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**PG&E Public Safety Power Shutoff to begin at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 26th
Parts of Piedmont To Be Affected**

Pacific Gas and Electric Company has confirmed their intent to conduct a Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) which will include portions of Piedmont as early as Saturday, October 26th at 5:00 p.m. *Other power outages are likely to occur as a result of this wind event. All Piedmonters are advised to be prepared for power outages during this wind event and Red Flag Warning, which may or may not be proactive Public Safety Power Shutoffs.*

Based upon information provided by PG&E it appears that many areas in Piedmont will be affected by the PSPS. It is probable that electricity to all residences, businesses, schools, mobile phone towers, and public facilities in the affected area may be turned off. **The City of Piedmont has no additional detail as to whether individual homes or businesses will be affected by the PSPS and encourages all residents to be prepared for outages, wind, and high fire danger.**

PG&E will attempt to alert affected customers through calls and texts messages just before power is shut off. They will also use their web site and social media channels to provide information and will keep local news and radio outlets informed and updated.

Residents and businesses who are enrolled in East Bay Community Energy will be affected by these Public Safety Power Shutoffs.

The City of Piedmont has plans in place to ensure that emergency services and public safety are maintained during a Public Safety Power Shutoff, but affected residents will need to be self-reliant for a period of time. For more information on how to be prepared for emergencies, please see the Public Safety Committee's [Get Ready, Piedmont](#) brochure.

During a Public Safety Power Shutoff, please call 911 for emergencies only! We expect our emergency dispatchers to be busy answering phone calls, but they will not know when your power will be turned back on. The City of Piedmont has implemented plans to ensure that emergency services are maintained. As soon as we have information as to when power will be restored, we will post the information on the City website and our social media sites.