

NOTICE OF COUNTY-WIDE POWER OUTAGES - OVERNIGHT

Tuesday, Sept. 25th:

12:30 am to ~2:30 am

Tuesday Oct. 23rd:

12:30 am to ~4:30 am



BE PREPARED!

All of San Juan County will be affected by a series of two planned outages necessary for BPA to replace a section of one of the two main power lines that feeds the San Juan Islands from Fidalgo Island. These maintenance outages will happen on overnight weekdays to minimize impact to OPALCO consumers.

The first outage will begin at **12:30 am in the wee hours of Tuesday, September 25th** and is scheduled to last two hours. Power is expected to be restored by 2:30 am. This outage will allow the BPA crew to deconstruct a section of high-voltage line in need of replacement.

The second outage will begin at **12:30 am in the wee hours of Tuesday, October 23rd** and is scheduled to last up to four hours. This outage will enable the BPA crew to rebuild the section of high-voltage line and the project will give OPALCO linemen the ability to open and close this mainland circuit to reroute power during some mainland outages. This work will give OPALCO more control of








our mainland power supply and reduce the duration of future power outages.

OPALCO consumers should set a reminder for Monday nights 9/24 and 10/22. Turn sensitive equipment off at the power strip or unplug. In the morning, turn equipment on gradually to aid in power load pick up. OPALCO members are responsible for their own equipment. Members are encouraged to install surge protection to safeguard electronic, computer and other sensitive equipment and appliances.

Now is a great time to make sure you're prepared for winter outages. OPALCO's system is strong and its line crews skillful and ready - however, **outages happen and consumers must be prepared**. Make sure you have your outage plan including how you plan to get information about outages, a kit of the things you need to keep you comfortable during power outages, and battery or generator backup for any critical systems.

Winter Storm Check List

Make sure you have adequate supplies in case of power outages!

- ✓ **Drinking water** 
- ✓ **Canned/nonperishable Food** 
- ✓ **Blankets, pillows, and clothing** 
- ✓ **Basic Toiletries**
- ✓ **First Aid Supplies** 
- ✓ **Prescriptions**
- ✓ **Baby and Pet Supplies**
- ✓ **Flashlights** 
- ✓ **Battery-operated clock and radio** 
- ✓ **Extra Batteries**
- ✓ **Playing cards or board games**
- ✓ **Phone**
- ✓ **Cash and credit cards** 
- ✓ **Important documents**

Get outage details:

www.opalco.com/outages

Facebook or Twitter @OrcasPower

Sign up for Smarthub text and email alerts

Call (360) 376-3500 or call a friend who can access the internet

Be a good neighbor and check in with the houses around you.

Report an outage by calling (360) 376-3500 or login to Smarthub.