



Frequently Asked Questions

What is Cascadia Rising 2016?

It is an exercise to help prepare for a Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake and tsunami which was conducted June 7-10, 2016. Emergency Operations and Coordination Centers (EOC/ECCs) at all levels of government and the private sector activated to coordinate simulated field response operations within their jurisdictions and with neighboring communities, state EOCs/ECCs, FEMA and major military commands.

What is Oregon's Role in Cascadia Rising 2016?

Oregon is committed to being a full partner with Washington, Idaho and FEMA, in the development and presentation of the regional Cascadia Rising Exercise. Oregon is conducting statewide exercise planning in concert and collaboration with the regional effort.

Who participated in Cascadia Rising from Oregon?

Several major Oregon cities, 23 county jurisdictions, all 9 tribal nations, 17 state agencies and departments, the American Red Cross, and two private sector partner organizations signed on to play in the exercise.

How will the exercise improve Oregon's ability to respond to a Cascadia earthquake and tsunami?

The exercise helps ensure emergency response partners are in sync. It also provides decision makers with information to implement programs and policies that will save lives and property, and allocate and manage resources efficiently and with urgency during a Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake and tsunami, and other disasters.

What can Oregonians do to prepare?

Now is a perfect time for everyone to evaluate a family emergency plan and update or establish emergency kits. Refresh yourself and family members of established exit routes, contacts, meeting places, etc. after a disaster. For more information, go to the Oregon Office of Emergency Management [preparedness page](#).