A blue helicopter is shown in flight, dropping a bucket of water onto a large fire in a forest. The fire is bright orange and red, with thick white smoke rising from it. The background consists of tall, green evergreen trees. The entire scene is framed by a dark blue border.

# EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

2016  
Calendar



*On behalf of the Bonneville County Emergency Management team,*

## *Welcome to the year 2016!*

*Bonneville County, in southeast Idaho, is part of the Upper Snake River Valley. Its eastern border is also the state border of Idaho and Wyoming. Idaho Falls, originally called Eagle Rock, is the county seat. Incorporated cities in Bonneville County include Ammon, Idaho Falls, Iona, Irwin, Swan Valley, and Ucon. Bonneville County ranks fourth highest in population in the State of Idaho, with a count of more than 109,000 residents (U.S. Census Bureau 2014).*

*The Bonneville County Office of Emergency Management would like to take this opportunity to wish you a year filled with good health and happiness, and of course, safety and preparedness in all that you do!*



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**The Bonneville County Office of Emergency Management wants you to be prepared! Why? Because it could be a matter of survival...for you, your loved ones, and those around you.**

**We urge you to Prepare Today.....for a Safer Tomorrow!**

Manmade or natural, emergencies or disasters can strike at any time. The Office of Emergency Management provides leadership, planning, education and resources to protect lives, property, and the environment in the event an emergency or disaster was to strike Bonneville County. Tom Lenderink serves as the County's Emergency Manager, and he is joined in day-to-day operations by the Emergency Management Assistant, Kellie Farrar. Emergency Management works with County departments, local governments, volunteer organizations and the private sector in and around Bonneville County to develop disaster preparedness plans, and provide training and exercise activities. One of Emergency Management's primary goals is to ensure that citizens are prepared to survive and thrive for at least 72 hours following a disaster/emergency. That is FEMA's realistic estimation of how long one may have to get by on their own while response efforts are concentrated on life-saving efforts and/or restoration of critical services. We have provided several links below to assist individuals, families, civic organizations and businesses in those self-preservation efforts.

It is our desire, either directly or by referral, to assist you with being informed and prepared in the event of an emergency or disaster in Bonneville County. As part of that goal, you will find numerous links throughout this calendar, along with what we hope are helpful tips and suggestions to help your living, working, and playing in Bonneville County a more pleasant, safe and rewarding experience. Just please remember:

### **Prepare Today.....for a Safer Tomorrow!**

There are four simple steps to follow, and they are outlined in detail on the [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) website . In short, they are:

- 1.) **Be Informed**—learn what protective measures to take before, during and after an emergency
- 2.) **Make a Plan**—prepare, plan, and stay informed for emergencies
- 3.) **Build a Kit**—build a kit for potential disasters and/or emergencies that are relevant to the area you live, and finally,
- 4.) **Get Involved**—find opportunities to support community preparedness activities in your area.

And now, please enjoy this calendar and use it throughout the year; also, check out our website: [www.co.bonneville.id.us](http://www.co.bonneville.id.us), like us on **Facebook**, and follow us on **Twitter**.

# Be Informed. Make a Plan. Build a Kit.



**You may not be at home when disaster strikes.**

*Keep a 72-hour Emergency Supply Kit at home, at work, as well as in your vehicle.*

- ◆ Learn the types of disasters or emergencies that may likely occur where you live.
- ◆ Decide what you will do to protect yourself and family during disasters.
- ◆ Make a Disaster Preparedness Plan; having a plan is one of the most important steps you can take in disaster preparedness.
- ◆ Have a Family Communication Plan in case you are separated during a disaster.
- ◆ Choose two places for your family to meet: one outside your home, and one outside your neighborhood, in case you cannot return home or are asked to evacuate.
- ◆ Choose an out-of-area emergency contact person.
- ◆ Have emergency contact information in writing and/or saved on your cell phone.
- ◆ Plan what to do if you have to evacuate.
- ◆ Keep your 72-hour kit in an easy-to-carry emergency preparedness kit that you can use at home or take with you in case you must evacuate.
- ◆ Discuss emergency preparedness with your family and others. Encourage them to be informed, have a plan, build a kit, and get involved.

