAY SHALL BE FORTY (40) FEET IN WIDTH LYING 20 FEET ON EACH SIDE. SAID EASEMENT SUBORDINATES ITS AFORESAID RIGHTS, TITLE AND INTEREST TO THE INTEREST AS RECORDED APRIL 10, 2000, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 20000058241, BY INSTRUMENT RECORDED DECEMBER 07, 2000, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2000-0094319, OFFICIAL RECORDS.
- J. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR PIPELINES AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO SOUTHERN PACIFIC PIPELINES, INC., IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED JANUARY 18, 1957, IN BOOK 723, PAGE 419 AS TO PLACER COUNTY AND RECORDED JANUARY 24, 1957 AS BOOK 229, PAGE 18 AS TO NEVADA COUNTY, OFFICIAL RECORDS.
- K. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR ROADS AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED APRIL 27, 1970, IN BOOK 1292, PAGE 81 AS TO PLACER COUNTY AND RECORDED MAY 01, 1970 AS BOOK 510, PAGE 637 AS TO NEVADA COUNTY AND RE-RECORDED JANUARY 07, 1971, AS BOOK 1330, PAGE 261 AS TO PLACER COUNTY, AND RE-RECORDED DECEMBER 15, 1970, AS BOOK 537, PAGE 492 AS TO NEVADA COUNTY, OFFICIAL RECORDS. AN EASEMENT THEREUNDER FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO ERICKSON LUMBER COMPANY, INC., A CORPORATION RECORDED JUNE 24, 1970 AS BOOK 1300, PAGE 430 AS TO PLACER COUNTY AND RECORDED JUNE 24, 1970 AS BOOK 517, PAGE 7 AS TO NEVADA COUNTY, OFFICIAL RECORDS. AN EASEMENT THEREUNDER RECORDED APRIL 27, 1976 AS BOOK 1720, PAGE 540, PLACER COUNTY OFFICIAL RECORDS. AN EASEMENT THEREUNDER, COST SHARE EASEMENT, RECORDED SEPTEMBER 12, 2006, INSTRUMENT NO. 2006-0097176, OFFICIAL RECORDS.
- L. A "NOTICE OF TIMBERLAND PRESERVE STATUS" THEREUNDER RECORDED JANUARY 16, 1979, AS BOOK 2074, PAGE 648, PLACER COUNTY OFFICIAL RECORDS.
- M. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND TO RECONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN AND USE THE EXISTING ROADS AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO SUNFLOWER, INC., IN DEED RECORDED MARCH 09, 1981, INSTRUMENT NO. 1981-05684, NEVADA COUNTY RECORDS, AND RECORDED MARCH 2, 1981, BOOK 2362, PAGE 291, PLACER COUNTY RECORDS. P G & E #2117-12-0268

AFFECTS: A.P.N. 64-330-02 AND 66-050-26

N. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND FULL, FREE AND QUIET USE AND ENJOYMENT OF THE ROAD AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED NOVEMBER 08, 1991, IN INSTRUMENT NO. 1991-069121, PLACER COUNTY RECORDS. PG&E # 2117-12-0324.

AFFECTS: A.P.N. 66-050-26

O. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR UNDERGROUND COMMUNICATION FACILITIES AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO PACIFIC BELL, IN DEED RECORDED FEBRUARY 10, 1993, INSTRUMENT NO. 1993- 010363, PLACER COUNTY RECORDS.

AFFECTS: APN 066-050-26

P. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR UNDERGROUND FIBER OPTIC CABLES AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO WILLIAMS COMMUNICATIONS, IN DEED RECORDED OCTOBER 15, 1999, INSTRUMENT NO. 1999- 090928, PLACER COUNTY RECORDS AND RECORDED OCTOBER 1, 1999, INSTRUMENT NO. 1999-35098 OF NEVADA COUNTY RECORDS.

AFFECTS: A.P.N. 066-050-027, 066-050-026, 64-330-02 AND 64-330-03

Q. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR EXISTING ROADS AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED AUGUST 10, 2000, IN INSTRUMENT NO. 2000-58241, OFFICIAL RECORDS. CORRECTION DEED RECORDED MAY 29, 2002 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2002-0061810, PLACER COUNTY RECORDS. PG&E 2117-12-0364

AFFECTS: APN: 066-050-14 AND 19

R. THE TERMS, CONDITIONS AND PROVISIONS AS CONTAINED IN THE AGREEMENT ENTITLED "EASEMENT AGREEMENT", BY AND BETWEEN PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, AND GENE P. WEST, RECORDED DECEMBER 17, 2007, INSTRUMENT NO. 2007-118206, PLACER COUNTY RECORDS. SAID AGREEMENT WAS ALSO RECORDED JUNE 16, 2009 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2009-52440, PLACER COUNTY RECORDS. P G & E #2117-12-04157

AFFECTS: A PORTION OF A.P.N. 066-050-026

S. THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, PROVISIONS AND STIPULATIONS AS CONTAINED IN THE AGREEMENT ENTITLED "EASEMENT AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT", BY AND BETWEEN PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, AND SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, RECORDED DECEMBER 22, 2020, (INSTRUMENT) 2020-0151415, OFFICIAL RECORDS.



Conservation Easement Funding Agreement Lake Spaulding Planning Unit, CAL FIRE Donated Lands Lake Valley Demonstration Forest

This Conservation Easement Funding Agreement ("**Agreement**") is entered into as of the Effective Date (defined below) by and between the Pacific Forest and Watershed Lands Stewardship Council, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation (the "**Stewardship Council**") and Placer Land Trust, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation ("**Grantee**") with reference to the following facts:

- A. The Stewardship Council was created to oversee the "Land Conservation Commitment" described in (1) that certain Settlement Agreement among Pacific Gas and Electric Company ("PG&E"), PG&E Corporation, and the California Public Utilities Commission (the "Commission") as modified and approved by the Commission in its Opinion and Order of December 18, 2003 (Decision 03-12-035) (the "Settlement Agreement"); and (2) that certain Stipulation Resolving Issues Regarding the Land Conservation Commitment dated September 25, 2003 (the "Stipulation").
- B. Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement and Stipulation, certain lands owned by PG&E at the time of the Settlement (the "**PG&E Watershed Lands**") are to be conserved for a broad range of beneficial public values, including the protection of the natural habitat of fish, wildlife and plants; the preservation of open space; outdoor recreation by the general public; sustainable forestry; agricultural uses; and historic values. The Stewardship Council is charged with developing a Land Conservation Plan for the protection and enhancement of the PG&E Watershed Lands.
- C. Grantee is a publicly-supported, tax exempt nonprofit organization, qualified under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"), whose primary purpose is to preserve, protect or enhance, land in its natural scenic, historical agricultural, forested or open space condition or use and conserve natural areas for aesthetic, scientific, charitable and educational purposes. Grantee is eligible to hold a conservation easement pursuant to California Civil Code Section 815.3.
- D. In connection with the Land Conservation Commitment, Grantee has agreed to accept a perpetual conservation easement created pursuant to California Civil Code Section 815 *et seq.* (the "Conservation Easement") over a portion of the PG&E Watershed Lands that is being donated to CAL FIRE by PG&E consisting of approximately 1,151 acres of real property located in the County of Placer, State of California, as more particularly described in <u>Exhibit A</u> attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference (the "Property").
- E. Grantee has agreed to accept perpetual conservation easements over PG&E Watershed Lands that are subject to PG&E's Land Conservation Commitment in the Lower Drum, Lake Spaulding, Bear River, and Fordyce Lake planning units ("the Watershed Properties").
- F. In consideration of Grantee's agreement to accept the Conservation Easement and assume the duties and obligations of the easement holder, the Stewardship Council has



agreed to provide funding to Grantee in the amounts and subject to the terms and conditions described below.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, the Stewardship Council and Grantee agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Effective Date</u>. This Agreement shall become effective upon the recording of the Conservation Easement in favor of Grantee in the Official Records of Placer County (the "**Effective Date**"). It is understood and agreed that if for any reason whatsoever the recording of the Conservation Easement does not occur on or before December 31, 2023, this Agreement shall be of no further force or effect and the parties shall thereupon be released from any obligations under this Agreement.
- 2. <u>Grant Amount and Payment Terms</u>. Effective upon the Effective Date, the Stewardship Council grants **One Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Dollars** (\$167,600) (the "Grant Funds") to Grantee. The Grant Funds shall be payable to Grantee within thirty (30) days of the Effective Date. Grantee will use the Grant Funds for the purposes described in this Agreement and for no other purpose without the prior written consent of the Stewardship Council. The Stewardship Council reserves the right to require the total or partial return of Grant Funds in the event Grantee fails to comply with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
 - 3. Grant Restrictions. The use of the Grant Funds shall be restricted as follows:
 - a. No less than Seventy-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$78,800) of the Grant Funds shall be deposited into a non-wasting endowment restricted solely for the purpose of funding Grantee's costs for the stewardship and monitoring of conservation easements on the Watershed Properties (the "Monitoring and Stewardship Endowment Funds"). The types of allowable expenditures of these funds is described in Section 5 and 6 below.
 - b. Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) of the Grant Funds shall be restricted to the legal defense and enforcement of conservation easements held by Grantee, including, but not limited to, the conservation easements established on the Watershed Properties (the "**Defense and Enforcement Funds**"). The types of allowable expenditures of these funds is described in Section 8 below.
 - c. The remainder of the Grant Funds shall be restricted for the purpose of funding Grantee's costs for the stewardship and monitoring of any conservation easements held by Grantee, including but not limited to the conservation easements on the Watershed Properties (the "General Monitoring and Stewardship Funds"). Grantee may use the General Monitoring and Stewardship Funds to monitor any of its conservation easements as long as Grantee meets its obligations as described in Section 5 below.

4. Grant Deposit Requirements.

a. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of funds, Grantee will provide the Stewardship Council with evidence of deposit of the Monitoring and Stewardship Endowment Funds into an account which shall be restricted solely for the purpose of funding Grantee's costs for the stewardship and monitoring of conservation easements



on the Watershed Properties and shall be treated as a non-wasting endowment such that only earnings on the principal of the Monitoring and Stewardship Endowment Funds can be used by Grantee to cover the costs and expenses detailed in Sections 5 and 6 below for any Watershed Property conservation easement.

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- b. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of funds, Grantee will provide the Stewardship Council with evidence of deposit of (1) the General Monitoring and Stewardship Funds into an account which shall be restricted to the stewardship and monitoring of conservation easements held by the Grantee, including but not limited to the Conservation Easement on the Property; and (2) the Defense and Enforcement Funds into an account which shall be restricted to the legal defense or enforcement of conservation easements held by the Grantee, including but not limited to the Conservation Easement on the Property. Neither of these accounts is required to be non-wasting.
- c. The requirement to provide evidence of deposit will be satisfied when Grantee submits to the Stewardship Council the form attached as **Exhibit B**.
- 5. <u>Conservation Easement Monitoring</u>. From and after the Effective Date, Grantee agrees to conduct regular monitoring of the Property to ensure compliance with the terms of the Conservation Easement. Grantee shall conduct on-site monitoring of the Property not less than annually to assess compliance with the terms and conditions of the Conservation Easement and note any material changes to the Property compared to the baseline documentation report and prior monitoring reports. Upon written request, the Stewardship Council or its designee shall be permitted to accompany the Grantee on its monitoring visits and to receive a copy of any monitoring report prepared by Grantee.
- 6. <u>Monitoring and Stewardship Endowment Funds</u>. Permissible uses of the Monitoring and Stewardship Endowment Funds shall include, for example:
 - a. Regular on-site inspection and monitoring to ensure that the terms of conservation easements on the Watershed Properties are being met;
 - b. Recordkeeping and preparation of reports, notices of violation, any written consent to be submitted to the fee title owner of the property which is subject to the easement, and other documentation related to the conservation easement and the Watershed Property;
 - c. Communications with the fee title owner of the Watershed Property which is subject to the easement regarding the provisions of the conservation easement and planned or completed activities on the Watershed Property to be performed or allowed by the fee title owner or a licensee/lessee;
 - d. Responding to any inquiries or concerns raised by entities that have leases or licenses on the Watershed Property or other stakeholders who have an interest in ensuring the beneficial public values are protected.



- 7. General Monitoring and Stewardship Funds. Permissible uses of General Monitoring and Stewardship Funds shall include, but not be limited to the activities described in Section 6 above with regard to any of the conservation easements held by Grantee.
- 8. <u>Defense and Enforcement Funds</u>. Grantee shall be permitted to use the Defense and Enforcement Funds for the following purposes:
 - a. To make direct expenditures of attorneys' fees, costs and disbursements incurred in connection with proceedings to enforce and/or defend the provisions of a conservation easement held by the Grantee against legal challenge, including any claims by third parties;
 - b. To "pool" funds for legal expenses to enforce and/or defend against legal challenge to conservation easements held by the Grantee, including without limitation the Conservation Easement on the Property;
 - c. To pay premiums into a Conservation Defense Insurance Program offered through the Land Trust Alliance, or other nationally-recognized conservation organization of which Grantee is a member for the enforcement and defense of conservation easements held by member organizations, or to cover deductibles or similar costs related to such insurance.
- 9. <u>Grant Report</u>. Grantee agrees to submit to the Stewardship Council and/or its designee the following grant Status Reports pursuant to this Agreement. The initial Status Report shall be submitted to the Stewardship Council by the fourth quarter of the 2023 calendar year and include data up to the date of the initial Status Report. The final Status Report shall be submitted to the Stewardship Council or its designee on or before December 31, 2025. The due dates of the initial and final Status Reports can be changed by the Stewardship Council or its designee with at least 60 days written notice to Grantee. The Stewardship Council or its designee shall notify Grantee in a timely manner of the form and content of each Status Report, which shall include, at a minimum:
 - a. Copies of annual monitoring reports pertaining to the Conservation Easement for years selected by the Stewardship Council or its designee;
 - b. A statement as to whether any violations of the Conservation Easement were observed during the reporting period, and the outcome of any action taken to correct such violation;
 - c. A statement as to whether any amendments to the Conservation Easement were approved during the reporting period, with copies of any such amendments included in the Status Reports;
 - d. A statement as to whether fee title of the property was conveyed, the date of such conveyance, and the identity of the transferee; and
 - e. A report providing an accounting of how the Grant Funds have been invested or expended in furtherance of the purposes of this Agreement.



- 10. Records. Grantee will indicate the Grant Funds separately on its books of account, and maintain such records in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Grantee shall additionally maintain written records including the baseline documentation report, the Deed of Conservation Easement, any amendments to the Conservation Easement, other transaction documents, and copies of monitoring reports, notices to the landowner, and other communications pursuant to the Conservation Easement in accordance with the practices generally accepted in the land trust community.
- 11. <u>Inspection</u>. The Stewardship Council or its designee shall have the right to inspect the books and records of Grantee and evaluate Grantee's use of Grant Funds, so long as (i) such inspection or evaluation occurs during regular business hours; (ii) such inspection or evaluation does not unreasonably interfere with Grantee's regular operations; and (iii) the Stewardship Council or its designee provides at least three (3) days prior notice of any such inspection or evaluation.
- 12. <u>Assignment and Transfer of Funds</u>. Grantee shall not assign its interest under the Conservation Easement except in accordance with the provisions of the Conservation Easement relating to permitted assignments. In the event that Grantee assigns its interest under the Conservation Easement to a successor conservation easement holder ("**Assignee**"), Grantee shall transfer the remaining balance of the Grant Funds to the successor conservation easement holder. Assignee's receipt of any funds from Grantee shall be conditioned upon the assignee's agreement in writing to assume all of Grantee's obligations under this Agreement.
- 13. <u>Publicity</u>. The Stewardship Council may include information regarding this Agreement and Grantee in its periodic public reports, press releases, or other public communications.
- 14. Representations and Warranties. Grantee warrants and represents that it is a tax exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRC, and is not a private foundation as defined in section 509(a) of the IRC or is an exempt operating foundation described in Section 4940(d)(2) of the IRC. Grantee further represents and warrants that it shall not use the Grant Funds to attempt to influence legislation or otherwise carry out lobbying activities within the meaning of Sections 501(h), 4911, 4945(d)(1) or 4945(e) of the IRC. No part of the Grant Funds may be used to attempt to influence the outcome of any specific public election, or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive. No part of the Grant Funds may be used for purposes other than charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes within the meaning of IRC Section 501(c)(3).

Grantee does not knowingly employ individuals or contribute funds to organizations found on any terrorist-related list prepared by the U.S. Government, the United Nations, or the European Union, including the Department of Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control Specially Designated Nationals List, the Department of Justice's Terrorist Exclusion List, or the list attached to Executive Order 13224. Should any change occur with respect to the preceding sentence, Grantee will notify the Stewardship Council within 7 days of such change.

15. <u>Indemnification</u>. Grantee hereby agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Stewardship Council, and the Stewardship Council's past, present and future officers, directors, and employees, from and against any and all claims, demands, losses, costs, expenses, obligations, liabilities, damages, recoveries, and deficiencies, including interest,



penalties, and reasonable attorney fees and costs, that they may incur or suffer and that result from, or are related to, the receipt and use of the Grant Funds by Grantee.

- 16. <u>Limit of Stewardship Council Obligations</u>. The Stewardship Council's obligations under this Agreement shall under no circumstances exceed the Grant Funds amount set forth in Section 2 above.
- 17. <u>Assignment</u>. This Agreement may not be assigned by the Grantee in whole or in part except as provided in Section 12 above. The Stewardship Council may assign its rights and delegate its obligations under this Agreement to a third party at the Stewardship Council's sole discretion, but must provide written notice to Grantee prior to such assignment. Subject to the foregoing, this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit and burden of the parties and their respective heirs, successors and assigns.
- 18. <u>Amendment; Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement may not be amended or modified except by written instrument signed by both parties. This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding of the parties concerning the subject matter hereof, and supersedes any and all previous negotiations, agreements, or understandings, if any, regarding the matters contained herein.
- 19. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California.
- 20. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts which together shall constitute a single agreement.

Pacific Forest and Watershed Lands Stewardship Council, a California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation

Ву:	
Title:	
Date:	
	Land Trust, ornia Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation
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a Califo	ornia Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation



Exhibit A

Lake Spaulding Planning Unit

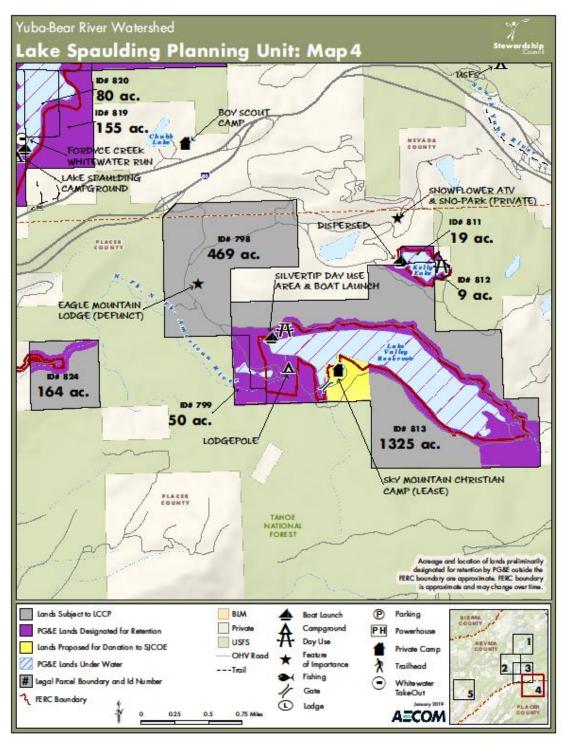




EXHIBIT B TO CONSERVATION EASEMENT FUNDING AGREEMENT

Evidence of Grant Fund Deposit and Restriction of Use Certification

Demo Forest; Cal Fire Donated

Planning Unit/Property Title: Lake Spaulding Planning Unit; Lake Valley

Grantee Name: Placer Land Trust		Grantee Address:		
*Date of Deposit of Grant Fund	*Date of Deposit of Grant Funds: Amount Deposited:			
Bank Name:	Account Name):	Account #:	
Certification of Deposit of Grant F	unds and Restricte	d Use of Monitorin	g of Conservation Easement Funds	
misrepresented, or incomplete, may be gro	ounds for immediate re	epayment of grant fun	understand that the above information, if ds. I also agree that account activity will be set forth in Section 3c and 7 of the Grant	
Name:		Title:		
Signature:		Date:		
*Date of Deposit of Grant Fund	ds:	Amount Deposited:		
Bank Name:	Account Name:		Account #:	
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Name:		Title:		
Signature:		Date:		

Date:



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*Date of Deposit of Grant Funds:		Amount Deposited:	
Bank Name:	Account Name) :	Account #:
Certification of Deposit of	Grant Funds and R	estricted Use of De	efense & Enforcement Funds
I, hereby state that the above referenced information is true and accurate, and understand that the above information, if misrepresented, or incomplete, may be grounds for immediate repayment of grant funds. I also agree that account activity will be restricted to the permissible uses of the Defense and Enforcement Funds as set forth in Section 8 of the Grant Agreement.			
Name:		Title:	
Signature:		Date:	

Return to:

Stewardship Council 3300 Douglas Boulevard, Suite 250 Roseville, CA 95661

Phone: (916) 297-6660

*Please include a copy of the bank statement(s) referencing the above deposit.

PROPERTY TAX NEUTRALITY METHODOLOGY

INTRODUCTION

The Settlement Agreement¹ and Stipulation² that established the Land Conservation Commitment require that the Land Conservation Plan being developed by the Stewardship Council provide property tax revenue, other equivalent revenue source, or a lump sum payment, so that the totality of dispositions in each affected county will be "tax neutral" for each county. Section 4.3 of Volume I of the Land Conservation Plan (LCP) adopted by the Stewardship Council in November 2007 described the Stewardship Council's potential strategies and anticipated approach to achieving property tax neutrality at a programmatic level.

More recently, on September 17, 2009, the Stewardship Council adopted a funding policy. This policy further clarified the Stewardship Council's approach to property tax neutrality and identified several potential vehicles to achieving this requirement. On March 30, 2011, the Stewardship Council adopted a set of guidelines which describe scenarios in which the Stewardship Council will make property tax payments to affected counties and further defined a set of overarching assumptions regarding property tax neutrality payments.

Table 1 in Appendix A lists the estimated acreage and estimated annual property taxes associated with PG&E watershed lands which have been recommended by the Stewardship Council Board of Directors for donation. The estimated total tax liability that would be subject to tax neutrality will depend upon the total acreage actually transferred, and the types of organizations receiving fee title to the lands. No PG&E watershed lands will be recommended for donation in counties that are not listed in Table 1.

PURPOSE OF PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

The purpose of this methodology is to establish a standard payment process when lands are transferred to organizations that are exempt from paying property taxes. The following methodology will be applied to all counties which experience a loss in property tax revenues due to a recommended donation of fee title as part of the Stewardship Council's Land Conservation Commitment.

DETERMINING TAX NEUTRALITY PAYMENT AMOUNT

Following the Stewardship Council approval of a fee-title donation, the Stewardship Council will work with the affected county to calculate the payment amount for inclusion in the Stewardship Council's Land Conservation and Conveyance Plan (LCCP).

1. Using the legal description and/or survey of lands identified for transfer to an organization which is exempt from paying property taxes, the Stewardship Council and PG&E will prepare an estimate of the annual taxes on lands to be donated. If assessed values on the lands recommended for donation change prior to the transfer of land, the

¹ Opinion Modifying the Proposed Settlement Agreement of Pacific Gas & Electric Company, PG&E Corporation and the Commission Staff, and Approving the Modified Settlement Agreement, December 18, 2003: http://www.stewardshipcouncil.org/documents/Settlement_Agreement.pdf

² Stipulation Resolving Issues Regarding the Land Conservation Commitment, September 25, 2003: http://www.stewardshipcouncil.org/documents/Stipulation Agreement.pdf

Appendix 5: Tax Neutrality Methodology

Adopted 06/27/2012 Amended 06/24/2015 Amended 01/21/2016 Amended 11/15/2017

Stewardship Council will revise the payment calculation included in the proposed tax neutrality funding agreement prior to its execution by the parties.

