# FPSC Hurricane Preparedness Workshop

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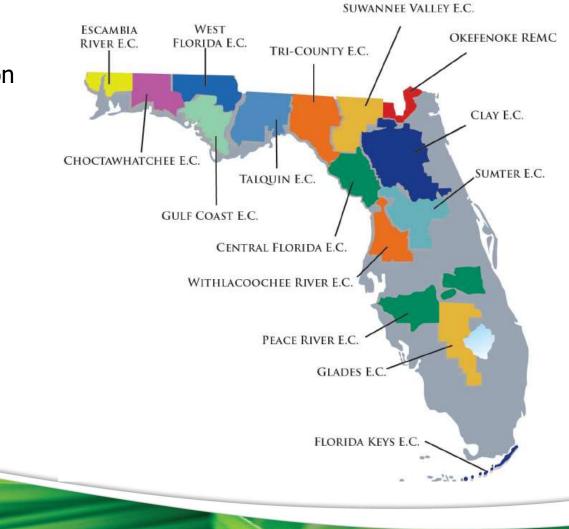
### **About the Cooperative**

- Four County Service Territory Gadsden, Leon, Liberty, & Wakulla
- System Stats:
- Transmission 53 Miles
- ➢ OH Primary Distribution 2726 Miles
- ➤ UG Primary Distribution 512 Miles
- ➢ OH Secondary 841 Miles
- ➤ UG Secondary 130 Miles
- 23 Substations
- ➤ 55,973 Active Meters
- > 13.1 Meters/Mile of Line



### **About the Cooperative**

- Member of FECA
  - Mutual Aid Coordination



# **Mitigation Efforts**

- Vegetation Management
  - > 5-year Trim Cycle
  - Contract Planners
  - Mechanical and Hand-Cut Planned Route Crews
  - Spraying
  - Hot Spot Crews
  - Contractors have national presence/storm support



# **Mitigation Efforts**

### System Inspection

- > 8-year Inspection Cycle
- Contract Inspection Crew
- Inspects pole condition above and below groundline
- Inspects condition of all coop owned facilities at each pole location for condition and code compliance



### **Mitigation Efforts**

### System Design

- Installing New Subdivisions Underground
- Installing New Service to Home Underground
- Framing Poles with Narrow Profile Construction
- Most of the System recently converted to 25kV
- Designing Lines for redundant feeds
- Adding switches in new and existing lines for ease of switching



# **Planning Efforts**

- Talquin maintains and continually updates an Emergency Response Plan (ERP)
- Annual Talquin Storm Response Drill
- Talquin participates in FECA Hurricane Planning Workshops
- Talquin is involved in County EOC planning activities



### **Member Communication**

- Provide the public with as much information as possible as often as possible!
- Pre-storm, provide consumers with reminders of what to expect during an event to help set expectations for their preparation needs
- Post-storm, provide as much information as possible to help the public know what to expect in terms of restoration so they can better manage their life during the outage period



### **Reactive Efforts**

- Technology
  - Proven Outage Management System
    Contract support throughout restoration
  - SCADA system
  - Advanced Metering Infrastructure System
  - System Map w/ iOS app



### **Reactive Efforts**

#### • Personnel

- $\geq$  20+ In-house storm response crews
- Mutual Aid Network
- Large Construction Contractor on system with resources for storm support (provided 8 crews in less than 24 hours for TS Fred 8/16/21)
- Talquin personnel co-locate at each county's EOC

#### **Questions** ???

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