## Winter Storm Response







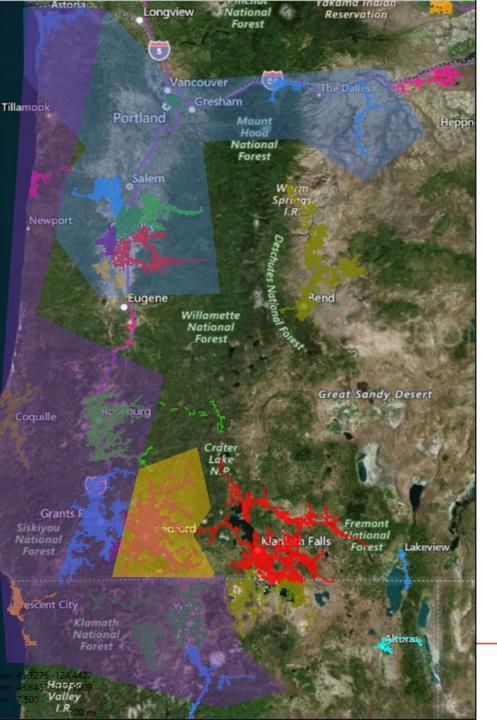






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#### **Event Summary**

Pacific Power's Emergency Coordination Center was activated on December 21, 2022, in preparation for a damaging winter storm. From December 22, 2022 — January 5, 2023, three different winter storm events required coordinated response. PacifiCorp's ECC had five total activations during this period.

Weather Impacts: Damaging winds, freezing rain, heavy wet snow

**Total Customers Affected: 212,007** 

**Total Outages**: 2,379

Peak Resourcing: 373 personnel

Asset Damages: 120 poles and 100 transformers replaced

Storm 1

Winds 44-55 mph Portland followed by coastal and gorge ice

Storm 2&3

Coastal Winds 55-75 mph, Inland 55-65 mph

Storm 3

Coastal Winds 55-65 mph, Inland 45-55 mph, heavy wet snow Mt. Shasta

#### Response and Impact Summary

	Storm 1	Storm 2&3	Storm 3
IMPACT	Dec 23 - 24	Dec 26 - 27	Jan 4 - 5
Total Customers	41,487	141,240	29,280
Peak Customers	5,521	52,463	14,242
Total Outages	520	1,446	413
Duration	73% within 3 hrs.	33% within 3 hrs. 70% within 8 hrs.	80% within 3 hrs.
Resources	241	373	344

#### **RESPONSE**

- ✓ Departmental Operations Center (DOC) and Emergency Coordination Center (ECC) were activated ahead of each event
- ✓ Deployed resources and materials ahead of storm to areas of impact and leveraged Rocky Mountain Power crew support
- ✓ Staffed up region operations and mission control and utilized Salt Lake City control center resources for coverage
- ✓ Warming Center Locations tracked and communicated to customer service and corporate communications.
- ✓ Each event had transmission and distribution impacts affecting critical infrastructure, community resources or key accounts requiring prioritization and internal / external communication

#### Communication

## PUBLIC SAFETY PARTNERS

- Utilities and ESF12 had regular communications
- Continuous local emergency management stakeholder outreach
- Public safety partner outreach was uniquely defined by event and local impacts

## CUSTOMER COMMUNICATION

- Social Media
- Outage Map Updates and Estimated Time of Restore
- Media Releases by Market
- Outbound Calls

## COMMUNITY & REGULATORY

- Regulatory updates followed Emergency Coordination Center briefings
- Critical customers / local communities had direct conduit through Regional Business Managers

### **Continuous Improvement**

#### What went well:

- ✓ Forecasting accuracy and with lead time to coordinate response
- ✓ Resourcing ahead of event impact
- ✓ External coordination was timely and effective

## **Future Opportunities:**

- ☐ Improve customer facing communication
- ☐ Improve resource redundancy for ECC roles holidays / dual ECC staffing

# Thank you!