- 2. The reduction in annual taxes caused by the donation of acres to organizations exempt from property tax will constitute the "Annual Base Value" for the funding calculation.
- 3. The County will receive a one-time lump sum payment The Stewardship Council will provide a draft funding agreement for county review and approval using the Annual Base Value and payment option. The draft funding agreement is expected to include, among other items, the following acknowledgements by the county:
 - a. Payment by the Stewardship Council satisfies the tax neutrality requirement as specified in the Settlement and Stipulation for the subject fee-title donation.
 - b. The county has issued (or will not reasonably withhold) a Welfare Tax Exemption for the new landowner, if required.
 - c. The county will agree to distribute the lump-sum payment to the applicable special districts as dictated in the relevant Tax Rate Area at the time of payment. In consideration for the additional administrative responsibility of the county to set up the process to allocate payments to special districts, the Stewardship Council will make a \$3,000 payment to the county for county's anticipated costs to perform such activities for the first fee title donation of lands in the county. Said payment will be made at the time the Stewardship Council makes its lump-sum tax neutrality payment. For subsequent fee title donations, if a county expects to incur more than \$3,000 in costs to perform such activities, then it shall make a request to the Stewardship Council for increased funding no later than 60 days following the recording of the grant deed for each additional fee title donation or the execution of a tax neutrality funding agreement, whichever comes later. The Stewardship Council will review each funding request and provide the county with sufficient funds to cover all reasonable anticipated costs.
- 4. The Stewardship Council will fund the settlement amount according to the terms of the tax neutrality funding agreement as described in number 3 above no later than 60 days following the recording of the grant deed for the fee title donation or the execution of a tax neutrality funding agreement, whichever comes later.

Lump-sum payment

Lump-sum payments in satisfaction of property tax neutrality would be calculated based upon the net present value of the Annual Base Value at the time that lands are removed from the property tax rolls. The lump-sum payment will be calculated using a discounted cash flows analysis for perpetual payment streams, otherwise known as a Capitalization Rate (Cap Rate).

The Cap Rate calculation requires an assumption of a long-term rate of return on comparable investments, and a long-term inflation rate. In order to develop a Cap Rate for a lump-sum payment, the Stewardship Council considered multiple long-term inputs, including long term equity and fixed income returns (Dow Jones Industrial Average, S&P 500, U.S. Treasury,

CalPERS), weighted average borrowing costs for subject counties, and discount rate assumptions for pension and other post-employment benefits.

Based upon the analysis described above, the Stewardship Council is offering counties a Cap Rate of 4.0% to be used in the calculation of a lump-sum payment in satisfaction of property tax neutrality. The calculation for arriving at a lump-sum payment is as follows:

Lump Sum Value = Annual Base Value ÷ 4.0%

The following table provides an example of the application of the Cap Rate to various Annual Base Values:

Annual Base Value	\$500	\$1,000	\$5,000	\$10,000
Lump Sum at 4.0%	\$12,500	\$25,000	\$125,000	\$250,000

Lump-sum payments would be allocated based upon the applicable Tax Rate Area at the time of payment. The Stewardship Council envisions making these lump-sum payments as unrestricted payments in lieu of property taxes, subject to the distribution method described in section 4.c above. Counties and special districts would be free to determine the best use of the funds pursuant to the needs of the county or special district, including, if desired investment in a shared investment pool of the county's choosing.

Appendix A

Estimated acreage and property taxes associated with PG&E watershed lands which have been recommended by the Stewardship Council Board of Directors for donation.

Table 1

Table 1 – Estimated Property Taxes From Land Available for Donation³

County	Lands Available for Donation	Total Taxes (Annual)	Total Taxes (Lump)
Alpine	410	2,948	\$73,691
Amador	2,040	\$8,577	\$214,431
Butte	N/A	\$0	\$0
Calaveras	60	\$53	\$1,320
El Dorado	N/A	\$0	\$0
Fresno	267	\$2,413	\$60,334
Kern	N/A	\$0	\$0
Lake	986	\$31,844	\$796,090
Lassen	N/A	\$0	\$0
Madera	220	\$10,271	\$256,770
Mariposa	N/A	\$0	\$0
Mendocino	797	\$17,011	\$425,289

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Merced	N/A	\$0	\$0
Nevada	1,867	\$13,150	\$328,758
Placer	2,683	\$46,794	\$1,169,882
Plumas	3,278	\$40,873	\$1,021,828
San Luis Obispo	N/A	\$0	\$0
Shasta	23,386	\$89,727	\$2,243,172
Tehama	151	\$45	\$1125
Tulare	N/A	\$0	\$0
Tuolumne	868	\$360	\$9,9009
Yuba	41	\$530	\$13,256
Total	\$37,054	\$264,597	\$6,614,955

^a This acreage includes lands within parcels that cross county boundaries

APPENDIX E LAND CONSERVATION COMMITMENT

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

PG&E shall ensure that the Watershed Lands it owns and Carizzo Plains are conserved for a broad range of beneficial public values, including the protection of the natural habitat of fish, wildlife and plants, the preservation of open space, outdoor recreation by the general public, sustainable forestry, agricultural uses, and historic values. PG&E will protect these beneficial public values associated with the Watershed Lands and Carizzo Plains from uses that would conflict with their conservation. PG&E recognizes that such lands are important to maintaining the quality of life of local communities and all the people of California in many ways, and it is PG&E's intention to protect and preserve the beneficial public values of these lands under the terms of any agreements concerning their future ownership or management.

PG&E Environmental Enhancement Corporation will develop a plan for protection of these lands for the benefit of the citizens of California. Protecting such lands will be accomplished through either (1) PG&E's donation of conservation easements to one or more public agencies or qualified conservation organizations consistent with these objectives, or (2) PG&E's donation of lands in fee to one or more public entities or qualified conservation organizations, whose ownership would be consistent with these conservation objectives.

COMMITMENTS

PG&E Shall Place Permanent Conservation Easements on or Donate Watershed Lands: The Watershed Lands and Carizzo Plains shall (1) be subject to permanent conservation easements restricting development of the lands so as to protect and preserve their beneficial public values, and/or (2) be donated in fee simple to one or more public entities or qualified non-profit conservation organizations, whose ownership will ensure the protection of these beneficial public values. PG&E will not be expected to make fee simple donations of Watershed Lands that contain PG&E's or a joint licensee's hydroelectric project features. In instances where PG&E has donated land in fee, some may be sold to private entities subject to conservation easements and others, without significant public interest value, may be sold to private entities with few or no restrictions.

The conservation easements shall provide for the preservation of land areas for the protection of the natural habitat of fish, wildlife and plants, the preservation of open space, outdoor recreation by the general public, sustainable forestry, agricultural uses, and historic values and, shall prevent any other uses that will significantly impair or interfere with those values. Conservation easements on the Watershed Lands will include an express reservation of a right for continued operation and maintenance of hydroelectric facilities and associated water delivery facilities, including project replacements and improvements required to meet existing and

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future water delivery requirements for power generation and consumptive water use by existing users, compliance with any FERC license, FERC license renewal or other regulatory requirements. In addition, easements will honor existing agreements for economic uses, including consumptive water deliveries. The conservation easements shall be donated to and managed by one or more non-profit conservation trustees, qualified conservation organizations or public agencies with the experience and expertise to fully and strictly implement the conservation easements.

- 2. Process For Development of the Conservation Easements and Land Donation Plan: PG&E will work with PG&E Environmental Enhancement Corporation and the Commission in the development and implementation of the conservation easements and land donation plan. PG&E Environmental Enhancement Corporation will recommend to PG&E (1) conservation objectives for the properties, including identification of conservation values, (2) criteria for ultimate disposition of the properties, (3) conservation easements guidelines, and (4) land disposition plans.
- 3. Reporting Responsibilities: PG&E Environmental Enhancement Corporation will prepare a report to the Commission within 18 months of the Effective Date describing the status of the conservation easement and land disposition plan. PG&E Environmental Enhancement Corporation will make the report available to the public upon request. Every two years following the first report, PG&E Environmental Enhancement Corporation will prepare a report to the Commission on the implementation of the conservation easement and land disposition plan.

Attachment B

Road Easement to PG&E

Road and/or Access Easement (REV. 06/2020) RECORDING REQUESTED BY AND RETURN TO:	
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY 245 Market Street, N10A, Room 1015 P.O. Box 770000 San Francisco, California 94177	
Location: City/Uninc Recording Fee \$	
Signature of declarant or agent determining tax	(SPACE ABOVE FOR RECORDER'S USE ONLY)

LD# 2117-12-10016

EASEMENT DEED

Lake Valley Canal Road Easement

This Easement Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into this <u>O4</u> day of <u>November</u>, 2021 (the "Effective Date") by SILLER BROTHERS. INC., hereinafter called "Grantor", and PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a California corporation, hereinafter called "PG&E."

RECITALS

- A. Grantor owns certain real property within the County of Placer, State of California, commonly known as Assessor's Parcel Numbers 066-010-071, 066-010-077 and 066-040-029 and more particularly described and designated as Lands in **Exhibit A**, attached hereto and made a part hereof (hereinafter, the "**Property**").
- B. PG&E is the owner of certain real property (the "Benefitted Property") within the County of Placer, State of California, commonly known as Lake Valley Canal Property (Assessor's Parcel Number 066-010-082, State Board of Equalization No. 135-31-001B-1 and more particularly described as the northeast quarter of Section 33, Township 17 North, Range 12 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.
- C. Grantor is willing to grant such easement on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein.

Now, therefore, for [other] good and valuable consideration, Grantor and PG&E agree as follows:

1. <u>Grant of Easement:</u> Grantor hereby grants to PG&E, upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, the following easement:

(a) <u>Ingress and Egress</u>. A non-exclusive right of surface access, ingress and egress to and from the Benefitted Property, over and across the portion of the Property (the "Easement Area") described in Exhibit A and shown on Exhibit B, attached hereto and incorporated by this reference.

Grantor shall be responsible for the maintenance of the easement area; provided, however, Grantee shall repair any damage to the easement area caused by Grantee exercising its right of ingress and egress granted herein.

Grantor shall keep the easement area free and clear of any obstructions and shall not place or construct, nor allow a third party to place or construct, any building, structure, or other obstruction, or diminish or substantially add to the ground level within the easement area.

In addition, Grantor and Grantee agree as follows:

- 2. <u>Limitations on Use</u>. The Easement Area, and any facilities permitted to be constructed thereon, are to be used by Grantee only for those uses permitted in Section 1 above, and for no other purpose.
- 3. <u>Indemnification</u>. Grantee agrees to indemnify Grantor for damages proximately caused by reason of the uses authorized by this Easement. However, this indemnity shall not extend to that portion of such loss or damage that shall have been caused by Grantor's comparative negligence or willful misconduct.
- 4. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement shall in all respects be interpreted, enforced, and governed by and under the laws of the State of California.
- 5. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement supersedes all previous oral and written agreements between and representations by or on behalf of the parties and constitutes the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may not be amended except by a written agreement executed by both parties.
- 6. <u>Binding Effect</u>. The provisions hereof shall inure to the benefit of and bind the successors and assigns of the respective parties hereto, and all covenants shall apply to and run with the land.
- 7. <u>Assignment</u>. This Agreement and the rights of the grantee hereunder are appurtenant to the Benefited Properties and may be granted, assigned, transferred or conveyed separately to benefit portions of the Benefited Property later conveyed as well as continuing to be retained for the benefit of the remaining Benefited Properties.
- 8. <u>Captions</u>. The captions in this Agreement are for reference only and shall in no way define or interpret any provision hereof.
- 9. <u>Time</u>. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the parties agree that as to any obligation or action to be performed hereunder, time is of the essence.

- 10. <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Agreement shall be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby, and each provision of this Agreement shall be valid and enforced to the full extent permitted by law, provided the material provisions of this Agreement can be determined and effectuated.
- 11. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which, when taken together, shall constitute one and the same instrument.

Dated: November 4, 2021.

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a California corporation

Siller Brothers. Inc.

By: ____

Sarah Hug

Its: Manager, Hydro Support

Its: Resident

Exhibits A and B attached

Attach to LD: 2117-12-10016 Area, Region or Location: 6 Land Service Office: Sacramento Line of Business: Hydro (24) Business Doc Type: Easements

MTRSQ: 21.17.12.33.44, 21.17.12.33.41, 21.17.12.33.43, 21.17.12.33.42,

FERC License Number: 2310 PG&E Drawing Number:

Plat No.: N/A

LD of Affected Documents:

LD of Cross Referenced Documents: 2117-12-10021 Type of interest: Road Rights-of-Way (to PG&E) (7)

SBE Parcel: 135-31-001B-1 % Being Quitclaimed: N/A Order or PM: 2025565

JCN: N/A County: Placer

Utility Notice Number: N/A

851 Approval Application No:

;Decision:

Prepared By: r9m1 Checked By: TLLL

Approved By: SMTK (tbd)

Revised by:

Attachment C

Road Easement to Owner

LD 2117-12-10021 JCN 05 20 1 Ingress and Egress Easement RECORDING REQUESTED BY, AND WHEN RECORDED RETURN TO:

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY 245 Market Street, N10A, Room 1015 P.O. Box 770000 San Francisco, California 94177

Location: City/Uninc
Recording Fee \$
Document Transfer Tax \$ 0
[] This is a conveyance where the consideration and Value is less than \$100.00 (R&T 11911).
[] Computed on Full Value of Property Conveyed, o
[] Computed on Full Value Less Liens & Encumbrances Remaining at Time of Sale
[] Exempt from the fee per GC 27388.1 (a) (2); This document is subject to Documentary Transfer Tax
Signature of declarant or agent determining tax

(A portion of APN 066-010-082)

EASEMENT AGREEMENT (Ingress and Egress)

This Easement Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into this <u>O'</u> day of <u>Movember</u>, 20<u>21</u> (the "Effective Date") by PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a California corporation, hereinafter called "PG&E", and SILLER BROTHERS. INC., hereinafter called "Grantee."

RECITALS

- A. PG&E owns certain real property within the County of Placer, State of California, commonly known as Lake Valley Canal Property (Assessor's Parcel Number 066-010-082, State Board of Equalization No. 135-31-001B-1 and more particularly described and designated as Lands in **Exhibit A**, attached hereto and made a part hereof (hereinafter, the "**Property**").
- B. Grantee is the owner of certain real property (the "Benefitted Property") within the County of Placer, State of California, commonly known as Assessor's Parcel Numbers 066-010-071 and 066-040-031 and more particularly being a portion of PARCEL EIGHT as described and designated in the deed from Midland National Bank to Siller Bros. Inc. dated May 26, 1977

and recorded in Volume 1845 of Official Records at page 289, Placer County Records. Grantee has requested that PG&E grant an easement for continued access to the Benefitted Property.

C. PG&E is willing to grant such easement on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein.

Now, therefore, for [other] good and valuable consideration, PG&E and Grantee agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Grant of Easement:</u> PG&E hereby grants to Grantee, upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, the following easement:
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Limitations on Use.

- (a) The Easement Area, and any facilities permitted to be constructed thereon, are to be used by Grantee only for those uses permitted in Section 1 above, and for no other purpose.
- portion or portions thereof in the event of fire, earthquake, storm, riot, civil disturbance, or other casualty or emergency, or in connection with PG&E's response thereto, or if emergency repairs or maintenance are required to PG&E facilities within or in the vicinity of the Easement Area, or otherwise when PG&E deems it advisable to do so, including in connection with events and emergencies occurring or affecting PG&E's business operations located elsewhere than in the immediate vicinity of the Property.
- 3. <u>Condition of Easement Area</u>. Grantee accepts the Easement Area in its existing physical condition, without warranty by PG&E or any duty or obligation on the part of PG&E to maintain the Easement Area. Grantee acknowledges that one or more of the following (collectively, "Potential Environmental Hazards") may be located in, on or underlying the Property and/or the Easement Area:
- (a) electric fields, magnetic fields, electromagnetic fields, electromagnetic radiation, power frequency fields, and extremely low frequency fields, however designated, and whether emitted by electric transmission lines, other distribution equipment or otherwise ("EMFs");
- (b) Hazardous Substances (as hereinafter defined). For purposes hereof, the term "Hazardous Substances" means any hazardous or toxic material or waste which is or becomes regulated by Legal Requirements (as hereinafter defined) relating to the protection of human health or safety, or regulating or relating to industrial hygiene or environmental conditions, or the protection of the environment, or pollution or contamination of the air, soil, surface water or groundwater, including, but not limited to, laws, requirements and regulations pertaining to

reporting, licensing, permitting, investigating and remediating emissions, discharges, releases or threatened releases of such substances into the air, surface water, or land, or relating to the manufacture, processing, distribution, use, treatment, storage, disposal, transport or handling of such substances. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the term Hazardous Substances includes any material or substance:

- (1) now or hereafter defined as a "hazardous substance," "hazardous waste," "hazardous material," "extremely hazardous waste," "restricted hazardous waste" or "toxic substance" or words of similar import under any applicable local, state or federal law or under the regulations adopted or promulgated pursuant thereto, including, without limitation, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. §\$9601 et seq. ("CERCLA"); the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, 42 U.S.C. §\$6901 et seq.; the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. §\$7401 et seq.; the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §\$1251 et seq.; the Toxic Substance Control Act, 15 U.S.C. §\$2601 et seq.; the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, 7 U.S.C. §\$136 et seq.; the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, 42 U.S.C. §\$2014 et seq.; the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, 42 U.S.C. §\$10101 et seq.; the California Hazardous Waste Control Law, Cal. Health and Safety Code §\$25100 et seq.; the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, Cal. Water Code §\$13000 et seq.; the Carpenter-Presley-Tanner Hazardous Substance Account Act (Health and Safety Code §\$25300 et seq.); and the Medical Waste Management Act (Health and Safety Code §\$25015 et seq.); or
- (2) which is toxic, explosive, corrosive, flammable, infectious, radioactive, carcinogenic, mutagenic or otherwise hazardous, and is now or hereafter regulated as a Hazardous Substance by the United States, the State of California, any local governmental authority or any political subdivision thereof, or which cause, or are listed by the State of California as being known to the State of California to cause, cancer or reproductive toxicity; or
- (3) the presence of which on the Property poses or threatens to pose a hazard to the health or safety of persons on or about the Property or to the environment; or
- (4) which contains gasoline, diesel fuel or other petroleum hydrocarbons; or
- (5) which contains lead-based paint or other lead contamination, polychlorinated biphenyls ("PCBs") or asbestos or asbestos-containing materials or urea formaldehyde foam insulation; or
 - (6) which contains radon gas;
- (c) fuel or chemical storage tanks, energized electrical conductors or equipment, or natural gas transmission or distribution pipelines; and
 - (d) other potentially hazardous substances, materials, products or conditions.

Grantee shall be solely responsible for the health and safety of, and shall take all necessary precautions to protect, its employees, contractors, consultants, agents and invitees ("Grantee's Representatives") from risks of harm from Potential Environmental Hazards. Grantee acknowledges that it has previously evaluated the condition of the Easement Area and all matters

affecting the suitability of the Easement Area for the uses permitted by this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the Potential Environmental Hazards listed herein.

4. <u>Grantee's Covenants</u>. Grantee hereby covenants and agrees:

- Compliance with Laws. Grantee shall, at its sole cost and expense, promptly comply with (a) all laws, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, requirements or orders of municipal, state, and federal authorities now in force or that may later be in force, including, but not limited to, those relating to the generation, use, storage, handling, treatment, transportation or disposal of Hazardous Substances, as defined herein, or to health, safety, noise, environmental protection, air quality or water quality; (b) the conditions of any permit, occupancy certificate, license or other approval issued by public officers relating to Grantee's use or occupancy of the Easement Area; and (c) with any liens, encumbrances, easements, covenants, conditions, restrictions and servitudes (if any) of record, or of which Grantee has notice, which may be applicable to the Easement Area (collectively, "Legal Requirements"), regardless of when they become effective, insofar as they relate to the use or occupancy of the Easement Area by Grantee. Grantee shall furnish satisfactory evidence of such compliance upon request by PG&E. The judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction, or the admission of Grantee in any action or proceeding against Grantee, whether or not PG&E is a party in such action or proceeding, that Grantee has violated any Legal Requirement relating to the use or occupancy of the Easement Area, shall be conclusive of that fact as between PG&E and Grantee;
- (b) Notice of Enforcement Proceedings. Grantee agrees to notify PG&E in writing within three (3) business days of any investigation, order or enforcement proceeding which in any way relates to the Property, or to any contamination or suspected contamination on, within or underlying the Property;
- (c) <u>Non-Interference</u>. Grantee agrees not to interfere in any way or permit any interference with the use of the Property by PG&E and other entitled persons;
- operations within and on the Easement Area in such a manner so as not to endanger the Property, PG&E's utility facilities, the environment and human health and safety. Grantee shall not cause or permit any Hazardous Substances, as defined herein, to be brought upon, produced, stored, used, discharged or disposed of on, or in the vicinity of the Property, except in compliance with all applicable Legal Requirements. Grantee shall be responsible for the cost of remediating any discharge or release of Hazardous Substances resulting from or arising in connection with Grantee's use of the Property and shall immediately notify PG&E and the appropriate regulatory authorities where required by law, of any such release;
- (e) <u>Repairing Damage</u>. Grantee agrees to repair any damage it may cause to PG&E's facilities and improvements in or around said Easement Area;
- (f) <u>Coordination</u>. Grantee agrees to coordinate all activities regarding the easements granted herein to reasonably minimize any interference and inconvenience with the use by PG&E of the Easement Area and PG&E's adjoining lands. Except in the case of emergencies, Grantee must submit to PG&E plans as required by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

("FERC") at least six (6) months in advance of construction, repair, or maintenance work related to the exercise of the Access Rights to allow for PG&E review and submittal to FERC for any required approval. No proposed construction, repair, or maintenance work related to the Access Rights shall occur on Project lands until such approval is received from FERC. In the event of an emergency (wildfire, floods, earthquakes, etc.), Grantee shall provide notice of such emergency work to Grantor within 24 hours of initiating emergency work, to allow PG&E to meet FERC notification requirements.

Indemnification; Release.

- Grantee shall, to the maximum extent permitted by law, indemnify, protect, (a) defend and hold harmless PG&E, its parent corporation, subsidiaries and affiliates, and their respective officers, managers, directors, representatives, agents, employees, transferees, successors and assigns (each, an "Indemnitee" and collectively, "Indemnitees") from and against all claims, losses (including, but not limited to, diminution in value), actions, demands, damages, costs, expenses (including, but not limited to, experts fees and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs) and liabilities of whatever kind or nature (collectively, "Claims"), including Claims arising from the passive or active negligence of the Indemnitees, which arise from or are in any way connected with the occupancy or use of the Easement Area by Grantee or Grantee's Representatives, or the exercise by Grantee of its rights hereunder, or the performance of, or failure to perform, Grantee's duties under this Agreement, including, but not limited to, Claims arising out of: (1) injury to or death of persons, including but not limited to employees of PG&E or Grantee (and including, but not limited to, injury due to exposure to EMFs and other Potential Environmental Hazards in, on or about the Property); (2) injury to property or other interest of PG&E, Grantee or any third party; (3) violation of any applicable federal, state, or local laws, statutes, regulations, or ordinances, including all Legal Requirements relating to human health or the environment, and including any liability which may be imposed by law or regulation without regard to fault; excepting only with respect to any Indemnitee, to the extent of any Claim arising from the comparative negligence or willful misconduct of such Indemnitee. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing. Grantee shall, to the maximum extent permitted by law, indemnify, protect, defend and hold Indemnitees harmless from and against Claims arising out of or in connection with any work of improvement constructed or installed at or on, labor performed on, or materials delivered to, or incorporated in any improvements constructed on, the Easement Area by, or at the request or for the benefit of. Grantee. In the event any action or proceeding is brought against any Indemnitee for any Claim against which Grantee is obligated to indemnify or provide a defense hereunder, Grantee upon written notice from PG&E shall defend such action or proceeding at Grantee's sole expense by counsel approved by PG&E, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.
- (b) Grantee acknowledges that all Claims arising out of or in any way connected with releases or discharges of any Hazardous Substance, or the exacerbation of a Potential Environmental Hazard, occurring as a result of or in connection with Grantee's use or occupancy of the Easement Area or the surrounding Property, or any of the activities of Grantee and Grantee's Representatives, and all costs, expenses and liabilities for environmental investigations, monitoring, containment, abatement, removal, repair, cleanup, restoration, remediation and other response costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees and disbursements and

any fines and penalties imposed for the violation of Legal Requirements relating to the environment or human health, are expressly within the scope of the indemnity set forth above.

