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## **PRESS RELEASE**

*Traffic Safety during Power Outages*

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**With the upcoming Public Safety Power Shutoff, the City of Chico will see several intersections controlled by lighted signals to be either flashing red or completely inoperative. The Chico Police Department would like to remind motorists of California vehicle code laws during these situations. Anytime an intersection has an inoperative or flashing red light, you must stop and treat the intersection like a stop sign and proceed safe as traffic conditions allow. Please use caution at all times while operating a motor vehicle.**

**California Vehicle Code 21800 (d)(1): The driver of any vehicle approaching an intersection which has official traffic control signals that are inoperative shall stop at the intersection, and may proceed with caution when it is safe to do so.**

**(2) When two vehicles enter an intersection from different highways at the same time, and the official traffic control signals for the intersection are inoperative, the driver of the vehicle on the left shall yield the right-of-way to the vehicle on his or her immediate right, except that the driver of any vehicle on a terminating highway shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicle on the intersecting continuing highway.**

*The Chico Police Department is committed to ensuring our community is a safe place to live, work, and recreate within!*