



Are you prepared for a power outage?

The recent high winds and September snowstorm remind us that Alaska is a dynamic place to live, and we need to be prepared for a variety of hazards, including power outages.

Chugach's priority is providing safe, reliable power to our members, but we know weather conditions and other factors can pose significant challenges. With winter approaching, now is a good time to evaluate your family disaster plan. High winds, snowstorms, earthquakes, and other events can result in power outages that can last hours or days, and it's helpful if you and your family are prepared.

It's a good idea to keep your electronics charged, especially when severe weather is forecast. Disaster experts recommend supplies for five-to-seven days conveniently located. Some items to include:

- Water (one gallon of water per person, per day)
- Non-perishable food
- Extra blankets or sleeping bags
- Pet supplies
- Portable charger or power bank
- Flashlights, matches and a battery-operated radio

It's recommended people with medical needs or other factors that require uninterrupted power get a generator. For more information on disaster preparedness, go to www.ready.gov.



Planned construction to improve reliability in Cooper Landing

Cooper Landing residents can expect to see significant construction activity soon as Chugach is rebuilding part of the distribution line that feeds into the community. The Daves Creek Feeder 352 originates out of the Daves Creek Substation, between milepost markers 40 and 41 of the Sterling Highway, terminating at the Russian River ferry crossing.

This project will reconstruct approximately four miles of the line from the substation to Kenai Lake. It will increase capacity and reliability by adding poles and replacing conductors and cross arms on

the feeder. The construction has been awarded to Alaska Line Builders and will begin after freeze-up. The construction will be done with the line energized, minimizing disruptions to members. Construction is scheduled to be complete by the end of the year. {141015958}

Chugach has other projects scheduled for the Cooper Landing/Moose Pass area. A public meeting discussing the details of these projects is scheduled for the Cooper Landing Community Club on Nov. 4, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Chugach seeking renewable energy projects

In an effort to add more renewable energy generation to its portfolio and reduce carbon emissions, Chugach is issuing a request for proposals (RFP) for projects that can be built and integrated into the existing system. Chugach has a goal of adding a project or projects that will produce 100,000 megawatt hours per year of renewable generation to its system by the end of the first quarter of 2025. The purpose of the RFP process is to obtain competitive

proposals from independent power producers to identify renewable energy projects that can be built and integrated into the Chugach system at no additional cost to ratepayers. Chugach is looking for projects that will be in commercial operation by March 31, 2025, but is also interested in proposals that will take longer to develop. For specifics on the RFP, go to the bid opportunities section of the Chugach website at chugachelectric.com.

Prizes, efficiency info for members

In October, we're celebrating National Cooperative Month and National Energy Awareness Month.

Trivia: Follow us on Facebook and answer weekly trivia questions for a chance to win gift certificates from local businesses.

Efficient Fridays: Information about energy efficiency will be available in our lobby and drive-thru, every Friday in October from 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Lights on for the 2021 Power Pledge Challenge

What started in 2013 as a partnership between Chugach and Renewable Energy Alaska Project (REAP), and an initiative to promote Energy Awareness Month to middle school students in Anchorage, has since grown into a partnership that includes 14 organizations and utilities and has reached more than 18,000 students since its inception.

The program uses hands-on activities from the AK EnergySmart curriculum and provides an in-person or virtual



presentation from REAP STEM educators and utility partners.

Teachers or youth program leaders from Kindergarten through 12th grade who are interested in the Power Pledge Challenge including a classroom presentation, please contact Chantelle Lewis-Boutte at save_energy@chugachelectric.com.

Volunteers needed for Annual Meeting committees

Chugach is looking for members interested in serving on its 2022 Bylaws, Election, and Nominating committees.

These committees, which are essential to a successful annual meeting and election process, provide an excellent opportunity to learn more about your electric cooperative.

Members interested in applying for an appointment should submit an application. Applications for the committees must be received by 5 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 5.

For more information or to receive an application, call 762-4766 or visit chugachelectric.com/media/annual-meeting.



Check the air filter on your furnace every month, especially during heavy use months. If the filter

looks dirty, change it. At a minimum, change the filter every 3 months.

A dirty filter slows down air flow and makes your system work harder to keep you comfortable.



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