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Bear Valley Electric Service, Inc. to Host Virtual Public Safety Power Shutoff Community Briefings

Big Bear Lake, Calif. – Bear Valley Electric Service, Inc. (BVES) will host a series of virtual community briefings to provide information on BVES's policies and procedures for Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS). BVES has a comprehensive strategy to protect the community from the threat of wildfires and PSPS – a measure of last resort – is a part of that strategy that must be coordinated across the community to minimize its impact. The briefings will take place on Aug. 7, Aug. 12 and Aug. 20 (complete schedule below).

Aug. 7, 2020 – 10-11 a.m. Web link: <u>https://zoom.us/j/97181416854</u> Call in: +1 669 900 9128 or +1 877 853 5247, Meeting ID: 971 8141 6854

Aug. 12, 2020 – 3-4 p.m.

Web Link: <u>https://zoom.us/j/99326633044</u> Call in: +1 669 900 9128 or +1 877 853 5247, Meeting ID: 993 2663 3044

Aug. 20, 2020 – 6-7 p.m.

Web Link: <u>https://zoom.us/j/98519692378</u> Call in: +1 669 900 9128 or +1 877 853 5247, Meeting ID: 985 1969 2378

All community members are invited to learn about BVES' wildfire mitigation efforts and will have the opportunity to ask questions. Those who do not have access to internet are encouraged to use the toll-free dial-in feature to listen to the discussion.

As a reminder, the state of California has permitted electric utilities like BVES to implement a PSPS in high-risk areas during extreme weather conditions to reduce the risk of wildfire and protect the safety of customers, their families and property. For additional information, customers are encouraged to call (800) 808-2837, visit www.BVESInc.com or BVES on Facebook.

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Bear Valley Electric Service, Inc. has served the Big Bear Valley since 1929. When Golden State Water Company acquired the company in 1938, BVES served a total of 147 customers. Today, BVES provides electric power to approximately 24,000 customers in the City of Big Bear and surrounding areas in San Bernardino County, Calif.