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Laura, Shilpa and Trina-I'm not sure if you are the right ones to direct this question to, but we've been contacted by this organization that is trying to consolidate mapping information for public agencies in Marin County. I of course think that this is a great idea, and I know that PG&E has been working on a portal for this type of information for emergency responders. I'd like to offer this group a good contact within PG&E to work with on this shared objective. Who would be the right person? Name, position, contact info please.

Thanks.

Michelle

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California Public Utilities Commission

Paul Clanon,
Executive Director

Dear Mr. Clanon,

I am the Program Director for a JPA consortium of public agencies in Marin County called Marinmap. We are dedicated to sharing electronic information with each other and the public, and have been serving in this capacity for over ten years. All eleven cities and the County of Marin are members, as well as Marin LAFCO, Sewerage Agency of Southern Marin, and Marin Municipal Water District. I encourage you to go to www.marinmap.org and learn more about our organization.

I read with interest your comments in the December 7 San Francisco Chronicle about the public deserving the widest possible access to information you possess. This has been Marinmap's goal since inception, and we make ongoing efforts to generate and share new data, particularly GIS maps. Of critical importance to cities and the County is having access to underground utility information. We presently have water, sewer and drainage information from our members, along with many many more layers of public records, all linked, rectified, coordinated and maintained. A key omission is not having PG&E utility distribution information, particularly for underground utilities.

I am writing to ask you to consider allowing Marinmap to have access to PG&E GIS information regarding utilities within the public rights of way and easements in Marin County. I would be happy to sit down with you and discuss this, and would welcome your attendance at a Marinmap meeting, or by one of your representatives. I understand that PG&E is not a public agency and as such presently is not required to share mapping data (although I do hope Sen. Yee's legislative efforts change that). However, Marinmap has both a public side and a member side, and for now, we would be able to limit access to PG&E mapping data to public agency members only, if necessary.

Please give every consideration to my request, and I am at your disposal for a meeting or to furnish more information, or to assist in any way possible to further our shared belief in public access to information.

I look forward to hearing from you. Best regards and Happy New Year.

Wayne Bush

Program Director

Marinmap

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

CPUC and pipeline data

Your article “Law puts pipeline records offlimits” (Nov. 27) gets the California Public Utilities Commission’s track record on releasing utility documents backward.

The PUC didn’t make the confidentiality law in 1951, but we must obey it. The law makes it easy for utilities to claim confidentiality and requires the PUC to take action to release information. We do this every day.

You gave two examples in your article supposedly showing the PUC holds back information from the public. In fact, both examples show the opposite. When a Suisun City resident asked for documents about PG&E pipelines, we worked to get him the information. His claim of “no transparency whatsoever” is wrong. As for the San Francisco city attorney, the PUC has provided all the requested documents we have; if he thinks we’ve missed something, he hasn’t told us.

The PUC is a public agency, and the public should have the widest possible access to information we possess, consistent with exceptions like privacy of individual consumers.

I am encouraged by state Sen. Leland Yee’s intent to introduce legislation to take a fresh look at an outdated statute

that impedes the PUC's ability to share documents with the public we serve.

Paul Clanon, executive director California Public Utilities Commission