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## Conservation helps grid avoid outages today, says ISO

ISO appreciates consumer conservation; reminds of Flex Alert tomorrow

FOLSOM, Calif. – The California Independent System Operator (ISO) announced that consumer conservation helped grid operators avoid rotating power outages today.

The grid operator earlier declared a Stage 2 Emergency, when wildfires took 1,600 megawatts (MW) of resources off the grid, however, conservation helped avoid further emergencies, including rolling outages.

The ISO issued a Flex Alert to urge consumers to conserve energy during this statewide heatwave that's driving up energy consumption. The Flex Alert will continue on Sunday and Monday, with conservation needed between 3 p.m. and 9 p.m. each day.

Temperatures during this heat wave are expected to peak tomorrow, pushing demand for energy beyond levels of available supply. Based on the current forecast and without significant conservation efforts, the ISO is planning for the potential for rotating power outages throughout the state tomorrow between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m.

For the most up-to-date information on emergencies, follow us on Twitter at @California ISO.

For information on Flex Alerts, and to get more electricity conservation tips, visit the ISO's <u>Flex Alert website</u>. Click <u>here</u> to learn more about System Alerts, Warnings and Emergencies. Follow grid conditions in real time at ISO's <u>Today's Outlook</u>, or download the free ISO Today mobile app.

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The Western Energy Imbalance Market (EIM) Governing Body is the governing authority designed by regional stakeholders with delegated authority from the ISO Board of Governors to resolve rules specific to participation in the Western EIM.