



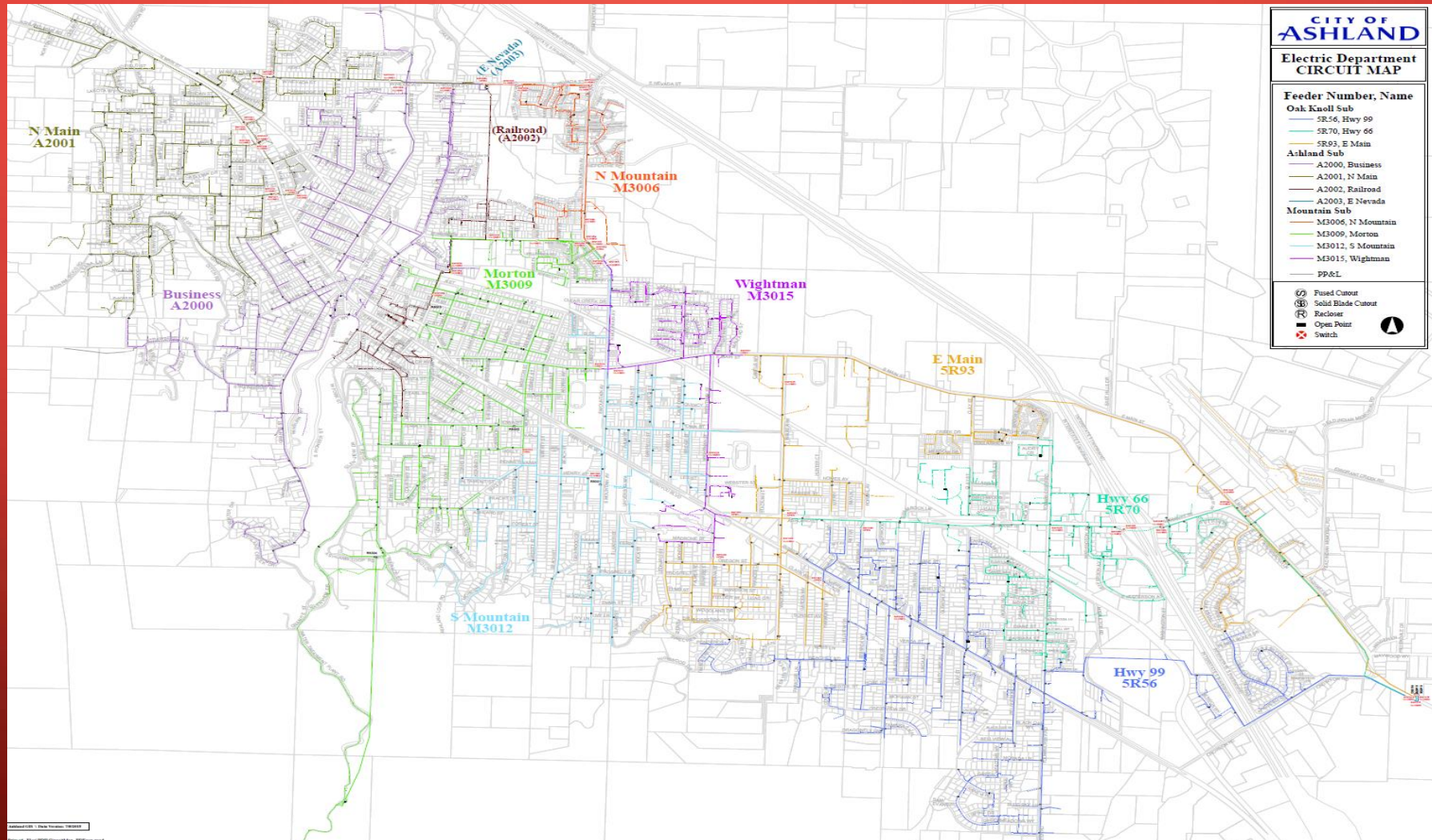
# CITY OF ASHLAND ELECTRIC UTILITY

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# ABOUT THE UTILITY

- Approximately 7 square mile service territory
- Approximately 12,600 electric meters
- Serve customers from 3 substations
- 11 individual circuits
- Mostly urban, with some wild land interface on the south and west boundaries

# CIRCUIT MAP



# WILDFIRE MITIGATION

- Completed Wildfire Mitigation Plan in 2022 as prescribed in SB762
- Most recommendations were to keep doing the things we had started already
- Examples are – installing non-expulsion ELF fuses, replacing metal equipment arms with fiber glass, and aggressive vegetation management
- We also increased detailed inspections in the interface zones
- SCADA visibility on all circuits and SCADA system sends out an SMS text message anytime there is an operation

# VEGETATION MANAGEMENT

- Certified Utility Line Clearance Arborist on staff
- Aggressive approach to vegetation management over the past couple of years
- Intent is to stay ahead of our 3-year trim cycle policy
- Scheduled extra tree trimming on Saturdays for about the past year, this gave us the manpower to have flaggers in the areas we needed



# OTHER CITY EFFORTS

- Ashland Fire initiated a Citizens Alert program that sends text messages with important safety information
- Ashland Forest Resiliency (AFR) has spent the past 10-years improving the health of, and the fire preparedness of the Ashland water shed
- Ashland Fire administers Fire Wise, weed abatement, and other programs to help citizens mitigate fire risk
- Ashland Fire and AFR have aggressively sought and been awarded considerable grant dollars to maximize effectiveness of mitigation efforts

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME

- Questions

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