



Media Advisory

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Regional water providers to practice emergency water treatment and distribution

Portland, OR – On Thursday, May 7, 2015, members of the Regional Water Providers Consortium will hold a demonstration in the morning and drill in the afternoon to practice the treatment and distribution of emergency water supplies following a disaster. The event will be held at Riverside Park, 7298 SE Water Ave. Clackamas, OR, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The morning will feature demonstrations of easily-mobilized, water treatment and distribution systems and other public works-related equipment purchased with funds from the Department of Homeland Security's Urban Area Security Initiative grant program. The afternoon drill will simulate a water supply emergency, and put the equipment into action to treat and distribute water.

The 22 members of the Regional Water Providers Consortium have worked together since 1997 to ensure that the region has reliable, safe, and efficient water supplies. While it is reassuring to know the water providers are prepared, it is also important for the public to be ready as well.

The Consortium encourages the public to prepare by having an adequate emergency supply of water for use during an emergency. For water, the rule of thumb is to store one gallon per person per day. Additional water may also be needed for pets. A two-week supply is recommended in earthquake-prone areas.

For more information on the Regional Water Providers Consortium, visit www.regionalh2o.org

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