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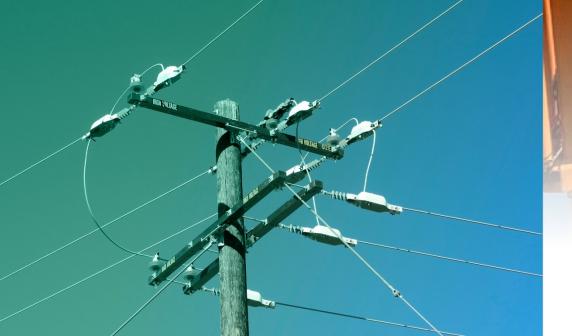
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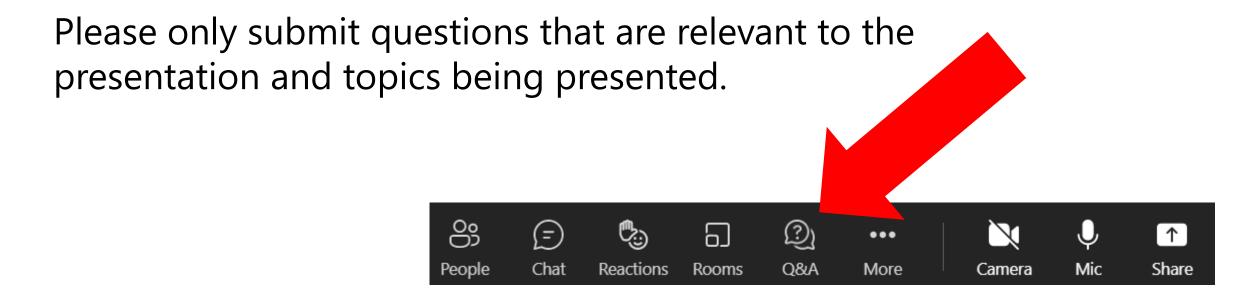


### **Our Commitment to California**

**Keeping our communities safe from wildfires** 

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### BE PREPARED FOR POTENTIAL EMERGENCIES



### An emergency can happen at any time.

#### Have a Plan & Make a Kit

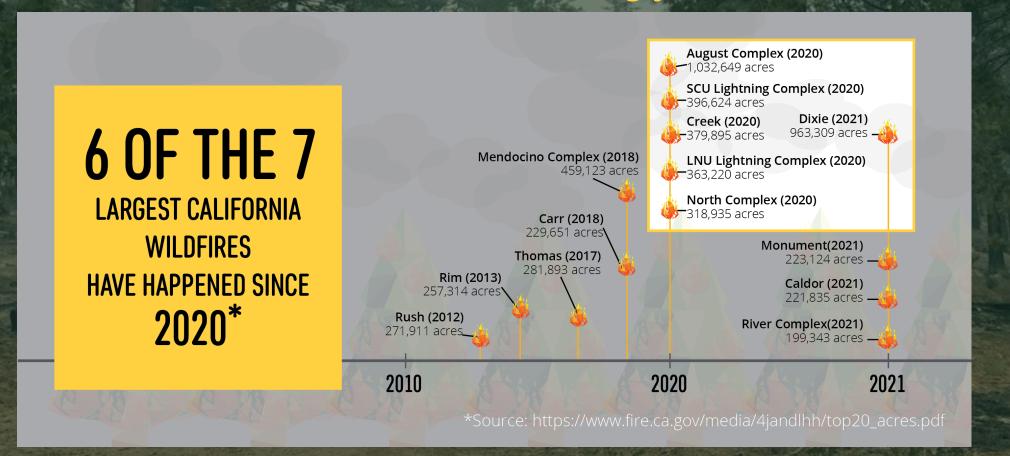
You can help your family be prepared for any emergency situation with a safety preparedness plan, an emergency kit with some basic supplies and advance planning. Whether a storm, an earthquake, a wildfire or a flood comes our way, preparedness will help everyone cope better and stay safer. Learn more at <a href="mailto:sce.com/beprepared">sce.com/beprepared</a>.

