



Hear from the ISA Gold Canopy Partners — Pacific Gas & Electric

ATLANTA, Ga. — Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E), one of the largest combined natural gas and electric energy companies in the United States, is a longstanding Gold Canopy Partner of ISA and has been part of the program since its inception.

The ISA Canopy Partners program is a collaborative initiative with industry leaders to better promote the professional practice of arboriculture, inform the public about the benefits of trees and provide a global network of arborists, urban foresters and people who care for trees.

Angela Sanford, PG&E's vice president of Vegetation Management, said PG&E first joined the Canopy Partner program as it aligns well with the Vegetation Management program and its commitment to tree safety work. This partnership also further supports workforce development, promotes industry-leading practices and encourages a culture of continuous learning.

"ISA's focus on advancing arboriculture through research, education and credentialing aligns closely with PG&E's commitment to safety, system reliability and environmental stewardship," Sanford said. "Our vegetation management program applies science-based practices to reduce wildfire risk while recognizing the long-term value of healthy, well-managed trees."

Sanford added that collaborating with the broader arboriculture industry fosters knowledge-sharing and continuous improvement for PG&E vegetation inspectors and tree crews. These partnerships keep practices aligned with evolving standards and help tackle challenges such as wildfire risk, climate impacts and urban forest resilience, while also sharing safety best practices with utility and non-utility partners.

Additionally, PG&E remains connected with local communities through partnerships with local governments, fire agencies, tribal communities and other stakeholders to promote safe planting. Sanford said the company has a big emphasis on supporting Right Tree, Right Place programs to better educate communities on how to select, care for and plant trees safely away from overhead and underground infrastructure.

"We also promote safe planting tips through local social media posts and try to work with our city and county partners to promote safe planting through their channels," she said.



Other PG&E outreach efforts include public safety campaigns, workforce development partnerships and participation in tree stewardship events, such as Arbor Day and Earth Day celebrations.

Sanford said, ultimately, safety is the company's top priority. Having a team of highly skilled professionals and being committed to community involvement are the two ways they can ensure the best for PG&E's customers and communities.

"By connecting with our communities throughout the year, we build trust, improve transparency and work together to complete tree safety work," Sanford said. "Maintaining connections with our communities also allows us to clearly communicate the purpose of our work, incorporate local perspectives and make more informed, context-sensitive decisions that enhance safety, reliability and sustainability."

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