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Why You Should be Leveraging Real-time Intelligence During Widespread Outage Events



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Introduction







Founding Story









Delivering Situational Awareness When it Matters Most



Incidents Monitored





The Impact of Natural Disasters

Flooding has caused \$155 billion

in property damage over the last decade.



Climate and weather disasters cost \$145 billion

in total damages in 2021.

According to NOAA's National Centers for Environmental Information (NCEI)

Fighting wildfires cost \$66.9 billion

in the last five years (2018–2022).

According to FEMA



Severe Weather







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Evolving Customer Expectations

- Impact of technology
- Impact of social media
- Establishing new communications channels to modernize existing workflows.
- Obtaining deeper insight of impacts and responses from and for key stakeholders.
- Meeting evolving customer and regulatory expectations.
- Rapid pace of change at the intersection between utility and technology industries.
- Dependency on legacy systems that stifle innovation in utilities.
- Intensity and Frequency of Weather Events















| IEEE 1782 Category | Sub Category |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Wildlife | Mammal |
| | Bird |
| | Reptile/Amphibian |
| | Other |





- 61% of customers expect an estimate on restoration within 15 minutes of making a report
- Customers expect those estimates to be accurate within +/- 10 minutes

| ← Q Search Amazon | 0 0 |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| Arriving Friday | See all order: |
| Ordered September 23 | |
| Shipped | |
| Out for delivery | |
| Arriving Friday | |
| Delivery Info | |
| Update delivery instructions | > |
| Address info | |
| Dave Johnson | _ |



CSAT

- 1. Breweries 84%
- 2. Personal Care and Cleaning Products 83%
- 3. Televisions and Video Players 82%
- 4. Food Manufacturing 82%
- 5. Soft Drinks 82%
- 6. Internet Investment Services 81%
- 7. Full-Service Restaurants 81%
- 8. Household Appliances 81%
- 9. Banks 80%
- 10. Life Insurance 80%
- 11. Credit Unions 79%
- 12. Athletic Shoes 79%
- 13. Automobiles and Light Vehicles 79%
- 14. Property and Casualty Insurance 79%
- 15. Limited-Service Restaurants- 79%
- 16. Internet Travel Services 79%
- 17. Financial Advisors 79%
- 18. Cellular Telephones 79%
- 19. Personal Computers 78%
- 20. Consumer Shipping 78%



- 1. Computer Software 78%
- 2. Apparel 77%
- 3. Internet News and Opinion 77%
- 4. Internet Search Engines and Information 77%
- 5. Ambulatory Care 77%
- 6. Video Streaming Service 76%
- 7. Cooperative Energy Utilities 75%
- 8. Wireless Telephone Service 75%
- 9. Hotels 75%
- 10. Airlines 74%
- 11. Health Insurance 74%
- 12. Investor-Owned Energy Utilities 73%

13. Municipal Energy Utilities – 73%

- 14. Internet Social Media 72%
- 15. Hospitals 72%
- 16. Fixed-Line Telephone Service 71%
- 17. U.S. Postal Service 70%
- 18. Video-on-Demand Service 67%
- 19. Internet Service Providers 62%
- 20. Subscription Television Service 62%



Real-Time Intelligence

- Data
- Information
- Intelligence (Knowledge)
- Situational Awareness (Wisdom)





Real-Time Data

Raw, unprocessed and continuously updated.

Example

Meters detecting power outages in realtime.





Data Sources

- Power Grid Monitoring Systems (SCADA)
- Smart Meters
- OSINT (news, government reports)
- Social Media (Twitter, Facebook, Reddit, Youtube, Tiktok)
- Weather Data
- Traffic Data
- Satellite and Aerial Imagery
- Internet Connectivity Data
- Community Reporting Platforms
- Emergency Services (police, fire)





Real-Time Information

Data that has been processed and interpreted.

Provides

Increased specificity and usefulness.

