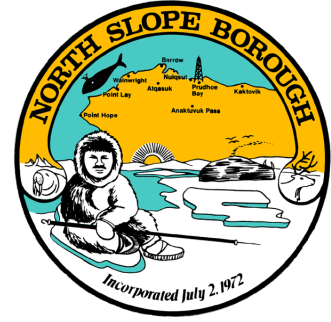


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**MAY 17, 2024,**

### **Power Restored to Wainwright**

We are pleased to announce that power has been restored to the community of Wainwright following Wednesday's outage. A temporary fix has been successfully implemented, reworking the switchgear to bring electricity back online at the Wainwright Power Plant. This is not a permanent solution to the degrading infrastructure in Wainwright, but we are confident that it will buy us time for a more long-term fix; it also highlights our need, as a Borough, to work on solutions that prepare us for future incidents and ensure the resilience and reliability of our power systems.

Residents are advised to plug in electronic devices and appliances gradually to avoid overloading the system. Please continue to conserve power to maintain the stability of this temporary solution. As of this morning, we only have two of the four main generators producing electricity.

We thank the community for their patience and cooperation during this challenging time. The quick response from emergency teams and the resilience of Wainwright residents have been crucial in resolving this issue. Quyanapqak and God Bless.

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