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





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
- **D** 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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