MEDIA ADVISORY

Marin Water asks customers to prepare for PG&E power shutoffs

The Marin Water district is asking customers to prepare for PG&E’s planned Public Safety Power Shutoffs (PSPS) by planning ahead and reducing water use during the power shutoff. According to PG&E, potential PSPS outages are expected in portions of the district’s service area on Sunday and may continue through Tuesday.

In advance of the power shutoff, customers should 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.

During the power shutoff, please do not use water for irrigation or other outdoor uses, and use your indoor water supply wisely. Conserving water reduces the demand on the district’s backup generators and ensures there is an ample supply for firefighting, drinking water, and other essential needs.

Marin Water, which uses electricity to power treatment plants and pump stations, has planned and prepared for the PG&E power shutoffs. Backup generators are ready to power treatment plants, and a fleet of portable generators will be deployed in Marin as needed to power pump stations. The water district has also secured the necessary fuel and other supplies, and has planned for staff to monitor generators and respond to any field conditions.

Marin Water serves approximately 191,300 people in southern and central Marin.

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