



Office of Emergency Services CEO Report May 2025

About OES

Mendocino County Office of Emergency Services (OES) is the primary local coordination agency for emergencies and disasters affecting residents, public infrastructure, and government operations in the Mendocino County Operational Area (OA). The Mendocino County OA includes the county and its cities, towns, and special districts, in coordination with tribes.

Community Preparedness/Upcoming Events

In late April, OES staff was included in the test of the Comptche Volunteer Fire Department automated emergency alert DialMyCalls system. This community-based system is a way for the fire department to communicate with members of their community and get important information relayed to the public.

OES participated in the Laytonville Community Resource Fair. We used this opportunity to assist people in signing up for alerts and warnings regarding emergencies. We also focused on preparedness with handouts about go bags, disaster kits, and important documents to be taken in case of an evacuation.

OES staff members were guest speakers at the GOComptche (Getting Older in Comptche) meeting in early May. Staff was asked to speak on Alert and Warning and the importance of early notifications of disaster events.

Emergency Coordination

CalDART exercise

On Saturday, April 26th, OES staff participated in a statewide disaster response exercise which was organized by the California Disaster Airlift Response Team (CalDART). The exercise involved OES staff meeting a CalDART volunteer pilot at the airport to exchange packages of cookies.

CalDART is a volunteer organization that offers logistical support to disaster-impacted communities by providing air transport of people and supplies when ground transportation is disrupted. The goal of this exercise was to enhance California's disaster resilience by familiarizing pilots with local airports and emergency managers with CalDART operations.





On May 1, 2025, Mendocino County Auxiliary Communications Services (MACS) participated in the Building Emergency Area Communications Operations & Networks 2025 (BEACON 25) annual Mutual Aid Region II (MAR II) communications exercise. Mendocino County deployed HAM Radio operators to schools, hospitals, and the Emergency Operations Center. The purpose of the exercise was to communicate with local, state, and regional partners to test Auxiliary Communications capabilities within the region.