# Public Safety Power Shutoff 2022 Pre-Season Public Briefing

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# **Liberty Utilities**

- □ ~49,000 customers
- □ ~1,400 miles of overhead lines
- □ ~300 miles of underground lines
- □ ~23,000 utility poles
- 12 substations
- Connected to Nevada Balancing Authority (not CAISO)
- □ 125 employees





#### Grid Hardening

- ☐ In 2022, Liberty plans the following system hardening:
  - Complete 9.5 miles of covered conductor projects, including associated pole replacements
  - ☐ Complete 231 G.O 165 Level 2 pole replacements
  - Systematically replace equipment that creates ignition risk, such as expulsion fuses and tree attachments
  - Improve substation infrastructure by installing substation animal guards and replacing oil circuit breakers
  - Explore and pilot new technologies to improve system resiliency
    - Microgrids, resiliency zones and temporary generation







#### **PSPS Lessons Learned**

- ☐ Liberty has not initiated an actual PSPS event
- Liberty updated its PSPS Playbook in advance of the 2022 PSPS season
- Continue to build partnerships throughout service territory and expand CBO network
- Liberty's initial PSPS risk analysis includes estimating the frequency or likelihood of PSPS events given historic weather data gridded on Liberty's overhead lines
- ☐ Evaluating the use of fast trips with fault indicators as a tool to lower ignition possibility, mitigate PSPS impacts, and restore service more quickly



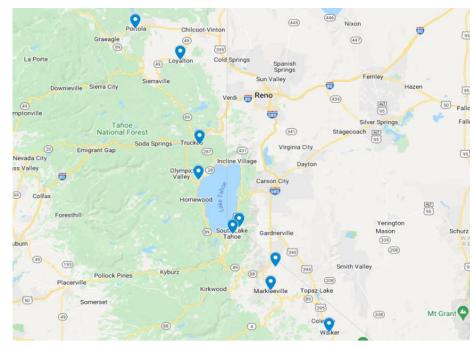
# Fast Trip Settings

- Liberty is piloting the use of fast trip settings and has implemented fast trip settings three times in the last two years.
- Liberty is exploring the use of fast trip settings and increased deployment of overhead fault indicators on two circuits in 2022.
- Liberty will monitor fire conditions and deploy fast tripping as deemed appropriate by our Incident Command team.



#### 2022 Pre-Season Report - CRC Plan

- Staffing & training
- Site tours
- Material additions
- Community Resource Center (CRC) site considerations
  - Indoor venues compliant with fire codes and ADA requirements
  - Back up generation
  - Travel distance less than 30 miles for all customers
  - Facility capacity and amenities



- The Veteran's Memorial Hall 449 W. Sierra Ave. Portola, CA 96122
- Loyalton Senior Center 302 1st Street Loyalton, CA 96118
- Truckee Tahoe Airport 10356 Truckee Airport Road Truckee, CA 96161
- Tahoe City Public Utility District 221 Fairway Drive Tahoe City, CA 96145
- South Lake Tahoe Middle School 2940 Lake Tahoe Blvd. South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

- Walker Community Center 442 Mule Deer Drive Walker, CA 93517
- The Turtle Rock Community Center
  173 State Route 89/4
  Markleeville, CA 96120
- Woodfords Community 96 Washoe Blvd Markleeville, CA 96120
- Hard Rock Hotel and Casino 50 US 50 Stateline NV 89449





#### 2022 Pre-Season Report – Critical Facilities and Infrastructure Plan

- Coordination with Critical Infrastructure
  - Public Safety Partner Support
    - Mapping all Critical Infrastructure in the Liberty service area
    - Updating the Liberty Utilities Public Safety Partner Portal
- ☐ Coordination with Local/Tribal/County Emergency Response



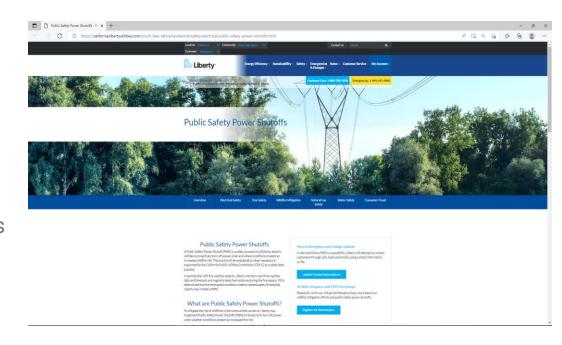
## 2022 Pre-Season Report - PSPS Exercise Reports

- Training on Incident Command and Conducting PSPS Exercises:
  - □ ICS Training and PSPS Table Top Exercise June 15, 2022
  - □ PSPS Full Scale Exercise with Public Safety Partners—June 23, 2022
- ☐ After Action Reports and Improvement Plans Completed
  - Submitted with Pre-Season Report—July 1, 2022
  - Lessons learned include:
    - Two additional CRC locations
    - Detailed staffing plan for CRCs
    - Comprehensive training plan for CRCs
    - Mapping of Critical Infrastructure and establishing a PSP portal
    - Review of Incident Management Team staffing during a PSPS event
    - ☐ Update of the Liberty PSPS Playbook



## 2022 Pre-Season Report - Education and Outreach

- Outreach
- ☐ PSPS briefings
- □ PSPS Website/Resource Page
  - Helpful videos and tips
  - PSPS fact sheets, preparedness, available programs
  - ☐ 211 resources
  - □ AFN self-identification tool
  - □ CRC resources
- During Potential PSPS Event (Microsite)
  - Customers directed only to PSPS information
  - Available in English and Spanish
  - Designed to handle web traffic





## 2022 Pre-Season Report - Notification Plan

- ☐ Updated PSPS Playbook
- Multi-channel approach
- PSPS portal
- Liaisons for multiple customer categories





#### **AFN and MBL Customers**

- ☐ CBO network expansion
- Collaborative outreach
- AFN data
- Proposed Behind-the-Meter Battery Storage Program





#### **Customer Resources**

- ☐ Community Based Organizations
- **211**
- ☐ Meals on Wheels Support
- ☐ Community Resource Centers
- ☐ Liberty Website



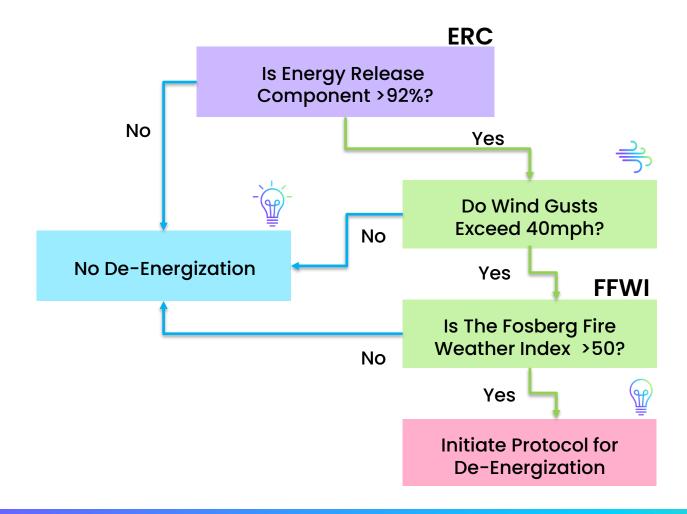




# Appendix



#### PSPS Decision-Making Framework





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