Earthquake/Tsunami Preparation for Sea View Estates

Read this information, NOW. The preparations you make and the actions you take in the first few minutes after an earthquake may be critical for saving lives!

There is a very real possibility that a major earthquake will take place in the near future off the coast of Washington in an area called the Cascadia Subduction Zone. Some experts predict that a tsunami (a very large wave) will come after this earthquake that will flood the lowland areas of the Washington Coast. If this event comes about, you will need to evacuate the area immediately.

Here's how to prepare for this possible event:

- 1. Store some emergency food in the house
- 2. Put together a backpack containing enough water and some packaged food for everyone in your household to last 24 hours
- 3. Keep a list of things you will want to grab in a hurry and put this list somewhere visible inside your house. Here's a sample:
 - a. Wallet with ID etc.
 - b. Purse with ID etc.
 - c. Cash money
 - d. Car keys
 - e. Heavy coat, hat and gloves during winter
 - f. Emergency evacuation backpack
 - g. Driving maps for evacuation routes
 - h. Anything else that is easy to carry that you treasure
- 4. Put any "treasures" that you will take with you in a separate box or container that is ready for transport on short notice
- 5. Print out the evacuation driving routes and keep them in the evacuation backpack. Put an extra copy on your bulletin board
- 6. Practice driving from Sea View Estates to Montesano using the driving instructions provided

If a tsunami is headed towards the coast, you need to get to higher ground as soon as possible.

If you experience an earthquake or know that one has occurred act quickly:

- 1. Assemble everyone in your group and tell them what is happening
- 2. Get everyone into your car(s) immediately and drive north to Copalis Beach and then east to Copalis Crossing, then on to Camp Bethel located at 347 Kirkpatrick Road, Hoquiam, WA. Camp Bethel is a Grays Harbor designated meeting place for people getting away from the Beach during a tsunami and is located a short distance north of Copalis Crossing.
- 3. Once you get to Camp Bethel you can decide what to do next:
 - a. Stay put there until it's safe to return to your home or...
 - b. Travel further east to find an alternative place to stay if it's not safe to return to your home assuming the roads are not damaged from the earthquake due to shifting pavement or trees over the roadway
- 4. If you choose to continue going east beyond Camp Bethel, refer to the driving evacuation routes included with this information that will allow you to drive to Montesano or Shelton without going through Hoquiam or Aberdeen which may be under water.

If you can safely return to your house after an earthquake and/or tsunami you may experience some challenges:

1. If the power is out, there may not be any heat or hot water in the house. To keep warm, gather people in one or two rooms to generate enough heat to keep the temperature above 50 degrees if it's cold outside. It is very important to always keep the body warm. Wear extra layers of clothing if the temperature drops below 60 degrees inside the house.

- 2. Use the extra food you keep in the house for such an emergency
- 3. Keep at least one cell phone charged up using the charger in your car in case you need to call 911 for help
- 4. If there is no running water in the house, you may be able to drain some from your hot water heater.
- 5. Use water collected from drainage ditches to flush toilets if possible
- 6. If you have a generator, run it sparingly to run heaters and some lights.
- 7. Remember, if you stay warm and have WATER and FOOD you can remain in your house as long as needed until the electric power has been restored or you can safely travel out of the area.

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Driving Evacuation Routes Away from Beach to Higher Ground

Copalis Beach to Montesano (Avoids going through Hoquiam and Aberdeen)

- As you leave Sea View Estates, take a left on Highway 109 and go 1.5 miles north to Copalis Beach
- After the road curves to the right, go straight and east (away from the ocean), past the Post Office on Copalis Beach Road. After about 4.5 miles, Copalis Beach Road turns into Ocean Beach Road.
- Continue .6 more miles to Kirkpatrick Road
- Turn left and go north on Kirkpatrick Road for 12 miles to Highway 101 at Humptulips
- Turn right onto Highway 101 South at Humptulips and go about 7.3 miles
- Turn left onto Youmans Road and go 5.3 miles to Hoquiam Wishkah Road. Youmans Road turns into East Hoquiam Road during this section
- Turn left onto Hoquiam Wishkah Road and go 1.7 miles
- Turn right onto Wishkah road and go 2.1 miles
- Turn left onto the Wynooche Wishkah Road and go 4.6 miles
- Turn right onto Wynooche Valley Road and go 8.8 miles to Highway 12.
- Turn left onto West Pioneer Avenue and head into Montesano or follow the signs to go east on Highway 12 east toward Montesano, Elma, and Olympia

This route should take you about 1.25 hours to get from Sea View Estates to Montesano.

Copalis Beach to Shelton (Avoids going through Hoquiam and Aberdeen)

- As you leave Sea View Estates, take a left on Highway 109 and go 1.5 miles north to Copalis Beach
- After the road curves to the right, go straight and east (away from the ocean), past the
 Post Office on Copalis Beach Road. After about 4.5 miles, Copalis Beach Road turns into
 Ocean Beach Road.
- Continue .6 more miles to Kirkpatrick Road
- Turn left and go north on Kirkpatrick Road for 12 miles to Highway 101 at Humptulips
- Turn right onto Highway 101 South at Humptulips and go about 7.3 miles
- Turn left onto Youmans Road and go 5.3 miles to Hoquiam Wishkah Road. Youmans Road turns into East Hoquiam Road during this section
- Turn left onto Hoquiam Wishkah Road and go 1.7 miles
- Turn right onto Wishkah road and go 2.1 miles
- Turn left onto the Wynooche Wishkah Road and go 4.6 miles
- Turn left onto Wynooche Valley Road and go 9.9 miles
- Turn right onto Cougar Smith Road for 5.4 miles
- Turn right onto Boundary Road for 3.6 miles
- Turn left onto Boundary Cut-Off Road West for .5 miles
- Tun left onto Matlock-Bracy Road for 8.5 miles
- Turn right onto West Shelton Road for 24 miles
- Arrive at Shelton

This route should take about 2 hours to get from Sea View Estates to Shelton

