What is a Public Safety Power Shutoff?

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Public safety power shutoff, or PSPS, is a precautionary safety measure implemented after the 2017 and 2018 wildfires that may proactively turn off power lines when fire danger conditions are forecasted using our network of weather stations.

While communities in high fire threat areas are the most likely to be effected, all PG&E customers should be prepared for possible public safety power outages.

Because power lines can serve communities many miles away, even customers who do not live in high fire threat areas or are not experiencing severe weather may lose power.

So, even if there are not high winds or dangerous conditions where you live, your power may be interrupted because you are served by a line impacted by those conditions.

It is important that our customers make a plan to keep themselves safe during wildfire season.

To learn more about public safety power shutoffs, or for tips to better prepare you for an outage, visit safetyactioncenter.pge.com.