DON'T KNOW WHERE TO START?

**NEED  
HELP**

**Tips and Tools :**

[www.ready.gov/make-a-plan](http://www.ready.gov/make-a-plan)

[www.fema.gov/pdf/library](http://www.fema.gov/pdf/library)

[www.ready.gov/basic-disaster-supplies-kit](http://www.ready.gov/basic-disaster-supplies-kit)



Plan Now. Work Together. Be Ready



# January 2016

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### Preparedness Tip:

**Plan to be on your own for the first 72 hours after a disaster.**

Relief workers will be on the scene after a disaster but they cannot reach everyone immediately. You may need to survive on your own. This means having your own **food, water and other supplies** in sufficient quantity to last for **at least 72 hours.**

### Resources

[emergency.cdc.gov](http://emergency.cdc.gov)  
[fema.gov](http://fema.gov)  
[ready.gov](http://ready.gov)  
[readyidaho.gov](http://readyidaho.gov)  
[redcross.org](http://redcross.org)



# Pet Preparedness

## Disaster Preparedness Ideas for Pets:

- ◆ Have a pet emergency supply kit.
  - ◆ 3 Day Supply of Food in airtight, waterproof container
  - ◆ Water (*in addition to water for you and your family*)
  - ◆ Your pet's medicines and medical records
  - ◆ First aid kit
  - ◆ Collar with ID tag, harness or leash
  - ◆ Crate or other pet carrier
  - ◆ Sanitation (*pet litter, litter box, newspapers, paper towels, trash bags & chlorine bleach (9 parts water 1 part chlorine)*)
  - ◆ Favorite toys, treats and bedding (*familiar items help reduce stress for your pet*)
- ◆ Have photos of your pets as well as photos of yourself with your pet to verify ownership
- ◆ Microchip your pets & enroll them in a recovery database
- ◆ If you lose your pet, leave your contact information along with the photos of your pet that you share



*Take animals with you if you need to evacuate. Only as a last resort should animals be left behind. **Do not stay at home when told to evacuate!***



# February 2016

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14 Valentine's Day	15 President's Day	16	17	18	19	20
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### Preparedness Tip:

Many emergency shelters cannot accept animals. Find out which hotels or shelters allow animals in the area you plan to evacuate to before disaster strikes.

### Resources

- akc.org
- asp.org
- avma.org
- fema.gov
- humanesociety.org
- redcross.org
- ready.gov

# Flooding



## Before a Flood

- Before you buy a home, investigate if there's any history of flooding or if it's in a mapped flood hazard zone.
- Get flood insurance, and consider it even if you live outside of a flood hazard zone.

## Prepare for a Flood

- Pack an evacuation kit and create a family emergency plan.
- Ask your local emergency management agency for sandbagging information.

## During a Flood

- Stay Informed. Check radio, television or online for information.
- Follow local officials' instructions.
- If a flash flood is likely, move to higher ground immediately. Do not wait for instructions to move.

## If you Evacuate:

- Unplug electrical equipment, but do not touch electrical equipment if you are wet or standing in water.
- Secure your home. Close and lock doors and windows.
- Avoid walking through water. If you must, walk where the water is not moving. Use a stick to check the firmness of the ground.
- Water over roadways can hide sink holes or other dangerous conditions and lead to drowning. Turn around instead of driving through the water.
- If floodwaters rise near you and you cannot drive safely, abandon the car. Move to higher ground if you can do so safely.

## Catastrophic Failure of Teton Dam, June 5, 1976

*Photo provided by Museum of Idaho*

The collapse of the dam resulted in the deaths of 11 people and 13,000 cattle. The dam cost about \$100 million to build, and the federal government paid over \$300 million in claims related to its failure. Total damage estimates have ranged up to \$2 billion.

**Floods are the most frequent natural disaster.** In the United States, floods effect more people than any other natural disaster. Many people are killed by floods. About 80% of those deaths occur in vehicles, usually when people try to drive through flooded areas. It takes only a few inches of rushing water to knock a person down and just 24 inch deep water can push any vehicle off the road and down the river. **Don't risk driving through floodwaters!**



# March 2016

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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Daylight Savings Time	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19
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27 Easter	28	29	30	31		

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**Preparedness Tip:**  
 Have adequate flood insurance - even if you live outside of a flood hazard zone.

