



VIGILANT GUARD

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Purpose

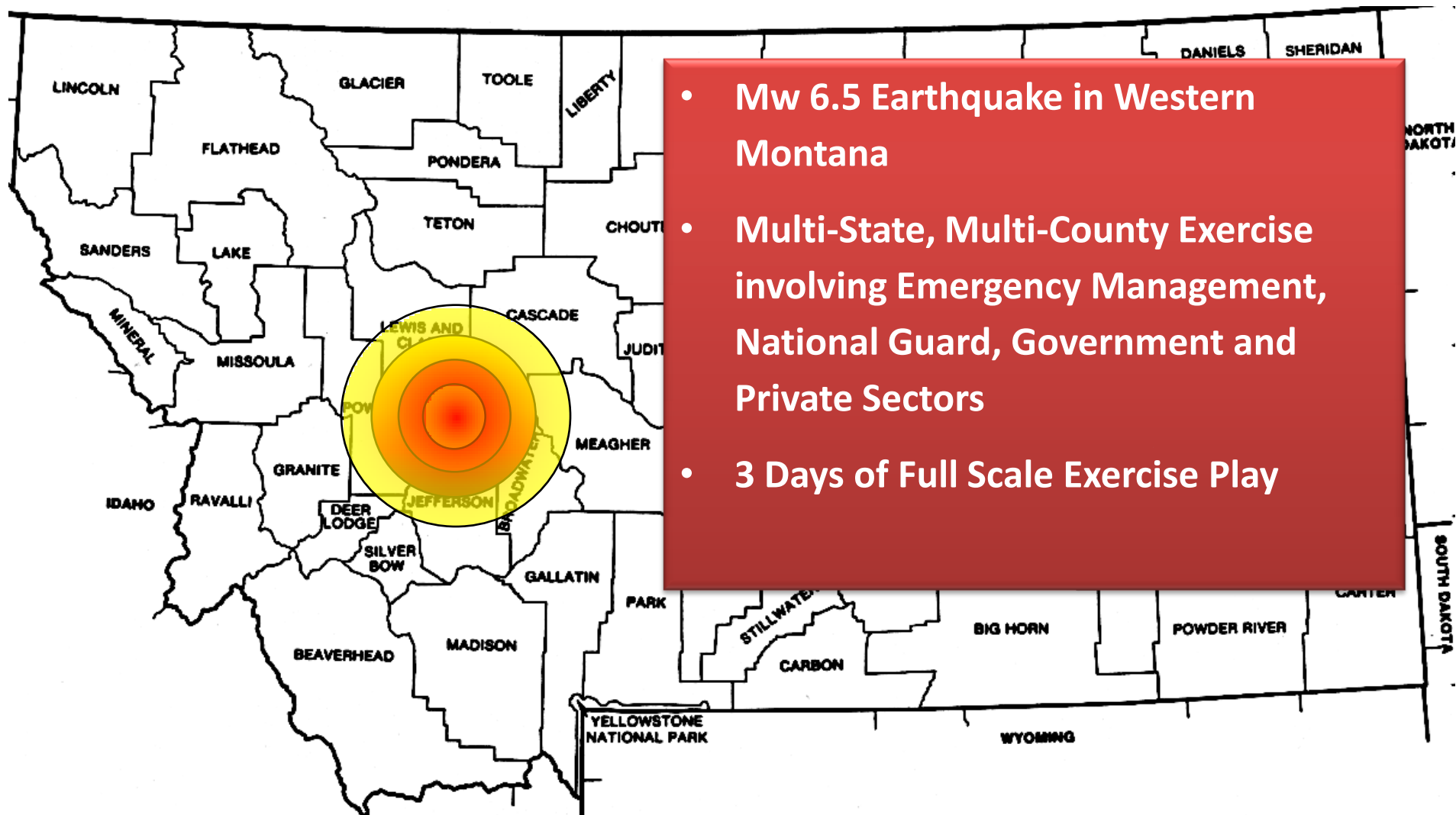
Vigilant Guard is a Homeland Security/Homeland Defense FEMA Regional exercise program series hosted by the National Guard Bureau.

The program provides an opportunity for the State to improve emergency coordination, response and recovery management with federal, regional, local civilian and military partners.

