3.3.13 Public Services

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3.3.13.1 Environmental Setting

**Fire Services.** According to the San Luis Obispo County LCP Safety Element, DCPP lies within an area designated as a high fire hazard zone. The DCPP Fire Department is the first responder to fire and medical emergencies at the project area, with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF)/San Luis Obispo County Fire Department providing backup fire protection service if requested by DCPP (Aspen 2005). The CDF/San Luis Obispo County fire station closest to onshore project activities is located at Avila Beach. The closest fire station to the offshore portion of the project area is located in Los Osos. Response times for fire service personnel to the onshore portion of the project area would be over 20 minutes.

DCPP maintains a full time (24-7) industrial/medical emergency response department staffed at all times by at least five fully trained fire fighters, all of whom are qualified as emergency medical technicians. The department operates a plant site fire station with dedicated emergency response vehicles and support equipment, including two Type-1 fire fighting apparatus trucks (which carry more than 500 gallons of fire suppressant) and a mobile (towed) hazardous materials release mitigation unit.

**Police Services.** DCPP maintains an extensive onsite site security organization. The organization’s focus is security of the nuclear facility boundaries; however, it also implements surveillance of, and access control over, the Utility-owned lands surrounding the plant site. Personnel and vehicle access to the general lands is controlled by the site security organization (Bryan Cunningham, PG&E, pers. comm.).

The closest public law enforcement station to both onshore and offshore activities is the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff Department’s office in Los Osos. Because of the rural
location of the DCPP, the County Sheriff and California Highway Patrol are responsible for responding to 911 disturbances in the vicinity. Response times for law enforcement personnel to the onshore portion of the Project area would be over 20 minutes.

School Services. Twelve school districts serve San Luis Obispo County. The project area is located within the service boundary of the San Luis Coastal Unified School District. No public or private schools are located near the onshore portion of the Project area.

Parks. DCPP is located in a rural portion of the County; therefore, there are no residential or neighborhood parks near the Project area. Montaña de Oro State Park is located approximately 2.0 km (1.2 mi) to the northeast of the onshore portion of the Project area and approximately 3.2 km (2.0 mi) shoreward (east) of OBS-1. Montaña de Oro State Park encompasses over 32.0 km² (8,000 acres) of land and provides opportunities for fishing, horseback riding, guided tours, biking, and camping. It also provides exhibits and programs, hiking trails, nature trails, wildlife viewing, surfing, picnic areas, and can accommodate trailers and campers.

Emergency Medical Services. There is an onsite medical facility staffed during regular business hours by a physician's assistant and at least one registered nurse. The facility's primary function is not emergency response, but, when staffed, it will provide emergency medical care services and support preparation for offsite transport of personnel to area hospitals via commercial ambulance services (Bryan Cunningham, PG&E, pers. comm.). The closest hospital services to the Project area are available at Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center and Twin Cities Community Hospital. Response times for emergency medical personnel to the onshore portion of the project area would be over 20 minutes. For the offshore portions of the Project, medical services would be at an onshore facility and transport would most likely be via helicopter.

3.3.13.2 Regulatory Setting

Federal. No federal regulations pertain to public services relevant to this Project.

State. DCPP, along with state and local government agencies, have developed various fire and emergency response plans, such as:

- San Luis Obispo County/Cities Nuclear Power Plant Emergency Response Plan.

Local. Several local ordinances direct fire prevention activities within San Luis Obispo County. These include Chapter 19.20, Construction Standards of Title 19, of the County Code, as well as section 22/23.05.050 et seq. of the Land Use Ordinance (San Luis Obispo County 1988a) and CZLUSO (San Luis Obispo County 1988b). These sections of Titles 22 and 23 contain standards pertaining to the preparation and review of fire
safety plans, fire safety standards, site access, and driveway requirements. In addition, the provisions of the Uniform Fire Code have been adopted by San Luis Obispo County.

3.3.13.3 Impact Analysis

a) Would the Project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services?

The Project would result in short-term onshore and offshore OBS installation and recovery operations and would not introduce a need for long-term changes to fire or police protection services. Proposed onshore and offshore Project activities would be short-term operations that are not typically associated with the need for additional fire, emergency, and law enforcement needs. Project activities are unlikely to require fire services because the majority of the activities involve in-water construction; however, in the unlikely event of a fire, fire suppression services would be required. This potential short-term impact would not require new or physically altered government facilities and would not result in a significant impact to local fire suppression services.

The Project could require emergency services (“Other Public Facilities”) if a worker injury occurs during construction; however, such an event would not result in a significant impact to existing medical facilities. Short-term onshore and offshore operations would not result in an increase in project area population; therefore, the Project would have no impact related to school and park services.

3.3.13.4 Mitigation and Residual Impacts

Mitigation. The proposed project would not result in significant impacts to public services and no mitigation is required.

Residual Impacts. The proposed project would have less than significant impacts on public services, no mitigation is required, and no residual impacts would occur.