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EBMUD activating backup power for another power shutoff

OAKLAND – Due to extreme fire danger, PG&E has announced a planned power shutoff affecting 33 counties, including parts of East Bay Municipal Utility District’s service area in Alameda and Contra Costa counties. EBMUD is working to keep the water flowing during this Public Safety Power Shutoff event, scheduled to begin Saturday, October 26 and may last several days.

EBMUD has activated its Emergency Operations Team, has topped off reservoirs, and is connecting emergency generators and backup pumps at sites that rely on continuous power. EBMUD expects more than 180 water facilities will be affected by this power shutoff, including water treatment plants, pumping plants and local water storage tanks.

Customers served by EBMUD should check the map at ebmud.com/PSPS2019 to determine if they are in an affected pressure zone. If you are in an affected pressure zone, please minimize water use indoors and turn off outdoor irrigation to help conserve water in our local water storage tanks.

EBMUD always recommends customers have emergency water supplies: two gallons per person per day for seven days, plus pets. More information on how to store emergency water is available at: ebmud.com/customers/pipeline/2019/10/storing-emergency-water/.

EBMUD will make information available as the situation develops. For updates, check ebmud.com/pmps2019 and follow EBMUD @ebmud on Twitter, Nextdoor and Facebook. Report any water emergencies to EBMUD at 1-866-403-2683.

Visit pge.com for the latest information about the power outage.

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The East Bay Municipal Utility District has a proud history of providing high-quality drinking water for 1.4 million customers in Alameda and Contra Costa counties. EBMUD’s wastewater treatment serves 685,000 customers and protects the San Francisco Bay.