### **Wildfire Preparedness Tips:**

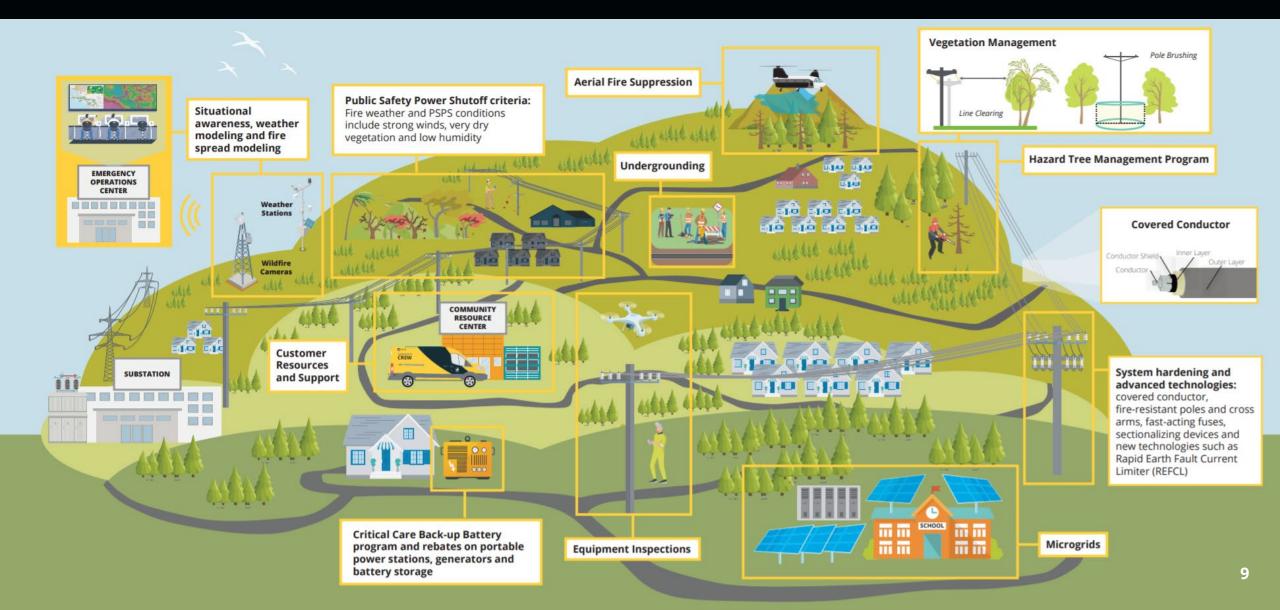
CAL FIRE (readyforwildfire.org)

### **2021 WILDFIRE SEASON**

California experienced another year of extreme wildfire activity, exacerbated by intensifying drought. Dry vegetation and strong winds continue to threaten our communities during year-round fire season



### REDUCING WILDFIRE RISK IN OUR COMMUNITIES



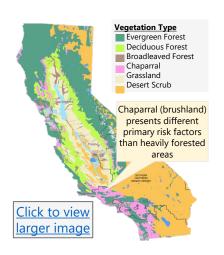
# COVERED CONDUCTOR IS ONE OF THE MOST EFFECTIVE MEASURES TO REDUCE WILDFIRE & PSPS RISKS IN SCE'S SERVICE AREA

Covered conductor is a very valuable tool to expeditiously and cost-effectively reduce wildfire risk specific to SCE

#### Undergrounding considered for certain locations based on risk profile

#### **Geography**

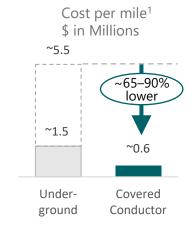
Contact from vegetation and other objects is a key risk factor in much of SCE's area Covered conductor is very effective in mitigating these risks



#### **Cost to Implement**

Covered conductor installation costs significantly lower than undergrounding

Undergrounding costs vary depending on construction methods, locational, and operational factors