**Turn Around-Don't Drown!**  
**NEVER** drive into flood waters

**Resources**  
 Bonneville County  
 Planning & Zoning  
[floodsmart.gov](http://floodsmart.gov)  
[weather.gov](http://weather.gov)  
[wrh.noaa.gov/pih](http://wrh.noaa.gov/pih)

# FOOD & WATER in an EMERGENCY



If disaster strikes, you might not have access to **food, water,** and **electricity** for days or even weeks

**Take time now to store emergency food and water**

**What Disasters are probable for this area ?**  
Vulnerability, risk assessment, and the severity ranking of possible disasters can be found in the **Bonneville County 2014 All Hazard Mitigation Plan**

[www.co.bonneville.id.us/emergency-management](http://www.co.bonneville.id.us/emergency-management)



## EMERGENCY FOOD SUPPLY

- ◆ Maintain an emergency food supply that will last **at least two weeks**.
- ◆ You may not need to go out and buy foods to prepare an emergency food supply. You can use the canned goods, dry mixes, and other staples on your pantry shelves.
- ◆ Be sure to **check expiration dates** and follow the practice of first-in, first-out.
- ◆ As you stock food, take into account your family's unique needs and tastes.
- ◆ **Familiar foods are important.** They lift morale and give a feeling of security in times of stress.
- ◆ Include foods that your family will enjoy that are high in calories and nutrition.
- ◆ Foods that require no refrigeration, water, special preparation, or cooking.

## EMERGENCY WATER SUPPLY

- ◆ Having an ample supply of clean water is a top priority in an emergency.
- ◆ You will need water to drink, for food preparation, and hygiene.
- ◆ Store at least **one gallon per person, per day**.
- ◆ Consider storing at least a **two-week supply** of water for each member of your family.
- ◆ To prepare the safest and most reliable emergency supply of water, it is recommended that you purchase commercially bottled water.
- ◆ Keep bottled water in its original container, and do not open it until you need to use it.
- ◆ If supplies run low, **never ration water.** Drink the amount you need today, and try to find more for tomorrow.



# April 2016

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					Tax Day	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
					Earth Day	
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### Preparedness Tip:

Make sure you have a manual can opener and disposable paper products and utensils.

Don't forget nonperishable foods for your pets.

### Resources

[fema.gov](http://fema.gov)  
[ready.gov](http://ready.gov)  
[redcross.org](http://redcross.org)

The online publication **Food and Water in an Emergency** can be downloaded from:

[www.fema.gov/pdf/library/f&web.pdf](http://www.fema.gov/pdf/library/f&web.pdf)

# Vacation Emergency Preparedness



✓ **Sunscreen, check. Golf clubs, check. Emergency plan? If your summer vacation checklist does not include emergency preparedness, add this important step to your planning process!**

- \* When you arrive at your destination, identify safe locations for severe weather & find out how emergency warnings are communicated in the area. (outdoor warning sirens/ public address system)
- \* On your smart phone ensure the “*Emergency Alerts*” option is enabled in your “*Settings*”. This will allow you to receive geographically targeted, Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA) messages about imminent safety threats in your current location.
- \* Traveling internationally? Register with the U.S. Department of State - The *Smart Traveler Enrollment Program* enables the State Department to better assist U.S. travelers in an emergency.
- \* Traveling by car? Check the forecast for your entire route before & during your trip. Bring along a travel weather radio, it automatically switches to weather stations closest to your travel area & alerts you to local weather warnings.
- \* Let family and friends know your itinerary and how to reach you.
- \* Designate an out-of-area person to contact in case your group is separated during an emergency and local phone lines are overloaded.
- \* Pack extra supplies of critical items, prescription meds & baby formula in case your return is delayed by disaster.

## *Planning a vacation this summer?*

**Whether your plans are for a weekend just hours from home, or spending a few weeks in another state or country, include emergency preparedness in your vacation planning!**



If disaster strikes your vacation spot, you can register on the American Red Cross “Safe and Well” website at [www.safeandwell.org](http://www.safeandwell.org) so family and friends will know that you are safe.



