



Biodiversity Policy

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Responsible Dept: External Affairs

Responsible Officer:

Executive Vice President – External Affairs

Applicability:

All Employees of Sempra Energy companies & its business units

INFORMATION TYPE: **Public**

Questions?

Contact: [Environmental](#)

1. PURPOSE:

Biodiversity is defined as the existence of a wide variety of plant and animal species in their natural environments. This policy emphasizes our commitment to protecting biodiversity in areas where we operate.

Energy infrastructure is an integral part of our communities. As we build and maintain infrastructure in the U.S. and Latin America, we are committed to integrating biodiversity preservation and enhancement considerations into our planning and decision-making processes.

2. POLICY:

The Sempra Energy companies will:

- Engage with stakeholders such as communities, government, academia, NGOs and others with expertise in biodiversity matters where appropriate when planning, building and operating energy infrastructure;
- Endeavor to minimize impacts to wildlife during the construction and operation of energy facilities, meeting or exceeding permit requirements;
- Protect threatened and endangered species of plants and animals, abiding by the letter and spirit of applicable laws and regulations related to biodiversity;
- Balance business needs with impacts on sensitive impact;
- Share our biodiversity commitments, successes, challenges and efforts with openness and transparency; and
- Remain committed to continuous improvement in our biodiversity programs and share best practices when appropriate.

3. RELATED DOCUMENTS

For more information, see the [Environmental Policy](#), [Environmental - Safety Compliance Plans](#), and [Water Policy](#).

4. RECORDS RETENTION GUIDANCE

For guidance as to the appropriate retention period for records related to this policy, please refer to the [Records Management and Retention policy](#).

You may raise questions or concerns about compliance or ethics issues by visiting our [anonymous Sempra Energy Ethics & Compliance Helpline website at \[www.SempraEthics.com\]\(http://www.SempraEthics.com\)](#) or

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