



FLEX ALERT



April 16, 2013

CONSERVATION TIPS

- Lower lighting.
- Turn off thermostats.
- Power down unnecessary electric appliances and devices.

STAGE 1 EMERGENCY

Operating reserves forecast to fall to between 7% - 6%

STAGE 2 EMERGENCY

Operating reserves forecast to fall below 5%

STAGE 3 EMERGENCY

Operating reserves forecast to fall below 3%

TRANSMISSION EMERGENCIES

Declared when local voltage levels are at risk due to sudden power line outages or when fires threaten the grid.

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Flex-Alert for Northern CA Only Urgent conservation needed NOW in Santa Clara & Silicon Valley

The California ISO is urging residents and businesses in the San Jose area, in particular Santa Clara and Silicon Valley, to conserve electricity NOW following heavy damage to the Metcalf transmission substation.

Pacific Gas and Electric is reporting heavy damage to transformers at the substation following gunshots heard during an apparent vandalism in the early morning hours. Santa Clara law enforcement is working closely with PG&E to investigate.

As damage assessments continue, additional equipment at the substation may be taken out-of-service. This will limit transmission capability in this area of the high-voltage grid, which is why conservation is required.

Consumers are urged to reduce their energy use now through midnight. The ISO will keep media informed. For more information go to www.caiso.com

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