



Avista warns of potential Public Safety Power Shutoff in select areas due to high-fire-risk conditions

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The Asotin area and northwest Spokane Indian Trail area could be impacted by a PSPS Saturday afternoon

SPOKANE, Wash. – July 24, 2026: Due to forecasted high-fire-risk conditions, in addition to northwest Spokane's Indian Trail area, Avista customers in the Asotin area could experience a Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) Saturday afternoon.

At this time, no power shutoff has been ordered. However, customers in the affected area should prepare for the possibility of an outage if weather conditions worsen.

If power is shut off at your location to reduce the risk of wildfire, Avista will not turn it back on until the risk has passed and conditions are safe to do so. Before power can be restored, crews must inspect affected power lines and equipment to ensure it is safe to re-energize them.

Avista will provide daily updates until the high fire risk has passed or power has been restored. Weather forecasts can change quickly and decisions about a potential PSPS will become clearer with more accurate forecasts on the day of the potential outage.

A Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) is a targeted, temporary outage in areas facing severe wildfire risk. PSPS is a last-resort measure, used only when weather conditions such as high winds and low humidity create a heightened wildfire threat.

What you need to know:

- We recommend you plan for an extended outage.
- Review your emergency plan and make sure everyone in your household knows what to do if the power goes out.
- If an outage occurs, it may last for an extended period. Please plan ahead for the care of your pets and livestock, including access to water, feed, shelter and any equipment that requires electricity.
- Avista will continue to monitor high-fire-risk conditions and will contact you with further updates.
- Customers who could be affected by this potential proactive step will receive direct communication.
- If power is turned off for safety, we will work to turn service back on as soon as it is safe to do so and crews have completed required safety inspections.
- To help complete inspections as efficiently and safely as possible, crews may use drones to assess power lines and equipment, including in hard-to-reach areas. Customers may see drones operating near utility infrastructure as part of the restoration process.
- Depending on how long high-fire-risk weather conditions last, or if repairs are needed to damaged power lines, power could stay off longer than 24 hours.
- If you have a backup generator, please do a safety check, and make sure you have enough fuel to last several days. Generator safety tips can be found at myavista.com/PSPS.
- If you rely on uninterrupted power for your health and safety or need assistance, additional support may be available.

Please visit myavista.com/PSPS for the most up-to-date information, including Avista's outage map. Estimated restoration times will not be immediately available. Actual shutoff and restoration times may be delayed depending on weather and equipment conditions. To update your contact information, visit myavista.com/profile or call (800) 227-9187.

Media note:

This is the second PSPS warning Avista has issued this week due to wildfire conditions. On July 23, Avista issued a similar warning for customers in the Indian Trail area of North Spokane. Today's notification is specific to the Asotin area and is based on local weather forecasts and conditions affecting that area.

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