

YR Ed Moment

Should I evacuate or not? If so, where to?

We've just experienced a very large, very long earthquake. The shaking, which lasted about 5 minutes, has finally stopped. Do you know what to do?

Are you in the Tsunami Inundation Zone? If you are, you have only about 15 minutes to gather your wits, put on your boots, pick up your GoBag, and get to high ground. How do you know where to go?

If you have the EVCNB's Guide to Emergency Preparedness booklet, there is a map of the Nehalem Bay Area's inundation zone on Page 13. The map shows the inundation zone for the largest expected tsunami. It also shows evacuation routes, and over 20 defined Assembly Sites where people will gather. You should know the location of Assembly Sites nearest your home, and near other places you frequent. Practice walking to your Assembly Site, with your GoBag, your kids, your pets. It may take longer than you think!

Communication will be absolutely critical in the first hours after an earthquake/tsunami event! So make sure you have your Yellow Radio with you in your GoBag.

And if you're not in the inundation zone, stay in your neighborhood. Tune your YR to your Zone Channel to communicate with your neighbors. We'll all be working together to help each other recover from the event we've just experienced.

Next week, we'll be asking you to report to your Zone Net Control if you know where your nearest Assembly Area is. Check it out!