

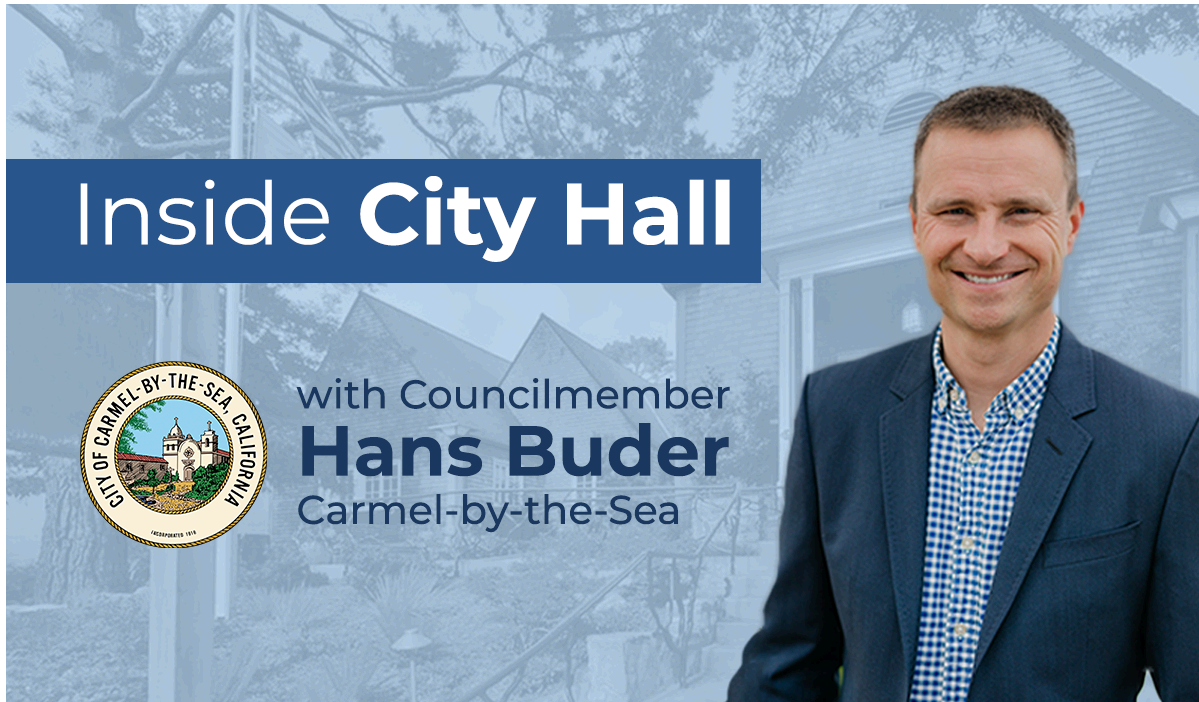


The Latest from PG&E

1 message

Hans <hbuder@ci.carmel.ca.us>
Reply-To: hbuder@ci.carmel.ca.us

Thu, Dec 25, 2025 at 1:46 AM



Dear neighbors,

See below for the latest from PG&E. They repaired the four downed wire locations identified in my last email, but apparently they continue to find new issues. **They're pulling their crews for the night due to safety concerns, so power won't be restored in Carmel tonight.**

Like most of you, I received a text and a phone call around 5:30pm that listed the expected time of power restoration as 12/26 at 11pm. I asked PG&E about it, and at the time they were still expecting to restore power this evening. A regional supervisor characterized that time this way: "It's a worst case scenario based on not knowing how long restoration will take tonight and whether the adverse weather will bring more outages tonight/tomorrow." The bottom line is that power will likely be restored before then, but they're not sure exactly when.

There's always going to be a fog of war element to restoring power in a big storm like this, but when this is over we'll be asking some tough questions. In the meantime, stay safe out there, and happy holidays.

Best,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Hans Buden". The script is cursive and fluid.

