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Members of the Board:

Presentation Regarding Earthquake Preparedness and the Clackamas County Shake Out Drill

Purpose/Outcome	Awareness, safety, and protection during an earthquake.
Dollar Amount and Fiscal Impact	No direct budget impacts since this is an annual program that is shared between multiple County departments.
Funding Source	N/A
Duration	Shakeout occurs on October 17 at 10:17 AM
Previous Board Action	No Board Action necessary. This is a required annual earthquake safety drill.
County Counsel Review	N/A
Strategic Plan Alignment	1. Coordination and Integration of Planning and Preparedness. 2. Ensure safe, healthy and secure communities.
Contact Person	Jamie Poole, Outreach and Technology Coordinator, Disaster Management, x8838

BACKGROUND:

Oregon is earthquake country and Clackamas County knows this first hand. In March 1993, the "Spring Break" quake roused many residents from sleep, damaging numerous homes and business, including severely damaging Molalla High School. State-wide, increasing attention is being given to the Cascadia Subduction Zone off of the Oregon coast and the potential for a magnitude 9.0 great earthquake.

Clackamas County is complying with Oregon Revised Statue (ORS) 401.900 by requiring all employees to participate in this annual earthquake drill to practice drop, cover and hold on. Some County facilities will also practice evacuating after the drill. Residents and businesses are encouraged to take part in practicing this personal protective measure to make taking immediate action more intuitive, since earthquakes strike with no warning. We encourage residents and businesses to take time afterwards and conduct a safety inspection to identify and mitigate potential falling hazards at home or work.

RECOMMENDATION:

Presentation only, recommendation is for all County employees to participate in the October 17th Shake Out drill at 10:17 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

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