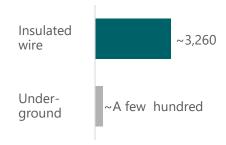


#### **Execution Speed**

Dovered conductor can be deployed within 16–24+ months, and sometimes faster

Undergrounding generally takes 25–48+ months

Actual installed miles of covered conductor<sup>2</sup> vs. <u>hypothetical</u> undergrounded miles<sup>3</sup>



#### **Unique Factors**

Undergrounding is considered where there is:

- High burn frequency
- Limited egress
- Wind speeds exceeding covered conductor PSPS thresholds
- Exceptionally high potential consequence (>10,000 acres)

Several hundred miles
currently under
consideration
for additional
enhanced mitigation,
including
undergrounding

- 1. Based on data provided in SCE's 2022 WMP Update
- 2. Through March 31, 2022

<sup>3.</sup> Undergrounded miles is a hypothetical approximation of underground lines that could have been constructed through March 31, 2022, based on SCE's assumptions and experience with planning and executing undergrounding projects

### **REDUCING WILDFIRE RISK & PSPS IMPACTS – BY THE NUMBERS**

SCE estimates its wildfire mitigation and PSPS measures have reduced the risk of damage from catastrophic<sup>1</sup> wildfires by 65% to 70%, relative to pre-2018 levels.



#### **ONGOING WILDFIRE MITIGATION EFFORTS**

~34% of overhead wire in high fire risk areas replaced with covered conductor<sup>2</sup>

**Suite of mitigations** include system hardening, annual equipment inspections, vegetation management and situational awareness measures



#### **IMPROVED PSPS EXECUTION & CUSTOMER SUPPORT**

**73% reduction** in PSPS outage time in 2021 on frequently impacted circuits<sup>3</sup>

**81,000 customers** removed from scope from exceptions and switching protocols

**64 Community Resource Centers** available



#### **AERIAL FIRE SUPPRESSION SUPPORT**

Contributed \$18 million for the creation of the quick reaction force of the world's largest helitankers

Used on more than 50 fires in 2021, helping to suppress fires in its early stages

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<sup>1.</sup> A wildfire directly causing one or more deaths, damaging or destroying more than 500 structures, or burning more than 140,000 acres of land

<sup>2.</sup> Though March 31, 2022

<sup>3.</sup> Based on 2021 weather and fuel conditions

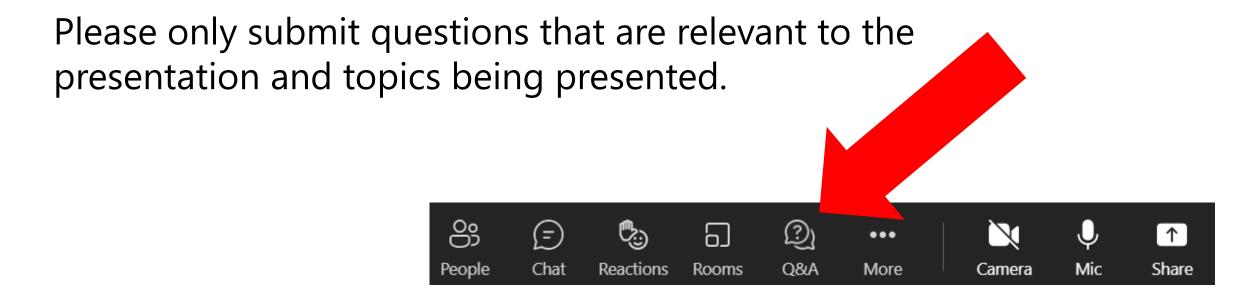
### **PUBLIC SAFETY POWER SHUTOFFS**



- A tool of last resort used during dangerous fire conditions (weather and fuels)
- De-energizing lines to prevent a spark from our equipment starting a significant wildfire
- Primarily impacts circuits in high fire risk areas
- Use of multiple methods to notify customers and partners in affected areas before, during and after a PSPS event
  - In 2021, continued PSPS improvements and reduced frequency, scope and duration of PSPS

## **HOW TO SUBMIT A QUESTION**

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### REDUCING THE NEED FOR PSPS

### 2021 ACHIEVEMENTS AND 2022 PLANS



# **Covered Conductor**

Replaced an additional

1,500 miles of bare wire
with covered conductor;

700 miles of expedited
grid hardening to raise
PSPS threshold prior to
peak wind season. Plan to
replace 1,100 miles in
2022; 270 miles of
expedited grid hardening



#### **Segmentation**

Installed 23
additional remotecontrolled
sectionalizing
devices to segment
and isolate circuits
during PSPS. Plan
to add 15 devices
in 2022.



