County, Cities, Schools Reach Tentative Agreement with PG&E
To Ease Local Impacts of Diablo’s Closure

Officials representing County of San Luis Obispo, the Coalition of Cities, and the San Luis Coastal Unified School District announced today that they have reached a tentative agreement with PG&E aimed at easing the local impacts expected from the planned closing of the Diablo Canyon Power Plant in 2025.

“We reached this agreement through many hours of thoughtful and collegial negotiations with PG&E,” the officials said in a joint statement. “PG&E’s representatives listened carefully to our concerns. We are grateful for their willingness to substantially increase their original proposal to assist us in the difficult undertaking we face – how to support the region’s economic vitality in the aftermath of the plant’s closure.”

In its original application to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), PG&E proposed a $49.5 million Community Impact Mitigation Program to assist the region in planning for the economic impacts of Diablo’s closure. This new agreement addresses the community’s concerns related to public health, safety and economic security following the closure of the power plant.

The agreement, according to the rules of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), is “a settlement in principle” pending formal approval by the County Board of Supervisors, the councils of the six cities that comprise the Coalition of Cities, the San Luis Coastal Unified School Board and PG&E’s senior management.

All parties need to officially approve the agreement and submit it to the CPUC as a modification to PG&E’s original joint proposal. All elements of the joint proposal are subject to the CPUC’s review and approval.

The County coordinated the settlement negotiations with PG&E, working hand in hand with both the school district and the Coalition of Cities over the past several months to negotiate separate parts of the agreement. The Coalition of Cities includes the six cities of San Luis Obispo, Arroyo Grande, Atascadero, Morro Bay, Paso Robles, and Pismo Beach.

The attached news releases from the County, the Coalition of Cities and San Luis Coastal Unified School District contain details for how the agreement will assist each of the three entities and the communities they serve.