

PG&E appreciates the CAISO's efforts on the 2019-20 Transmission Planning Process (TPP) study plan and is generally supportive of the draft study plan. Additionally, PG&E requests that the CAISO conduct an economic study to identify solutions to relieve transmission congestion in the Fresno Avenal area that includes lines such as the Gates-Tulare Lake 70kV line and the Gates Substation. Transmission congestion can increase consumer costs because it prevents low cost energy from serving customers. The CAISO should study and identify cost effective transmission solutions that would mitigate congestion in the Fresno Avenal area.