## Weather Stations

Installed 400
additional weather
stations for
improved
forecasting and
accuracy of PSPS
operations. Plan to
add 150 weather
stations in 2022.



# **Switching Protocols**

Removed **81,000**customers from
PSPS scope
through
exceptions and
switching
protocols



## Operational Protocols

Utilized up-to-date information on ground conditions (e.g., lack of vegetation) to assess wildfire threat and the need for PSPS

### **2021 PSPS EVENTS**

Service Area
Compared to 2020

Statistics	Customers Interrupted	Circuit Interruptions	Customer Minutes of Interruption
2020 Fire Season	~348K	~584	~388M
2021 Fire Season	~85K	~124	~105M
Delta	<b>↓76</b> %	<b>↓79</b> %	<b>↓73</b> %

Fresno
County
Compared to 2020

Statistics	Customers Interrupted	Circuit Interruptions	Customer Minutes of Interruption
2020 Fire Season	~4	~1	~8K
2021 Fire Season	0	0	0
Delta	↓100%	↓100%	↓100%

100%

REDUCTION IN CUSTOMER MINUTES OF INTERRUPTION IN FRESNO COUNTY



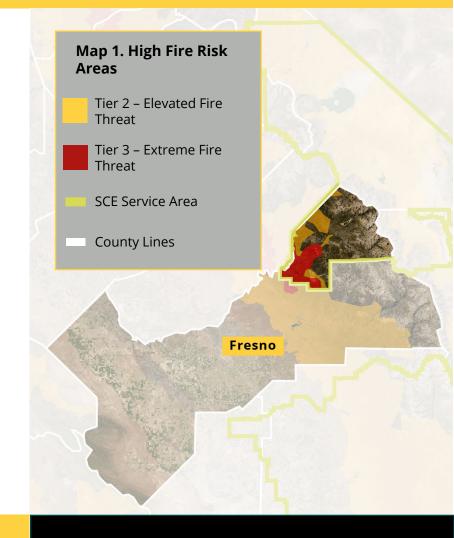
# Wildfire Mitigation Activities FRESNO COUNTY

#### 2021 Year-End Progress Report

Data as of 12/31/21

#### **Completed**

	2021	SINCE 2018
DISTRIBUTION EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS	765 inspections	7,568 inspections
TRANSMISSION EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS	93 inspections	1,761 inspections
COVERED CONDUCTOR	1 circuit miles installed	18 circuit miles installed
FAST-ACTING FUSES	1 fuses installed or replaced	41 fuses installed or replaced
SECTIONALIZING DEVICES	0 devices installed	0 devices installed
HAZARD TREE MANAGEMENT	15,851 trees assessed	52,146 trees assessed
WEATHER STATIONS	4 weather stations installed	22 weather stations installed
HIGH-DEFINITION WILDFIRE CAMERAS	0 cameras installed	
COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTERS	0 sites available	
COMMUNITY CREW VEHICLES	8 vehicles available throughout SCE's service area	





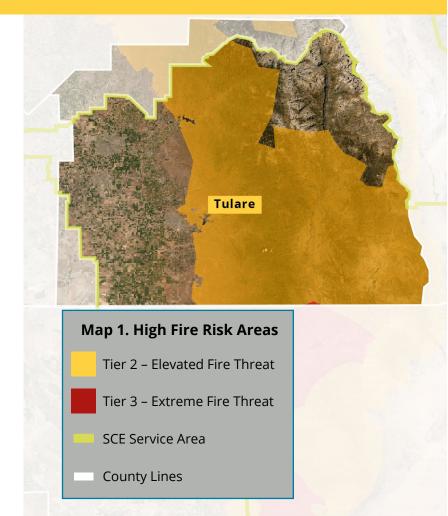
# Wildfire Mitigation Activities **TULARE COUNTY**

