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### Extreme Wind Prompts Southern California Edison to Shutoff Power in Hemet

**Hemet, Calif.**—Southern California Edison (SCE) has implemented Public Safety Power Shutoffs (PSPS) due to extreme winds forecasted by the National Weather Service. A PSPS is a safety measure to prevent wildfires during dangerous weather conditions. When extreme wind or other high-risk factors arise, power is temporarily shut off to reduce the risk of electrical equipment becoming an ignition source, prioritizing community safety.

SCE works diligently to restore power as conditions permit and has field resources ready to restore service as soon as weather conditions allow. Other utilities will support SCE through its mutual assistance program. Ongoing conditions may result in some customers whose power is restored experiencing a subsequent power shutoff.

Residents should prepare for extended outages lasting several days. Restoration times may vary as the severe weather event progresses, particularly in areas affected by fire, damaged equipment, or restricted access. Residents whose power has not been impacted are advised to prepare for potential shutoffs if weather conditions worsen unexpectedly.

The City of Hemet and SCE recognize the challenges posed by power outages and encourage residents to take the following safety precautions:

- **Traffic Safety:** Treat intersections with non-functioning traffic lights as four-way stops.
- **Lighting:** Use battery-operated flashlights instead of candles to avoid fire hazards.
- **Carbon Monoxide Safety:** Avoid using outdoor heating or cooking equipment indoors, as it can emit toxic gases.

Residents needing to charge their devices during the power outage can access the City's Mobile Command Post. For hours and locations, visit the Hemet Police Department's social media platforms. Please bring your charging cords and plugs for your devices.

For a map of impacted areas, additional resources, updates, and information, visit [sce.com/outages](https://www.sce.com/outages).