Pacific Power, Portland General Electric and Idaho Power 2020 Wildfire Season Preparation June 5, 2020

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FOUNDATION OF PLANS

Established strategies for wildfire risk mitigation

Be situationally aware of environmental risks

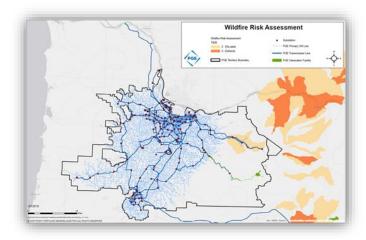
- Monitor fire weather conditions
- Implement various operational strategies during fire risk periods
- Increase collaboration & coordination with public safety partners

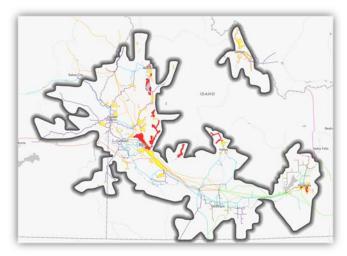
Ensure facilities are resilient to limit potential for ignition

- Enhanced inspection programs & accelerate certain condition corrections
- Enhance vegetation management practices
- Deploy covered conductor

React rapidly to fault events that limit arc-energy created

- Deploy more sensitive protective coordination equipment
- Replace certain fuse locations with non-expulsion equipment







2020 FIRE SEASON

Visual Inspections and Corrections

- Focus on high fire risk areas
- Embedded into the on-going program

Advanced Vegetation Inspections

- Strengthened partnerships (e.g. US Forest Service)
- Inspection of FHCA circuits
- Pole Clearing

Resiliency Projects to Reduce Fire Risk

- Ductile iron poles
- Fiberglass cross arms

Risk Modeling Enhancements

- Leveraged approach developed by CA based electric utilities
- Enhancing models to enable rational, prioritized and prudent wildfire risk mitigation program

Operational Practices

- Additional fire program team expertise (e.g. meteorologist)
- Wildfire refresher training conducted with field employees
- No test energize policy during red flag warning days





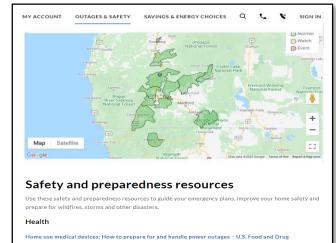


COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Customer Communication Wildfire Mitigation and Safety

✓ Advertising

- Print
- Radio
- Digital
- Social
- ✓ Media outreach
- ✓ Bill Inserts
- ✓ Webinars
- ✓ Informational sheets
- ✓ Resource center on websites



Administration (FDA) Checklist: Emergency power planning for people who use electricity and battery dependent assistiv technology and medical devices – Pacific ADA Center

Power outage during extreme heat - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Tips for preventing heat-related illness - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Food and water safety during a power outage - U.S. Food & Drug Administration

Personal and home preparedness guides

Building an emergency kit - Ready.gov Making an emergency plan - Ready.gov

[VIDEO] How to make your home and property fire-safe - Oregon Department of Forestry and Keep



COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Customer Impacts

- Minimization of planned outages where possible
- Social distancing when interacting with customers / public
- Suspension of disconnects due to non-payment

Project Impacts

- Some customer driven projects have shifted or been cancelled
- Evaluation of company driven projects to determine if requirements have changed

Material Impacts

- Availability of certain material has been impacted (arrestors)
- However the bulk of the 2020 wildfire mitigation work remains unaffected at this time

Resource Impacts

- Contracting resources becoming available with the change in the economic outlook
- Internal employees using "social-distancing" / pod-management / working from home
- Monitoring crew travel destinations and adjusting work schedules
- Remote training / meetings



Questions?