#### 2021 Year-End Progress Report

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#### **Completed**

	2021	SINCE 2018
DISTRIBUTION EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS	6,935 inspections	29,858 inspections
TRANSMISSION EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS	1,102 inspections	3,798 inspections
COVERED CONDUCTOR	83 circuit miles installed	179 circuit miles installed
FAST-ACTING FUSES	6 fuses installed or replaced	561 fuses installed or replaced
SECTIONALIZING DEVICES	0 devices installed	0 devices installed
HAZARD TREE MANAGEMENT	7,942 trees assessed	20,888 trees assessed
WEATHER STATIONS	13 weather stations installed	44 weather stations installed
HIGH-DEFINITION WILDFIRE CAMERAS	8 cameras installed	
COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTERS	4 sites available	
COMMUNITY CREW VEHICLES	8 vehicles available throughout SCE's service area	



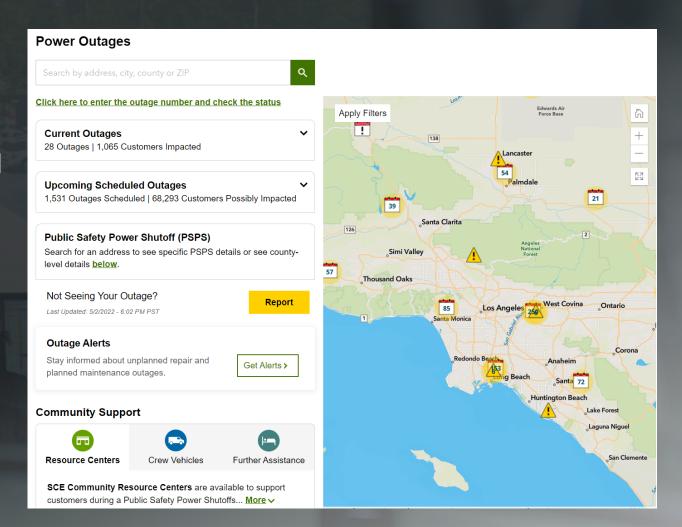
### **PSPS COMMUNICATIONS**

#### **Notifications**

- SCE provides PSPS notifications through various communication channels
  - SCE Account Holders (email, text, and voice call)
  - Address Level Alerts
- Sign up to stay informed before, during and after a PSPS event

### **SCE Outage Map**

 Consolidated outage map that incorporates PSPS outages at sce.com/outagemap



### **SCE CUSTOMER PROGRAMS & RESOURCES**



### CUSTOMER RESOURCE CENTERS & COMMUNITY CREW VEHICLES

- Services offered: information, charging of mobile devices, assistive technology/medical devices, PSPS outage alert enrollment support, access to water, light snacks, ice and ice vouchers, restrooms, and small insulated bags to keep medication cool
- Translations services for over 120 languages including American Sign Language (ASL)



#### **CUSTOMER PROGRAMS**

- Partnered with 211 to help customers with Access and Functional Needs (AFN) develop a resiliency plan and enroll in eligible assistance programs
- 211 provides specialized referrals for customers with AFN experiencing PSPS.
   Services include connecting customers to shelf-stable food, hot meal delivery, transportation and/or temporary shelter
- SCE will improve communication methods, including videos utilizing ASL for marketing and PSPS notifications



#### **CUSTOMER RESILIENCY EQUIPMENT**

- Critical Care Backup Battery program and the In-Event Battery Loan pilot provide eligible customers with a portable backup battery to power assistive technology/medical devices during a PSPS event
- Rebates on portable batteries and generators for customers residing in high fire risk areas on <u>marketplace.sce.com</u>

# Website: <a href="mailto:sce.com/wildfire">sce.com/wildfire</a> Energized by Edison Stories & Videos: <a href="mailto:edison.com/wildfire-safety">edison.com/wildfire-safety</a>