- (c) Grantee's use of the Property shall be at its sole risk and expense. Grantee accepts all risk relating to its occupancy and use of the Easement Area.
- (d) Grantee shall, to the maximum extent permitted by law, indemnify, protect, defend and hold Indemnitees harmless against claims, losses, costs (including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees and costs), liabilities and damages resulting from the failure of Grantee, or any of its contractors or subcontractors, to comply with the insurance requirements set forth in **Exhibit C**, attached hereto and made a part hereof. If Grantee fails to so indemnify, protect, defend or hold harmless any Indemnitee, then at PG&E's option, this Agreement shall terminate, and the estate and interest herein granted to Grantee shall revert to and revest in PG&E, if such failure continues for five (5) days following the giving of written notice of termination to Grantee, unless within such time such failure is cured to the reasonable satisfaction of PG&E.
- (e) The provisions of this Section 5 shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- 6. Reserved Rights. Subject to the provisions of Section 8 below, PG&E reserves the right to use the Easement Area for any and all purposes which will not unreasonably interfere with Grantee's facilities. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing:
- (a) Grantee acknowledges that the Property is a part of FERC Project No. 2310. PG&E reserves the right to use the Property, including the Easement Area, in all ways and for all purposes necessary or appropriate to its obligations as licensee under FERC Project No. 2310. Grantee shall not make use of the Easement Area in any way which would be incompatible with overall project operational and recreational uses.
- 7. Governmental Approvals. This Agreement shall not become effective, notwithstanding that it may have been executed and delivered by the parties, and Grantee shall not commence construction or other activities hereunder, unless and until PG&E notifies Grantee in writing of receipt of final, unconditional, and unappealable approval by the CPUC and that the terms and conditions of such CPUC approval are satisfactory to PG&E in its sole and absolute discretion. Grantee further acknowledges and agrees that PG&E makes no representation or warranty regarding the prospects for CPUC approval, and Grantee hereby waives all Claims against PG&E which may arise out of the need for such CPUC approval or the failure of the CPUC to grant such approval. This Agreement is made subject to all the provisions of such approval, as more particularly set forth in CPUC (Disposition Letter Advice Letter Decision _______), in like manner as though said provisions were set forth in full herein.
- Relocation. Subject to the provisions of this Section 8, the rights granted to Grantee herein shall forever be subordinate to PG&E's right to replace, reconstruct, relocate, operate and maintain PG&E's existing and/or future facilities including, but not limited to, the existing road described in the Easement Area. If PG&E's use of its reserved rights described above necessitates the relocation of any of Grantee's facilities, Grantee shall, at its own cost and expense, relocate such facilities to an alternate location mutually agreed upon between PG&E and Grantee, provided

Grantee is given at least twenty (20) days prior written notice of such required relocation. Any such relocation of Grantee's facilities shall be coordinated and scheduled between PG&E and Grantee so as to minimize, to the extent practicable, any interference with Grantee's use and operation of its facilities resulting from such relocation. If no alternate location is available on the Property, this Agreement shall terminate.

- Compliance: Insurance. PG&E shall have a right to access and inspect the Easement Area at any time to confirm Grantee's compliance with Legal Requirements and the provisions of this Agreement. Prior to the Effective Date of this Agreement, Grantee shall procure, and thereafter Grantee shall carry and maintain in effect at all times during the term of the Agreement, with respect to the Easement Area and the use, occupancy and activities of Grantee, its employees and agents on or about the Easement Area, the insurance specified in Exhibit C, attached hereto and made a part hereof by this reference, provided that PG&E reserves the right to review and modify from time to time the coverages and limits of coverage required hereunder, as well as the deductibles and/or self-insurance retentions in effect from time to time (but PG&E agrees that it will not increase required coverage limits more often than once in any five-year period). Prior to Grantee's entry on the Property, and thereafter thirty (30) days prior to the expiration date of any policy, Grantee shall provide PG&E with evidence of the insurance coverage, or continuing coverage, as required by this Agreement. All insurance required under this Agreement shall be effected under valid, enforceable policies issued by insurers of recognized responsibility, as reasonably determined by PG&E, and shall be written on forms and with insurance carriers acceptable to PG&E. Grantee is also responsible for causing its agents, contractors and subcontractors to comply with the insurance requirements of this Agreement at all relevant times (provided, however, that Grantee, in the exercise of its reasonable judgment, may permit contractors and subcontractors to maintain coverages and limits lower than those required of Grantee, provided the coverages and limits required by Grantee are commercially reasonable in light of applicable circumstances). Any policy of liability insurance required to be maintained hereunder by Grantee may be maintained under a so-called "blanket policy" insuring other locations and/or other persons, so long as PG&E is specifically named as an additional insured under such policy and the coverages and amounts of insurance required to be provided hereunder are not thereby impaired or diminished. In addition, liability insurance coverages may be provided under single policies for the full limits, or by a combination of underlying policies with the balance provided by excess or umbrella liability insurance policies.
- 10. <u>Mechanics' Liens</u>. Grantee shall keep the Property free and clear of all mechanics', material suppliers' or similar liens, or claims thereof, arising or alleged to arise in connection with any work performed, labor or materials supplied or delivered, or similar activities performed by Grantee or at its request or for its benefit. If any mechanics' liens are placed on the Property in connection with the activities or facilities set forth in this Agreement, Grantee shall promptly cause such liens to be released and removed from title, either by payment or by recording a lien release bond in the manner specified in California Civil Code Section 3143 or any successor statute.
- 11. Notice. Any notices hereunder shall be in writing and shall be personally delivered, or sent by first class mail, certified or registered, postage prepaid, or by national overnight courier, with charges prepaid for next business day delivery, addressed to the addressee party at the address or addresses listed below, or to such other address or addresses as such party may from time to time designate in writing. Notices shall be deemed received upon actual receipt or refusal of the

notice by the party being sent the notice. Any communication hereunder shall be in writing and can be personally delivered as described above or by email transmission.

If to PG&E:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company Attention: Land Agent 12840 Bill Clark Way Auburn, CA 95602

With a copy to:

If by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Law Department
P.O. Box 7442
San Francisco, CA 94120
Attention: Managing Counsel, Environmental & Real Estate

If by personal delivery or overnight courier:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Law Department
77 Beale Street, Mail Code B3OA
San Francisco, California 94120
Attention: Managing Counsel, Environmental & Real Estate

If to Grantee:

Siller Bros. Inc., PO BOX 1585 Yuba City, CA, 95992 Attention: Tom Siller

With a copy to:

12.	Governing Law.	This Agreement shall in all respects be interpreted,	enforced,	and
governed by a	nd under the laws	of the State of California.		

13. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement supersedes all previous oral and written agreements between and representations by or on behalf of the parties and constitutes the entire

agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may not be amended except by a written agreement executed by both parties.

- 14. <u>Binding Effect</u>. The provisions hereof shall inure to the benefit of and bind the successors and assigns of the respective parties hereto, and all covenants shall apply to and run with the land.
- 15. <u>Assignment</u>. This Agreement and the rights of Grantee hereunder are appurtenant to the Benefitted Property, and may not be separately assigned, transferred, conveyed or encumbered. Any purported assignment, transfer, conveyance or encumbrance violating the foregoing condition shall be void and of no effect.
- 16. <u>No Waiver</u>. No waiver with respect to any provision of this Agreement shall be effective unless in writing and signed by the party against whom it is asserted. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement by a party shall be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach or failure of the same term or condition, or as a waiver of any other provision of this Agreement.
- No Offsets. Grantee acknowledges that PG&E is executing this Agreement in its capacity as the owner of the Easement Area, and not in its capacity as a public utility company or provider of electricity and natural gas. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, no act or omission of Pacific Gas and Electric Company or its employees, agents or contractors as a provider of electricity and natural gas shall abrogate, diminish, or otherwise affect the respective rights, obligations and liabilities of PG&E and Grantee under this Agreement. Further, Grantee covenants not to raise as a defense to its obligations under this Agreement, or assert as a counterclaim or cross-claim in any litigation or arbitration between PG&E and Grantee relating to this Agreement, any claim, loss, damage, cause of action, liability, cost or expense (including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees) arising from or in connection with Pacific Gas and Electric Company's provision of (or failure to provide) electricity and natural gas.
- 18. <u>No Third Party Beneficiary</u>. This Agreement is solely for the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns, and, except as expressly provided herein, does not confer any rights or remedies on any other person or entity.
- 19. <u>Captions</u>. The captions in this Agreement are for reference only and shall in no way define or interpret any provision hereof.
- 20. <u>Time</u>. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the parties agree that as to any obligation or action to be performed hereunder, time is of the essence.
- 21. <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Agreement shall be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby, and each provision of this Agreement shall be valid and enforced to the full extent permitted by law, provided the material provisions of this Agreement can be determined and effectuated.
- 22. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which, when taken together, shall constitute one and the same instrument.

Other Documents. Each party agrees to sign any additional documents or permit 23. applications which may be reasonably required to effectuate the purpose of this Agreement. Provided, however, that PG&E will not be required to take any action or execute any document that would result in any cost, expense or liability to PG&E.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first set forth above.

GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a corporation	Siller Brothers. Inc.			
	By: Emselle			
rah Hug	Its: President.			
	a corporation			

Exhibits A, B and C attached

Attach to LD: 2117-12-10021 Area, Region or Location: 6 Land Service Office: Sacramento Line of Business: Hydro (24) Business Doc Type: Easements

MTRSQ: 21.17.12.33.14, 21.17.12.33.11, 21.17.12.33.13, 21.17.12.33.12,

FERC License Number: 2310 PG&E Drawing Number: SL-1541

Plat No.: N/A

LD of Affected Documents:

LD of Cross Referenced Documents: 2117-12-10016

Type of interest: Conveyances Out (11)

SBE Parcel: 135-31-001B-1 % Being Quitclaimed: N/A Order or PM: 2025565

JCN: N/A County: Placer Utility Notice Number: N/A 851 Approval Application No:

:Decision:

Prepared By: r9m1 Checked By: TLLL

Approved By: SMTK (tbd)

Revised by:

EXHIBIT A

(to be attached)

EXHIBIT B

(to be attached)

EXHIBIT C

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Grantee shall procure, carry and maintain in effect throughout the term of this Agreement the following insurance coverage. Grantee is also responsible for its subcontractors maintaining sufficient limits of the appropriate insurance coverages.

A. Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability

- 1. Workers' Compensation insurance indicating compliance with any and all applicable labor codes, acts, laws or statutes, state or federal.
- Employer's Liability insurance shall not be less than \$1,000,000 for injury or death, each accident.

B. Commercial General Liability

- Coverage shall be at least as broad as the Insurance Services Office (ISO)
 Commercial General Liability insurance "occurrence" form with no additional
 coverage alterations.
- 2. The limits shall not be less than \$5,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury, property damage and products and completed operations. Defense costs are to be provided outside the policy limits.
- Insured form CG 2010 or equivalent coverage) adding as additional insureds PG&E, its affiliates, subsidiaries, and parent company, and PG&E's directors, officers, agents and employees with respect to liability arising out of work performed by or for Grantee. If the policy includes "blanket endorsement by contract," the following language added to the certificate of insurance will satisfy PG&E's requirement: "by blanket endorsement, PG&E, its affiliates, subsidiaries, and parent company, and PG&E's directors, officers, agents and employees with respect to liability arising out of the work performed by or for the Grantee are included as additional insured"; and b) an endorsement or policy provision specifying that the Grantee's insurance is primary and that any insurance or self-insurance maintained by PG&E shall be excess and non-contributing.

C. Business Auto

- 1. Coverage shall be at least as broad as the Insurance Services Office (ISO) Business Auto Coverage form covering Automobile Liability, code 1 "any auto."
- The limit shall not be less than \$1,000,000 each accident for bodily injury and property damage.

D. Additional Insurance Provisions

- 1. Upon the Effective Date of the Easement Agreement Grantee shall furnish PG&E with two (2) sets of certificates of insurance including required endorsements.
- 2. Documentation shall state that coverage shall not be canceled except after thirty (30) days prior written notice has been given to PG&E.
- 3. The documents must be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf and submitted to:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company Insurance Department One Market, Spear Tower, Suite 2400 San Francisco, California 94105 Pacific Gas and Electric Company 12840 Bill Clark Way Auburn, CA 95602 Attention: Hydro Land Agent

- Upon request, Grantee shall furnish PG&E evidence of insurance for its agents or contractors.
- PG&E may inspect the original policies or require complete certified copies at any time.

Attachment D

Conservation Easement

RECORDING REQUESTED BY:	
State of California—Official Business Department of General Services	
Exempt from recording fees as per Gov't. Code Sec. 27388.1	
WHEN RECORDED MAIL TO:	
STATE OF CALIFORNIA Department of General Services Real Property Services Division, 707 Third Street, 5 th Floor, MS 505 West Sacramento, CA 95605 Attn: Acquisition Unit	
WITH A COPY TO:	
Placer Land Trust Attn: Executive Director 922 Lincoln Way, Suite 200 Auburn, CA 95603	
	(Space above this line for Recorder's Use)
The undersigned declares: DOCUMENTARY TRANSFER TAX \$0.00 Computed on full value of property conveyed Computed on full value less liens or encumbran Unincorporated area or City of Exempt per R&T Code 11911; conveyance of easen	

CONSERVATION EASEMENT

(Lake Valley Demonstration State Forest, Placer and Nevada Counties)

Between

The STATE OF CALIFORNIA ("STATE"), acting by and through the DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES ("DGS"), on behalf of the DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION ("CALFIRE"), as Grantor

And

PLACER LAND TRUST, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation, as Grantee

Note to County Recorders: This is a conservation easement within the meaning given to such term in California Government Code §27255 and is to be included in the index developed and maintained pursuant to such section. This conservation easement is being recorded concurrently in the official records of both Placer County and Nevada County as of the date first above written.

CONSERVATION EASEMENT

(Lake Valley Demonstration State Forest, Placer and Nevada Counties)

	THIS	CONSERV	ATION EASI	EMENT	("Conserv	vation Ea	asement")	is made an	d entered
into t	his	_ day of		_, 20 (("Effective	Date"),	by and be	tween the S	STATE
OF C	ALIFOR	RNIA ("ST	ATE"), acting	by and t	through the	DEPAR	RTMENT (OF GENER	RAL
SERV	/ICES ('	'DGS"), on	behalf of the	DEPAR'	TMENT O	F FORE	STRY AN	ID FIRE	
PRO	ГЕСТІО	N ("CALF	IRE"), and PI	LACER I	LAND TR	UST, a C	alifornia r	nonprofit pu	ıblic
benef	it corpor	ration ("Gra	antee"), with 1	reference	e to the foll	lowing fa	icts:		

RECITALS

- A. STATE is the owner of approximately 1,151 acres of real property located in the County of Placer and the County of Nevada ("Counties") in the State of California, as more particularly described in <u>Exhibit A</u> attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, together with all improvements and appurtenances thereto ("Property"). A map of the Property identifying the improvements existing on the Property as of the date of this Conservation Easement and various other natural features of the Property is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u> and incorporated herein by reference ("Property Maps").
- B. Pacific Gas and Electric Company, a California corporation ("PG&E"), transferred fee title to the Property to the STATE by Grant Deed, recorded in the Official Records of the Counties before recordation of this Conservation Easement (the "Grant Deed"), the form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit C and incorporated herein by reference. PG&E transferred fee title to the Property to the STATE in connection with PG&E's implementation of the "Land Conservation Commitment" (defined below) provided for in the following documents and described more fully below:
 - a. That certain Settlement Agreement ("Settlement Agreement") as modified and approved by the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California ("Commission") in its Opinion and Order of December 18, 2003 (Decision 03-12-035); and
 - b. That certain Stipulation Resolving Issues Regarding the Land Conservation Commitment dated September 25, 2003 ("Stipulation"). The Stipulation provides, among other things, that conservation easements will preserve or enhance reasonable public access.
- C. The Settlement Agreement and the Stipulation (collectively, "Governing Documents") require PG&E to ensure that approximately 140,000 acres of watershed lands, all located in California and owned by PG&E as of the date the Governing Documents were entered into (collectively, "Watershed Lands"), including the Property, are conserved for a broad range of beneficial public values, including the protection of the natural habitat of fish, wildlife and plants; the preservation of open space; outdoor recreation by the general public; sustainable forestry; agricultural uses; and historic values (collectively, "Beneficial Public Values" or "BPVs"). The Property is included in these Watershed Lands.

- D. Pursuant to the Governing Documents, the Pacific Forest and Watershed Lands Stewardship Council, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation ("Stewardship Council"), was created to oversee and carry out the Land Conservation Commitment. Pursuant to the Governing Documents, the Stewardship Council developed a plan for protection of the Watershed Lands for the benefit of the citizens of California ("Land Conservation Plan" or "LCP"). The LCP includes, among other things, recommended objectives to preserve and/or enhance the Beneficial Public Values identified on each parcel of Watershed Lands, including the Property.
- E. The Beneficial Public Values present at the Property are referred to herein as "Conservation Values" as more specifically provided herein. The "Land Conservation Commitment" constitutes the obligations of PG&E to convey fee title and conservation easements to Watershed Lands, and to protect the Conservation Values of the Watershed Lands, as well as certain other obligations related thereto, as set forth in detail in the Governing Documents.
- F. The Property possesses forested, recreational, historical, scenic and open space characteristics, valuable to the people of the Counties, the State of California, and the public in general.
- G. The Governing Documents also include a requirement that conservation easements encumbering Watershed Lands honor existing agreements for economic uses, including consumptive water deliveries.
- H. The Stewardship Council has defined the "sustainable forestry" BPV as "the practice of managing dynamic forest ecosystems to provide ecological, economic, social and cultural benefits for present and future generations."
 - I. The Conservation Values of the Property are:
 - a. <u>Plant and Animal Habitat</u>. A diverse range of plant, animal, fungal, and micro biotic communities exist on the Property, including notably habitat in and around the North Fork American River, Sixmile Valley and Sixmile Meadow, Lake Valley Reservoir, and Kelly Lake.
 - b. <u>Sustainable Forestry</u>. Forest resources on the Property include Sierran mixed conifer forest, with mixed conifer hardwood forest transitioning to lodgepole pine and fir forest at higher elevations. The ability to alter, manage and study the forest, including for forest health and wildfire resilience, is specifically included in the Conservation Values.
 - c. <u>Open Space and Scenery</u>. The Property provides open space and scenic view shed values characteristic of the Sierra Nevada.
 - d. <u>Historic and Cultural Resources</u>. Identified historical and cultural values, to the extent they are protected by state and federal law, and a portion of the Overland Emigrant Trail on the Property.

- e. <u>Outdoor Recreation and Education</u>. The Property provides opportunities for outdoor recreation and education, such as camping, fishing, hiking, hunting, sightseeing, birdwatching, and the enjoyment and study of nature.
- J. All rights of STATE and Grantee hereunder are subject to: (i) PG&E's reservation of certain rights in and to the Property, as set forth in the Grant Deed ("PG&E Reserved Rights"), (ii) that certain Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance, and Laydown Easement ("Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance, and Laydown Easement") in favor of PG&E with respect to the Property, recorded in the Official Records of the Counties before recordation of this Conservation Easement, the form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit D and incorporated herein by reference ("PG&E Easement Reserved Rights"), and (iii) the third-party rights to use the Property in effect as of the Effective Date, as included on Exhibit E attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference ("Express Third Party Uses").
- K. The Legislature of the State of California, as set forth in California Civil Code section 815 et seq., has found and declared it to be the public policy and in the public interest of this state to encourage the preservation of land predominantly in its natural, scenic, agricultural, historical, forested, or open-space condition. Grantee is a California nonprofit organization within the meaning of California Civil Code Section 815.3 and is a tax exempt and "qualified conservation organization" within the meaning of Sections 501(c)(3) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the United States Internal Revenue Code, and is authorized to hold conservation easements in accordance with California Civil Code §815 et seq. In furtherance of the Land Conservation Commitment and the above-described public policy purposes, STATE desires to grant to Grantee, and Grantee desires to accept from STATE, a conservation easement over and upon the Property.
- L. STATE and Grantee each desires through this Conservation Easement to ensure the permanent protection of the Conservation Values on the Property. Specifically, the parties desire to assure that the Conservation Values on the Property will be protected in perpetuity as provided herein, and that uses of the Property that significantly impair the Conservation Values will be prevented or corrected.

COVENANTS, TERMS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the recitals and including the exhibits herein, all of which are expressly incorporated into this Conservation Easement, including the Exhibits, and in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained in this Conservation Easement, and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, STATE hereby voluntarily grants and conveys to Grantee, and to Grantee's successors and assigns, and Grantee hereby accepts from STATE, a perpetual conservation easement as defined by Section 815.1 of the Conservation Easement Act of 1979 (California Civil Code section 815 et seq.), of the nature and character described in this Conservation Easement, in, on, over and across the Property on the following terms and conditions as hereinafter set forth.

1. Conservation Purpose. The purpose of this Conservation Easement is as follows ("Conservation Purpose"): to protect the Conservation Values in perpetuity by preventing any

use of the Property that will significantly impair the Conservation Values. Subject to the following terms and conditions, STATE and Grantee intend that this Conservation Easement will confine the uses of the Property to such activities that do not significantly impair the Conservation Values. As used in this Conservation Easement, the terms "significantly impair" and "significant impairment" mean a material adverse change in Conservation Values. Any consideration as to whether an actual or potential impact of a particular activity or use has or may significantly impair Conservation Values shall take into account the actual and potential impacts of the activity or use in question as well as the cumulative impacts of other uses and activities on the Property excepting therefrom the cumulative impacts of STATE's Reserved Rights (as defined below), PG&E Reserved Rights, PG&E Easement Reserved Rights and the Express Third Party Uses. In every evaluation of whether significant impairment of Conservation Values has occurred or is threatened, Grantee shall evaluate the magnitude (including, without limitation, consideration of the rarity and fragility of the natural resource affected and the area of land, wildlife habitat or vegetation community involved both locally and in relation to total acreage of that type of land, wildlife habitat or vegetation community in the Property) and the duration of the actual or potential change(s).

STATE and Grantee acknowledge that the Governing Documents reflect the intention of the parties thereto to honor Express Third-Party Uses and continue to permit beneficial uses of the Property that preserve and/or enhance the Conservation Values. It is intended that this Conservation Easement shall allow uses on the Property that are consistent with the protection and preservation of each of the Conservation Values in harmony with each other. While permitted actions required or taken to protect and preserve one or more individual Conservation Values may impair, on an individual and stand-alone basis, one or more of the other Conservation Values, STATE and Grantee understand that achieving the Conservation Purpose requires the preservation and protection, on balance, of all of the Conservation Values actually existing on the Property, to the extent possible. It is recognized that in protecting and/or enhancing one or more of the Conservation Values, another Conservation Value may be impaired, but this is not meant to be a permanent occurrence, nor a reason to re-prioritize one Conservation Value over another. All attempts should be made to balance on a collective basis, the Conservation Values on the whole Property whenever possible. This Conservation Easement prohibits use of the Property for any purpose that would significantly impair the Conservation Values on a collective, not individual basis, taking into account the relative condition and quality of each of the Conservation Values on the Property as of the Effective Date.

- 2. PG&E Reserved Rights. All rights and obligations of STATE and Grantee under this Conservation Easement are subject to the PG&E Reserved Rights. In the event of a conflict between the PG&E Reserved Rights and the Conservation Purpose, this Conservation Easement shall be construed to unconditionally permit the exercise of the PG&E Reserved Rights.
- 3. Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance, and Laydown Easement. All rights and obligations of STATE and Grantee under this Conservation Easement are subject to the PG&E Easement Reserved Rights. In the event of a conflict between the PG&E Easement Reserved Rights and the Conservation Purpose, this Conservation Easement shall be construed to unconditionally permit the exercise of the PG&E Easement Reserved Rights.

