

# Memorandum

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**Subject:** **PUBLIC SAFETY POWER SHUTOFFS**

Public safety power shutoffs (PSPS) may affect some ongoing construction contracts. This directive seeks to clarify contract administration concerning traffic control and contract time because of the shutoffs.

When construction contracts are within a scheduled PSPS area, cancel lane closures and other traffic control measures during the shutoff period. Verify that cancelled lane closures are updated within the Lane Closure System (LCS) and that the California Highway Patrol is notified that COZEEP is not needed.

Days on which the contractor could not perform at least 50 percent of the scheduled work on the controlling activity with at least 50 percent of the scheduled labor and equipment because of a PSPS are non-working days (reference Section 1-1.07B, "Glossary," of the *Standard Specifications*).

If you have questions or comments regarding this directive, please contact Ken Darby, Division of Construction, at [Ken.Darby@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Ken.Darby@dot.ca.gov) or (916) 653-2032.