Email: wildfireoutreach@sce.com
Social Media: @SCE on Twitter & Facebook
SCE Customer Support: 1-800-655-4555

#### **LEARN MORE**



- Visit our website to learn more about our wildfire safety efforts and Public Safety Power Shutoffs (PSPS)
- Provide feedback through the survey

#### **SIGN UP**



- PSPS alerts
- SCE's Medical Baseline program
- SCE programs and rebates

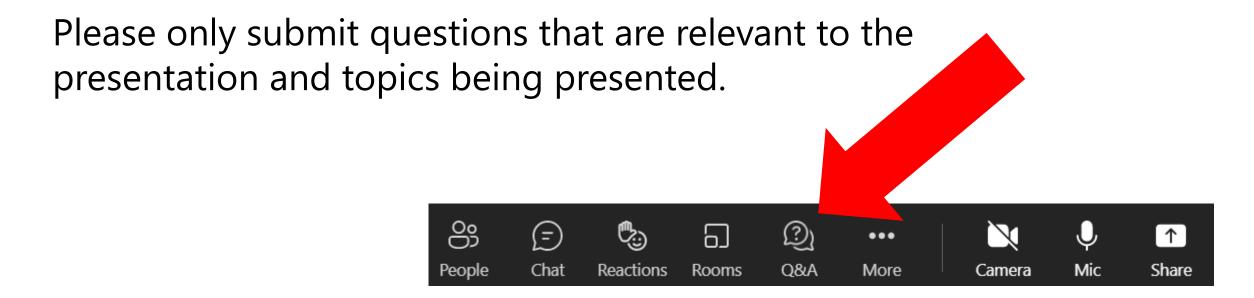
#### **BE PREPARED**



- P Be prepared with a safety preparedness plan, some basic supplies and advance planning
- Power outage tips

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## **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

