

Useful Earthquake and Tsunami Websites and Experts

Dear Operational Areas and Local Jurisdictions –

In the wake of recent disaster events in Japan and New Zealand, your Public Information Officers may be fielding increased inquiries from the media as well as the public. Cal EMA, the Earthquake Country Alliance and its partners have teamed up to provide relevant websites, and earthquake, tsunami and preparedness experts readily available for interviews.

Websites that may help you add to your own resources to provide answers:

- www.calema.ca.gov/preparedness: Earthquake, tsunami and general preparedness
- www.tsunami.ca.gov: Tsunami inundation map links; preparedness information
- myhazards.calema.ca.gov: Interactive map of natural hazards in your neighborhood
- www.cisn.org: Recent earthquake information and maps
- www.scec.org/ucrf: Probabilities of earthquakes in California
- www.earthquakeauthority.com: CEA Earthquake insurance information
- www.earthquakecountry.org: Extensive information, videos, publications, and links
- www.terremotos.org: Earthquake information in Spanish
- www.earthquakecountry.org/dropcoverholdon: Special report on what to do during earthquakes
- www.dropcoverandholdon.org: Drop, Cover and Hold On website (and “Beat the Quake” game)
- www.shakeout.org: How to participate in California’s annual statewide earthquake drill, with extensive drill planning and preparedness resources.



Experts available throughout the state for news media interviews about what to do (and what not to do) during earthquakes and tsunamis:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title/Expertise</u>	<u>Phone</u>
Mark Benthien	Exec. Dir., Earthquake Country Alliance (at SCEC) <i>Drop, Cover, and Hold On / ShakeOut / EQ Science</i>	213-926-1683
Stacy Gerlich	CERT Commander, Los Angeles Fire Dept. <i>Drop, Cover, and Hold On / Community Preparedness</i>	818-756-9674
Dr. Kim Shoaf	Assoc. Dir., UCLA Center for Public Health and Disasters <i>Studies how people are injured during earthquakes</i>	310-794-0864
Harold Schapelhouman	Menlo Park Fire Chief & FEMA Urban Search and Rescue <i>Search and Rescue / Drop, Cover, and Hold On</i>	650-688-8426
Dr. Lori Dengler	Professor, Humboldt State & CalEMA Tsunami Advisor <i>Tsunamis / EQ Science / Drop, Cover, and Hold On</i>	707-826-3115
Dr. Paul Myers	Preparedness, American Red Cross National Headquarters <i>Drop, Cover, Hold On / Community Preparedness</i>	202-642-6421



The 2011 Great California ShakeOut on October 20th is a great way to help your community become prepared and to practice what to do to protect themselves during earthquakes. Over 4.2 million people are already registered to participate at www.shakeout.org!