

PSE on bainbridge island



Dear Neighbor,

It's been a busy summer on Bainbridge Island for us, and we're looking ahead to an equally busy fall and winter! Read on for updates about PSE's work on the Island.



Municipalization update

For those who attended the June Town Hall, you know we share our customers' concerns about reliability on the island and remain committed to providing safe, dependable and affordable power.

Since June, the City of Bainbridge has taken the following actions:

- Voted to pursue a \$100,000 municipalization feasibility study; selecting the same consultant used for the Jefferson Public Utility District study, D. Hittle & Associates
- Convened a task force to meet with D. Hittle & Associates to discuss the study parameters and ask questions

According to the consultant, the study will take about three months to perform with a release to the public expected in January 2017. If you'd like to learn more about the consultant's process or have any questions, contact the [City Manager](#) or [your City Councilmember](#).

Over the next several months, there will be multiple opportunities to weigh in with the City and Council on this topic, and we will keep you informed about those opportunities. We will continue to engage in this conversation on the Island as it is critical residents are informed of all sides of the issues. If you have a meeting that you'd like a PSE representative to attend and discuss this issue, [let us know](#). We are also planning additional town hall meetings with the community as the process continues. Stay tuned for additional updates.



Brand-new bio-digester will turn food waste into fertilizer and electricity

Next time you stop by [Harbour Public House](#), you may notice something a little different. For the next six months, an [anaerobic bio-digester](#) will turn Harbour Public House's food waste into energy. The High solids Organic waste Recycling System with Electrical output, or HORSE as it is called, is a collaboration between the Harbour Public House, PSE and the bio-digester's creator, [Impact Bioenergy](#).



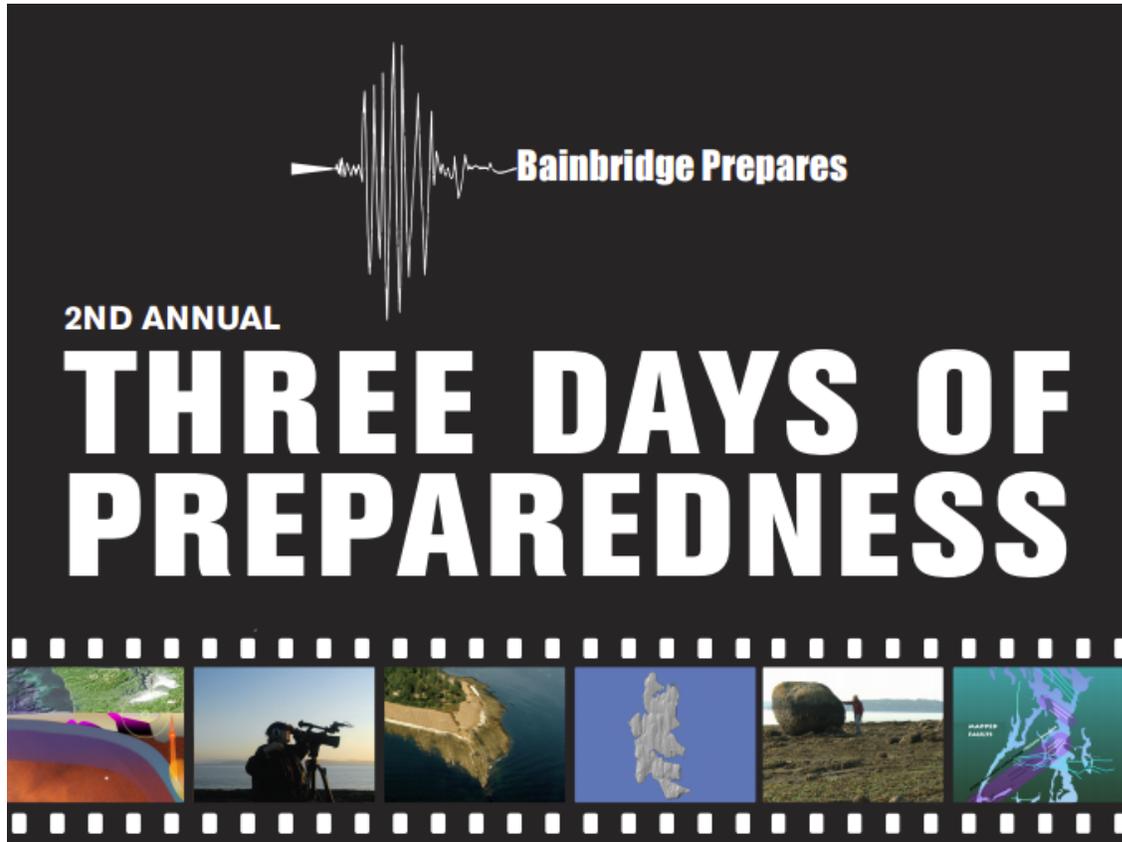
Recent upgrades to your electric system

This summer, we completed three important reliability projects on the island. Thank you for your patience during construction!

- We rebuilt the [Foss Corner to Port Madison transmission line](#) with new wood poles and higher-capacity 115 kV wire to alleviate strain on the system and improve reliability for customers.
- We installed an underground distribution line along [Eagle Harbor Drive](#), converted the overhead distribution system to underground along [Wyatt Way](#)

[NW](#), and connected the two lines together so if one line goes down, power can be looped from the other line to keep the lights on.

- We installed tree wire along a stretch of [NE Day Road](#) from Miller Road NE to N Madison Avenue NE. Tree wire is a specially-coated overhead wire that's designed to prevent an outage when a tree limb falls into a power line. Where installed, it significantly reduces the frequency of tree-related outages.



Prepare for storm season

PSE is proud to help sponsor the City of Bainbridge's second [Bainbridge Prepares](#) event. Be sure to attend and learn more about the Island's preparedness plan and ways you can prepare at home, at work and on your commute. **On October 1, stop by the PSE booth at City Hall for your free starter emergency preparedness kit** (while supplies last).

Let us know what you think

Whether you have questions about our work on Bainbridge Island, the programs we offer, or other questions about PSE's services, we want to hear from you. Please contact us at info@psebainbridge.com.

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