# May 2016

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1 Loyalty Day	2	3	4	5 Holocaust Remembrance Day	6	7
8 Mother's Day	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Armed Forces Day
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29	30 Memorial Day	31				

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### Preparedness Tip:

A disaster can happen anytime, *even* while you are on vacation. Take the time to learn about the potential hazards, and how to stay safe if disaster strikes in the area your visiting.

### Resources

- [redcross.org](http://redcross.org)
- [travel.state.gov](http://travel.state.gov)
- Enroll in S.T.E.P.
- Travel Warnings
- Travel Alerts



Photo by Spencer Johnston, USFS

## Fire Safety

Debris burning is the number one cause of fires that are started by humans. Never burn without a permit or on a windy day. Work through the correct agency or department that has jurisdiction over the type of burning you want to do. Consider alternatives to burning, such as chipping or recycling.

### Protect Your Home from Wildfire

- Create a 30-foot non-combustible defensible space around your home.
- Stack firewood away from the home.
- Trim branches along driveways so that they are 14 feet off the ground, 14 feet from other surfaces and 10 feet from the roof and power lines.
- Use non-combustible roofing materials.
- Keep gutters free from debris and screen vents under eaves and decks.
- Keep yards watered and mowed. Plant low growing, less flammable plants near homes.
- Post your address in a location that is visible from all directions for at least 150 feet.

### Prevent House Fires and Plan for Escape

- **Never use water to put out a grease fire.** Use baking soda, smother with a tight lid, or use an approved fire extinguisher.
- **Install smoke alarms** on the ceiling of every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home.
- **Test smoke alarm batteries monthly.** Replace the batteries every 6 months & smoke alarm every 10 years.
- **Install fire extinguishers!** Put close to an exit & learn how to properly use them. Only use on small fires.

**Create a Home Escape Plan** and include at least two routes from each room and a safe meeting place outside.

**Remember to practice your family's plan!**



# June 2016

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12	13	14 Flag Day	15	16	17	18
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Father's Day	Summer Begins					
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### Preparedness Tips:

- Practice Fire Escape Plan with your family.
- Demonstrate to your children how to stop, drop to the ground and roll if their clothes catch on fire.
- Familiarize your children to the sound of the smoke alarm.

### Resources

[firewise.org](http://firewise.org)  
[fs.fed.us/fire](http://fs.fed.us/fire)  
[nfpa.org](http://nfpa.org)  
[nfsc.org](http://nfsc.org)  
[ready.gov/wildfires](http://ready.gov/wildfires)  
[safetyresource.org](http://safetyresource.org)  
[smokeybear.com](http://smokeybear.com)  
[usfa.fema.gov](http://usfa.fema.gov)



Photo Source: Steve Farrar

## Lightning Safety

- If outdoors, avoid water, high ground, tall trees, open spaces, fences, and other metal objects.
- When possible, find shelter inside a building or fully enclosed vehicle with closed windows.
- If lightning strikes nearby while you're outside, crouch down with your feet together and place your hands over ears to minimize hearing damage. Keep a minimum of 15 feet from other people.

### Storm Watch

Indicates conditions are ideal for the formation of a lightning storm.

### Storm Warning

Means a storm has in fact been sighted and actions should be taken to ensure lightning safety.



Photo Source: USA Today/ NOAA

## Hot Weather Emergencies

### Heat

- **Heat Cramps** are often the first sign your body is overheated and dehydrated.
- **Heat Exhaustion** symptoms include headache, nausea, dizziness, weakness, ashen or flushed skin tone, and cool or moist skin.
- **Heat Stroke** is a **MEDICAL EMERGENCY**. Symptoms include warm, flushed skin, absence of normal sweating, very high temperature, delirium, unconsciousness or seizures.

### Seek medical attention immediately!

- Drink plenty of non-alcoholic fluids.
- **NEVER** leave people or animals in cars or other enclosed spaces with little or no air circulation. Car temperatures can rise to **deadly** levels quickly.

