EMERGENCY PLAN: TSUNAMIS

A step-by-step guide on Tsunami disaster management for UCSB students.

IN EVENT OF A TSUNAMI WARNING

- Get to high ground as far inland as possible
- Listen to emergency information and alerts
- Evacuate immediately and do not use Hwy 217 due to its low elevation
- Learn the signs: earthquake, loud roar from the ocean, unusual ocean behavior, sudden rise or draining of ocean floor

WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW

- Familiarize yourself with your local tsunami risks
- Establish evacuation routes from your home and workplace
- <u>Pick shelters 100 feet or more above sea level</u> or <u>at</u> <u>least one mile inland</u>
- <u>Sign up</u> for your community's warning system through <u>The Emergency Alert System (EAS)</u> and <u>the</u> <u>National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration</u> (NOAA)



EAS Sign Up

WHAT YOU CAN DO DURING

- If there are natural signs of tsunami, <u>listen to authorities</u> but do not wait for tsunami warnings and evacuation orders
- Remain outside of tsunami hazard zones unless directed otherwise
- Leave immediately if told to do so; <u>evacuation routes</u> are marked by <u>a</u> wave with an arrow in the direction of higher ground
- If in water, grab onto anything that floats
- If <u>in a boat</u>, head towards the direction of waves to sea, <u>if in harbor</u>, head inland

WHAT YOU CAN DO AFTER

- Monitor local alerts for available shelter locations and areas to avoid
- Do not touch electrical equipment if wet or are standing in water
- Document property damage with photos for insurance
- Use texting or social media to communicate with family as phone systems may be down



RESOURCES

Tsunami Readiness



Tsunami Terminology



Tsunami Evacuation Map



Refer to UCSB Campus e-mails and homepage at www.ucsb.edu for further information.

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