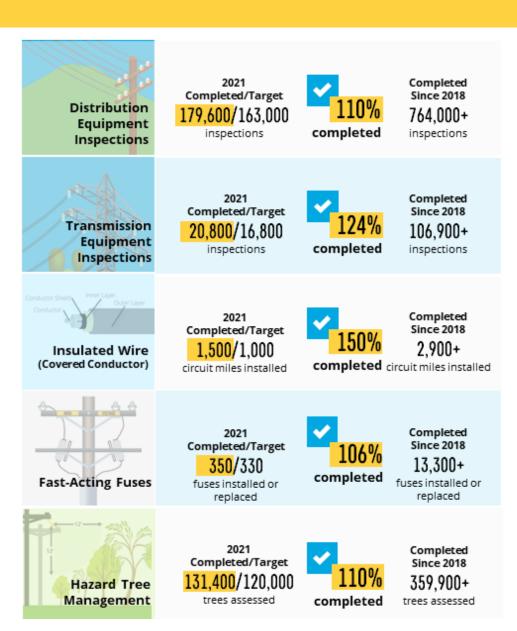


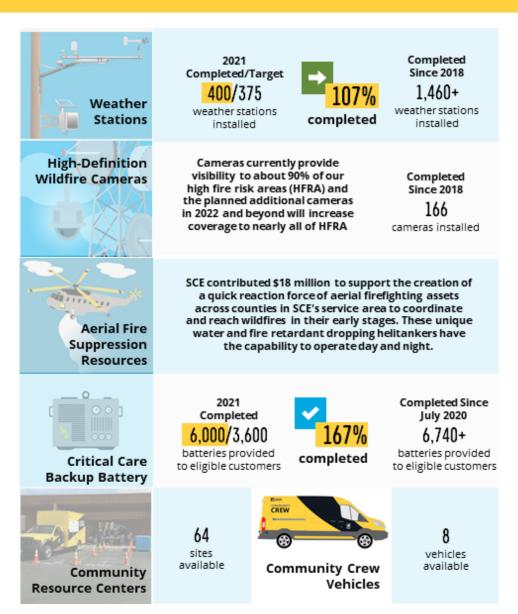


# Wildfire Mitigation Activities **SERVICE AREA**

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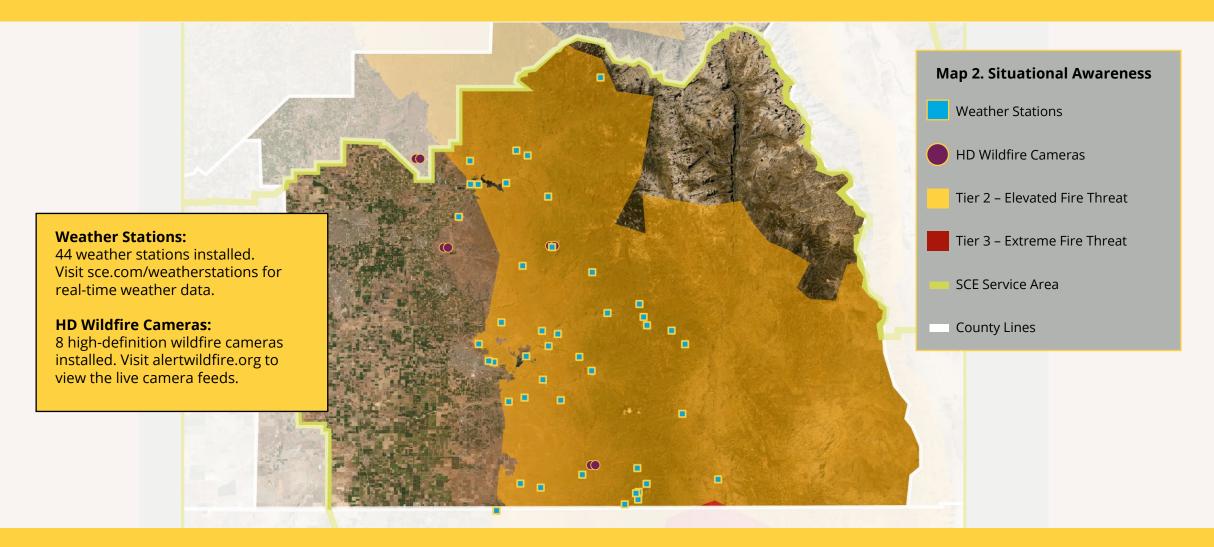




# Wildfire Mitigation Activities **TULARE COUNTY**

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### **HELPFUL INFORMATION & RESOURCES**

#### **SCE Wildfire Webpage – <u>sce.com/wildfire</u>**

#### **SCE Notifications**

- Sign up for PSPS alerts **sce.com/pspsalerts**
- Sign up for the Energized by Edison Wildfire Mitigation Newsletter – energized.edison.com/newsletter

#### **Situational Awareness**

PSPS maps and information – **sce.com/psps** 

- PSPS decision making sce.com/pspsdecisionmaking
- Role of weather in PSPS sce.com/fireweather
- CPUC wildfire maps <u>ia.cpuc.ca.gov/firemap/</u>
- Wildfire cameras <u>alertwildfire.org</u>
- Weather stations <u>sce.com/weatherstations</u>

#### **Preparedness**

- SCE emergency preparedness <u>sce.com/beprepared</u>
- CAL FIRE preparedness <u>readyforwildfire.org</u>

#### **Vegetation Management**

 Vegetation Management – <u>sce.com/safety/power-lines</u>; contact 1-800-655-4555 or <u>safetrees@sce.com</u>

#### **Customer Programs & Rebates**

- SCE Customer Programs & Resources <u>sce.com/customerresources</u>
- SCE Marketplace (rebates and programs) <u>marketplace.sce.com</u>
- SCE Medical Baseline Program <u>sce.com/medicalbaseline</u>
- Self Generation Incentive Program (SGIP) <u>sce.com/sgip</u> or <u>selfgenca.com</u>
- SCE Customer Support: 1-800-655-4555

#### **Community Meetings**

 Join SCE's wildfire safety community meetings – sce.com/wildfiresafetymeetings

#### **Energized by Edison**

 Stories and videos on SCE's wildfire mitigation efforts and PSPS – edison.com/wildfire-safety

## **VIDEO: INSTALLING COVERED CONDUCTOR AERIALLY**

