



TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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Main Reservation Power Outage- Update #3

ADDITIONAL POWER OUTAGE TIPS:

It's the second day of the power outage; is my food safe to eat?

If your refrigerator was without power, the foods inside may have spoiled and could cause illness if eaten.

Some foods are best thrown away. High risk foods include:

1. Left-overs which includes cooked rice, beans, meats and salads.
2. Dairy foods such as milk and soft cheese.
3. Meat which includes chicken, fish and seafood, hotdogs and cold-cuts.

You may be able to use some foods if you handle them safely. Less risky foods include:

1. Fruit with peels such as apples, oranges, tomatoes, squash and peppers that don't always need refrigeration and can be washed, peeled or cooked.
2. Fruits and vegetables, if they are cooked and eaten today.
3. Frozen foods that thawed if they are cooked and eaten today.
4. Eggs if they are fully cooked.

If you are unsure if food is spoiled, it's best to throw it away.

Is my water safe to drink?

Water in most villages is safe and under high pressure from sitting up in the reservoir. If your village uses electric pumps to provide water pressure and the pressure dropped during the power outage, the water in underground pipes might have gotten contaminated. If you are not certain about your water source, use bottled water for drinking, handwashing and preparing food.

The Tohono O'odham Nation Health Care hospital and clinics will continue to be available during the power outage.

If you have a medical emergency please dial 911.

For additional updates/notifications please monitor the Tohono O'odham Nation Office of Emergency Management and Tohono O'odham Utility Authority Facebook pages

IN THE EVENT OF A LIFE THREATENING EMERGENCY ALWAYS CALL 911