



Carlton residents,

Due to strong winds mixed with dry weather forecasted over the next few days, Portland General Electric (PGE), notified The City of Carlton and area residents that there is the potential for public safety power shutoffs or PSPS. Please see their website for details: <https://portlandgeneral.com/outages-safety/wildfire-outages>

While the City of Carlton city boundaries are not listed in the potential shut off zone, the area west of Carlton is. This area does affect a limited number of our water customers and also impacts our water plant and reservoir. Please know that city staff is well prepared for a power outage or worse, a wildfire, and we are confident that we will be able to continue to deliver water to our residents in the event of a power loss at our plant. Our reservoirs are full, with plenty of water to supply all customers and aid in any fire relief engagements if necessary. Our staff have our back-up generators fueled and ready to go at a moment's notice.

Our Public Works and Public Safety teams are prepared and well equipped to handle any emergency. They will be checking in on our most vulnerable residents to ensure that their needs are met. If you would like to be added to their safety check in list, please call Chief Martinez at 971-241-9151 or 503-852-3805, or email him at kmartinez@ci.carlton.or.us. Please continue to call 911 for emergencies.

This is a good time to update your emergency preparedness kits and we recommend you check, or create an outage kit and make sure everyone in your home knows where to find it. Below are a few basic items, and you'll find a more robust checklist at this link-<http://ow.ly/VSH350KCZGG>

- Flashlights or headlamps (with new/working batteries!)
- Battery-powered or hand-crank radio and clock/watch
- Battery-powered or hand-held fans
- Extra batteries
- Car chargers for cell phones and electronic devices to charge devices with your car
- Keep the freezer and refrigerators closed and frozen cold packs or water frozen in bags or plastic bottles (keep ready in your freezer) to keep food cold during extended outages
- If you use a generator, use outdoors only and away from windows
- Disconnect appliances and electronics to avoid damage from electrical surges. Switch off all electrical appliances that shouldn't be left unattended, in case the power comes back on
- Leave a light on so you know when the power outage has been resolved
- Bring solar lights inside to use for lighting
- Check to see if your neighbors are okay
- Emergency phone numbers, including PGE Customer Service: 503-228-6322



Another good resource to be familiar with is 211. You can call 211 or visit www.211info.org for information and assistance.

Again, please know that city staff has prepared all city services to continue to offer consistent public functions to all residents. Please reach out to the City Manager at 503-852-7575 (sbeaucaire@ci.carlton.or.us) if you have any questions or concerns about city services.

We will continue to update you as new information develops. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

Mayor Watkins, Carlton City Council, and your Carlton Team