

Tuesday, September 27, 2022

POWER UPDATE FROM THE ANTIGONISH EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TEAM

ANTIGONISH, N.S.

The Antigonish Town and County Emergency Management Team (EMT) have an update on the power situation in Antigonish Town and County.

The Town Electric Utility worked in lockstep with Nova Scotia Power last evening to bring power to areas throughout the Town and fringe. At 8 p.m. the Lochaber substation was powered up to serve areas of Highway #7, Post Road, James Street to ensure residents have access to food and fuel. Between 8:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Braemore and Cloverville substations came online and provided power to the majority of town residents.

“Crews have been working tirelessly to get power back to customers of the Antigonish Electric Utility. Our priority was to get the grocery stores, gas stations, and restaurants restored, and of course the hospital and long-term care homes,” said Laurie Boucher, Mayor of the Town of Antigonish. “At this point in time, more residents have power than not, and they continue to work get everyone back online.” said Mayor Laurie Boucher.

There are several isolated areas throughout the Town of Antigonish that are still without power and crews will continue to address these issues. The following is a list of streets (or portions of streets) that are currently without power:

- Church Street Extension from old Co-op Building
- Garvie Roads (parts of)
- Greenhill Trailer Park (part of)
- Spruce Lane
- Chestnut Street
- Whidden Trailer Park
- Viewville Street
- Thompson Street
- Interval (MacLellan Street, Dolorosa Avenue, Scarboro Drive, Coady Avenue, Arbour Drive, Carter Cr)
- Highland Drive
- Hillcrest Street
- Governors Lane and Greenwold
- Fernwood Drive

- From Sullivans Auto to Sydney Street
- 15 to 40 individual customers with damaged service entrance that require an electrician to make repairs.

The priority area today will be the interval area and Hillcrest Street as they have a seniors care facility. Further restoration times are unknown at this time. Repairs are extensive. The EMT will continue to inform residents with updates as they are available.

“In the County we are still seeing widespread outages,” said Warden Owen McCarron. “There are over 5,000 customers in Antigonish County without power with varying estimated restoration times over the coming days. We are continuing to work with Nova Scotia Power to identify those restoration times.”

Residents can check their outage status at <http://outagemap.nspower.ca/external/default.html> or call 1-877-428-6004.

Comfort Centres are still available in various locations throughout the Town and County.

We thank residents for your continued patience.

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