

SEAPA Annual Shutdown June 6th – 12th, 2024

SEAPA will be shutting down the hydroelectric feed to Petersburg from June 6th – 12th to allow for numerous critical maintenance activities at Tyee Lake, Swan Lake and the SEAPA Intertie transmission line. Petersburg Municipal Power & Light is asking the community to conserve electricity to minimize the loads, enabling us to keep our added costs down when operating diesels. **Customers are encouraged to conserve power so the load is lighter for our generators and less diesel will need to be burned.**

Below are some tips to conserve energy to help lower kWh usage.

- Water heating can account for 14%-25% of the energy consumed in your home. Take shorter showers, don't run hot water continuously, wash clothes in warm or cold water. Turn down the temperature of your water heater to 115-120 degrees F.
- Run only full loads in your dishwashers and clothes washers.
- Turn off your computer monitor when not in use for more than 20 minutes and turn off both the CPU and monitor if you're not going to use your computer for more than 2 hours. Leaving a computer on all day can cost about 21 cents per day, or about \$75 per year.
- Unplug electronics and appliances that drain energy when not in use (i.e., cell phone chargers, fans, coffeemakers, desktop printers, radios, toasters, etc.).
- Unplug heat tapes and spare heaters now that temperatures are warming up.
- On average, more than half of a household's annual energy consumption is used for air heating and cooling. Using programmable thermostats to control heating and cooling systems can reduce costs. Clean or replace filters in your furnace and heat pumps regularly.
- Lighting makes up about 10 percent of home energy costs. Replace burned out incandescent lights with light-emitting diodes (LEDs). LEDs can save over three-quarters of the electricity used by incandescent. Put away holiday lights and **turn off lights** during our long daylight hours!

PMPL thanks our customers for their understanding, support, and conservations.

Questions? Call PMPL at 772-5433