

Santa Cruz Mountains CERTs Disaster Training Exercise



Saturday & Sunday, September 16th & 17th, CalFire Training Camp

Volunteer at Mountain CERT Disaster Simulation Exercise

- **Event Name:** Mountain CERT Disaster Simulation Exercise
- **Hosts:** The Mountain CERT Steering Committee, with assistance from CalFire, the CERT Auxiliary of Santa Cruz County, the American Red Cross, the San Lorenzo Valley Amateur Radio Emergency Services group, and Sacramento CERT
- **Location:** [CalFire Training Facility](#), 13575 Empire Grade, Bonny Doon
- **Date & Time:** Saturday and Sunday, September 16th and 17th, 8 am check in on Saturday, September 16th, optional overnight camping, final Hotwash concludes around 12:30 on Sunday. Food details to follow.
- **Maximum # of Students:** 25 CERT Volunteers, there will be a waiting list
- **Requirements:** Please wear long pants, hard-soled shoes or boots, bring your CERT pack, helmets, gloves, and dress for the weather. Bring camping gear if you plan to spend the night. Other requirements to follow. ***If you are not properly attired, you will not be able to participate!***
- **Questions:** Contact Julie Wuest, juliewuestcert@gmail.com

Event Description:

If you are a non-Mountain CERTs or Mountain CERT who would like to be a part of this event but not participate in the actual exercises, we would love to have you join us as a volunteer! You can often learn as much by helping as you can by participating!

Volunteer choices include helping with Traffic Management, Registration, at the Field Medical Station, participating as an Exercise Victim or as an Observer/Evaluator.

This is an important CERT Disaster Simulation Exercise, which will involve team members from Santa Cruz Mountain CERT teams participating together in a joint training exercise.

Exercises will include:

- Incident Command and Communications
- Damaged Building Search and Rescue
- Emergency Medical Treatment
- Heavy Cribbing
- Trapped Victim Rescue
- Outdoors Search & Rescue (Dusk)
- Setting up an Emergency Shelter
- Hazards Obstacle Course

Other Emergency Response Agencies who will be participating in this exercise:

- Sacramento CERT
- San Lorenzo Valley Amateur Radio Emergency Services
- American Red Cross
- Bonny Doon Volunteer Fire Team
- Santa Cruz Office of Emergency Services

Overnight camping is encouraged to get the maximum benefit from this event.