- 4. Baseline Documentation Report. The parties hereto acknowledge that a baseline documentation report ("Report") has been prepared, a copy of which is on file with STATE and Grantee at their respective addresses for notices set forth below. The Report contains representations of the physical condition of the Property existing as of the Effective Date. The Report is intended to serve as an objective, though nonexclusive, information baseline for monitoring compliance with the terms of this Conservation Easement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a controversy arises with respect to the nature and extent of the physical or biological condition of the Property or the historical uses of the Property or the permitted uses of the Property under this Conservation Easement, the parties shall not be foreclosed from utilizing any and all other relevant documents, surveys or other evidence or information to assist in the resolution of the controversy.
- **5. Rights Conveyed To Grantee.** In order to accomplish the Conservation Purpose, STATE transfers and conveys to Grantee the following rights and interests:
- (a) **Preserve and Protect**. Subject to the exceptions listed in **Section 7(a)** below and elsewhere in this Conservation Easement, Grantee has the right to identify, preserve and protect in perpetuity the Conservation Values of the Property.
- Entry and Access Rights. Grantee and Grantee's directors, officers, employees, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, representatives, and agents, including entities authorized by Grantee to conduct monitoring activities on Grantee's behalf ("Grantee's Representatives") are hereby granted rights of access to enter upon the Property, including entry and access by motorized vehicle, and may enter upon the Property after giving notice to STATE, as required below, in order to monitor compliance with and otherwise enforce the terms of this Conservation Easement, to study and make scientific observations of the Conservation Values, to determine whether STATE's activities are in compliance with the terms of this Conservation Easement and to take all actions deemed necessary by Grantee to identify, preserve, protect, and monitor in perpetuity the Conservation Values, all in compliance with the provisions of Section 12. Except in cases where Grantee determines that immediate entry is required to prevent, terminate, or mitigate a violation of this Conservation Easement, Grantee shall give STATE fourteen (14) days prior written notice of such entry. Grantee's Representatives may enter the Property immediately, where such entry is necessary to prevent, terminate, or mitigate damage to, or the destruction of any of the Conservation Values, or to prevent, terminate or mitigate a violation of the terms of this Conservation Easement. STATE's representatives shall have the right to accompany Grantee's Representatives during monitoring visits or on any other visit permitted by this Section 5(b). All access and entry allowed under this Section 5(b) shall be made in a manner that will not unreasonably interfere with the permitted use(s) or enjoyment of the Property by STATE, its successors in interest, and any legally-recognized user(s) of the Property, including without limitation, PG&E with regards to the exercise of any PG&E Reserved Rights or PG&E Easement Reserved Rights, and third-parties with regards to the exercise of any Express Third Party Uses.
- (c) **Enforcement**. Subject to and in accordance with the provisions of **Section 12**, Grantee has the right to enforce the terms of this Conservation Easement, to enjoin any activity on the Property or other use of the Property which is in violation of the terms of this Conservation Easement, and to enforce the restoration of such areas or features of the Property as

may hereafter be damaged as a result of activity or use that is determined to be in violation of the Conservation Easement. Any requirement of STATE to expend monies to act and/or restore the Property under this Conservation Easement shall be subject to **Section 12(d)** of this Conservation Easement.

- **Demonstration State Forest Management Plan.** As long as the Property is owned in fee by STATE or another party that is qualified to own and manage a Demonstration State Forest, the STATE and/or other qualified party may conduct timber harvest activities on the Property as a "Demonstration State Forest" in accordance with a Demonstration State Forest Management Plan that incorporates the Forest Management Goals (as defined in Section 9(a) below) and has been approved by the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (or successor agency or department of the State of California having jurisdiction over timber harvest activities in the State of California) ("State Board of Forestry") that satisfies the following requirements ("Demonstration State Forest Management Plan"): (1) permits activities that do not significantly impair the Conservation Values of the Property; (2) complies with legislative mandates and State Board of Forestry policy for Demonstration State Forests and meets the requirements of the California Forest Practice Act and Rules; (3) has been approved by the State Board of Forestry in an open public process that provides an opportunity for public input and is subject to the State Board of Forestry's periodic review as defined in policy adopted by the State Board of Forestry for Demonstration State Forests; (4) shall be publicly available; and (5) shall be subject to Grantee's review and comment, but not subject to Grantee approval, in conjunction with the State Board of Forestry's initial and subsequent periodic review.
- (a) **Timber Harvest.** Any Demonstration State Forest Management Plan shall describe the timber harvest and related activities that STATE intends to undertake on the Property, including without limitation, a comprehensive summary of STATE's forest management objectives, forest stand descriptions and locations including site classes, stand volumes, growth rates, relevant inventory information and maps, locations of soils, estimates of slope and erosion potential, locations of known wildlife habitats, especially species listed as threatened or endangered at the federal or state level, known rare plants, wetlands, description of management history, silvicultural and harvest methods, projections of harvest yields, reforestation and management activities (collectively, the "Management Plan Components").
- (b) **Non-Native Plants.** STATE reserves the right to introduce and manage non-native or invasive plants, provided that the measures taken to manage the non-native or invasive plants, including controlled burning, comply with applicable laws and regulations and do not significantly impair the Conservation Values of the Property.
- (c) **Research.** Grantee understands that research and demonstration into sustainable forestry practices, best management practices, potential new forest practice rules, and other forestry-related research is an important component of STATE's management of the Property as a Demonstration State Forest. The Demonstration State Forest Management Plan will describe the range of research and demonstration forest activities and projects that may be conducted on the Property.
- (d) Alternative Forest Management Plan. If the Property is not owned in fee by the State of California or another party that is qualified to own and manage a

Demonstration State Forest, such successor Property owner and/or the STATE may continue to conduct sustainable timber harvest activities on the Property in accordance with a management plan that satisfies the following requirements ("Forest Management Plan"): (1) incorporates the Forest Management Goals; (2) describes all of the Management Plan Components; (3) permits only activities that do not significantly impair the Conservation Values of the Property; (4) complies with legislative mandates and State Board of Forestry policy and meets the requirements of the California Forest Practice Act and Rules and all other Applicable Laws (as defined in Section 10 below); and (5) has been approved in advance by Grantee. Any modifications or amendments to an approved Forest Management Plan shall be subject to Grantee's prior written consent.

7. Prohibited Uses, Change in Use, Unauthorized Use, Acts of God, Emergencies, Acts of Unrelated Third Parties.

- (a) **Prohibited Uses.** Any activity on or use of the Property that significantly impairs Conservation Values is prohibited. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, STATE will not actively engage in, or knowingly permit others to actively engage in, the following prohibited uses (collectively, "**Prohibited Uses**") which could significantly impair Conservation Values and are in violation of the terms of this Conservation Easement and therefore prohibited on the Property, in each case (1) except as required or permitted pursuant to the PG&E Reserved Rights or the PG&E Easement Reserved Rights (as defined in **Sections 2 and 3** above); (2) except as permitted under, and performed in accordance with, Express Third Party Uses; (3) except as required or permitted as part of a Demonstration State Forest Management Plan (as described in **Section 6** above); (4) except as expressly permitted under **Sections 7 and 9** below and elsewhere in this Conservation Easement; and (5) except as required to be undertaken under any Applicable Law (as defined below):
 - <u>Construction and Development</u>. STATE reserves the right to develop structures (i) and improvements for Authorized Uses within four (4) or fewer building envelopes that together total no more twenty (20) acres combined ("Building Envelopes"). The Building Envelopes must be: (a) located fully within one or more of the Potential Building Envelope Area identified on the Property Maps; and (b) selected in accordance with this section. Prior to selecting the Building Envelope locations, STATE shall send a written request to consult with Grantee and the parties shall seek to meet in person within thirty (30) days of the receipt of the consultation request. For purposes of this Conservation Easement, consultation means the meaningful and timely process of meeting in good faith to exchange adequate information and discuss, understand, and consider the views of the other party and to seek, wherever feasible, to reach agreement on Building Envelope locations that will minimize impacts to the Conservation Values. If no response to the request to consult is received from Grantee within thirty (30) days of its receipt, the STATE shall have no obligation to consult. Development within the Building Envelopes shall be limited to any one of the Authorized Uses of the State Forests, which are recreation, research or forest management¹, and associated parking ("Authorized Uses"). Examples of such development include, but are not limited to, a fire station, forest headquarters, barracks, lookout, observatory, and/or research/education facilities. Before constructing any improvement(s) within the Building Envelopes, (i) STATE and Grantee shall designate the exact location of the

Building Envelopes by professional land survey or other reasonably precise method at STATE's cost, and (ii) State shall record in the Official Records of the Counties a map and addendum to this Conservation Easement which identifies the designated location of the Building Envelopes. Prior to construction, with prior written approval from Grantee, Building Envelopes may be relocated within a Potential Building Envelope Area if unforeseen circumstances prevent and/or unreasonably limit construction within previously selected Building Envelopes. Under no circumstances shall the aggregate acreage of the selected Building Envelopes exceed twenty (20) acres in total size.

The Property Maps attached hereto as **Exhibit B** identify potential building area portions of the Property (the "**Potential Building Envelope Area**") within which STATE may select four or fewer Building Envelopes that do not exceed twenty (20) acres in total size. STATE shall not be required to select the total twenty (20) acres, and up to four (4) total, Building Envelope(s) at one time, but instead, may make selections from time to time in accordance with this section until such time that a total of twenty (20) acres, and up to four (4) total, Building Envelope(s) within the Potential Building Envelope Area have been selected. Following final selection and surveyed delineation of a total of twenty (20) acres, and up to four (4) total, Building Envelopes in accordance with this section, all remaining portions of the Potential Building Envelopes area that are not included in Building Envelopes shall no longer serve as Potential Building Envelope Area under this Conservation Easement.

In accordance with **Sections 9(g) and 9(j)**, development, installation, protection, and use of utilities and underground water resources on the Property to serve the permitted structures, may extend outside of the Building Envelopes. Such development may include, without limitation, access roads, wells, pump houses, underground pipelines, electricity facilities, and any additional infrastructure required, not including parking. Any existing structures (detailed in Report) and utilities may be maintained and repaired/replaced as necessary.

- (ii) <u>Use or Transfer of Development Rights</u>. Other than those development rights specifically allowed in this Conservation Easement, all development rights that are now or hereafter allocated to, implied, reserved, or inherent in or to the Property are terminated and extinguished and may not be used on or transferred to any portion of the Property as it now or hereafter may be bounded or described, or to any other property (whether adjacent or otherwise).
- (iii) <u>Subdivision</u>. The Property is already comprised of several legal parcels owned by the STATE. There shall be no legal or *de facto* sale or gift of less than all of the parcels within the Property, nor any further division, subdivision or partitioning of the Property. The Property may not be sold, conveyed or otherwise transferred in separate parcels or lots, and STATE shall continue to maintain the parcels comprising the Property, and all interests therein, under common ownership, as though a single legal parcel.

- (iv) Motorized Vehicles. Off-road use of motorized vehicles is allowed: (a) in conjunction with STATE's forest management activities in **Sections 9(a)** and **9(e)**, or (b) in conjunction with Grantee's entry and access for purposes of monitoring or defending this Conservation Easement, or (c) as otherwise authorized in this Conservation Easement. This provision is not intended to otherwise limit the use of motorized vehicles on roads or driveways permitted under this Conservation Easement or in conjunction with construction and maintenance of permitted buildings, structures, roads, trails and other improvements.
- (v) <u>Dumping or Salvage</u>. There shall be no dumping, storage or other disposal on the Property of soil, trash or garbage except for (a) refuse generated on the Property which may be stored on the Property on a temporary basis prior to its removal from the Property in areas where the Conservation Values of the Property are not significantly impaired, or (b) compostable refuse generated on the Property which may be disposed of on the Property in a responsible manner which does not significantly impair the Conservation Values of the Property. There shall be no dumping, storage or other disposal on the Property of ashes, sludge, Hazardous Substances (as defined below), or other unsightly or dangerous materials. This restriction does not apply to ashes from wildfire or other fire conducted for resource management or research purposes. There shall be no storage or disassembly on the Property of inoperable automobiles, trucks, or other vehicles or equipment for purposes of sale, or rental of space for that purpose. Pursuant to Section 7(c) below, STATE shall make a reasonable effort to prevent unauthorized dumping by the public.
- (vi) <u>Roads</u>. Except with prior written consent of Grantee or pursuant to one of the exceptions listed in **Section 7(a)** or as otherwise expressly authorized herein, there shall be no oiling of existing roads. There shall be no creation of new roads that are not incorporated in the Demonstration State Forest Management Plan or a Forest Management Plan. Dust abatement treatments shall be acceptable.
- (vii) Alteration of Land or Excavation. Except with prior written consent of Grantee and pursuant to one of the exceptions listed in **Section 7(a)** or for permitted research purposes upon Grantee's prior written consent or as otherwise expressly authorized herein, there shall be no filling, excavating, grading, draining or dredging on the Property, nor any change in the general topography of the Property, outside of the Building Envelopes.
- (viii) Mining and Drilling. There shall be no mining, dredging, drilling, removing, or exploring for or extracting of minerals, oil, gas, coal, or other hydrocarbons, soils, sands, gravel, loam, rocks or any other material on, under, or at the Property; provided, however, in no event shall the foregoing restriction be deemed to prohibit testing, drilling or operating groundwater wells on the Property as reasonably necessary in connection with STATE's exercise of any permitted rights. Recreational gold panning that does not significantly impair the Conservation Values is allowed. No more than two rock pits may be developed in compliance with the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975 for the purpose of obtaining materials for roadbed construction conducted in

connection with timber operation or forest management on land owned by the STATE, as long as such activity does not significantly impair the Conservation Values.

- (ix) <u>Historical and Cultural Resource Identification</u>. There shall be no activities, actions or uses that disturb or impair any identified historical or cultural resources on the Property in violation of state or federal law.
- (x) <u>Water Resources</u>. There shall be no development of any waters on the Property for fish farming or any other commercial or industrial purpose. Except with prior written consent of Grantee and pursuant to one of the exceptions listed in **Section 7(a)** or as otherwise expressly authorized herein, there shall be no manipulation or alteration of natural water courses, wetland, meadow, stream bank, shorelines or bodies of water or activities or uses that significantly impair water quality. Groundwater wells may be installed for local use on the Property as reasonably necessary to support the permitted uses of the Property under **Section 9** below.
- (xi) <u>Water Rights</u>. There shall be no severance, conveyance, impairment or encumbrance of water or water rights appurtenant to the Property, separately from the underlying fee title to the Property, or other action which diminishes or extinguishes such water rights, and this Conservation Easement shall not sever or impair any riparian water rights appurtenant to the Property.
- (xii) <u>Water Quality Degradation</u>. There shall be no uses permitted under this Conservation Easement whereby runoff from such uses results in a violation of applicable federal, state, and local water quality laws.
- (b) Changes in Use. STATE understands that the Prohibited Uses may be more economically valuable than permitted uses under this Conservation Easement and that neighboring properties may in the future be put entirely to such Prohibited Uses. It is the intent of both STATE and Grantee that any such changes shall not be deemed to be circumstances justifying the termination, extinguishment or modification of this Conservation Easement. In addition, the inability of STATE, or STATE's successors, or assigns, to conduct or implement any or all of the uses permitted under the terms of this Conservation Easement, or the unprofitability of doing so, shall not impair the validity of the Conservation Easement or be considered grounds for the termination, extinguishment or modification of same.
- (c) Unauthorized Third Party Uses and STATE's Obligations. If Grantee discovers any unauthorized third-party use or activity on the Property that violates the terms of this Conservation Easement, and Grantee gives STATE written notice thereof, STATE shall use reasonable efforts to stop or prevent any such unauthorized use of the Property, subject to the provisions of Section 12(d) below.
- (d) Acts of God; Emergencies; Acts of Unrelated Third Parties; Pre-Existing Conditions. Nothing in this Conservation Easement shall require STATE to take any action to restore the condition of the Property (i) after any Act of God, which includes, without limitation, fire, climatic change, flood, storm, earth movement, or natural evolutionary changes in the condition of the Property from that described in the Report; (ii) after any action taken by

STATE under emergency conditions to prevent, abate, or mitigate unreasonable impairment to the Conservation Values, or to any person resulting from such causes; (iii) after any acts of unrelated third parties, so long as STATE has satisfied its obligations under **Section 7(c)**, above, and **Section 8(d)**, below; or (iv) if such condition existed prior to the Effective Date of this Conservation Easement.

8. Public Access:

- (a) Informal Uses and Public Access. STATE and Grantee recognize that the Property has been used by third parties for recreational, cultural, and other non-commercial or informal purposes without formal written agreements to conduct such activities (the "Informal Uses"). STATE and Grantee further recognize that access to the Property is inherent or may be inherent in the enjoyment of the Conservation Values and the Informal Uses. Consistent with the objectives articulated in the Governing Documents to provide continued reasonable access by the public to the Watershed Lands, STATE shall allow public access to the Property that is substantially consistent with the public access existing on the Effective Date of the Conservation Easement. STATE reserves the right to make reasonable rules and regulations to control, limit, or, as necessary, exclude Informal Uses and public access, including without limitation, (i) by posting and other means; and (ii) by restricting access to areas of the Property under active cultivation, grazing, study, temporarily to prevent vandalism and dumping, seasonally to prevent erosion/sedimentation concerns, or for safety purposes during timber harvesting or other permitted management activities that may pose a hazard. STATE shall make reasonable efforts to prevent Informal Uses that significantly impair the Conservation Values.
- (b) **New or Increased Public Access**. STATE may allow new public access or Informal Uses or expansion of public access or Informal Uses on the Property, provided such new or expanded use does not significantly impair the Conservation Values.
- (c) Limitations and Conditions. Sections 8(a) and 8(b) above are subject to the following:
 - (i) **Liability Limitation**. STATE and Grantee claim all of the rights and immunities against liability for injury to the public to the fullest extent allowable by law, including without limitation, under the California Tort Claims Act, California Government Code section 810 et seq., as amended and any successor provisions thereof.
 - (ii) **Periodic Review of Informal Uses**. As part of Grantee's annual compliance monitoring, (i) STATE and Grantee shall consult on the known Informal Uses and public access on the Property conducted under **Sections 8(a)** and **8(b)** above during the preceding monitoring period for the purpose of Grantee's assessment of STATE's compliance with the requirements set forth in those sections; and (ii) with respect to Informal Uses allowed by the STATE on the Property in accordance with **Section 8(a)** above, STATE and Grantee will consult, and include recommendations, if any, regarding the necessity of controlling, limiting, or excluding Informal Uses to ensure the protection of the Conservation Values from significant impairment.

- (d) Unauthorized Public Access. If STATE or Grantee discovers any unauthorized public access use or activity that violates the terms of this Conservation Easement, STATE shall use reasonable efforts, in consultation with Grantee, to stop or prevent any such unauthorized use of the Property, subject to the provisions of Section 12(d) below. The parties acknowledge and agree that any form of legal action by STATE shall be subject to authorization by the California Attorney General.
- 9. STATE's Reserved Rights: Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Conservation Easement, STATE expressly reserves all rights accruing from the ownership of the Property, including the right to engage in or permit or invite others to engage in all uses of the Property that are not expressly prohibited by this Conservation Easement and are not in conflict with the Conservation Purpose ("STATE's Reserved Rights"). Pursuant to California Civil Code section 815.4, all interests in the Property not expressly transferred and conveyed to Grantee by this Conservation Easement or reserved to PG&E as the PG&E Reserved Rights or the PG&E Easement Reserved Rights (as described in Sections 2 and 3 above), shall remain with STATE. In exercising STATE's Reserved Rights, STATE will (i) use reasonable efforts to consult with Grantee, and (ii) use reasonable efforts to employ methods and practices that will not significantly impair the Conservation Values.

The following uses and practices, though not necessarily an exhaustive recital of consistent uses and practices, are expressly permitted under this Conservation Easement:

(a) **Forest Management.** STATE reserves the right to conduct forestry activities on the Property, in accordance with **Section 6** above, and the following **Forest Management Goals**:

It is the intent of STATE and Grantee that any timber harvesting activities conducted on the Property in accordance with this Conservation Easement maintain healthy and vigorous forest stands, protect important riparian resources, manage for sustainable stands of native tree species historically present on the landscape, encourage regeneration of oak trees where applicable, improve resistance to drought and pests, address any infestation of insects or disease which threatens the viability of the forest, address any build-up of fuel to reduce risks of catastrophic fire, enhance climate benefits through carbon sequestration and storage, establish and maintain a full and balanced range of stand ages and characteristics, allowed to move across the landscape over time, including early-seral, mid-seral and late-seral forest conditions, provide adequate amounts of snags and cavity trees, provide adequate amounts of downed woody debris, manage for edge effects, and maintain and enhance vegetation types and structural elements across the landscape that support fish and wildlife habitats (collectively, the "Forest Management Goals"). The Forest Management Goals shall be accomplished by complying with the Forest Practice Act and Rules and the provisions set forth in this section.

- (b) **Residential Use.** Subject to **Section 7(a)**, any and all residential development on the Property shall be restricted to the Building Envelopes, and shall meet all Applicable Laws for dwellings in Timber Production Zones.
- (c) **Recreational Use.** Recreational use by STATE and the general public is permitted in accordance with **Section 8.**

- (d) **Roads.** STATE reserves the right, but shall have no obligation, to maintain the existing network of roads on the Property as shown in **Exhibit B**. Paving or placing rock on the road network is permitted, however oiling of roads not traditionally treated in this manner, is not allowed. New roads are permitted to the extent incorporated in the Demonstration State Forest Management Plan or a Forest Management Plan, provided such roads do not significantly impair Conservation Values. Subject to **Section 7(a)**, new roads or the resurfacing of existing roads are permitted within the Building Envelopes. In addition, STATE may, after providing written notice to Grantee, improve roads outside the Building Envelopes in conjunction with permitted maintenance, repair, replacement and construction of improvements under this Conservation Easement. STATE will take reasonable actions to ensure abandoned roads that were originally constructed by STATE blend with the surrounding landscape subject to the provisions of **Section 12(d)** below.
- (e) **Motorized Vehicles.** STATE reserves the right to use motorized vehicles on the Property, including off-road vehicles (such as motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles) for non-recreational purposes, specifically for ingress and egress purposes, for practices permitted under this Conservation Easement, and for patrolling purposes, provided that such uses do not significantly impair the Conservation Values.
 - (f) **Intentionally Omitted.**
 - (g) Water and Irrigation. STATE reserves the right to conduct the

following:

- (i) develop groundwater wells where necessary. Such wells and their associated infrastructure must be in accordance with **Section 9(j)-Utilities**;
- (ii) subject to Grantee's prior written consent, develop wildlife enhancement ponds and/or guzzlers in a manner that does not significantly impair the Conservation Values; and
- (iii) develop water drafting sites that minimize impacts to water quality, riparian species, and the Conservation Values. Water drafting sites may be used for water collection for dust abatement, fire suppression purposes or other activities associated with the Property, and must be sited, constructed and maintained in order to not significantly impair the Conservation Values of the Property.
- (h) **Fences.** Any new fencing shall be sited and designed not to significantly impair the Conservation Values of the Property, must allow for the free movement of wildlife to the extent practicable and compatible with any livestock exclusion fences in Section 9(o), and shall be constructed according to standards established by the current best management practices recommended by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. Fences to protect research, monitoring and other sensitive installations may be designed to exclude wildlife.
- (i) **Waste and Hazardous Substances.** The dumping, release, burning, permanent storage or disposal of waste, refuse, debris, motorized vehicles or hazardous materials is prohibited; provided, however, that vehicles, building materials, machinery or supplies, including, without limitation, petroleum products and pesticides, required for permitted and legal uses may be temporarily stored on roads, landings, and other clearings outside of riparian zones

in compliance with all Applicable Laws; and provided that organic debris from forest management activities permitted in this Conservation Easement may be piled, burned or otherwise treated in a manner that is consistent with applicable regulations and the Forest Management Plan.

the Property to serve the allowed improvements and uses within the Building Envelopes in accordance with Section 7(a), provided the uses under such easements do not significantly impair the Conservation Values. Right-of-way widths shall comply with the requirements of the California Forest Practice Act and Rules and any other applicable state or federal laws. All new utility infrastructure on the Property shall serve only the improvements permitted on the Property, except that any electricity generated from permitted utility infrastructure facilities in excess of requirements of the permitted improvements and uses on the Property may be sold to public utilities. Notwithstanding the foregoing, commercial power generation, collection or transmission facilities are prohibited.

The construction, operation and maintenance of power lines and pipelines are permitted, provided that, without limiting the PG&E Reserved Rights and PG&E Easement Reserved Rights, STATE shall use reasonable efforts to bury transmission or power lines or pipelines related to such activity or to align such lines along roadways, and the construction of new power lines and pipelines hereunder shall be limited to the support of STATE's permitted activities hereunder must be unobtrusively sited and shall not significantly impair the Conservation Values.

- (k) Renewable Energy Sources. STATE reserves the right, subject to prior written consent from Grantee, to construct renewable energy structures such as photovoltaic cells, solar arrays, and windmills, for generation of power for use on the Property, including generation of power for research equipment, provided, however, that: (i) all such renewable energy structures shall be located within **Building Envelopes**, with the limited exception of solar energy structures used to power research equipment allowed to be used elsewhere on the Property; and (ii) no construction of renewable energy structures shall significantly impair the Conservation Values. Grantee's consent shall not be unreasonably delayed or withheld. STATE and Grantee agree that the provisions of this **Subsection 9(k)** restricting the locations of the installation of renewable energy systems and prohibiting the construction of renewable energy structures that would significantly impair the Conservation Values are "reasonable restrictions" within the meaning of California Civil Code § 714."
- (1) Future Easements, Leases, Licenses, Permits, and Contracts. Excepting the Express Third Party Uses which are subject to Section 11 below, STATE reserves the right to grant subsequent easements, leases, licenses, permits and contracts on or relating to the Property, provided that any such subsequent easement, lease, license, permit, or contract is for a permitted use and is subordinate, subject to, and consistent with the terms of this Conservation Easement, and is documented in a separate written agreement subject to Grantee's consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. If STATE wishes to grant subsequent easements, leases, licenses, permits and contracts on or relating to the Property, STATE shall so notify Grantee at least sixty (60) days in advance of any such proposed grant, shall provide to Grantee a copy of any proposed easement grant document together with

any such additional information relating to the proposed grant as Grantee may reasonably request. STATE shall request Grantee's consent of such grant. Grantee will review the proposal and may, in its reasonable discretion, (a) approve the proposal as being consistent with the Conservation Purpose or (b) approve the proposal on conditions intended to ensure its consistency with the Conservation Purpose or (c) disapprove the proposal as being actually or potentially inconsistent with the Conservation Purpose. Failure of Grantee to respond in writing within sixty (60) days shall be deemed consent of the proposal as being consistent with the Conservation Purpose.

