Tallahassee Electric

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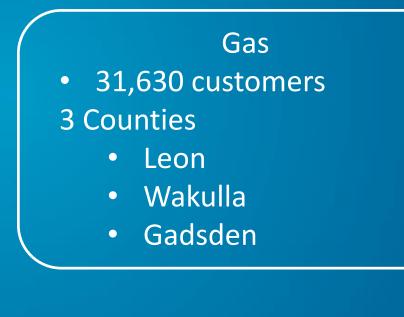


Tallahassee Electric & Gas

Electric

- 122,000 customers
- 221 square mile service territory









Tallahassee Storm Plans





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City – County Collaboration

- City is fully integrated into the Leon County Emergency Management System
 - Staff the County EOC
 - Coordinated planning and response
 - County Emergency Management inputs on priority circuit identification
- Focus is on community preparedness

Electric & Gas Utility

- Fully developed emergency plan

 Well tested with Hermine, Irma and Michael
- Mutual Aid Agreements Electric
 Over 2,000 Public Power utilities through APPA
 - Over 800 Cooperatives through APPA
 - Bi-lateral Agreements with 7 IOU's
 - FPL, Gulf, Duke, TECO, Florida Public Utilities, Alabama Power, Mississippi Power





Storm Stock

- Pre-season Identify required storm stock
 Adjusted following each storm event
- Purchases are made in the Spring to have the storm quantities on hand prior to the season





Community Outreach Before, During and After the Storm





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Before

- City and County work collaboratively

 What the government and utility is doing to prepare
- Focused on Community Preparation
- Nursing and Assisted Living Facility
- Neighborhood and Individual planning
 - Build the bucket events
 - Role and responsibilities
 - Neighborhood PREP
 - Plan for Readiness and Emergency Preparedness
 - Neighborhood Liaisons



During and After

- Citizen safety
- Response activities
- Utilize all means of communications
 - Traditional media
 - WFSU airs live from the County EOC
 - Social media
 - Two way communication
 - Neighborhood liaisons
 - Direct customer contact
 - Outage map
 - City's website & TV station
- Comfort Stations

Hurricane Michael – Pre Storm Social Media



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#Michael is on course to impact the greater Big Bend region. The sharing of info is vital. To help residents access local updates & resources, the City will use #MichaelTLH & encourages others to do so as well.



WTXL ABC 27, WCTV Eyewitness News, WFSU News and 7 others

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One way to prepare for Tropical Storm #Michael is by downloading the City's free DigiTally app now. Through the app, you can easily report issues, such as downed trees and power outages. You can also access the outage map, hurricane prep tips & much more.

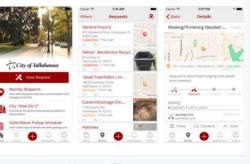


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Generators a great way to keep important appliances on when a storm hits, like #HurricaneMichael. If you plan to use a generator when the lights go out, you should access and view this series of Generator Usage and Safety videos: bit.ly/2y7VS9g #MichaelTLH



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Impacts from #MichaelTLH could cause power outages. Electric crews are on standby & ready to deploy, with extra staffing on call, including help from utility partners outside of storm's projected path. Stay informed. Update utility account contact info Talgov.com/Update.

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Mutual Aid update for #MichaelTLH: Approximately 125 power restoration personnel will be pre-staged in Tallahassee by tonight. More to follow...



Florida Public Power @flpublicpower

Updated Statement by FMEA Executive Director Amy Zubaly

regarding public power preparation for Hurricane Michael (Oct. 9, 10 a.m.) tinyurl.com/FMEA-Michael-O...

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We're deploying our current stock of backup generators at priority traffic signals & routes to/from hospitals. Additionally. 286 backup generators have been secured thru FDOT. FDOT will deploy generators to 163 signals on their system immediately after the storm. #MichaelTLH



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Hurricane Michael – During and Post Storm Social Media







Lessons Learned - Michael

- City's plans worked very effectively
- Made minor updates to the Utility plans
 - Communications with large mutual aid support
 - Logistics flexibility
 - Tallahassee became the center of response for the panhandle stretched logistics support
- Push Crews we do this internally with City and County
 - Looking at the coordination of this



Planning – Vegetation Management

- Distribution trimming

 18-month cycle
 4-6 feet clearance

 Post Hermine changes

 Moving to 8-12 feet clearance
 Will take several cycles
 Expect to stay with an 18-24 m
 - Expect to stay with an 18-24 month cycle once the transition is complete





Planning – Pole Inspections

- 8-year inspection cycle
 - Historical did all poles in year 1 and replacements afterwards
- Looking at moving to a rolling 8-year cycle post the next inspections





Storm Hardening

- City standard is underground for all new subdivisions and development
- City supports overhead to underground conversion
 - Pays 100% of all branch conversion if customers pay the delivery point modifications
 - Pays 25% of the feeder circuit conversion cost if requestor pays customer delivery and provides easements
 - Primarily been focused on redevelopment areas
 - Had 5 projects in the 2016-2018 time period







Questions





