

CERT Groveland/Big Oak Flat/Moccasin

Groveland Community Services District • 18966 Ferretti Road, Groveland CA 95321



Groveland, California

Winter is upon us, and the CERT Team wants to send out a friendly reminder to full time owners, part time owners and those who have STRs (short term rentals) to be prepared this winter.

The suggestions below do not cover all aspects of winter preparedness but will address some of the main concerns to support a healthy Community.

- ✓ Have enough food and water should power go down for at least 3 days.
- ✓ Fuel for generators (propane, gas depending on what you are running, keep in mind propane deliveries can be difficult when the snow and ice hit; order when down to 25% to ensure you have enough propane until they arrive; gas stations may not be able to pump gas; know which gas stations have generators. Carry cash, power outages impact credit card machines.
- ✓ Keep your vehicle with enough gas to drive to Sonora or Oakdale.
- ✓ Keep a spare battery for your cell phones, charged and ready to go (ensure your vehicle has a cable to charge as well).
- ✓ Establish a single point of contact for family and friends to check on you, use text messages to avoid tying up phone lines Print a list of your key phone numbers, should yours go down; you may borrow a phone and reach out as needed.
- ✓ Sign up for emergency alerts from Tuolumne County Office of Emergency Services and PG&E. Also, sign up all family cell phones including someone “off the hill”.
- ✓ Keep a jacket and blanket in your vehicle along with a weatherproof pair of shoes and a flashlight.
- ✓ Electric vehicle owners, ensure your vehicles are charged enough to make it down the grade and at least as far as charging is available.
- ✓ Check on your neighbors.
- ✓ Wood or Pellet Stoves, ensure you have access to your wood/pellets and have an ample supply.
- ✓ Electric stove - Have an alternate method to cook during the power outage.
- ✓ Check your flashlights; have spare batteries on hand.
- ✓ Ensure you have at least 5 days of your medications on hand; you may not be able to refill if the roads are not drivable or snow/ice prevents you from driving.

For more information, check out the Tuolumne County Office of Emergency Services website at <https://www.tuolumnecounty.ca.gov/1524/Office-of-Emergency-Services>

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Report to GCSD Board for December 2023

- GCERT has 25 participants, 26 inquiring people and 14 fully certified members.
- GCERT has notified FD that our Firefighter Rehab vehicle is operational. It has been outfit with all the necessary equipment to Go Live. (Funded by Adventist Health Grant) GCERT is also available for Traffic Control deployment.
- GCERT Len Otley is our Training Officer. The next training is likely in Spring 2024.
- GCERT will be partnering with PML S&SC for First Aid/CPR/AED training in Spring.
- GCERT published guidelines for Winter Safety on Groveland Facebook and NextDoor pages.
- Bob Asquith is registered for CERT Trainer class in March.

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