- (m) **Trails.** STATE reserves the right to build or permit to be built multi-use recreation trails on the Property provided all new trails are approved by Grantee and are sited, constructed, and used in a manner that does not significantly impair the Conservation Values and does not significantly damage soil, vegetation, or water quality in any riparian areas identified in the Report. Any trails built or permitted to be built by the STATE and later abandoned promptly shall be restored by the STATE to a condition consistent with the surrounding landscape subject to the provisions of **Section 12(d)** below. The maintenance of the Overland Emigrant Trail on the Property is expressly allowed.
- (n) Wildfire Suppression and Property Restoration. In instances of active wildfires on or in immediate vicinity of the Property, STATE reserves the right to suppress the wildfire by any means necessary, at full discretion of STATE. All wildfire suppression activities will be carried out, to the extent practicable, in a manner that minimizes negative impacts to the Conservation Values. The STATE shall ensure installation of erosion control on all constructed firelines, if needed. Within the riparian zones, an organic surface cover shall be applied to areas of exposed soil caused by fireline construction.
- (o) Animal Grazing. STATE shall not be required herein to exclude livestock owned by third parties from the Property provided, however, that STATE, in its sole and absolute discretion, may, but shall not be obligated to, construct, maintain, repair, and replace fences for the purpose of excluding livestock from all or any portion of the Property. The STATE reserves the right to allow livestock grazing on the Property.
- (p) **Plant Gathering.** STATE reserves the right to allow collection of native plants, historically collected by Native Americans and other ethnic groups, for traditional purposes, provided such collection, individually or cumulatively, does not significantly impair the Conservation Values.
- 10. Responsibility for Operations. Nothing in this Conservation Easement shall be construed as giving any right or ability to Grantee to exercise physical or managerial control of the day-to-day operations of the Property or of STATE's activities on the Property. STATE shall have and retain all responsibility for, the ownership of the Property, and, in connection with STATE's use or occupancy of the Property, compliance with any present and future applicable laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, permits, authorizations, orders and requirements, whether or not in the current contemplation of the parties, which may affect or be applicable to the Property or any part of the Property (including, without limitation, any subsurface area), all consents or approvals required to be obtained from, and all rules and regulations of, and all building and

zoning laws of, all federal, state, county and municipal governments, the departments, bureaus, agencies or commissions thereof, authorities, board of officers, any national or local board of fire underwriters, or any other body or bodies exercising similar functions, having or acquiring jurisdiction of the Property (in each case, an "Applicable Law" and, collectively "Applicable Laws"), except as expressly stated otherwise in this Conservation Easement. Without placing any limitation on the foregoing sentence, the parties agree as follows:

- (a) **Condition of Property.** Grantee shall have no duty or responsibility for (i) the operation or maintenance of the Property except to the extent specifically undertaken by Grantee as permitted under this Conservation Easement, (ii) the monitoring of any hazardous conditions thereon, or (iii) the protection of STATE, the public, or any other person or entity from any risks relating to conditions on the Property, except to the extent that the risks involved are the result of the activities of Grantee or Grantee's Representatives on the Property.
- (b) **Taxes.** Grantee shall have no duty or responsibility for real property taxes and assessments levied by competent authority on the Property.
- (c) **Permits and Approvals.** STATE shall be solely responsible for obtaining any and all applicable governmental permits and approvals for, and otherwise complying with all Applicable Laws relating to, any activity or use of the Property by STATE which is permitted by this Conservation Easement; provided, however, STATE shall have no responsibility pursuant to this Conservation Easement for obtaining permits and approvals required on behalf of unrelated third parties who use the Property. Grantee shall be solely responsible for obtaining any and all applicable governmental permits and approvals for, and otherwise complying with all Applicable Laws relating to, any activity on or use of the Property by Grantee which is permitted by this Conservation Easement.
- (d) **No Owner or Operator Liability.** The parties do not intend this Conservation Easement to be, and this Conservation Easement shall not be, construed such that it creates in or gives to Grantee any of the following solely as the result of being a passive holder of the Conservation Easement:
 - (i) The obligations or liability of an "owner" or "operator" or "arranger," as those terms are defined and used in Environmental Requirements, including, but not limited to, CERCLA;
 - (ii) The obligations or liabilities of a person described in 42 U.S.C. section 9607(a)(3) or (4);
 - (iii) The obligations of a responsible person under any applicable Environmental Requirements (as defined below);
 - (iv) The obligation to investigate and remediate any Hazardous Substances associated with the Property; or
 - (v) Any control over STATE's ability to investigate, remove, remediate or otherwise clean up any Hazardous Substances associated with the Property.

As used in this Conservation Easement the term "Environmental Requirements" means all applicable present and future laws, statutes, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, licenses, permits, orders, approvals, plans, authorizations, judicial, administrative and regulatory decrees, directives and judgments of all governmental agencies, departments, commissions and boards, relating to the protection of human health or safety, or regulating or relating to industrial hygiene or environmental conditions, or the protection of the environment, or pollution or contamination of the air, soil, surface water or groundwater, including, without limitation, all requirements and regulations pertaining to reporting, licensing, permitting, investigating and remediating emissions, discharges, releases or threatened releases of Hazardous Substances, whether solid, liquid or gaseous in nature, into the air, surface water, or land, or relating to the manufacture, processing, distribution, use, treatment, storage, disposal, transport or handling of Hazardous Substances, whether solid, liquid or gaseous in nature. As used in this Conservation Easement, the term "Hazardous Substances" means any hazardous or toxic material or waste which is or becomes regulated by any local governmental authority, the State of California or the United States Government under any Environmental Requirements, including, without limitation, any material or substance:

> (A) now or hereafter defined as a "hazardous substance," "hazardous waste," "hazardous material," "extremely hazardous waste," "restricted hazardous waste" or "toxic substance" or words of similar import under any applicable local, state or federal law or under the regulations adopted or promulgated pursuant thereto, including, without limitation, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. § 9601 et seq.) ("CERCLA"); the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. § 5101 et seq.); the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. § 6901 et seq.); the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq.); the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.); the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq.); the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. § 300f et seq.); the River and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. § 401 et seq.); the National Emission Standard for Asbestos (40 C.F.R. § 61.140 et seq.), the OSHA Construction Standards (29 C.F.R. § 1926.1 et seq.); the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. § 2601 et seq.); the Oil Pollution Act (33 U.S.C. § 2701 et seq.); the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. § 136 et seq.); the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (42 U.S.C. § 11001 et seq.); the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, (42 U.S.C. § 2011 et seq.); the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 (42 U.S.C. § 10101 et seq.); the Medical Waste Management Act (Cal. Health & Safety Code § 117600 et seq.); the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act (Cal. Water Code § 13020 et seq.); the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Cal. Health & Safety Code § 25249.5 et seq.); the Carpenter-Presley-Tanner Hazardous Substance Account Act (Cal. Health & Safety Code § 25300 et seq.); the Hazardous Waste Control Act (Cal. Health & Safety Code § 25100 et seq.); and all rules and regulations of the United States or California Environmental Protection Agency or any successor agency, or any other state or federal department, board or agency, or any other agency or governmental board or entity having jurisdiction, as any of the foregoing have been, or are hereafter amended from time to time; or

- (B) which is toxic, explosive, corrosive, flammable, infectious, radioactive, carcinogenic, mutagenic or otherwise hazardous, and is now or hereafter regulated as a Hazardous Substance by any governmental authority, agency, department, commission, board, agency or instrumentality of the United States, any State of the United States or any political subdivision thereof; or which cause, or are listed by the State of California as being known to the State of California to cause, cancer or reproductive toxicity; or
- (C) the presence of which on the Property poses or threatens to pose a hazard to the health or safety of persons or to the environment; or
- (D) which contains gasoline, diesel fuel or other petroleum hydrocarbons; or
- (E) which contains lead-based paint or other lead contamination, polychlorinated biphenyls or asbestos or asbestos-containing materials or urea formaldehyde foam insulation; or
 - (F) which contains radon gas.
- (e) **Reporting to Grantee.** Not less frequently than annually, STATE shall make reasonable efforts to inform Grantee of the construction and/or development activities that STATE anticipates undertaking on the Property within the following twelve (12) months. In the event Grantee determines that any of the anticipated activities may violate the terms of this Conservation Easement, the parties will meet and confer regarding such activities within thirty (30) days after Grantee's written request.
- 11. Express Third Party Uses. Exhibit E hereto describes the existing third party uses of the Property permitted with the express agreement of STATE ("Express Third Party Uses:"). STATE retains the right to maintain, renew, and replace all agreements memorializing the Express Third Party Uses ("Third Party Use Agreements") and to engage in all activities reasonably required to comply with STATE's obligations with respect to the Express Third Party Uses, subject to the following conditions:
- (a) Increases in Intensity or Expansion of Location or Size or Change in Use. Any (i) increase in the intensity, or (ii) expansion of the location or size, or (iii) a change in the use, of an Express Third-Party Use (whether through a new agreement or an amendment to an existing agreement), that STATE determines in STATE's reasonable discretion exercised in good faith are likely to significantly impair the Conservation Values, shall be subject to Grantee's prior written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed by Grantee.
- (b) Renewal or Replacement of Third Party Use Agreements. All Third Party Use Agreements existing on the date hereof are identified on <u>Exhibit E</u>. As Third Party Use Agreements are renewed or replaced (either with the existing user or a new user), STATE, in consultation with the Grantee, shall include contractual provisions to bring the continuation of the Express Third-Party Use and the preservation of the Conservation Values into alignment to the fullest extent reasonably practicable.

(c) Enforcement of Third Party Use Agreements. If STATE or Grantee discovers any default under a Third Party Use Agreement that significantly impairs the Conservation Values (and if Grantee makes such discovery, Grantee gives STATE written notice thereof), subject to the provisions of Section 12(d) below, STATE shall use reasonable efforts to stop or prevent such violation. The Parties acknowledge and agree that any form of legal action by STATE shall be subject to authorization by the California Attorney General.

12. Enforcement and Remedies.

- Notice of Violation. If a party hereto ("Non-Breaching Party") determines there is a violation of the terms of this Conservation Easement or that a violation is threatened ("Violation"), written notice of such Violation ("Violation Notice") and a demand for corrective action sufficient to cure the Violation shall be given by the Non-Breaching Party to the party allegedly violating this Conservation Easement ("Breaching Party"). Within thirty (30) days after delivery of a Violation Notice, STATE and Grantee shall meet at a location that STATE and Grantee agree upon to discuss the circumstances of the alleged or threatened Violation and to attempt to agree on appropriate corrective action. If the parties determine that it is appropriate and desirable, a duly qualified expert in the subject matter of the alleged or threatened Violation ("Consulting Expert") shall attend the meeting. STATE and Grantee shall each pay one-half of the costs of retaining the services of the Consulting Expert for such discussion; provided, however, that if STATE and Grantee are unable to agree upon a Consulting Expert, each party may retain the services of an expert at its own expense. If STATE and Grantee are unable to agree on appropriate corrective action (or if any such corrective action is required) within thirty (30) days after such meeting, then the Non-Breaching Party shall deliver a further written notice to the Breaching Party to demand reasonable, particular corrective action to cure the Violation ("Second Notice"). Upon the giving of a Second Notice, the Breaching Party shall promptly commence, and thereafter diligently pursue to completion, corrective action sufficient to cure the Violation and, where the Violation involves injury to the Property resulting from any use or activity that conflicts with the Conservation Values or the Conservation Purpose, to restore the portion of the Property so injured. If a Violation is not cured within thirty (30) days after the delivery of the Second Notice ("Final Cure Period"), or if the cure reasonably requires more than thirty (30) days to complete and there is failure to begin the cure or failure to continue diligently to complete the cure within the thirty (30) day period, the parties may elect to proceed with the Legal Remedies as provided in Section 12(b).
- (b) Legal Remedies. If the parties are not able to settle the claim or dispute through consultation pursuant to Section 12(a) above, following exhaustion of all requisite administrative remedies, if any, the parties may, pursuant to California Civil Code section 815.7, bring an action at law or in equity in a court of competent jurisdiction to seek injunctive relief and/or money damages to enforce the terms of this Conservation Easement. If any party hereto determines that the circumstances require immediate action to prevent or mitigate unreasonable damage to the Conservation Values from a Violation, then that party may pursue its remedies under this Section 12(b) without first complying with Section 12(a) above.
- (c) **Enforcement Discretion.** Enforcement of the terms of this Conservation Easement shall be at the respective discretion of Grantee and STATE and any forbearance to exercise rights of enforcement under this Conservation Easement in the event of any breach of

any term of this Conservation Easement shall not be deemed or construed to be a waiver of such term or of any subsequent breach of the same or any other term of this Conservation Easement or of any rights under this Conservation Easement. No delay or omission in the exercise of any right or remedy upon any breach shall impair such right or remedy or be construed as a waiver.

Subject to Appropriation. The parties hereto agree and acknowledge that any expenditures of money that may be required by the STATE under this Conservation Easement shall be contingent on the appropriation of funds by the Legislature for the specific purpose of STATE complying with its obligations in this Conservation Easement. Any delay or failure of the STATE to perform and comply with its obligations in this Conservation Easement due to funds not being appropriated or being terminated by the Legislature shall not be considered a breach or default of the terms of this Conservation Easement, and STATE shall not be liable in any way due to delay or failure to perform under the terms of this Conservation Easement, including undertaking corrective action and/or restorative action, as a result of the funds not being appropriated or being terminated by the Legislature. Notwithstanding, STATE agrees to make diligent efforts to obtain the necessary budget appropriations in amounts reasonably calculated to support the fulfillment of its obligations under this Conservation Easement as expeditiously as possible. This section only applies to the STATE. Notwithstanding the above, Grantee shall not be responsible for (i) fulfilling any of the STATE's obligations that are required by this Conservation Easement, or (ii) expending funds in order to fulfill the STATE's obligations that are required by this Conservation Easement.

13. Indemnification.

Indemnification of STATE by Grantee. Other than violation or breach (a) of the terms of this Conservation Easement by STATE Grantee waives all claims against STATE, its agencies, departments, boards, commissions, officers, agents, and employees (collectively "Indemnitees"), for loss or damage caused by, arising out of, or in any way connected with the Grantee's exercise of this Conservation Easement. Grantee shall protect, indemnify, and hold Indemnitees harmless and defend Indemnitees, with counsel selected by Indemnitees, from and against any suits, actions, judgments, legal or administrative proceedings, arbitrations, claims, demands, causes of action, damages, liabilities, interest, reasonable attorneys' fees, fines, penalties, losses, costs and expenses of whatsoever kind or nature, arising out of, in connection with or incidental to any injury to or the death of any person, or damage to any property arising out of, caused by, or resulting from (in whole or in part) the negligence or willful misconduct of Grantee and/or Grantee's Representatives and their respective employees, agents and subcontractors on the Property in connection with Grantee's exercise of this Conservation Easement. Grantee's duty to defend the Indemnitees is separate from, independent of and free-standing of Grantee's duty to indemnify the Indemnitees and applies whether the issue of either parties negligence, breach of contract or other fault or obligations has in any way been determined. Grantee's indemnity obligations under this Agreement shall not extend to that portion of such loss or damage that shall have been caused by any of the Indemnitees' comparative negligence or willful misconduct. The indemnity set forth in this section shall survive any termination of this Conservation Easement until such time as action against the Indemnitees on account of any matter covered by this indemnity is barred by the applicable statute of limitations.

Grantee shall, further, cause such indemnification in favor of the Indemnitees to be inserted in each contract and/or agreement for the provision of services to Grantee on the Property or entry onto the Property by Grantee's Representatives. Grantee's failure to comply with this indemnification provision shall be considered a material breach of this Conservation Easement, however such breach shall not impair the perpetual nature of this Conservation Easement.

The provisions of this **Section 13(a)** shall be inoperative at any time, and for so long as, the fee interest in the Property is owned by an entity other than the STATE, and the indemnification provisions of **Sections 13(b) and 13(c)** shall instead be operative and binding on such successor fee interest owner ("**Grantor**"); provided, any obligation of Grantee to STATE arising prior to such transfer of the fee interest in the Property from STATE to a non-STATE entity shall survive the transfer.

- Indemnification by Grantor other than the STATE. Grantor shall hold harmless, indemnify, and defend Grantee and its directors, officers, employees, agents, and contractors and the heirs, personal representatives, successors, and assigns of each of them (each a "Grantee Indemnified Party" and collectively, the "Grantee Indemnified Parties"), from and against any and all liabilities, penalties, costs, losses, damages, expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and experts' fees), causes of action, claims, demands, orders, liens or judgments (each a "Claim" and, collectively, "Claims"), arising from or in any way connected with: (a) injury to or the death of any person, or physical damage to any property, resulting from any act, omission, condition, or other matter related to or occurring on or about the Property, including but not limited to any such act, omission, condition or other matter occurring in connection with the presence of the general public on the Property, regardless of cause, unless due to the negligence or willful misconduct of any of the Grantee Indemnified Parties while acting upon the authority of Grantee; or (b) Grantor's obligations specified in this Conservation Easement; or (c) a breach of any of Grantor's representations or warranties made in this Conservation Easement; or (d) any violation of, or other failure to comply with, any state, federal or local law, regulation or requirement related to the Property, by Grantor, or any entity other than a Grantee Indemnified Party acting upon the authority of Grantee, in any way affecting, involving or relating to the Property; or (e) any Hazardous Substances or underground storage tanks present, alleged to be present, released in, from or about, or otherwise associated with the Property at any time, except with respect to any Hazardous Substances placed, disposed or released by a Grantee Indemnified Party acting upon the authority of Grantee, including Claims for injury to or death of any person or physical damage to any Property and for the violation or alleged violation of, or other failure to comply with, any Environmental Requirement. If any action or proceeding is brought against any Grantee Indemnified Party by reason of any such Claim, Grantor shall, at the election of and upon written notice from the applicable Grantee Indemnified Party, defend such action or proceeding by counsel reasonably acceptable to the Grantee Indemnified Party.
- (c) Indemnification by Grantee to Grantor other than the STATE. Grantee shall hold harmless, indemnify, and defend Grantor and its members, directors, officers, employees, agents, and contractors and the heirs, personal representatives, successors, and assigns of each of them (each a Grantor Indemnified Party and, collectively, the "Grantor Indemnified Parties"), from and against any and all Claims arising from or in any way connected with: (a) injury to or the death of any person, or physical damage to any property,

occurring on or about the Property, resulting from the negligence of any Grantee Indemnified Party, while acting on behalf of Grantee; or (b) Grantee's obligations specified in this Conservation Easement; or (c) any violation of, or other failure to comply with, any state, federal or local law, regulation or requirement, by any Grantee Indemnified Party while acting on behalf of Grantee in any way affecting, involving or relating to the Property. If any action or proceeding is brought against any Grantor Indemnified Party by reason of any such Claim, Grantee shall, at the election of and upon written notice from the applicable Grantor Indemnified Party, defend such action or proceeding by counsel reasonably acceptable to the Grantor Indemnified Party.

- 14. Insurance. Prior to Grantee's or Grantee's Representatives' initial entry onto the Property, and thereafter at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration date of any policy, Grantee and Grantee's Representatives shall each, at their own expense, provide STATE evidence of insurance as follows:
- (a) Commercial General Liability. Grantee and Grantee's Representatives shall maintain general liability on an occurrence form with limits not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate for bodily injury and property damage liability. The policy must include coverage for liabilities arising out of premises operations, independent contractors, products/completed operations, personal & advertising injury and liability assumed under an insured contract. This insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom claim is made or suit is brought subject to the Grantee and/or Grantee's Representatives limit of liability. The policy must include: Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, State of California, its officers, agents and employees as additional insureds. This endorsement must be supplied under form acceptable to DGS' Office of Risk and Insurance Management.
- (b) **Automobile Liability.** Grantee and Grantee's Representatives shall maintain motor vehicle liability with limits not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit per accident. Such insurance shall cover liability arising out of a motor vehicle including owned, hired and non-owned motor vehicles. The same additional insured designation and endorsement required for general liability is to be provided for this coverage.
- (c) **Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability.** Grantee and Grantee's Representatives shall maintain statutory workers' compensation and employers' liability for all employees who will be engaged in the performance of any activities and/or work related to the Property as authorized under this Conservation Easement. Employers' liability limits of \$1,000,000 are required. Workers' compensation policy shall contain a waiver of subrogation endorsement in favor of the STATE.

At any time, and for so long as, the fee interest in the Property is owned by an entity other than the STATE, such successor Grantor shall maintain a commercially available general liability policy, or self-insurance, insuring against bodily injury and property damage on the Property in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence \$2,000,000 in aggregate. Grantee shall be named an additional insured on any policy. For any claim covered by the indemnification in **Section 13(b)** above, the liability insurance shall apply as primary insurance with respect to any other insurance or self-insurance programs afforded to Grantee with respect to Grantee's entries onto the Property pursuant to the Conservation Easement. Grantor waives all rights of

subrogation against the Grantee Indemnified Parties for recovery of damages to the extent these damages are covered by insurance maintained pursuant to this Conservation Easement. Grantor shall furnish Grantee with certificate(s) of insurance, executed by a duly authorized representative of each insurer, showing compliance with the insurance requirements set forth above. Any failure of Grantee to demand such certificate or other evidence of full compliance with these insurance requirements or failure of Grantee to identify a deficiency from evidence that is provided shall not be construed as a waiver of Grantor's obligation to maintain such insurance.

15. Grantee Assignment of Conservation Easement.

- **Voluntary Assignment**. In the event that Grantee decides to assign its interest under this Conservation Easement, Grantee shall only assign such interest to an organization that is: (1) qualified to hold a conservation easement under Section 815.3 of the California Civil Code; (2) experienced in holding and monitoring conservation easements on properties similar to the Property; and (3) willing and financially able to assume all of the responsibilities imposed on Grantee under this Conservation Easement. Before assigning its interest under this Conservation Easement, Grantee shall provide STATE and the Sierra Nevada Conservancy ("SNC") with written notice of such intention to transfer ("Transfer Notice"). The Transfer Notice shall identify the proposed assignee and include a description of how the proposed assignee meets the assignee designation criteria set forth in this section. Grantee shall allow SNC, with the consent of STATE, a period of not less than sixty (60) days to approve the proposed assignee, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld and shall be based on whether the proposed assignee meets the designation criteria specified in this section. If SNC does not approve the proposed assignee, SNC shall provide Grantee with the reasons behind such decision. Notwithstanding, any approved assignment by Grantee of this Conservation Easement to an approved assignee shall not relieve Grantee from any obligations hereunder arising prior to the date of the assignment.
- (b) Involuntary Assignment. If Grantee ever ceases to exist or no longer qualifies under applicable state law to hold a conservation easement interest, then SNC shall, with the consent of STATE, select an assignee that meets all the designation criteria specified in Section 15(a) above. If SNC is unable to identify an assignee that meets all the designation criteria specified in Section 15(a) above that is willing to accept such assignment, then SNC shall petition a court of competent jurisdiction to effect a transfer of the Conservation Easement to an organization that meets each of the qualifications criteria in Subsection 15(a). Notwithstanding the foregoing, SNC may elect to serve as such assignee but only on a temporary basis until a permanent assignee can be identified by SNC and/or such transfer is effectuated by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- (c) **Conditions of Assignment.** As conditions to any assignment of this Conservation Easement: (1) the assignee shall expressly agree in writing to assume Grantee's obligations hereunder; (2) the assignee shall have the resources to fulfill its obligations under the Conservation Easement; and (3) Grantee shall not be relieved from any obligations under the Conservation Easement arising prior to the date of the assignment.
 - (d) Successor to SNC. Upon any liquidation or dissolution of SNC, SNC or

STATE shall have the right to assign SNC's rights and obligations under this **Section 15** to another entity that has a conservation mission and level of expertise consistent with that of SNC and sufficient resources and capacity to carry out the obligations of SNC.