Example

Identifying a district with a power outage.





Real-Time Intelligence

Applies context and actionability to information. Combining with other data.

Provides

Ability to make predictions and guide decisions.

Example

Understanding the impact of an outage on important facilities and what to do about it.





Real-Time Situational Awareness

Paints a picture of intelligence across the network

Provides

A comprehensive understanding

Example

Predicting overall impact and coordinating restoration efforts.





Hurricane Season 2023

June 1 - Nov 30







Hurricane Season 2023



Year



Hurricane Ida

August 29, 2021









Hurricane Ida

- Scalability
- Accountability
- Visibility











Hurricane Ida











Hurricane Ian

Sept 28, 2022







Hurricane Ian





Efficient Communication

| Central Hudson MU | NI-PORTAL ADMIN - OUTBOUND MESSAGING 🔹 🗸 | 50 29,028 21 hrs LAST UPDATE |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| EVENT DASHBOARD | | Q Find a location SEARCH |
| USER DASHBOARD | COMPOSE MESSAGE | e National tic Trail MADIS |
| COORDINATOR DASHBOARD | To (Municipalities): | JUNCTION TO S |
| STORM MODE | To (Custom Groups): | FIVE POINTS |
| MAINTENANCE MODE | | Б ітснрика |
| ADD LAYERS | CREATE NEW GROUP EDITEASTING GROUP UELETE GROUP(S) | VERONA |
| 🐼 OUTBOUND MESSAGING | eg; PLANNED OUTAGE #12 | G 14 |
| INBOUND COMMS | Message Body* eg: PLANNED OUTAGE ON XX/XX/XXXX | |
| A MAP VIEW | | 58 Customers Planned Outage Updated 21 hours ago |
| | SEND > RESET | Est. Restoration: Aug 26, 5:32 AM Start Date: Aug 18, 10:19 AM Subscribe to Notifications PHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL |
| | | |
| | | Map Zvents Layers Legend |



Damage Assessment

• Traditional

- 12-24 Hour Lag
- Dependant on Utility Resources
- Driver of ETRs
- Expanded
 - New Data Sources
 - Leveraging the Community

NBC12 WWBT Richmond 🤣 @NBC12

WOW! A transformer blew in Henrico County Monday morning causing power lines to fall across I-64 in Short Pump.



Daniel Crews @ @DCrewsNews

#Breaking: A down tree and power lines has BOTH directions of Riverside Dr. closed in Danville near Oak Ln. @DanvillePD @DanvilleVaFire have shut the roadway down. @ABC13News







Monitoring Systems











Key Considerations

- One size doesn't fit all
- Budget
- Team size
- Existing technology
- Data management





The Future

- Emerging technologies
- Increasing customer expectations
- Impact on outage management





The Future



The future of situational awareness is a dynamic connection with the customer, powered by investments in outage technologies

~ Craig Spinale

GM Belmont Light
BELMONT LIGHT
POWERING YOUR COMMUNITY SINCE 1898

Artificial Intelligence

- **Outage Prediction:** This includes the ability to leverage the situational awareness software, to track floods, power outages, severe weather, grid damage, etc.
- **ETR Intelligence:** This includes the ability to predict better ETOR's outside of the OMS. This emerging concept will empower utilities to display ETRs better than traditional OMS and ADMS technologies.

Emerging Trends

- **Customer Engagement & Messaging**: This includes the use of chatbots for reporting outages via the map, and the ability to embed these tools in the map.
- Network Model: This includes the ability to showcase the network model on the Outage Map and/or internal applications.

GIS Aligned

Comparison of Esri base maps vs. Google Maps. Take note of the additional pins.

Conclusion

- Respond proactively
- Mitigate impact
- Satisfy customers
- Respond effectively
- Keep customers safe and informed

The DataCapable Platform

Our Mission: Delivering Situational Awareness When It Matters Most

Questions or Comments?

We'd love your feedback!

