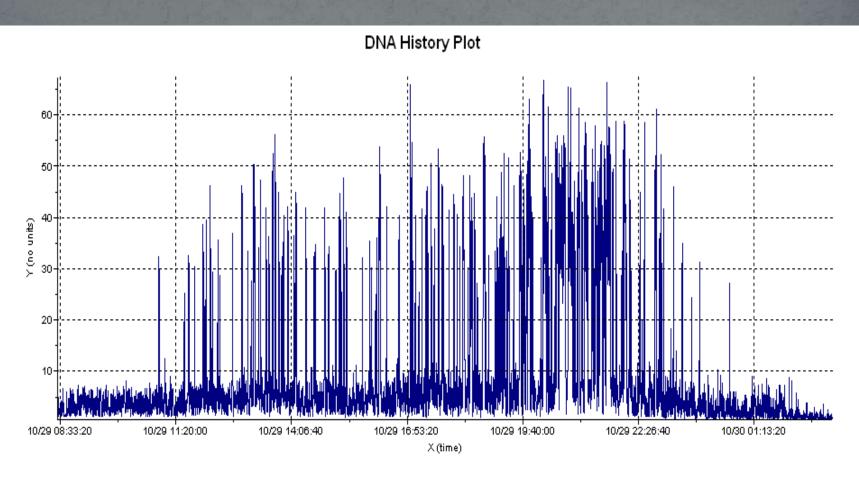
Hurricane Sandy

Recap

Hurricane Sandy October 29, 2012

- This storm was massive and very slow moving
- Sandy began showing its strength around 6 AM Monday Oct. 29th when we received our first storm related outage
- NOVEC's system endured its pounding effects for about 14 continuous hours
- Wind gusts of over 65 mph were recorded over many hours

Measured wind speeds at Bowman Substation Manassas, VA





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- Damage was system-wide and devastating, every bit the equal of the aftermath of the June 29, 2012 derecho storm
- More than 80 poles were broken in this storm each pole takes an average of 4-6 hours to replace
- Countless trees were brought down by a combination of rain-soaked soil and Sandy's gusting winds
- Miles of conductor had to be restrung or replaced
- Flooding impeded crews from reaching damage sites
- The following photos are a sampling of the damage we found across the NOVEC system. Every county, city and town we serve sustained damage from Hurricane Sandy





































































NOVEC thanks its customers for their patience and many kind words as crews worked around the clock to restore power after Hurricane Sandy. About 32,000 of the Cooperative's 150,000 customers lost electric service at the height of the storm. Crews completed storm-related service restoration at 1:50 a.m. on Nov. 2.

NOVEC also thanks the construction and tree crews, supplemented so ably by contractors from MD, NC, and SC, as well as all the other internal and external restoration support teams that contributed so much to getting the power back on safely and quickly for NOVEC customers. NOVEC is now sending crews to New Jersey to help with power restoration there.