(e) **Recording**. Pursuant to California Civil Code section 815.5, any instrument assigning or otherwise transferring this Conservation Easement shall be recorded in the Official Records of the Counties.

16. Subsequent Property Transfers.

- (a) STATE shall disclose the existence of this Conservation Easement in any deed or other legal instrument by which STATE divests itself of a real property interest in all or a portion of the Property, including, without limitation, a leasehold interest. STATE shall notify Grantee in writing not more than thirty (30) days after any grant by STATE to any third party of any interest in any portion of the Property, whether such interest is a fee, easement, lease, or other interest. The failure of STATE to perform any act required by this **Section 16** shall not impair the validity of this Conservation Easement or limit its enforcement in any way or create any obligation on the part of Grantee.
- (b) Release of Fee Title and Demonstration State Forest Status. In the event that STATE transfers fee title to an unaffiliated third-party not qualified to own and manage a Demonstration State Forest, STATE shall release, relinquish and forever terminate, in a manner that shall be binding upon all successors in interest to the Property, all rights of STATE described in Sections 6(a), 6(b), and 6(c).

17. Extinguishment and Condemnation.

- (a) **Judicial Extinguishment.** If circumstances arise in the future that render the Conservation Purpose impossible or impracticable to accomplish, this Conservation Easement can be terminated or extinguished, whether in whole or in part, only by judicial proceedings in a court of competent jurisdiction, and the amount of the compensation to which Grantee shall be entitled from any sale, exchange, or involuntary conversion of all or any portion of the Property after such termination or extinguishment, shall be determined, unless otherwise provided by California law at the time, in accordance with **Section 17(c)**. Grantee must use any proceeds received under the circumstances described in this section in a manner consistent with the Conservation Purposes, which are exemplified and articulated by the Conservation Easement and contemporaneously prepared exhibits to it and other documentation.
- (b) **Condemnation.** If all or any part of the Property is taken by exercise of eminent domain, or acquired by purchase in lieu of condemnation, so as to terminate this Conservation Easement in whole or in part, STATE and Grantee may join in appropriate actions to recover the full value of their respective interests in the Property so taken or purchased, and all direct or incidental resulting damages. All expenses reasonably incurred by the STATE and Grantee in any such action shall be first reimbursed out of the recovered proceeds; the remainder of such proceeds shall be divided between STATE and Grantee in proportion to their respective interests in the Property, or portion thereof, as established by **Section 17(c)**.

- (c) Valuation. In accordance with California Civil Code section 815.2, STATE and Grantee acknowledge and agree that this Conservation Easement shall not be deemed personal in nature and shall constitute a real property interest in the Property vested in Grantee upon recording notwithstanding that this Conservation Easement is an obligation, and not a financial asset. For the purpose of Sections 17(a) and 17(b), fair market value of the Conservation Easement shall be determined as of the time of the extinguishment or termination by an appraisal set forth in a written report prepared and signed by an appropriately licensed or certified real estate appraiser in good standing pursuant to Part 3 (commencing with Section 11300) of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code and its implementing regulations, Title 10 Section 3701 of the California Code of Regulations, the California Department of General Services Appraisal Specifications, and shall conform to the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice. STATE and Grantee shall mutually agree on the appraiser and shall share equally in the costs of preparing the appraisal report. The fair market value as set forth in the appraisal report is subject to the approval of the California Department of General Services.
- (d) **No Merger.** Due to the Conservation Purpose of the Conservation Easement, it is the intent of STATE and Grantee that notwithstanding the provisions of Civil Code Section 811, any time the fee title to all or any portion of the Property is vested in an entity, including STATE, which also holds this Conservation Easement, the interest in the Conservation Easement shall not merge into the fee title (whether by operation of law or otherwise), and the Conservation Easement shall remain in full force and effect as to all portions of the Property, until and unless explicitly terminated by judicial proceedings (and then, only to the extent so terminated).
- 18. Notices. Any notice or other communication required or permitted under this Conservation Easement shall be in writing and shall be either personally delivered or transmitted by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, or by a nationally recognized overnight courier, such as FedEx or Airborne Express, addressed to the parties as follows:

If to STATE:

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection PO Box 944246 Sacramento, CA 94244

Attn: State Forests Program Manager

With a copy to:

Department of General Services 707 Third Street, 5th Floor (MS 505) West Sacramento, CA 95605 Attn: RESD/RPSS--Acquisitions Unit

If to Grantee:

Placer Land Trust Attn: Executive Director 922 Lincoln Way, Suite 200 Auburn, CA 95603

If to Sierra Nevada Conservancy:

Sierra Nevada Conservancy 11521 Blocker Drive, Suite 205 Auburn, CA 95603

Attn: Executive Officer

The date of any notice or communication shall be deemed to be the date of receipt if delivered personally, or the date of the receipt or refusal of delivery if transmitted by mail or overnight courier. Any party may change the address for notice by giving notice to the other party in accordance with this **Section 18**.

19. Amendment. This Conservation Easement may be amended by STATE and Grantee or their respective successors and assigns, by mutual written agreement of STATE and Grantee. STATE and Grantee shall have no right to amend Sections 2 or 3 hereof without the written consent of PG&E in its sole and absolute discretion. The parties agree to mutually cooperate in good faith to accomplish future amendments, to the extent such amendments are deemed necessary to clarify or correct the terms of this Conservation Easement and do not significantly impair the Conservation Values. Any such amendment shall be consistent with the Conservation Purpose of this Conservation Easement and shall not affect its perpetual duration, and Grantee shall promptly record the amendment in the official records of the Counties, and shall thereafter promptly provide a conformed copy of the recorded amendment to STATE.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, STATE and Grantee have no right or power to consent to any action or agree to any amendment of this Conservation Easement that would result in significant impairment of the Conservation Values or limit the term or result in

termination of the Conservation Easement, or adversely affect the qualification of the Conservation Easement as a conservation easement under California Civil Code section 815 et seq. or the status of Grantee as an entity authorized to acquire and hold conservation easements under California Civil Code section 815.3. Any amendment to this Conservation Easement shall comply with Grantee's Conservation Easement Amendment Policy, with California Civil Code section 815 et seq., and with other Applicable Laws.

20. General Provisions.

- (a) **Governing Law.** This Conservation Easement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State of California.
- (b) **No Public Dedication.** Nothing contained in this Conservation Easement shall be deemed to be a gift or dedication of any portion of the Property to the general public.
- (c) **Liberal Construction.** Any general rule of construction to the contrary notwithstanding, this Conservation Easement shall be liberally construed in favor of Grantee to effect the purposes of this Conservation Easement and the policy and purpose of California Civil Code section 815 et seq. If any provision in this Conservation Easement is found to be ambiguous, an interpretation consistent with the purposes of this Conservation Easement which recognizes the PG&E Reserved Rights and the PG&E Easement Reserved Rights (as defined in **Sections 2 and 3 above**), and STATE's Reserved Rights and that would render the provision valid shall be favored over any interpretation that would render it invalid.
- (d) **Further Assurances.** Each party hereto agrees to execute and deliver to the other party such further documents or instruments as may be necessary or appropriate in order to carry out the intentions of the parties as contained in this Conservation Easement.
- (e) **Severability.** If any provision of this Conservation Easement shall be unenforceable or invalid, the same shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Conservation Easement and to this end the provisions of this Conservation Easement are intended to be and shall be severable.
- (f) **Entire Agreement.** This Conservation Easement sets forth the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the Conservation Easement and supersedes all prior discussions, negotiations, understandings, or agreements relating to the Conservation Easement all of which are merged herein.
- (g) **No Forfeiture.** Nothing contained herein will result in a forfeiture or reversion of STATE's title in any respect.
- (h) **Successors.** The Conservation Easement shall be a servitude running with the land in perpetuity. The covenants, terms, conditions, and restrictions of this Conservation Easement shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns and shall continue as a servitude running with the Property.
- (i) **Recordation**. Grantee shall promptly record this Conservation Easement in the official records of the Counties, and shall thereafter promptly provide a conformed copy of

the recorded Conservation Easement to STATE. Grantee may re-record at any time as may be required to preserve its rights in this Conservation Easement.

- (j) **Termination of Rights and Obligations.** Except as otherwise stated herein, a party's rights and obligations under this Conservation Easement shall terminate only upon transfer of the party's interest in all or portions of either the Conservation Easement or the Property, except that liability for acts or omissions occurring prior to transfer shall survive the transfer.
- (k) **Captions.** The captions in this Conservation Easement have been inserted solely for convenience of reference and are not a part of this Conservation Easement and shall have no effect upon construction or interpretation.
- (l) **List of Exhibits.** The following exhibits are attached hereto and incorporated herein:

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Exhibit A	Legal Description of the Property
Exhibit B	Property Maps
Exhibit C	Form of Grant Deed
Exhibit D	Form of Utility Facility Access, Operation and
	Maintenance, and Laydown Easement
Exhibit E	Schedule of Express Third-Party Uses and Third Party Use
	Agreements

(m) **Counterparts.** This Conservation Easement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

//signatures follow on next page//

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, STATE has granted to Grantee, and Grantee has accepted this Conservation Easement and the parties mutually agree to the covenants set forth above, as of the Effective Date.

STATE: **AUTHORIZED PER GOVERNMENT CODE §14666** STATE OF CALIFORNIA Department of General Services By: Michael P. Butler, Chief Real Property Services Section Dated: APPROVAL PER GOVERNMENT CODE §14666 STATE OF CALIFORNIA Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Dated: **GRANTEE**: PLACER LAND TRUST, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation Dated:

Dated: _____

ACCEPTANCE OF CONDITIONAL RIGHT OF ENFORCEMENT

The Sierra Nevada Conservancy, a subdivision of the California Natural Resources Agency, hereby acknowledges and accepts the conditional enforcement rights set forth in Section 15 hereof.

By:	
-	Angela Avery, Executive Officer
Date	d:
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EXHIBIT A

Legal Description of the Property

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EXHIBIT B

Property Maps

Exhibit B.

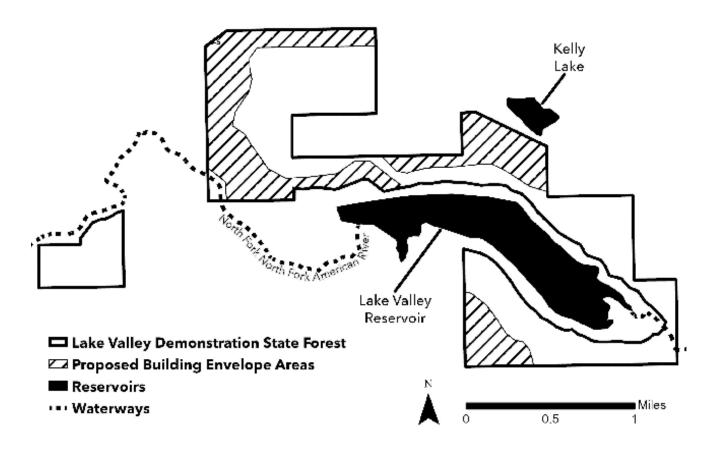


EXHIBIT C

Form of Grant Deed

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Form of Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance, and Laydown Easement
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EXHIBIT E

Express Third-Party Uses and Third Party Use Agreements

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1. Express Third Party Uses

The Express Third Party Uses on the Property are all uses permitted by and pursuant to the Third Party Use Agreements.

2. Third Party Use Agreements

The Third Party Use Agreements on the Property are those agreements and rights disclosed by the following:

- A. THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, PROVISIONS AND STIPULATIONS AS CONTAINED IN THE AGREEMENT ENTITLED "ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT", BY AND BETWEEN PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, AND MARSHALL CARRASCO, RECORDED DATE TBD.
- B. THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, PROVISIONS AND STIPULATIONS AS CONTAINED IN THE AGREEMENT ENTITLED "EASEMENT AGREEMENT", BY AND BETWEEN PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, AND SILLER BROTHERS, RECORDED DATE TBD.
- C. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR A STRIP OF LAND FOUR HUNDRED FEET WIDE LYING EQUALLY ON EACH SIDE OF THE TRACK OF THE RAIL ROAD OF SAID COMPANY OR ANY BRANCH RAIL ROAD NOW OR HEREAFTER CONSTRUCTED ON SAID LANDS AND TO THE RIGHT TO USE ALL WATER NEEDED FOR THE OPERATING AND REPAIRING OF SAID RAIL ROAD; ALSO THE RESERVATION AND CONDITION THAT THE SAID PURCHASER HIS HEIRS AND ASSIGNS SHALL ERECT AND MAINTAIN GOOD AND SUFFICIENT FENCES ON BOTH SIDES OF SAID STRIP OR STRIPS OF LAND; ALSO RESERVING TO SAID COMPANY THE RIGHT TO USE ALL WATER NEEDED TO OPERATE AND REPAIR SAID RAILROADS WHICH ARISES ON SAID LANDS AND THE RIGHT OF WAY TO CONDUCT WATER USAGE ON OTHER LANDS ACROSS SAID LAND IN PIPELINES ON AQUEDUCTS FOR SAID PURPOSES AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS RESERVED BY CENTRAL PACIFIC RAIL ROAD, IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED APRIL 02, 1879, IN BOOK EE OF DEEDS, PAGE 392.
- D. THE TERMS, CONDITIONS AND PROVISIONS AS CONTAINED IN THE INSTRUMENT ENTITLED "AGREEMENT", BY AND BETWEEN THE PIONEER PULP COMPANY, AND M. PEDLAR, REGARDING WATER RIGHTS, RECORDED IN BOOK A OF MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS, PAGE 147. THE EXISTENCE OF SAID DOCUMENT BEING DISCLOSED BY BOOK 121, PAGE 448 OF DEEDS.

- E. EASEMENTS OVER SAID LAND AS DISCLOSED BY INSTRUMENT RECORDED DECEMBER 27, 1909, IN BOOK 121 OF DEEDS, PAGE 448 FOR: A) INGRESS AND EGRESS AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, FOR THE BENEFIT OF J.B. CHIN AFFECTS: THE WEST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST; B) A RESERVATION OF THE TIMBER FOR THE BENEFIT OF J.H. SMART AFFECTS: THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 AND THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST; SAID RESERVATION OF TIMBER NOW GROWING AND STANDING AS INITIALLY RESERVED BY JOSEPH H. SMART IN THAT CERTAIN INSTRUMENT RECORDED AUGUST 31, 1903, IN BOOK 82 OF DEEDS AT PAGE 82. C) A RESERVATION OF THE TIMBER FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE READ LUMBER COMPANY LIMITED AFFECTS: THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST A QUIET TITLE JUDGMENT RECORDED AUGUST 2, 1957 IN BOOK 739 PAGE 225 AND A GRANT DEED THEREUNDER FROM E.T. FISHER TO PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY RECORDED NOVEMBER 5, 1957 IN BOOK 746 PAGE 533 OFFICIAL RECORDS AS TO THE ABOVE DESCRIBED TIMBER RIGHTS IN SAID SECTION 25.
- F. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR STATE HIGHWAY AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO STATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN DEED RECORDED DECEMBER 26, 1929, BOOK 4 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS AT PAGE 338, NEVADA COUNTY RECORDS RECORDED DECEMBER 4, 1929, IN BOOK 280 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS AT PAGE 188, PLACER COUNTY RECORDS (PG&E#: 2117-12-0182

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- G. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR COMMUNICATION AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED MARCH 21, 1933, IN BOOK 318, PAGE 208 AS TO PLACER COUNTY, AND BOOK 18, PAGE 1, AS TO NEVADA COUNTY, OFFICIAL RECORDS. A "CONSENT TO COMMON USE AGREEMENT" THEREUNDER EXECUTED BY PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, RECORDED MAY 11, 1970, VOLUME 511, PAGE 623, OFFICIAL RECORDS OF NEVADA COUNTY. A "RELOCATION OF RIGHT OF WAY" THEREUNDER RECORDED MAY 3, 1960, AS BOOK 834, PAGE 189, OFFICIAL RECORDS OF PLACER COUNTY.
- H. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED SEPTEMBER 21, 1942, IN BOOK 434, PAGE 380, OFFICIAL RECORDS OF PLACER COUNTY.

- I. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR A ROAD AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, A NEW YORK CORPORATION, IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED MARCH 28, 1951, IN BOOK 585, PAGE 344, OFFICIAL RECORDS.
 - AFFECTS: A 40 WIDE STRIP WITHIN THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST, M.D.B.&M.. RIGHT OF WAY SHALL BE FORTY (40) FEET IN WIDTH LYING 20 FEET ON EACH SIDE. SAID EASEMENT SUBORDINATES ITS AFORESAID RIGHTS, TITLE AND INTEREST TO THE INTEREST AS RECORDED APRIL 10, 2000, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 20000058241, BY INSTRUMENT RECORDED DECEMBER 07, 2000, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2000-0094319, OFFICIAL RECORDS.
- J. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR PIPELINES AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO SOUTHERN PACIFIC PIPELINES, INC., IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED JANUARY 18, 1957, IN BOOK 723, PAGE 419 AS TO PLACER COUNTY AND RECORDED JANUARY 24, 1957 AS BOOK 229, PAGE 18 AS TO NEVADA COUNTY, OFFICIAL RECORDS.
- K. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR ROADS AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED APRIL 27, 1970, IN BOOK 1292, PAGE 81 AS TO PLACER COUNTY AND RECORDED MAY 01, 1970 AS BOOK 510, PAGE 637 AS TO NEVADA COUNTY AND RE-RECORDED JANUARY 07, 1971, AS BOOK 1330, PAGE 261 AS TO PLACER COUNTY, AND RE-RECORDED DECEMBER 15, 1970, AS BOOK 537, PAGE 492 AS TO NEVADA COUNTY, OFFICIAL RECORDS. AN EASEMENT THEREUNDER FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO ERICKSON LUMBER COMPANY, INC., A CORPORATION RECORDED JUNE 24, 1970 AS BOOK 1300, PAGE 430 AS TO PLACER COUNTY AND RECORDED JUNE 24, 1970 AS BOOK 517, PAGE 7 AS TO NEVADA COUNTY, OFFICIAL RECORDS. AN EASEMENT THEREUNDER RECORDED APRIL 27, 1976 AS BOOK 1720, PAGE 540, PLACER COUNTY OFFICIAL RECORDS. AN EASEMENT THEREUNDER, COST SHARE EASEMENT, RECORDED SEPTEMBER 12, 2006, INSTRUMENT NO. 2006-0097176, OFFICIAL RECORDS.
- L. A "NOTICE OF TIMBERLAND PRESERVE STATUS" THEREUNDER RECORDED JANUARY 16, 1979, AS BOOK 2074, PAGE 648, PLACER COUNTY OFFICIAL RECORDS.
- M. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND TO RECONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN AND USE THE EXISTING ROADS AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO SUNFLOWER, INC., IN DEED RECORDED MARCH 09, 1981, INSTRUMENT NO. 1981-05684, NEVADA COUNTY RECORDS, AND RECORDED MARCH 2, 1981, BOOK 2362, PAGE 291, PLACER COUNTY RECORDS. P G & E #2117-12-0268

AFFECTS: A.P.N. 64-330-02 AND 66-050-26

N. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND FULL, FREE AND QUIET USE AND ENJOYMENT OF THE ROAD AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED NOVEMBER 08, 1991, IN INSTRUMENT NO. 1991-069121, PLACER COUNTY RECORDS. PG&E # 2117-12-0324.

AFFECTS: A.P.N. 66-050-26

O. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR UNDERGROUND COMMUNICATION FACILITIES AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO PACIFIC BELL, IN DEED RECORDED FEBRUARY 10, 1993, INSTRUMENT NO. 1993- 010363, PLACER COUNTY RECORDS.

AFFECTS: APN 066-050-26

P. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR UNDERGROUND FIBER OPTIC CABLES AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO WILLIAMS COMMUNICATIONS, IN DEED RECORDED OCTOBER 15, 1999, INSTRUMENT NO. 1999- 090928, PLACER COUNTY RECORDS AND RECORDED OCTOBER 1, 1999, INSTRUMENT NO. 1999-35098 OF NEVADA COUNTY RECORDS.

AFFECTS: A.P.N. 066-050-027, 066-050-026, 64-330-02 AND 64-330-03

Q. AN EASEMENT OVER SAID LAND FOR EXISTING ROADS AND INCIDENTAL PURPOSES, AS GRANTED TO UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED AUGUST 10, 2000, IN INSTRUMENT NO. 2000-58241, OFFICIAL RECORDS. CORRECTION DEED RECORDED MAY 29, 2002 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2002-0061810, PLACER COUNTY RECORDS. PG&E 2117-12-0364

AFFECTS: APN: 066-050-14 AND 19

R. THE TERMS, CONDITIONS AND PROVISIONS AS CONTAINED IN THE AGREEMENT ENTITLED "EASEMENT AGREEMENT", BY AND BETWEEN PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, AND GENE P. WEST, RECORDED DECEMBER 17, 2007, INSTRUMENT NO. 2007-118206, PLACER COUNTY RECORDS. SAID AGREEMENT WAS ALSO RECORDED JUNE 16, 2009 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2009-52440, PLACER COUNTY RECORDS. P G & E #2117-12-04157

AFFECTS: A PORTION OF A.P.N. 066-050-026

S. THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, PROVISIONS AND STIPULATIONS AS CONTAINED IN THE AGREEMENT ENTITLED "EASEMENT AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT", BY AND BETWEEN PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, AND SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, RECORDED DECEMBER 22, 2020, (INSTRUMENT) 2020-0151415, OFFICIAL RECORDS.

Attachment E

Grant Deed

RECORDING REQUESTED BY AND RETURN TO:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
Department of General Services
Real Property Services Division, Acquisition Unit
707 Third Street, 5th Floor, MS 505
West Sacramento, CA 95605

OFFICIAL STATE BUSINESS – EXEMPT FROM RECORDING FEES PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 27383 AND DOCUMENTARY TRANSFER TAX PURSUANT TO REVENUE AND TAXATION CODE SECTION 11922

(SPACE ABOVE FOR RECORDER'S USE ONLY)

LD 2117-12-10025 DEED

APN: Nevada County- 064-330-002-000, 064-330-003-000

Placer County - 066-010-082-000, 066-050-006-000, 066-050-013-000, 066-050-019-000, 066-050-026-000, 066-050-027-000, 066-060-021-000

GRANT DEED AND RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

I. CONVEYANCE OF FEE

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a California corporation ("Grantor"), does hereby grant to the STATE OF CALIFORNIA ("STATE"), all of its right, title, and interest in and to the real property situated in the unincorporated areas of Placer County and Nevada County, State of California ("Property"), described in Exhibit A attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein, and shown on Exhibit A-1 attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein.

II. RECITALS

- A. Grantor is a party to that certain Settlement Agreement ("Settlement Agreement") as modified and approved by the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California ("CPUC") in its Opinion and Order of December 18, 2003 (Decision 03-12-035).
- B. In furtherance of the Settlement Agreement, and to provide additional detail regarding the implementation of the "Land Conservation Commitment" (defined below), the parties to the Settlement Agreement and other interested parties entered into that certain Stipulation Resolving Issues Regarding the Land Conservation Commitment dated September 25, 2003 ("Stipulation").
- C. The Settlement Agreement and the Stipulation (collectively, "Governing Documents") require Grantor to ensure that approximately 140,000 acres of watershed lands, all owned by Grantor (collectively, "Watershed Lands"), including the Property, are conserved for a broad range of beneficial public values, including the protection of the natural habitat of fish, wildlife and plants; the preservation of open space; outdoor recreation by the general public; sustainable forestry; agricultural uses; and historic values. The obligations of Grantor to convey

fee interests and/or conservation easements and to protect such beneficial public values on the Watershed Lands, as well as certain other obligations related thereto, are set forth in detail in Appendix E of the Settlement Agreement (as further explicated in Section 12 of the Stipulation), and are defined therein as the "Land Conservation Commitment."

