



CHEMICAL STOCKPILE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

A ready public set to protect itself in an emergency.

Monday, May 3, 2004

Time: 7:30 a.m.

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MEDIA/PUBLIC ADVISORY

WHAT: The annual CSEPP emergency preparedness drill will be held Wednesday, May 5.

WHEN: The exercise will start at mid-morning on May 5 with a simulated chemical emergency at the Umatilla Chemical Depot. The public will hear Westminster chimes in Morrow and Umatilla counties in Oregon and in southern Benton County in Washington State.

WHERE: Be at the Chemical Disposal Outreach Office, 190 E. Main Street, Hermiston, Ore. at 9 a.m., Wednesday, May 5. There, media representatives will be provided with scenario details. If media specifically want to cover depot activities during the start of the exercise, they should contact Jim Hackett from the depot Public Affairs Office at (541) 564-5418 prior to 4 p.m. Monday, May 3. If they decide to go to the depot on the morning of the exercise, they need to be at the front gate of the depot off the I-84 freeway just west of Hermiston, Ore., Exit 177, by 9 a.m., May 5. The off-post events will be going on at the same time as the depot activities, so if media outlets have additional persons, they may want to adopt a team coverage approach. Those going to the depot will be provided the exercise scenario.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact Jesse Seigal, FEMA, (541) 310-9631 by 4 p.m., Monday, May 3, to make arrangements to cover the events, or Jim Hackett, Umatilla Chemical Depot Public Affairs Office, (541) 564-5418 by 4 p.m. Monday, May 3.

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