September 15-16-17, 2009



VG Montana Exercise Vision



- Mw 6.5 Earthquake in Western Montana
- Multi-State, Multi-County Exercise involving Emergency Management, National Guard, Government and Private Sectors
- 3 Days of Full Scale Exercise Play

Capabilities to be Validated

- Communications
- EOC Management, Continuity, Mutual Aid
- On-Site Incident Management
- Emergency Triage and Pre-Hospital Treatment
- Critical Resource Logistics & Distribution*
 - Multi Agency Coordination Group (MAC-G)
- Emergency Public Information & Warning
- Search and Rescue (Land-Based)

Participating Agencies

- Federal
 - FEMA Region VIII
 - Utah Task Force 1 (USAR)
 - National Weather Service
 - US Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
 - US Northern Command (NORTHCOM)
 - National Guard Bureau
 - VA Hospital
 - Civil Air Patrol
 - United State Army Reserve

State of Montana

- Dept of Administration
 - General Support Division
 - Information Technology Services
 - Risk Management Tort Defense
 - Public Employees Retirement Assistance
 - Architecture and Engineering Division
 - Teachers Retirement System
- Dept of Commerce
- Dept of Corrections
- Dept of Environmental Quality (MT DEQ)
- Dept. of Natural Resources & Conservation (DNRC)
- Dept of Military Affairs
 - Department Emergency Services
 - Regional HAZMAT
- Dept of Public Health & Human Services (MT DPHHS)
- Dept of Revenue
- Dept of Transportation (MT DOT)
- Dept Labor and Industry
- Office of Public Instruction
- Governor’s Office
- Highway Patrol
- Legislative Branch
- Secretary of State

Local Area Participation

- Broadwater County
- Jefferson County
- City of East Helena
- City of Helena
- East Helena Fire Department
- East Helena Police
- Helena Ambulance
- Helena Coroner's Office
- Helena Fire Department
- Helena Health Department
- Helena Police Department
- Helena Public Schools
- East Helena Public Schools
- Helena Public Works
- Helena Regional Airport
- Rural Fire Departments

- Local
 - Lewis & Clark County Attorney
 - Lewis & Clark County Rural FDs
 - Lewis & Clark County Sherriff's Office
- Private Industry
 - Bear Tooth TV Station
 - Carroll College
 - Conoco/Phillips
 - Montana Rail Link
 - Northwest Energy
 - St. Peter's Hospital
- Qwest Communications
- Yellowstone Pipeline
- Bresnan Communications
- Volunteers
 - Amateur Radio
 - American Red Cross (ARC)
 - Animal Rescue
 - Tri-County Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

Plans to be exercised

- State EM Coordination Plan
- MT Disaster Emergency Management Plan
- State Emergency Assistance Plan
- DOA Continuity Management Plan
- National Guard Multi Hazard Response Plan
- Agency Internal COOP & Emergency Action Plans
- Local Jurisdictional Emergency Operations Plans
- Emergency Management Assistance Compact

Exercise Play Venues

- MT State Emergency Coordination Center
- MT Joint Information Center
- Lewis & Clark County PIO – at County Building
- Lewis & Clark County Emergency Operations Center
- Helena Airport
- Rubble Pile and Burning House (Airport)
- Lewis & Clark County Fairgrounds (Staging Area)
- Capitol Complex
- St. Peters Hospital
- St. James Hospital, Butte
- Carroll College
- Train Derailment (Montana City, East Helena)
- VA Hospital
- Fort Harrison

Schedule Highlights

Date	Event	Time
13 Jul	ICS-402 for Senior Officials	1330-1530
31 Jul	Civilian Final Planning Conference	0800-1500
1 Aug	Regional TTX	0900-1500
2 Aug	National Guard Final Planning Conference	0800-1700
3 Aug	Leadership TTX	0900-1300
2 Sep	ICS-402 for Senior Officials	1300-1530
17 Sep	MAC-G participation	1300-1530

NEED VOLUNTEERS

- We have a total of 30 open volunteer positions to help run the exercise:
 - Simulators
 - Controllers
 - Evaluators
 - Site Managers
 - Safety
 - Joint Information Center (PIO's)
- Any help will be appreciated!

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