### Water Safety

- Tell someone where you are going, when you expect to return, and where to call if you don't return on time.
- Know your limits as a swimmer.
- Rivers can run cold and swift in spring and early summer. Jumping into cold water can literally take your breath away!
- Wear a properly fitted Personal Flotation Device approved by the U.S. Coast Guard.
- Know all local boating laws.
- Keep an eye on children at ALL times.
- Wear sunscreen!

**All children 12 years old and younger MUST wear a *life vest* when in a boat.**





# July 2016

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	Independence Day					
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**Preparedness Tip:**  
 Summer heat can be dangerous - **even deadly** if you don't take the proper precautions.  
**NEVER** leave children or pets in a parked vehicle on a hot day!

### Resources

[americanboating.org](http://americanboating.org)  
 American Red Cross  
 CDC  
 Idaho Parks & Rec  
 NWS  
 NOAA  
[weather.gov/safety](http://weather.gov/safety)



Photo Source: National School Bus Safety Week

**Make sure your family knows how to respond to emergencies, and that you have practiced emergency plans with them!**

- Know your child's school or daycare emergency plan.
- Find out where children will be taken in the event of an evacuation during school hours.
- Ensure your current emergency contact information is on file at your child's school.
- Pre-authorize a friend or relative to pick up your children in an emergency & make sure the school knows who that designated person is.
- Teach children about 'Text First, Talk Later'. Short, simple text messages, such as "R U OK?" and "I'm OK", are more likely to get through than a phone call if phone service is disrupted following an emergency. As phone congestion eases, you can follow up with a phone call to relay more information.

**Many college campuses offer email & text messages to alert students of potential dangers. Encourage your college student to sign-up for them. Some colleges also provide alert messages for parents too.**

## **Emergency Preparedness for Children**

### **Make sure your children know:**

- \* How to reach you or another trusted adult if they're home without an adult
- \* How and when to call 9-1-1, their home address, memorized your phone #
- \* Have discussed family meeting places incase of fire or disaster and that one location is inside your neighborhood, and one is outside of it
- \* Knows your family preparedness, and communications plans
- \* Has family contact information and family picture in their backpack
- \* Has a whistle attached to outside of backpack to use in a crisis situation
- \* Knows where their "grab-and-go" bag is located
- \* Have a whistle and flashlight under/or near their bed
- \* Know at least two escape routes out of every room in the house



**Disasters can happen anytime of day, even when children are in school or daycare. Take a few minutes to find out how your child's school will handle emergencies & talk to your child about how your family will communicate after a disaster.**



# August 2016

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### Preparedness Tip:

Test your child's emergency preparedness by playing this online game with them:

[www.ready.gov/kids/know-the-facts](http://www.ready.gov/kids/know-the-facts)

### Resources

American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)  
[cdc.gov](http://cdc.gov)  
[fsis.usda.gov](http://fsis.usda.gov)  
[nsc.org](http://nsc.org)  
[phd7.idaho.gov](http://phd7.idaho.gov)  
[ready.gov/kids](http://ready.gov/kids)  
[www2.ed.gov](http://www2.ed.gov)

# September - National Preparedness Month



Source: Thomas E. Franklin

Spending just a few minutes today on personal preparedness can help you and your family stay safe when disaster strikes

Devastating acts, such as 911 and the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, have left many concerned about the possibility of future events and their potential impact. They have raised uncertainty and heightened our awareness of the importance of emergency preparedness. There are specific steps you can take to prepare for the unexpected; and reduce the stress that you may feel now and later should another emergency arise. Taking preparatory action can reassure you, your family, and co-workers that you can exert a measure of control even in the face of such events.

**If an emergency occurred tomorrow, would you and your family be ready?**

September is National Preparedness Month. Sponsored by FEMA, National Preparedness Month aims to educate and empower Americans to prepare for and respond to all types of emergencies, including natural disasters and potential terrorist attacks.

National Preparedness Month is a **time to prepare yourself and those in your care for emergencies and disasters**, both large scale and smaller local events. **Know your risk!** Emergencies can happen anywhere, at any time. It is important to understand potential risks where you live.

