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SCE&G To Perform Tree Trimming Activities As Scheduled for 2014

SCE&G will perform tree trimming activities along overhead utility lines in the following neighborhoods for the next two weeks:

Hampton-Wildcat Neighborhood

Crosshill Neighborhood

Hampton Ridge Neighborhood Association

Heyward Park Neighborhood

Hampton Hills Homeowners

Heathwood Park Neighborhood

Sherwood Forest Neighborhood

Kilbourne Park Neighborhood Association

The trimming will be completed by SCE&G contractors and work will be closely monitored on a daily basis by the City's 4 Certified Arborists from the Forestry and Beautification Division.

The purpose of the trimming activities is to increase safety and reliability of the electric service. SCE&G reports an 89% improvement in reliability in vegetation related outages in areas where trimming is completed compared to a year ago. The trimming guidelines include removing vegetation within 8-12 feet below and beside the power lines and up to 20 feet above the power lines.

SCE&G and their contractors trim in accordance with International Society of Arboriculture guidelines, using ANSI A300 pruning methods leaving good cuts that will generate new growth.

For more information about SCE&G's tree trimming efforts, including helpful tips and suggestions regarding the planting of trees and other vegetation, visit www.sceg.com/treertrimming.

You can also contact SCE&G's 24 hour Customer Service Center toll-free at 1-800-251-7234 or email SCEGContactUs@SCANA.com

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