City Councilmember, Carmel-by-the-Sea

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From PG&E's Central Coast Government Affairs Rep:

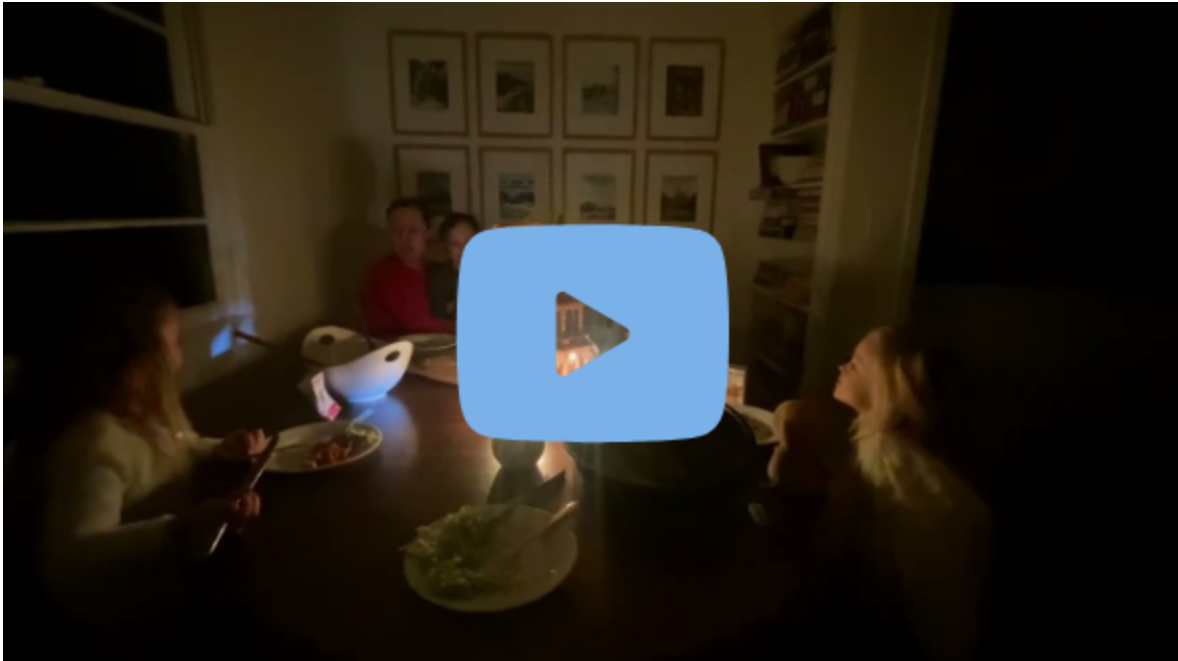
"With the weather picking up, we're pulling our crews and I'm sorry to report that we won't be completing restorations tonight.

Regarding the outage on circuit Viejo 2203 impacting Carmel and surrounding areas, I learned that the four downed wire locations identified earlier were repaired and completed today. However, we are still finding new hazards and downed locations on this circuit, as well as new hazards happening with the incoming storm weather. Additionally, the circuit used to back-tie is in worse shape than 2203, and back feeding is not an option at this point. This is currently the largest outage on our system and is being prioritized.

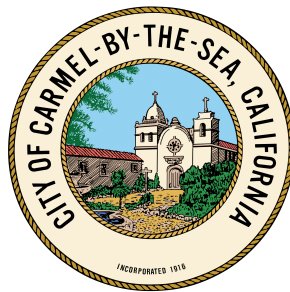
I am sorry I don't have better or more news and information for you, but I assure you we are working tirelessly to restore everyone's power.

We have dozens of trouble shooters and two-man crews still assessing the grid, and we'll have more crews in the morning to continue making assessments tomorrow once the winds calm down and conditions are safe."

Santa Claus is Coming to Town!



Christmas Eve dinner earlier tonight. It's no fun to not have power, but it's not all bad. After all, Santa Claus is still coming to town :)



Hans Buder
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