- D. Pursuant to the Governing Documents, the Pacific Forest and Watershed Lands Stewardship Council, a California non-profit public benefit corporation ("Stewardship Council") was created to oversee and carry out the Land Conservation Commitment. Pursuant to the Governing Documents, the Stewardship Council developed a plan for protection of the Watershed Lands for the benefit of the citizens of California ("Land Conservation Plan" or "LCP"). The LCP includes, among other things, objectives to preserve and/or enhance the beneficial public values identified on each parcel of Watershed Lands.
- E. Grantor has used and continues to use the Property for the purpose of generating and transmitting hydroelectric energy, managing and monitoring the flow of water over the existing waterways for consumptive and non-consumptive uses, conducting various biological and land use studies mandated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"), and for other purposes as described more fully in Section III below (collectively, "Hydro Project Activities"). Additionally, Grantor has used and continues to use the Property to erect, construct, reconstruct, replace, remove, operate, inspect, maintain and use facilities of the type hereinafter specified for the transformation, transmission and distribution of electric energy and for communication purposes (collectively "Electric Activities").
- F. To facilitate the Hydro Project Activities and Electric Activities following the conveyance effected by this Grant Deed and Reservation of Rights (this "Grant Deed"), and the continued use, maintenance, repair and replacement of those existing and future facilities, structures and improvements now or hereafter located on, above, or under the Property, that are associated with the Hydro Project Activities and/or the Electric Activities, STATE, as grantor, and Grantor, as grantee, are executing and delivering that certain Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance Easement of even date with this Grant Deed (the "Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance, and Laydown Easement").
- G. Consistent with the terms of the Governing Documents, Grantor and STATE acknowledge this conveyance, together with Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance, and Laydown Easement and the Conservation Easement ("Conservation Easement") being entered into by STATE and Placer Land Trust ("PLT") concurrently with this conveyance, is being made in the public interest with the intent to ensure the permanent protection of the beneficial public values on the Property as identified in the LCP while allowing the ongoing use of the Property by Grantor for hydroelectric operations, water delivery, and related activities, and acknowledging and honoring the existing third party uses.

III. STATE ACCESS; RESERVATION OF RIGHTS; EASEMENT AGREEMENT

STATE shall have a non-exclusive right of surface access, ingress and egress to and from the Property over and across Adjacent Lands, by means of existing roads, lanes, and routes thereon, if such there be (collectively, the "Existing Roads"), otherwise by such route or routes as shall occasion the least practicable damage and inconvenience to Grantor's Adjacent Lands, with the

right to repair and maintain the Existing Roads and to construct, repair and maintain new roads, lanes, and routes (collectively, the "New Roads") where no existing access exists ("Access Rights"). To the extent located within Project lands (as described below), Access Rights to construct, repair or maintain New Roads or to repair or maintain Existing Roads may only be exercised after Grantor has obtained FERC approval for a specific project, repair or maintenance, subject to the plan submission requirements specified in section III.d, below. STATE's Access Rights shall only extend to portions of the Property that are only reasonably accessible by Adjacent Lands. "Adjacent Lands" means lands owned by Grantor that are contiguous to the Property, including lands excepted from the Property in Exhibit A.

In addition to the Access Rights, STATE shall have a non-exclusive right of surface access, ingress and egress to and from the Property over and across the properties not owned by Grantor described in the Easement Agreement dated as of November 4, 2021 from Siller Brothers, Inc. to Grantor [add recording information] (collectively, "Lake Valley Canal Road Access Rights"), by means of the existing road commonly known as Culberson Road (collectively, "Lake Valley Canal Road"). Nothing herein shall impair or otherwise impede Grantor's right for continued use of Lake Valley Canal Road, in all ways and for all purposes Grantor deems necessary. The Access Rights and the Lake Valley Canal Road Access Rights are collectively referred to herein as the "Combined Access Rights."

STATE may allow **PLT** and any successor to **PLT** under the Conservation Easement to utilize the Combined Access Rights but only for purposes of ingress and egress.

STATE acknowledges that portions of the Adjacent Lands and Lake Valley Canal Road are a part of the FERC Project No. 2310 ("**Project**"), and STATE agrees to abide by regulations and approvals that Grantor is required to comply with in use of the Project lands.

- a. STATE's use of the Combined Access Rights shall not endanger health, create a nuisance, or otherwise be incompatible with overall Project recreational use.
- b. STATE shall take all reasonable precautions to insure that the use of the Combined Access Rights on Project lands will occur in a manner that will protect the scenic, recreational, and environmental values of the Project.
- c. STATE shall note make use of the Combined Access Rights in any way which would be incompatible with overall Project requirements or unduly restrict public access to Project waters.
- d. Except in the case of emergencies, STATE must submit to Grantor plans as required by FERC at least six (6) months in advance of construction, repair, or maintenance work related to the exercise of the Combined Access Rights to allow for Grantor review and submittal to FERC for any required approval. No proposed construction, repair, or maintenance work related to the Combined Access Rights shall occur on Project lands until such approval is received from FERC. In the event of an emergency (wildfire, floods, earthquakes, etc.), STATE shall provide notice of such emergency work to Grantor within 24 hours of initiating emergency work, to allow Grantor to meet FERC notification requirements.

e. If the Project boundary is removed from the Adjacent Lands and/or Lake Valley Canal Road, then FERC approval will no longer be required, and the notification and approval process will change to the following:

Except in the case of emergencies, STATE must submit to Grantor, for review and approval, plans at least 90 days in advance of any proposed construction, repair, or maintenance work related to the exercise of the Combined Access Rights, which review and approval will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. In the event of an emergency, STATE shall provide notice of such emergency work to Grantor within two (2) weeks of initiating such emergency work.

f. STATE shall be solely responsible for the repair of any damage caused by its exercise of any of the Combined Access Rights, excluding fair wear and tear from normal usage (commercial use for logging shall not be considered normal usage). For so long as the roads, lanes, and routes, related to any of the Combined Access Rights, shall exist in private ownership, Grantor and STATE and their respective successors and assigns, shall bear the expenses of the reasonable maintenance of the roads, lanes, and routes related to the Combined Access Rights in proportion to their respective use. Reasonable maintenance shall include such work as is necessary to maintain said roads, lanes, and routes related to the Combined Access Rights in their existing condition but shall not include the enlargement of or betterment of the Combined Access Rights. STATE further agrees that any erosion or drainage problems caused by the exercise of the Combined Access Rights by STATE shall be corrected by STATE without cost to Grantor and to the reasonable satisfaction of Grantor.

Notwithstanding the above, nothing herein shall impair or otherwise impede Grantor's right for continued use of the Adjacent Lands and Lake Valley Canal Road, including those Adjacent Lands containing the Access Rights, in all ways and for all purposes Grantor deems necessary to fulfill its obligations as licensee under FERC projects.

Grantor expressly reserves all riparian water rights inherent in and part and parcel of the Property, all appropriative surface water rights (including, but not limited to, any appropriative surface water rights having a point of diversion, place of storage, or place of use on the Property); all prescriptive surface water rights; and all other right, title and interest of any nature whatsoever in and to the surface waters (including subsurface flow) which are now or hereafter located or flowing upon or abutting the Property.

Grantor and STATE acknowledge that the Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance, and Laydown Easement shall be effective immediately upon the execution, delivery and effectiveness of this Grant Deed with the same force and effect as if the easement rights set forth in the Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance, and Laydown Easement were expressly reserved by Grantor in this Grant Deed.

IV. TERMS OF GRANT

The conveyance by Grantor to STATE pursuant to this Grant Deed is subject to: (a) a lien securing payment of real estate taxes and assessments; (b) all matters that would be disclosed by a physical inspection or survey of the Property or that are actually known to STATE; and (c) all

contracts, leases, licenses, covenants, conditions, easements, restrictions, liens, encumbrances and other exceptions of record or unrecorded.

The provisions hereof shall inure to the benefit of and bind the successors and assigns of the respective parties hereto, and all covenants shall apply to and run with the Property. All future conveyances of the fee interest in the Property shall be consistent with the terms of the Governing Documents. In accordance with Section 12b(4) of the Stipulation, STATE, and its successors and assigns shall not convey all or any portion of the fee interest in the Property to any governmental entity, public agency, or Native American tribe without the prior written consent of the Grantor, which consent shall be in Grantor's sole discretion exercised in good faith.

V. MISCELLANEOUS

If any provision of this Grant Deed shall be unenforceable or invalid, the same shall not affect the remaining provisions hereof and to this end the provisions hereof are intended to be and shall be severable.

The real property hereby conveyed is no longer necessary or useful to Grantor in the performance by it of its duties to the public.

The California Public Utilities Commission, in Decision No. ______, has approved transfer of the Property under State of California Public Utilities Code Section 851.

[SIGNATURES FOLLOW ON NEXT PAGES]

Exhibit Version 2/11/22

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Grant Deed dated as of
Grantor:
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a California corporation
By:
Name:
Title

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CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE

This is to certify that, pursuant to Sections 15853 and	
the interest in real property conveyed by the Grant De	
GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a California cor	
is hereby accepted by the undersigned officer on beha	
pursuant to the approval action by said Board and dul	
STATE consents to the recordation thereof by its duly	authorized officer.
ACCEPTED:	
STATE OF CALIFORNIA	
State Public Works Board	
By:	Date:
By: Michael McGinness, Deputy Director	
ACKNOWLEDGED:	
STATE OF CALIFORNIA	
Director, Department of General Services	
Director, Department of General Services	
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By:	Date:
Michael P. Butler, Chief	
Real Property Services Section	

Exhibit A

Legal Description of Property (Attached behind this Page)

Exhibit A-1

Property Maps (Attached behind this Page)

Attachment F

State Board of Equalization Land Appraisal Record

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Attachment G

Utility Facility Access, Operation and Maintenance and Laydown Easement Agreement

LD 2117-12-10021 JCN 05 20 1 Ingress and Egress Easement RECORDING REQUESTED BY, AND WHEN RECORDED RETURN TO:

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY 245 Market Street, N10A, Room 1015 P.O. Box 770000 San Francisco, California 94177

Location: City/Uninc
Recording Fee \$
Document Transfer Tax \$ 0
[] This is a conveyance where the consideration and Value is less than \$100.00 (R&T 11911).
[] Computed on Full Value of Property Conveyed, o
[] Computed on Full Value Less Liens & Encumbrances Remaining at Time of Sale
[] Exempt from the fee per GC 27388.1 (a) (2); This document is subject to Documentary Transfer Tax
Signature of declarant or agent determining tax

(A portion of APN 066-010-082)

EASEMENT AGREEMENT (Ingress and Egress)

This Easement Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into this <u>O'</u> day of <u>Movember</u>, 20<u>21</u> (the "Effective Date") by PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a California corporation, hereinafter called "PG&E", and SILLER BROTHERS. INC., hereinafter called "Grantee."

RECITALS

- A. PG&E owns certain real property within the County of Placer, State of California, commonly known as Lake Valley Canal Property (Assessor's Parcel Number 066-010-082, State Board of Equalization No. 135-31-001B-1 and more particularly described and designated as Lands in **Exhibit A**, attached hereto and made a part hereof (hereinafter, the "**Property**").
- B. Grantee is the owner of certain real property (the "Benefitted Property") within the County of Placer, State of California, commonly known as Assessor's Parcel Numbers 066-010-071 and 066-040-031 and more particularly being a portion of PARCEL EIGHT as described and designated in the deed from Midland National Bank to Siller Bros. Inc. dated May 26, 1977

and recorded in Volume 1845 of Official Records at page 289, Placer County Records. Grantee has requested that PG&E grant an easement for continued access to the Benefitted Property.

C. PG&E is willing to grant such easement on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein.

Now, therefore, for [other] good and valuable consideration, PG&E and Grantee agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Grant of Easement:</u> PG&E hereby grants to Grantee, upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, the following easement:
- (a) <u>Ingress and Egress</u>. A non-exclusive right of surface access, ingress and egress to and from the Benefitted Property, over and across the portion of the Property (the "Easement Area") described in Exhibit A and shown on Exhibit B, attached hereto and incorporated by this reference.

Limitations on Use.

- (a) The Easement Area, and any facilities permitted to be constructed thereon, are to be used by Grantee only for those uses permitted in Section 1 above, and for no other purpose.
- portion or portions thereof in the event of fire, earthquake, storm, riot, civil disturbance, or other casualty or emergency, or in connection with PG&E's response thereto, or if emergency repairs or maintenance are required to PG&E facilities within or in the vicinity of the Easement Area, or otherwise when PG&E deems it advisable to do so, including in connection with events and emergencies occurring or affecting PG&E's business operations located elsewhere than in the immediate vicinity of the Property.
- 3. <u>Condition of Easement Area</u>. Grantee accepts the Easement Area in its existing physical condition, without warranty by PG&E or any duty or obligation on the part of PG&E to maintain the Easement Area. Grantee acknowledges that one or more of the following (collectively, "Potential Environmental Hazards") may be located in, on or underlying the Property and/or the Easement Area:
- (a) electric fields, magnetic fields, electromagnetic fields, electromagnetic radiation, power frequency fields, and extremely low frequency fields, however designated, and whether emitted by electric transmission lines, other distribution equipment or otherwise ("EMFs");
- (b) Hazardous Substances (as hereinafter defined). For purposes hereof, the term "Hazardous Substances" means any hazardous or toxic material or waste which is or becomes regulated by Legal Requirements (as hereinafter defined) relating to the protection of human health or safety, or regulating or relating to industrial hygiene or environmental conditions, or the protection of the environment, or pollution or contamination of the air, soil, surface water or groundwater, including, but not limited to, laws, requirements and regulations pertaining to

reporting, licensing, permitting, investigating and remediating emissions, discharges, releases or threatened releases of such substances into the air, surface water, or land, or relating to the manufacture, processing, distribution, use, treatment, storage, disposal, transport or handling of such substances. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the term Hazardous Substances includes any material or substance:

- (1) now or hereafter defined as a "hazardous substance," "hazardous waste," "hazardous material," "extremely hazardous waste," "restricted hazardous waste" or "toxic substance" or words of similar import under any applicable local, state or federal law or under the regulations adopted or promulgated pursuant thereto, including, without limitation, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. §\$9601 et seq. ("CERCLA"); the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, 42 U.S.C. §\$6901 et seq.; the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. §\$7401 et seq.; the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §\$1251 et seq.; the Toxic Substance Control Act, 15 U.S.C. §\$2601 et seq.; the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, 7 U.S.C. §\$136 et seq.; the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, 42 U.S.C. §\$2014 et seq.; the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, 42 U.S.C. §\$10101 et seq.; the California Hazardous Waste Control Law, Cal. Health and Safety Code §\$25100 et seq.; the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, Cal. Water Code §\$13000 et seq.; the Carpenter-Presley-Tanner Hazardous Substance Account Act (Health and Safety Code §\$25300 et seq.); and the Medical Waste Management Act (Health and Safety Code §\$25015 et seq.); or
- (2) which is toxic, explosive, corrosive, flammable, infectious, radioactive, carcinogenic, mutagenic or otherwise hazardous, and is now or hereafter regulated as a Hazardous Substance by the United States, the State of California, any local governmental authority or any political subdivision thereof, or which cause, or are listed by the State of California as being known to the State of California to cause, cancer or reproductive toxicity; or
- (3) the presence of which on the Property poses or threatens to pose a hazard to the health or safety of persons on or about the Property or to the environment; or
- (4) which contains gasoline, diesel fuel or other petroleum hydrocarbons; or
- (5) which contains lead-based paint or other lead contamination, polychlorinated biphenyls ("PCBs") or asbestos or asbestos-containing materials or urea formaldehyde foam insulation; or
 - (6) which contains radon gas;
- (c) fuel or chemical storage tanks, energized electrical conductors or equipment, or natural gas transmission or distribution pipelines; and
 - (d) other potentially hazardous substances, materials, products or conditions.

Grantee shall be solely responsible for the health and safety of, and shall take all necessary precautions to protect, its employees, contractors, consultants, agents and invitees ("Grantee's Representatives") from risks of harm from Potential Environmental Hazards. Grantee acknowledges that it has previously evaluated the condition of the Easement Area and all matters

affecting the suitability of the Easement Area for the uses permitted by this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the Potential Environmental Hazards listed herein.

4. <u>Grantee's Covenants</u>. Grantee hereby covenants and agrees:

- Compliance with Laws. Grantee shall, at its sole cost and expense, promptly comply with (a) all laws, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, requirements or orders of municipal, state, and federal authorities now in force or that may later be in force, including, but not limited to, those relating to the generation, use, storage, handling, treatment, transportation or disposal of Hazardous Substances, as defined herein, or to health, safety, noise, environmental protection, air quality or water quality; (b) the conditions of any permit, occupancy certificate, license or other approval issued by public officers relating to Grantee's use or occupancy of the Easement Area; and (c) with any liens, encumbrances, easements, covenants, conditions, restrictions and servitudes (if any) of record, or of which Grantee has notice, which may be applicable to the Easement Area (collectively, "Legal Requirements"), regardless of when they become effective, insofar as they relate to the use or occupancy of the Easement Area by Grantee. Grantee shall furnish satisfactory evidence of such compliance upon request by PG&E. The judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction, or the admission of Grantee in any action or proceeding against Grantee, whether or not PG&E is a party in such action or proceeding, that Grantee has violated any Legal Requirement relating to the use or occupancy of the Easement Area, shall be conclusive of that fact as between PG&E and Grantee;
- (b) Notice of Enforcement Proceedings. Grantee agrees to notify PG&E in writing within three (3) business days of any investigation, order or enforcement proceeding which in any way relates to the Property, or to any contamination or suspected contamination on, within or underlying the Property;
- (c) <u>Non-Interference</u>. Grantee agrees not to interfere in any way or permit any interference with the use of the Property by PG&E and other entitled persons;
- operations within and on the Easement Area in such a manner so as not to endanger the Property, PG&E's utility facilities, the environment and human health and safety. Grantee shall not cause or permit any Hazardous Substances, as defined herein, to be brought upon, produced, stored, used, discharged or disposed of on, or in the vicinity of the Property, except in compliance with all applicable Legal Requirements. Grantee shall be responsible for the cost of remediating any discharge or release of Hazardous Substances resulting from or arising in connection with Grantee's use of the Property and shall immediately notify PG&E and the appropriate regulatory authorities where required by law, of any such release;
- (e) <u>Repairing Damage</u>. Grantee agrees to repair any damage it may cause to PG&E's facilities and improvements in or around said Easement Area;
- (f) <u>Coordination</u>. Grantee agrees to coordinate all activities regarding the easements granted herein to reasonably minimize any interference and inconvenience with the use by PG&E of the Easement Area and PG&E's adjoining lands. Except in the case of emergencies, Grantee must submit to PG&E plans as required by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

("FERC") at least six (6) months in advance of construction, repair, or maintenance work related to the exercise of the Access Rights to allow for PG&E review and submittal to FERC for any required approval. No proposed construction, repair, or maintenance work related to the Access Rights shall occur on Project lands until such approval is received from FERC. In the event of an emergency (wildfire, floods, earthquakes, etc.), Grantee shall provide notice of such emergency work to Grantor within 24 hours of initiating emergency work, to allow PG&E to meet FERC notification requirements.

Indemnification; Release.

- Grantee shall, to the maximum extent permitted by law, indemnify, protect, (a) defend and hold harmless PG&E, its parent corporation, subsidiaries and affiliates, and their respective officers, managers, directors, representatives, agents, employees, transferees, successors and assigns (each, an "Indemnitee" and collectively, "Indemnitees") from and against all claims, losses (including, but not limited to, diminution in value), actions, demands, damages, costs, expenses (including, but not limited to, experts fees and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs) and liabilities of whatever kind or nature (collectively, "Claims"), including Claims arising from the passive or active negligence of the Indemnitees, which arise from or are in any way connected with the occupancy or use of the Easement Area by Grantee or Grantee's Representatives, or the exercise by Grantee of its rights hereunder, or the performance of, or failure to perform, Grantee's duties under this Agreement, including, but not limited to, Claims arising out of: (1) injury to or death of persons, including but not limited to employees of PG&E or Grantee (and including, but not limited to, injury due to exposure to EMFs and other Potential Environmental Hazards in, on or about the Property); (2) injury to property or other interest of PG&E, Grantee or any third party; (3) violation of any applicable federal, state, or local laws, statutes, regulations, or ordinances, including all Legal Requirements relating to human health or the environment, and including any liability which may be imposed by law or regulation without regard to fault; excepting only with respect to any Indemnitee, to the extent of any Claim arising from the comparative negligence or willful misconduct of such Indemnitee. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing. Grantee shall, to the maximum extent permitted by law, indemnify, protect, defend and hold Indemnitees harmless from and against Claims arising out of or in connection with any work of improvement constructed or installed at or on, labor performed on, or materials delivered to, or incorporated in any improvements constructed on, the Easement Area by, or at the request or for the benefit of. Grantee. In the event any action or proceeding is brought against any Indemnitee for any Claim against which Grantee is obligated to indemnify or provide a defense hereunder, Grantee upon written notice from PG&E shall defend such action or proceeding at Grantee's sole expense by counsel approved by PG&E, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.
- (b) Grantee acknowledges that all Claims arising out of or in any way connected with releases or discharges of any Hazardous Substance, or the exacerbation of a Potential Environmental Hazard, occurring as a result of or in connection with Grantee's use or occupancy of the Easement Area or the surrounding Property, or any of the activities of Grantee and Grantee's Representatives, and all costs, expenses and liabilities for environmental investigations, monitoring, containment, abatement, removal, repair, cleanup, restoration, remediation and other response costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees and disbursements and

any fines and penalties imposed for the violation of Legal Requirements relating to the environment or human health, are expressly within the scope of the indemnity set forth above.

- (c) Grantee's use of the Property shall be at its sole risk and expense. Grantee accepts all risk relating to its occupancy and use of the Easement Area.
- (d) Grantee shall, to the maximum extent permitted by law, indemnify, protect, defend and hold Indemnitees harmless against claims, losses, costs (including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees and costs), liabilities and damages resulting from the failure of Grantee, or any of its contractors or subcontractors, to comply with the insurance requirements set forth in **Exhibit C**, attached hereto and made a part hereof. If Grantee fails to so indemnify, protect, defend or hold harmless any Indemnitee, then at PG&E's option, this Agreement shall terminate, and the estate and interest herein granted to Grantee shall revert to and revest in PG&E, if such failure continues for five (5) days following the giving of written notice of termination to Grantee, unless within such time such failure is cured to the reasonable satisfaction of PG&E.
- (e) The provisions of this Section 5 shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- 6. Reserved Rights. Subject to the provisions of Section 8 below, PG&E reserves the right to use the Easement Area for any and all purposes which will not unreasonably interfere with Grantee's facilities. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing:
- (a) Grantee acknowledges that the Property is a part of FERC Project No. 2310. PG&E reserves the right to use the Property, including the Easement Area, in all ways and for all purposes necessary or appropriate to its obligations as licensee under FERC Project No. 2310. Grantee shall not make use of the Easement Area in any way which would be incompatible with overall project operational and recreational uses.
- 7. Governmental Approvals. This Agreement shall not become effective, notwithstanding that it may have been executed and delivered by the parties, and Grantee shall not commence construction or other activities hereunder, unless and until PG&E notifies Grantee in writing of receipt of final, unconditional, and unappealable approval by the CPUC and that the terms and conditions of such CPUC approval are satisfactory to PG&E in its sole and absolute discretion. Grantee further acknowledges and agrees that PG&E makes no representation or warranty regarding the prospects for CPUC approval, and Grantee hereby waives all Claims against PG&E which may arise out of the need for such CPUC approval or the failure of the CPUC to grant such approval. This Agreement is made subject to all the provisions of such approval, as more particularly set forth in CPUC (Disposition Letter Advice Letter Decision _______), in like manner as though said provisions were set forth in full herein.
- Relocation. Subject to the provisions of this Section 8, the rights granted to Grantee herein shall forever be subordinate to PG&E's right to replace, reconstruct, relocate, operate and maintain PG&E's existing and/or future facilities including, but not limited to, the existing road described in the Easement Area. If PG&E's use of its reserved rights described above necessitates the relocation of any of Grantee's facilities, Grantee shall, at its own cost and expense, relocate such facilities to an alternate location mutually agreed upon between PG&E and Grantee, provided

Grantee is given at least twenty (20) days prior written notice of such required relocation. Any such relocation of Grantee's facilities shall be coordinated and scheduled between PG&E and Grantee so as to minimize, to the extent practicable, any interference with Grantee's use and operation of its facilities resulting from such relocation. If no alternate location is available on the Property, this Agreement shall terminate.