#### **What you can do:**

- \* Bookmark [weather.gov](http://weather.gov) to stay informed on severe weather. Learn about Wireless Emergency Alerts, messages that will be sent to your phone during an emergency. Get practical tips on preparing for disaster at [ready.gov](http://ready.gov).
- \* Prepare a disaster supply kit with at least three days of food and water.
- \* Create a Family Emergency Plan, so that your family knows how to communicate during an emergency.
- \* Obtain a NOAA Weather Radio.

#### **Take action**

- \* Make sure that you and your family are prepared for an emergency.
- \* Ensure that you can go for at least 3 days without electricity, water service, access to a supermarket, or other local services.



# September 2016

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11 Patriot Day	12	13	14	15	16	17
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### Preparedness Tip:

Find out where the facilities that contain hazardous materials are located in your community. Are they near your home, work or schools?

### Resources

[bhs.idaho.gov](http://bhs.idaho.gov)  
[emergency.cdc.gov/npm](http://emergency.cdc.gov/npm)  
[fema.gov](http://fema.gov)  
[nationalterroralert.com/shelterinplace](http://nationalterroralert.com/shelterinplace)  
[ready.gov](http://ready.gov)



## Earthquake Preparation

- ◆ Anchor heavy appliances and furniture such as water heaters, refrigerators and bookcases to wall studs.
- ◆ Move pictures, mirrors and glass objects away from beds. Brace overhead light fixtures.
- ◆ Learn how to turn off water, gas and electricity.
- ◆ Keep hard-soled shoes, flashlight, whistle and leather gloves under bed.
- ◆ Install flexible pipe fittings to avoid gas or water leaks.

## Earthquake Response

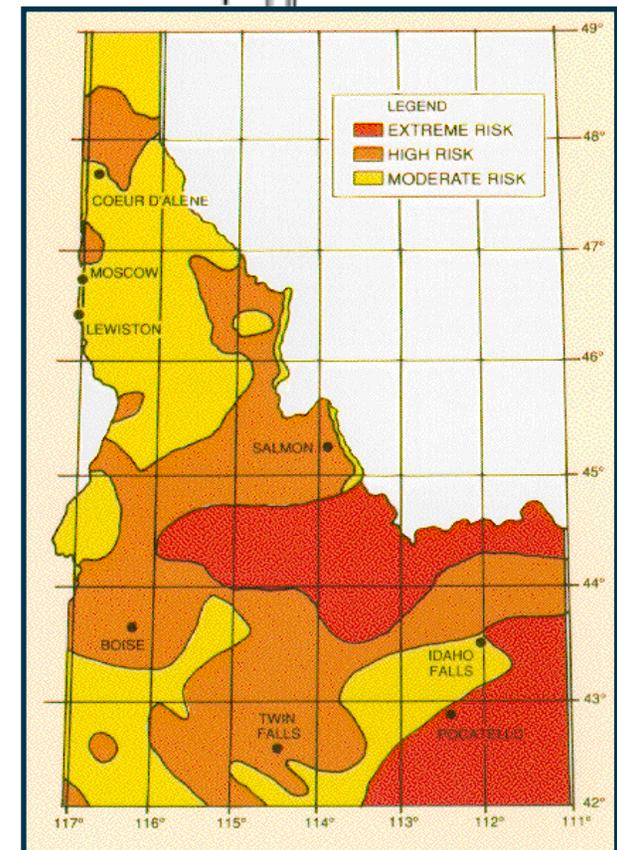
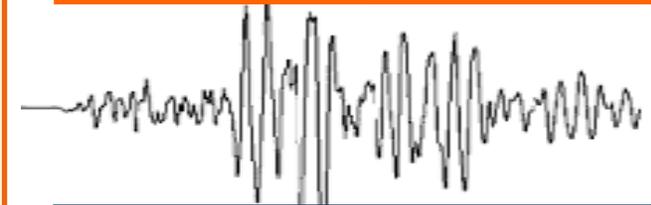
- ◆ When the ground begins to shake, **“DROP, COVER, AND HOLD ON”**
- ◆ If indoors, get under a sturdy table. If in bed, protect your head with a pillow.
- ◆ If outdoors, find a clear spot away from buildings and trees and stay until the shaking stops.
- ◆ If in a vehicle, pull over to a clear location until shaking stops.
- ◆ If you smell gas, **leave your home and notify the gas company.**
- ◆ Only turn off gas as a last resort, and if you can do so safely.
- ◆ Assume downed power lines are live and **STAY AWAY.**

Join Us  
for the Largest  
Earthquake Drill  
in Idaho History.

