MEDIA ADVISORY

Marin Municipal Water District asks customers to prepare for PG&E power shutoff

The Marin Municipal Water District is asking customers to prepare for PG&E’s planned Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) by planning ahead.

In advance of the power shutoff, customers should plan ahead and store at least a three-day emergency supply of water of two gallons per person, per day. Remember to include extra water for those with special needs and for pets.

The Marin Municipal Water District’s water treatment plants and pump stations typically rely on electricity to power the system that delivers water to pumps, tanks and pipelines, and into customers’ taps. The District has prepared for the PG&E power shutoff, and has installed backup generators at water treatment plants to continue to provide water from its reservoirs. The water district has also prepared a fleet of generators that will be placed at pump stations throughout Marin as needed to keep water tanks full and to ensure service is not impacted.

During a PSPS power shutoff, we are asking all of our customers, whether they are affected or not, to please reduce water use and turn off irrigation systems. Conserving water during emergencies such as power outages is critical to ease the demand on backup generators and ensure we have an adequate water supply for firefighting, drinking water and other essential needs.

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