- Compliance: Insurance. PG&E shall have a right to access and inspect the Easement Area at any time to confirm Grantee's compliance with Legal Requirements and the provisions of this Agreement. Prior to the Effective Date of this Agreement, Grantee shall procure, and thereafter Grantee shall carry and maintain in effect at all times during the term of the Agreement, with respect to the Easement Area and the use, occupancy and activities of Grantee, its employees and agents on or about the Easement Area, the insurance specified in Exhibit C, attached hereto and made a part hereof by this reference, provided that PG&E reserves the right to review and modify from time to time the coverages and limits of coverage required hereunder, as well as the deductibles and/or self-insurance retentions in effect from time to time (but PG&E agrees that it will not increase required coverage limits more often than once in any five-year period). Prior to Grantee's entry on the Property, and thereafter thirty (30) days prior to the expiration date of any policy, Grantee shall provide PG&E with evidence of the insurance coverage, or continuing coverage, as required by this Agreement. All insurance required under this Agreement shall be effected under valid, enforceable policies issued by insurers of recognized responsibility, as reasonably determined by PG&E, and shall be written on forms and with insurance carriers acceptable to PG&E. Grantee is also responsible for causing its agents, contractors and subcontractors to comply with the insurance requirements of this Agreement at all relevant times (provided, however, that Grantee, in the exercise of its reasonable judgment, may permit contractors and subcontractors to maintain coverages and limits lower than those required of Grantee, provided the coverages and limits required by Grantee are commercially reasonable in light of applicable circumstances). Any policy of liability insurance required to be maintained hereunder by Grantee may be maintained under a so-called "blanket policy" insuring other locations and/or other persons, so long as PG&E is specifically named as an additional insured under such policy and the coverages and amounts of insurance required to be provided hereunder are not thereby impaired or diminished. In addition, liability insurance coverages may be provided under single policies for the full limits, or by a combination of underlying policies with the balance provided by excess or umbrella liability insurance policies.
- 10. <u>Mechanics' Liens</u>. Grantee shall keep the Property free and clear of all mechanics', material suppliers' or similar liens, or claims thereof, arising or alleged to arise in connection with any work performed, labor or materials supplied or delivered, or similar activities performed by Grantee or at its request or for its benefit. If any mechanics' liens are placed on the Property in connection with the activities or facilities set forth in this Agreement, Grantee shall promptly cause such liens to be released and removed from title, either by payment or by recording a lien release bond in the manner specified in California Civil Code Section 3143 or any successor statute.
- 11. Notice. Any notices hereunder shall be in writing and shall be personally delivered, or sent by first class mail, certified or registered, postage prepaid, or by national overnight courier, with charges prepaid for next business day delivery, addressed to the addressee party at the address or addresses listed below, or to such other address or addresses as such party may from time to time designate in writing. Notices shall be deemed received upon actual receipt or refusal of the

notice by the party being sent the notice. Any communication hereunder shall be in writing and can be personally delivered as described above or by email transmission.

If to PG&E:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company Attention: Land Agent 12840 Bill Clark Way Auburn, CA 95602

With a copy to:

If by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Law Department
P.O. Box 7442
San Francisco, CA 94120
Attention: Managing Counsel, Environmental & Real Estate

If by personal delivery or overnight courier:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Law Department
77 Beale Street, Mail Code B3OA
San Francisco, California 94120
Attention: Managing Counsel, Environmental & Real Estate

If to Grantee:

Siller Bros. Inc., PO BOX 1585 Yuba City, CA, 95992 Attention: Tom Siller

With a copy to:

12.	Governing Law.	This Agreement shall in all respects be interpreted,	enforced,	and
governed by a	nd under the laws	of the State of California.		

13. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement supersedes all previous oral and written agreements between and representations by or on behalf of the parties and constitutes the entire

agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may not be amended except by a written agreement executed by both parties.

- 14. <u>Binding Effect</u>. The provisions hereof shall inure to the benefit of and bind the successors and assigns of the respective parties hereto, and all covenants shall apply to and run with the land.
- 15. <u>Assignment</u>. This Agreement and the rights of Grantee hereunder are appurtenant to the Benefitted Property, and may not be separately assigned, transferred, conveyed or encumbered. Any purported assignment, transfer, conveyance or encumbrance violating the foregoing condition shall be void and of no effect.
- 16. <u>No Waiver</u>. No waiver with respect to any provision of this Agreement shall be effective unless in writing and signed by the party against whom it is asserted. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement by a party shall be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach or failure of the same term or condition, or as a waiver of any other provision of this Agreement.
- No Offsets. Grantee acknowledges that PG&E is executing this Agreement in its capacity as the owner of the Easement Area, and not in its capacity as a public utility company or provider of electricity and natural gas. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, no act or omission of Pacific Gas and Electric Company or its employees, agents or contractors as a provider of electricity and natural gas shall abrogate, diminish, or otherwise affect the respective rights, obligations and liabilities of PG&E and Grantee under this Agreement. Further, Grantee covenants not to raise as a defense to its obligations under this Agreement, or assert as a counterclaim or cross-claim in any litigation or arbitration between PG&E and Grantee relating to this Agreement, any claim, loss, damage, cause of action, liability, cost or expense (including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees) arising from or in connection with Pacific Gas and Electric Company's provision of (or failure to provide) electricity and natural gas.
- 18. <u>No Third Party Beneficiary</u>. This Agreement is solely for the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns, and, except as expressly provided herein, does not confer any rights or remedies on any other person or entity.
- 19. <u>Captions</u>. The captions in this Agreement are for reference only and shall in no way define or interpret any provision hereof.
- 20. <u>Time</u>. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the parties agree that as to any obligation or action to be performed hereunder, time is of the essence.
- 21. <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Agreement shall be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby, and each provision of this Agreement shall be valid and enforced to the full extent permitted by law, provided the material provisions of this Agreement can be determined and effectuated.
- 22. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which, when taken together, shall constitute one and the same instrument.

Other Documents. Each party agrees to sign any additional documents or permit 23. applications which may be reasonably required to effectuate the purpose of this Agreement. Provided, however, that PG&E will not be required to take any action or execute any document that would result in any cost, expense or liability to PG&E.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first set forth above.

GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a corporation	Siller Brothers. Inc.
	By: Emselle
rah Hug	Its: President.
	a corporation

Exhibits A, B and C attached

Attach to LD: 2117-12-10021 Area, Region or Location: 6 Land Service Office: Sacramento Line of Business: Hydro (24) Business Doc Type: Easements

MTRSQ: 21.17.12.33.14, 21.17.12.33.11, 21.17.12.33.13, 21.17.12.33.12,

FERC License Number: 2310 PG&E Drawing Number: SL-1541

Plat No.: N/A

LD of Affected Documents:

LD of Cross Referenced Documents: 2117-12-10016

Type of interest: Conveyances Out (11)

SBE Parcel: 135-31-001B-1 % Being Quitclaimed: N/A Order or PM: 2025565

JCN: N/A County: Placer Utility Notice Number: N/A 851 Approval Application No:

:Decision:

Prepared By: r9m1 Checked By: TLLL

Approved By: SMTK (tbd)

Revised by:

EXHIBIT A

(to be attached)

EXHIBIT B

(to be attached)

EXHIBIT C

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Grantee shall procure, carry and maintain in effect throughout the term of this Agreement the following insurance coverage. Grantee is also responsible for its subcontractors maintaining sufficient limits of the appropriate insurance coverages.

A. Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability

- 1. Workers' Compensation insurance indicating compliance with any and all applicable labor codes, acts, laws or statutes, state or federal.
- Employer's Liability insurance shall not be less than \$1,000,000 for injury or death, each accident.

B. Commercial General Liability

- Coverage shall be at least as broad as the Insurance Services Office (ISO)
 Commercial General Liability insurance "occurrence" form with no additional
 coverage alterations.
- 2. The limits shall not be less than \$5,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury, property damage and products and completed operations. Defense costs are to be provided outside the policy limits.
- Insured form CG 2010 or equivalent coverage) adding as additional insureds PG&E, its affiliates, subsidiaries, and parent company, and PG&E's directors, officers, agents and employees with respect to liability arising out of work performed by or for Grantee. If the policy includes "blanket endorsement by contract," the following language added to the certificate of insurance will satisfy PG&E's requirement: "by blanket endorsement, PG&E, its affiliates, subsidiaries, and parent company, and PG&E's directors, officers, agents and employees with respect to liability arising out of the work performed by or for the Grantee are included as additional insured"; and b) an endorsement or policy provision specifying that the Grantee's insurance is primary and that any insurance or self-insurance maintained by PG&E shall be excess and non-contributing.

C. Business Auto

- 1. Coverage shall be at least as broad as the Insurance Services Office (ISO) Business Auto Coverage form covering Automobile Liability, code 1 "any auto."
- The limit shall not be less than \$1,000,000 each accident for bodily injury and property damage.

D. Additional Insurance Provisions

- 1. Upon the Effective Date of the Easement Agreement Grantee shall furnish PG&E with two (2) sets of certificates of insurance including required endorsements.
- 2. Documentation shall state that coverage shall not be canceled except after thirty (30) days prior written notice has been given to PG&E.
- 3. The documents must be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf and submitted to:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company Insurance Department One Market, Spear Tower, Suite 2400 San Francisco, California 94105 Pacific Gas and Electric Company 12840 Bill Clark Way Auburn, CA 95602 Attention: Hydro Land Agent

- Upon request, Grantee shall furnish PG&E evidence of insurance for its agents or contractors.
- PG&E may inspect the original policies or require complete certified copies at any time.

Attachment H

Environmental Agreement – (Fee Donee)

RECORDING REQUESTED BY AND WHEN RECORDED MAIL TO:

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY 245 Market Street, N10A, Room 1015 P.O. Box 770000, Mail Code N10A San Francisco, CA 94177

WITH A COPY TO:

State of California – Official Business Department of General Services 707 3rd Street, MS-501 West Sacramento, CA 95605 Attention: Mike Butler

ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT (Fee Grantee)

THIS ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT (" <u>Agreement</u> "), dated,,
executed by and between the STATE OF CALIFORNIA, acting by and through the
DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION ("STATE") and PACIFIC GAS AND
ELECTRIC COMPANY, a California corporation ("GRANTOR"), is entered into with reference to
that certain Property Acquisition Agreement dated,, by and between STATE
and GRANTOR ("Transaction Agreement"), pursuant to which GRANTOR is conveying to
STATE fee title to that certain real property legally described in Exhibit A hereto and made a
part hereof, and shown on <u>Exhibit A-1</u> hereto and made a part hereof (the " <u>Property</u> ").
GRANTOR and STATE are collectively referred to herein as the "PARTIES" and each is
sometimes referred to as a " <u>PARTY</u> ."

In consideration of, and as a material inducement to, GRANTOR's conveyance of the Property to STATE and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, GRANTOR and STATE hereby agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Definitions</u>. The following terms have the meanings ascribed to them below for purposes of this Agreement:
- 1.1. "Applicable Laws" means all present and future laws, statutes, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, licenses, permits, orders, approvals, plans, authorizations, judicial, administrative and regulatory decrees, directives and judgments of all governmental agencies, departments, commissions and boards that regulate the conduct of either GRANTOR or STATE in the management of their respective real property or Hazardous Substances (defined below in Paragraph 1.5); provided, however, that nothing in this Agreement is intended to express or imply consent of the STATE to the regulation of its conduct under any law, regulation, order, policy or other provision of any unit of local government the application of which the California State Legislature has not previously expressly waived the sovereign immunity of the STATE.

- 1.2. "Closing Date" means the date on which the Grant Deed is recorded in the Official Records of the Counties of Placer and Nevada conveying fee title to the Property to STATE pursuant to the terms of the Transaction Agreement.
- 1.3. "Environmental Requirements" means Applicable Laws regulating the actions of GRANTOR or STATE relating to the protection of human health or safety, or regulating or relating to industrial hygiene or environmental conditions, or the protection of the environment, or pollution or contamination of the air, soil, surface water or groundwater, including, without limitation, all requirements and regulations pertaining to reporting, licensing, permitting, investigating and remediating emissions, discharges, releases or threatened releases of Hazardous Substances, whether solid, liquid or gaseous in nature, into the air, surface water, or land, or relating to the manufacture, processing, distribution, use, treatment, storage, disposal, transport or handling of Hazardous Substances, whether solid, liquid or gaseous in nature. The Environmental Requirements applicable to each PARTY may differ based on the laws, regulations and policies regulating the actions of each PARTY.
- 1.4. "Grant Deed" means the Grant Deed and Reservation of Rights conveying title to the Property from GRANTOR to STATE.
- 1.5. "Hazardous Substances" means any hazardous or toxic material or waste that is or becomes regulated by the laws of any local governmental authority, the State of California or the United States Government under any Environmental Requirements. applicable to either GRANTOR or STATE in the management of property owned by either. Hazardous Substances may be defined differently based on the laws, regulations and policies applicable to each PARTY to this Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, Hazardous Substances may include, without limitation, any material or substance:
- now or hereafter defined as a "hazardous substance," "hazardous waste," "hazardous material," "extremely hazardous waste," "restricted hazardous waste" or "toxic substance" or words of similar import under any applicable local, state or federal law or under the regulations adopted or promulgated pursuant thereto, including, without limitation, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. § 9601 et seq.) ("CERCLA"); the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. § 5101 et seq.); the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. § 6901 et seg.); the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. § 1151 et seq.); the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.); the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. § 300f et seq.); the River and Harbor Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. § 401 et seq.); the National Emission Standard for Asbestos (40 C.F.R. § 61.140 et seq.), the OSHA Construction Standards (29 C.F.R. § 1926.1001 et seq.); the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. § 2601 et seq.); the Oil Pollution Act (33 U.S.C. § 2701 et seq.); the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. §136 et seg.); the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (42 U.S.C. § 11001 et seq.); the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, (42 U.S.C. §2011 et seq.); the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 (42 U.S.C. §10101 et seq.); the Medical Waste Management Act (Cal. Health & Safety Code §25015 et seq.); the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act (Cal. Water Code § 13000 et seq.); the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Cal. Health & Safety Code § 25249.5 et seq.); the Carpenter-Presley-Tanner Hazardous Substance Account Act (Cal. Health and Safety Code § 25300 et seq.); the Hazardous Waste Act (Cal. Health & Safety Code § 25100 et seq.); and all rules and regulations of the United States or California Environmental Protection Agency or any successor agency, or any other state or federal department, board or agency, or any other agency or governmental board or entity having jurisdiction, as any of the foregoing have been, or are hereafter amended from time to time; or

- (b) that is toxic, explosive, corrosive, flammable, infectious, radioactive, carcinogenic, mutagenic or otherwise hazardous, and is now or hereafter regulated as a Hazardous Substance by any governmental authority, agency, department, commission, board, agency or instrumentality of the United States, the State of California or any political subdivision thereof having jurisdiction over either PARTY to this Agreement; or which causes, or is listed by the State of California as being known to the State of California to cause, cancer or reproductive toxicity; or
- (c) the presence of which on the Property poses or threatens to pose a hazard to the health or safety of persons or to the environment; or
- (d) that contains gasoline, diesel fuel or other petroleum hydrocarbons; or
- (e) that contains lead-based paint or other lead contamination, polychlorinated biphenyls or asbestos or asbestos-containing materials or urea formaldehyde foam insulation; or
 - (f) that contains radon gas.
- 1.6. "Necessary Remediation" means Remediation required by any governmental agency having jurisdiction over the Remediation pursuant to the applicable Environmental Requirements, to address a Hazardous Substances release or disposal, or to enable the current use of the Property as of the Closing Date.
- 1.7. "Remediation" refers to the process of, and all work and planning performed in connection with, the investigation, testing for, monitoring, remediation, containment, transportation, removal and disposal or recycling of Hazardous Substances from the Property and any other property to which Hazardous Substances originating on the Property have migrated or may migrate in the future, and the repair and restoration of the Property, and restoration and mitigation of affected natural resources, regardless of whether such actions are required by applicable Environmental Requirements.
- 2. History of Use and Current Uses of the Property.
- 2.1. GRANTOR has prepared certain Environmental Reports concerning the Property. Copies of these Environmental Reports as described on Exhibit B (the "Environmental Reports") have been provided to STATE.
- 2.2. STATE issued an updated Condition of Property Statement dated January 27, 2022.
- 3. <u>Environmental Agreement</u>. GRANTOR and STATE agree that each will comply with Applicable Laws regulating the conduct of each with respect to any storage, disposal or release of a Hazardous Substance in, on or to the Property based on Environmental Requirements applicable to each PARTY.
- 3.1. GRANTOR's obligations under this Paragraph 3 are supplemented by the "Stipulation Resolving Issues Regarding Land Conservation Commitment dated April 22, 2002, and filed with the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California" filed in the Commission's Investigation I02-04-026 under the Commission's "Order Instituting Investigation into the

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Ratemaking Implications for Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) Pursuant to the Commission's Alternative Plan of Reorganization Under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code for PG&E in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of California, San Francisco Division, In re Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Case No. 01-30923DM (U 39M)" (hereafter "Stipulation"). In the Stipulation, GRANTOR agreed, among other provisions, to convey some of the lands it owns under the terms in the Stipulation to suitable donees, and further agreed as follows:

"In disposition of fee title, PG&E will hold the donee harmless for hazardous waste or substance liability, provided that PG&E may decline to agree to such disposition unless the Commission first authorizes PG&E to recover the costs of such liability and any associated mitigation or remediation in rates. In the absence of such authorization related to fee title, PG&E will convey a conservation easement that holds the donee harmless for such liability; provided that no such easement will permit any use that increases human exposure to hazardous waste or substance, unless the Commission first authorizes PG&E to recover the costs of any necessary mitigation or remediation in rates."

The terms of the Stipulation were formally adopted and approved by the California Public Utilities Commission by Decision 03-12-035, issued December 18, 2003, in Investigation I.02-04-026 and apply to this donation.

- 3.2. STATE warrants that it has no actual knowledge of any release or threatened release of Hazardous Substances in, on, to, beneath or from the Property except as disclosed in Paragraph 2, above. As used herein, the "actual knowledge" of the STATE means the current actual, not imputed, knowledge of STATE's Representative, without any duty of investigation or inquiry. As used herein, "STATE's Representative" means Dakota Smith, who is the employee of STATE familiar with the Property.
- 3.3. GRANTOR's obligation under this Agreement with regard to Hazardous Substances is limited to the Necessary Remediation of Hazardous Substances which were released onto the Property prior to the Closing Date. None of the forgoing limits GRANTOR's obligations under any Applicable Laws.
 - 3.4. GRANTOR's retention of responsibility in this Paragraph 3 shall exclude:
 - (a) Remediation of naturally-occurring Hazardous Substances;
 - (b) Remediation of Hazardous Substances present at background or ambient concentrations;
 - (c) Remediation of Hazardous Substances in excess of Necessary Remediation, if any, that otherwise would have been the responsibility of GRANTOR in accordance with this Agreement, where such excess Remediation is caused by STATE or as a result of STATE's negligence, including Remediation necessitated by STATE's exacerbation of a Hazardous Substance release present as of the Closing Date. The preceding sentence is not intended to allocate GRANTOR's responsibility to undertake Necessary Remediation to STATE as otherwise would have been required by GRANTOR in accordance with this Agreement; and

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(d) Liability to parties other than STATE (i.e. successors and assigns of STATE).

None of the forgoing in this Section 3.4 limits GRANTOR's obligations under any Applicable Laws.

- 4. Performance and Completion of Necessary Remediation. Any Necessary Remediation performed hereunder shall be conducted in a manner consistent with applicable Environmental Requirements and shall be considered complete when the PARTY conducting the Necessary Remediation obtains from the California Department of Toxic Substances Control or other governmental agency with jurisdiction over the matter, a "No Further Remedial Action Required Letter," "Certificate of Completion," or similar governmental certification indicating that additional Remediation is not required for the current land use from the governmental agency with jurisdiction over the performance of the Necessary Remediation. STATE shall allow GRANTOR necessary and reasonable access to the property to perform any Necessary Remediation that GRANTOR is required to perform under the terms of this Agreement on such terms and conditions as are mutually agreed by the PARTIES.
- Dispute Resolution. In the event of a disagreement or dispute related to this Agreement, the PARTIES hereto agree first to seek an administrative resolution of the dispute by meeting prior to resorting to legal action for enforcement of this Agreement. The meeting will involve representatives for each of the PARTIES with an appropriate level of authority to consider and attempt to resolve the disputed matter. Each PARTY shall bear its own costs for participation in the administrative dispute resolution ("ADR") process and shall be entitled to be accompanied by in-house or outside counsel. Either PARTY may give the other PARTY written notice of any disagreement or dispute and its election to initiate the ADR process. Within thirty (30) days after delivery of said notice, the representatives will meet at a mutually acceptable time and place, and thereafter as often as they reasonably deem necessary to exchange information and to attempt to resolve the disagreement or dispute. If the matter has not been resolved within sixty (60) days of the first meeting, then either PARTY may seek relief in a court of competent jurisdiction. Notwithstanding the foregoing, either PARTY may seek equitable, legal or administrative relief pursuant to or necessary to comply with the California Tort Claims Act (generally, California Government Code §§ 810-996.6, and its progeny) or similar applicable statutes (if any) to preserve the status quo prior to participating in the ADR process or at any time during the ADR process.

6. Other Provisions.

- 6.1. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the heirs, assignees and other successors in interest of STATE and GRANTOR. No transfer of an interest in the Property or this Agreement by STATE or its assignees shall operate to relieve GRANTOR or STATE of their obligations hereunder. This Agreement shall not create or bestow any right in any third party. STATE and GRANTOR agree that no third party beneficiary to this Agreement exists and that nothing contained herein shall be construed as giving any other person or entity third party beneficiary status.
- 6.2. The failure of GRANTOR or STATE to insist upon strict compliance with any of the terms hereof shall not be considered to be a waiver of any of the other terms of this Agreement, nor shall it militate against the right of GRANTOR or STATE to insist upon strict compliance with any term of this Agreement at any later time.

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- 6.3. This Agreement shall not constitute or be construed as an admission of liability or fact by GRANTOR or STATE for any purpose whatsoever.
- 6.4. STATE and GRANTOR shall execute, acknowledge and deliver to each other all documents, and shall take all actions reasonably required by each of them from time to time to confirm or effect the matters set forth herein, or otherwise to carry out the purposes of this Agreement.
- 6.5. The representations, warranties, covenants, and agreements of GRANTOR and STATE contained in this Agreement shall survive the recordation of the Grant Deed.
 - 6.6. Time is of the essence of this Agreement.
 - 6.7. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California.
- 6.8. If any portion, word, clause, phrase, sentence or paragraph of this Agreement is declared void or unenforceable, such portion shall be considered independent and severable from the remainder, and the validity of the remainder of the terms of this Agreement shall remain unaffected.
- 6.9. This Agreement sets forth the entire understanding of STATE and GRANTOR in connection with the subject matter hereof, and each acknowledges that the other has made no statement, representation or warranty relating to the Property upon which either has relied or that acted as an inducement for either to enter into this Agreement. GRANTOR's and STATE's obligations under this Agreement may not be altered or amended in any respect except by a writing executed by both STATE and GRANTOR and recorded in the same Official Records where this Agreement is recorded.
- 6.10. The covenants contained in this Agreement shall survive the conveyance of title to the Property from GRANTOR to the STATE, shall be construed as running with the title to the Property conveyed by GRANTOR to STATE, and may be enforced by either PARTY, subject to the Dispute Resolution provisions in Paragraph 5, above.
- 6.11. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

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[Signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, GRANTOR and STATE have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

GRANTOR:
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, a California corporation
By: Andrew K. Williams Vice President Shared Services
STATE:
STATE OF CALIFORNIA, Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
Ву:
Print Name:
Its:
Ву:
Print Name:

EXHIBIT A

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY (Attached behind this Page)

EXHIBIT A-1

PROPERTY MAPS (Attached behind this Page)

EXHIBIT B

LIST OF ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTS

- 1. Lake Spaulding Environmental Site Assessment Refresh, prepared by Amec Foster Wheeler Environment and Infrastructure, Inc., dated April 2017.
- 2. Lake Spaulding Environmental Site Assessment, prepared by AMEC, dated December 1, 2011.
- 3. ESA Support Information Lake Spaulding Planning Unit– PG&E Files dated December 2011, compiled by AMEC Geomatrix.
- 4. Sampling Results Memorandum Sky Mountain Christian Camp Lake Spaulding Planning Unit (Placer County), prepared by AMEC Environment and Infrastructure., dated April 30, 2012.
- 5. Sampling Results Memorandum –Lake Spaulding Planning Unit (Placer County), prepared by AMEC Environment and Infrastructure., dated October 21, 2011.
- 6. Sampling Memorandum Sky Mountain Christian Camp, prepared by Amex Geomatrix, Inc., dated August 16, 2011.

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PAUL CLAIBORNE		120 PALMYRA ST	AUBURN CA 95603
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WILLIAM DAVID & COPPELIA M BURNS		174 RANCHO CIR	AUBURN CA 95603
MIKE & STACY LATHAM		1760 GINA LOUISE LN	NEWCASTLE CA 95658
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California Hub for Energy Efficiency Financing

California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority California Public Utilities Commission Calpine

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