October 20, 2016

The Great  
Idaho  
**Shake  
Out**

[shakeout.org/idaho](http://shakeout.org/idaho)





# October 2016

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 Columbus Day	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 The Great Idaho <b>Shake Out</b> 10:20 am	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31 Halloween					

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### Preparedness Tip:

- Earthquakes happen in Idaho.
- They happen anytime of year, anytime of day.
- Plan for an Earthquake.
- Know what to do during an Earthquake.
- Expect aftershocks.

### Resources

[bhs.idaho.gov](http://bhs.idaho.gov)  
[earthquake.usgs.gov](http://earthquake.usgs.gov)  
[fema.gov](http://fema.gov)  
[idahogeology.org](http://idahogeology.org)  
[ready.gov](http://ready.gov)  
[redcross.org](http://redcross.org)  
[shakeout.org/idaho](http://shakeout.org/idaho)



Photo Source: Bonneville County Road and Bridge

**The National Weather Service** uses these terms and sub-categories to convey weather threats to the public. They should be understood and taken seriously.

**Winter Storm Watch:** Severe winter weather, such as heavy snow or ice, is possible within the next 12 to 36 hours. Be alert for changing weather conditions and plan activities accordingly. *Be watchful!*

**Winter Weather Advisory:** Approaching weather conditions may cause significant inconveniences and may be hazardous, especially to motorists. *Prepare now!*

**Winter Storm Warning:** Severe winter weather conditions are occurring, imminent, or highly likely in your area. *Take action!*

## Snow and Ice

- If a storm is forecasted: ensure you have a full tank of gas in your vehicle, enough food, water, adequate clothing, blankets and heating fuel in the event of power outages or if you become isolated.
- Maintain ventilation when using kerosene heaters in your home to avoid build-up of toxic fumes. Refuel kerosene heaters outside and keep them at least three feet from flammable objects.
- Keep snow shovels and sand nearby to remove snow and help with traction.
- Insulate your pipes to prevent from freezing.
- If temperatures drop below freezing, prevent pipes from freezing by turning on faucets to allow a slow drip.

## Wind

- Before a windstorm conduct a home safety evaluation, including garage door and nearby trees. If you have an electric garage door opener, locate the manual override.
- If you are indoors during a windstorm, move away from windows or other objects that could fall.
- If you are outdoors, move into a building and avoid downed electricity power lines, utility poles and trees.
- If you are driving, pull off the road away from trees, overpasses and power lines.



# November 2016

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Daylight Savings Time Ends		Election Day			Veterans Day	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
				Thanksgiving Day		
27	28	29	30			

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### Preparedness Tip:

- Power outages are likely during severe winter storms.
- Know what you should and shouldn't do when the power goes out.
- A power outage checklist is available at [redcross.org](http://redcross.org)
- **Never use a propane grill in a home, garage, or structure!**

### Resources

[511.idaho.gov](http://511.idaho.gov)  
[itd.idaho.gov](http://itd.idaho.gov)  
[noaa.gov](http://noaa.gov)  
[ready.gov/winter-weather](http://ready.gov/winter-weather)  
[redcross.org/prepare/  
 disaster/power-outage](http://redcross.org/prepare/disaster/power-outage)  
[rockymountainpower.net](http://rockymountainpower.net)  
[weather.com/safety](http://weather.com/safety)  
[weather.gov](http://weather.gov)





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**Preparedness Tip:**

NOAA weather alert radios broadcast warnings and post-event information for all types of hazards, including natural, environmental and public safety hazards, such as severe weather, chemical spills and AMBER alerts.

**Resources**

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- [noaa.gov](http://noaa.gov)
- [ready.gov](http://ready.gov)
- [redcross.org](http://redcross.org)

# December 2016

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Christmas Day	26	27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve