California Public Utility Commission's SB 884 Guidelines
Technical Working Group: SB 884 Project List Data Requirements Guidelines

Tuesday | Jan 20th, 2026 | 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

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Purpose:

Pursuant to Senate Bill (SB) 884 (McGuire; Stats. 2022, Ch. 819), the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) requires complex data submissions for a large electrical corporation's Electrical Undergrounding Plan (EUP), which is intended to mitigate wildfire risk in High Fire Threat Districts (HFTDs). To support this effort, Safety Policy Division (SPD) convened a series of Technical Working Group (TWG) meetings and on July 24, 2025, issued the SB 884 Project List Data Requirements Guidelines (henceforth referred to as the CPUC SB 884 Data Guidelines) to the SB 884 Notification List. However, Resolution SPD-37[1], adopted on December 10, 2025, states: "In order to facilitate full and transparent review of these issues, staff are directed to modify the data requirements to include the annual total capital costs and total operating and maintenance costs for each proposed undergrounding project over its useful life; for each alternative project for its useful life; and for an assumed no-build scenario in which no project is built over the useful life of the existing equipment."[2] Moreover, Ordering Paragraph 11 of SPD-37 provides: "We authorize Safety Policy Division to make future updates and changes to the SB 884 Project List Data Requirements Guidelines and SB 884 Project List Data Template after hosting at least one technical working group

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[1] Resolution SPD-37 is available at https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/-/media/cpuc-website/divisions/safety-policy-division/documents/final-resolution-spd37-update-and-revision-of-senate-bill-884-program-cpuc-guidelines-program-for-ex.pdf

[2] Resolution SPD-37, Section 3.5.4 at 30.

meeting to present and discuss the changes". In accordance with these directives, SPD is planning to host a TWG meeting to present the required modifications and potential additional updates to the *CPUC SB 884 Data Guidelines*, ensuring alignment with Resolution SPD-37. In preparation for the TWG, SPD has developed a draft of the Revised SB 884 Project List Data Requirements Guidelines, SB 884 Project List Data Template Table 7 with Examples, and Revised SB 884 Project List Data Template Clean Version. These draft documents are intended to frame the discussion for attendees of the TWG meeting. During the TWG, SPD and stakeholders will review and discuss the proposed changes, including the addition of Table 7, and how these modifications are intended to support improved Benefit-Cost Ratio (BCR) calculations and enable more effective audits.

Expected Outcome: To discuss the potential updates to the SB 884 Program, CPUC Guidelines Appendix 1: SB 884 Project List Data Requirements Guidelines which enhance EUP data submission, BCR calculations, and audit process.

Agenda

2:00 – 2:05 p.m.	Introductions
2:05 – 2:10 p.m.	Purpose and Expected Outcomes of TWGs
2:10 – 2:40 p.m.	SB 884 Project List Data Template Updates: Safety Policy Division (SPD) Presentation
2:40 – 2:50 p.m.	Break
2:50 – 3:20 p.m.	PG&E Presentation
3:20 – 4:00 p.m.	General Discussion: Stakeholder Feedback on SB 884 Project List Data Template Updates

Note: There is no guarantee that an agenda item will begin and end in its listed time slot. If a presentation and/or discussion for a particular topic ends sooner than the allotted time, attendees may collectively decide to move to the next agenda item.